

How to display PDF file in HTML?

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I have an auto generated PDF file by **itext** and I need to display that PDF file in HTML. My question is: How to display a local PDF file in HTML using **pdf.js**? Should that PDF file be generated by some standards?

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Implementation of a PDF file in your HTML web-page is very easy.

```
<embed src="file_name.pdf" width="800px" height="2100px" />
```

Make sure to change the width and height for your needs. Good luck!

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```
<iframe src="https://docs.google.com/gview?url=https://path.com/to/your/pdf.pdf&embedded=true" style="width:600px; height:500px;" frameborder="0"></iframe>
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or

```
<object data="data/test.pdf" type="application/pdf" width="300" height="200">
<a href="data/test.pdf">test.pdf</a>
</object>
```

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```
<embed src="path_of_your_pdf/your_pdf_file.pdf" type="application/pdf" height="700px" width="500">
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