#### [pPr](pPr.docx) (Paragraph Properties)

This element specifies a set of paragraph properties which shall be applied to the contents of the parent paragraph after all style/[numbering](numbering.docx)/[table](table.docx) properties have been applied to the text. These properties are defined as direct formatting, since they are directly applied to the paragraph and supersede any formatting from styles.

[Example: Consider a paragraph which should have a set of paragraph formatting properties. This set of properties is specified in the paragraph properties as follows:

<w:[p](p.docx)>

<w:[pPr](pPr.docx)>

<w:[pBdr](pBdr.docx)>

<w:bottom w:val="single" w:[sz](sz.docx)="8" w:space="4" w:[color](color.docx)="4F81BD" />

  </w:[pBdr](pBdr.docx)>

  <w:[spacing](spacing.docx) w:after="300" />

  <w:[contextualSpacing](contextualSpacing.docx) />

</w:[pPr](pPr.docx)>

</w:[p](p.docx)>

The [pPr](pPr.docx) element specifies the properties which are applied to the current paragraph - in this case, a bottom paragraph border using the bottom element (§), [spacing](spacing.docx) after the paragraph using the [spacing](spacing.docx) element (§), and that [spacing](spacing.docx) should be ignored for paragraphs above/below of the same style using the [contextualSpacing](contextualSpacing.docx) element (§). end example]

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| Parent Elements |
| [p](p.docx) (§) |

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| Child Elements | Subclause |
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| [autoSpaceDE](autoSpaceDE.docx) (Automatically Adjust Spacing of Latin and East Asian Text) | § |
| [autoSpaceDN](autoSpaceDN.docx) (Automatically Adjust Spacing of East Asian Text and Numbers) | § |
| [bidi](bidi.docx) (Right to Left Paragraph Layout) | § |
| [cnfStyle](cnfStyle.docx) (Paragraph Conditional Formatting) | § |
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| [keepLines](keepLines.docx) (Keep All Lines On One Page) | § |
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| [suppressAutoHyphens](suppressAutoHyphens.docx) (Suppress Hyphenation for Paragraph) | § |
| [suppressLineNumbers](suppressLineNumbers.docx) (Suppress Line Numbers for Paragraph) | § |
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| [tabs](tabs.docx) (Set of Custom Tab Stops) | § |
| [textAlignment](textAlignment.docx) (Vertical Character Alignment on Line) | § |
| [textboxTightWrap](textboxTightWrap.docx) (Allow Surrounding [Paragraphs](Paragraphs.docx) to Tight Wrap to Text Box Contents) | § |
| [textDirection](textDirection.docx) (Paragraph Text Flow Direction) | § |
| [topLinePunct](topLinePunct.docx) (Compress Punctuation at Start of a Line) | § |
| [widowControl](widowControl.docx) (Allow First/Last Line to Display on a Separate Page) | § |
| [wordWrap](wordWrap.docx) (Allow Line Breaking At Character Level) | § |

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

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

<complexContent>

<extension base="CT\_PPrBase">

<sequence>

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<element [name](name.docx)="[sectPr](sectPr.docx)" [type](type.docx)="CT\_SectPr" minOccurs="0"/>

<element [name](name.docx)="[pPrChange](pPrChange.docx)" [type](type.docx)="CT\_PPrChange" minOccurs="0"/>

</sequence>

</extension>

</complexContent>

</complexType>