**HTML Doctypes**

HTML 5 – the current standard (recommended by many, but not by W3C yet)

<!doctype html>

XHTML- STRICT = the older standard (recommended by many)

<!DOCTYPE html PUBLIC "-//W3C//DTD XHTML 1.0 Strict//EN"

"http://www.w3.org/TR/xhtml1/DTD/xhtml1-strict.dtd">

XHTML – TRANSITIONAL = the most common standard

<!DOCTYPE html PUBLIC "-//W3C//DTD XHTML 1.0 Transitional//EN"

"http://www.w3.org/TR/xhtml1/DTD/xhtml1-transitional.dtd">

XHTML – FRAMESET

<!DOCTYPE html PUBLIC "-//W3C//DTD XHTML 1.0 Frameset//EN"

"http://www.w3.org/TR/xhtml1/DTD/xhtml1-frameset.dtd">

HTML 4.01 – Use only if absolutely necessary

[Strict](http://www.w3.org/TR/html401/strict.dtd)

<!DOCTYPE HTML PUBLIC "-//W3C//DTD HTML 4.01//EN"

"http://www.w3.org/TR/html4/strict.dtd">

[Transitional](http://www.w3.org/TR/html401/loose.dtd)

<!DOCTYPE HTML PUBLIC "-//W3C//DTD HTML 4.01 Transitional//EN"

"http://www.w3.org/TR/html4/loose.dtd">

[Frameset](http://www.w3.org/TR/html401/frameset.dtd)

<!DOCTYPE HTML PUBLIC "-//W3C//DTD HTML 4.01 Frameset//EN"

"http://www.w3.org/TR/html4/frameset.dtd">