

Input Design Guidelines

UNIT 1C

EXAMPLES

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Example 1

The form consists of three input fields stacked vertically. The first field is labeled 'Email Address' and is empty. The second field is labeled 'First Name*' and contains the text 'Tj'. Below this field is a red asterisk and the word 'optional'. The third field is labeled 'Last Name*' and is empty. At the bottom of the form is a red button with the text 'Subscribe to newsletter'.

Normally indicate which fields are MANDATORY.
Normally use a * (asterisk).

In this example, OPTIONAL field has been specified.

VALIDATION

- **Email:** Presence Check
Character Check
Format Check

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Example 2

Contact Information

First Name Last Name

Email

Job Title *

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Indicate which fields are MANDATORY. Normally use a * (asterisk).

Consider using input masks (shows required format).

Consider single column design?

VALIDATION

FirstName: Presence Check

LastName: Presence Check

Email : Presence Check
Character Check
Format Check

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Example 3

Total \$12 996.00 / year

VISA MASTERCARD AMERICAN EXPRESS DISCOVER

NAME ON CARD
JAMES SMITH

CARD NUMBER
9

EXPIRY DATE 12 / 23 SECURE CODE ***

Somewhere something went wrong!
Check your data or try again later.

Display error message “where” the error occurred & not at the bottom of the form.

Error message needs to be more specific. Avoid common error messages.

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Total \$12,996.00 / year

VISA Mastercard American Express Discover

NAME ON CARD

Card number must begin with a digit 3, 4, 5 or 6. Please, try again.

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EXPIRY DATE MM / YY

SECURE CODE

VALIDATION

- Card Number:** Presence Check
Character Check (only digits)
- Expiry Date:** Presence Check
Date Validation (correct month 1 – 12;
Correct maximum days for month)
- Secure Code:** Presence Check
Character Check (only digits)
Length (must be 3 digits)