#### noBreakHyphen (Non Breaking Hyphen Character)

This element specifies that a non breaking hyphen character shall be placed at the current location in the run content. A non breaking hyphen is the equivalent of Unicode character 002D (the hyphen-minus), however it shall not be used as a valid line breaking character for the current line of text when displaying this WordprocessingML content.

The [behavior](behavior.docx) of a non breaking hyphen in run content shall be to display using the same glyph as the hyphen-minus character, however without being a valid line breaking [position](position.docx) (unlike the hyphen-minus character).

[Example: Consider the following sentence in a WordprocessingML document:

This makes a very very very wordy and deliberately overcomplicated sentence.

Normally, just as shown above, this sentence not would be displayed on a single line as it is long enough to require line breaking (given the width of the current page). However, if a hyphen minus were inserted after the letter s in sentence, as follows:

<w:[r](r.docx)>  
 <w:[t](t.docx)>This makes a very very very wordy and deliberately overcomplicated s-entence.</w:[t](t.docx)>  
</w:[r](r.docx)>

This would allow a break at that [position](position.docx), and break the word after that character:

This makes a very very very wordy and deliberately overcomplicated s-entence.

If this was not desired, the non breaking hyphen character could be specified as follows:

<w:[r](r.docx)>  
 <w:[t](t.docx)>This makes a very very very wordy and deliberately overcomplicated s</w:[t](t.docx)>  
 <w:nonBreakHyphen/>  
 <w:[t](t.docx)>entence.</w:[t](t.docx)>  
</w:[r](r.docx)>

This would display a hyphen character, but would not allow the text to break at that location:

This makes a very very very wordy and deliberately overcomplicated s‑entence.

end example]

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| Parent Elements |
| [r](r.docx) (§); [r](r.docx) (§) |

The following [XML](XML.docx) Schema fragment defines the contents of this element:

<complexType [name](name.docx)="CT\_Empty"/>