#### [placeholder](placeholder.docx) (Structured Document Tag Placeholder Text)

This element specifies the [placeholder](placeholder.docx) text which should be displayed when this structured document tag's run contents are empty, the associated mapped [XML](XML.docx) element is empty as specified via the [dataBinding](dataBinding.docx) element (§) or the [showingPlcHdr](showingPlcHdr.docx) element (§) is set in the structured document tag's properties. The [placeholder](placeholder.docx) text which shall be shown is itself specified via the child element [docPart](docPart.docx).

If this element is omitted, then five non-breaking spaces shall be used as the default [placeholder](placeholder.docx) text for this structured document tag.

[Example: Consider a structured document [tag](tag.docx) defined as follows:

<w:[sdt](sdt.docx)>  
 <w:[sdtPr](sdtPr.docx)>  
 <w:[placeholder](placeholder.docx)>  
 <w:[docPart](docPart.docx) w:val="DefaultPlaceholder\_22610170" />   
 </w:[placeholder](placeholder.docx)>  
 …  
 </w:[sdtPr](sdtPr.docx)>  
 <w:[sdtContent](sdtContent.docx)>  
 …  
 </w:[sdtContent](sdtContent.docx)>  
</w:[sdt](sdt.docx)>

This structured document [tag](tag.docx) specifies through the [placeholder](placeholder.docx) element that its [placeholder](placeholder.docx) text shall be specified in the document part of [type](type.docx) bbPlcHdr whose name is equal to DefaultPlaceholder\_22610170. end example]

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

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| Child Elements | Subclause |
| [docPart](docPart.docx) (Document Part Reference) | § |

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

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

<sequence>

<element [name](name.docx)="[docPart](docPart.docx)" [type](type.docx)="CT\_String"/>

</sequence>

</complexType>