#### stylePaneSortMethod (Suggested Sorting for List of Document Styles)

This element specifies a suggested sorting which should be applied to the list of document [styles](styles.docx) in this application if the [styles](styles.docx) are displayed in a user interface.

The val attribute of this element specifies one of the following sorting options:

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| Value | Description |
| 0x0000 | Specifies that [styles](styles.docx) which are visible should be sorted by their names. |
| 0x0001 | Specifies that [styles](styles.docx) which are visible should be sorted by their UI priority using the [uiPriority](uiPriority.docx) element (§). |
| 0x0002 | Specifies that [styles](styles.docx) which are visible should be sorted by the default sorting of the host application. |
| 0x0003 | Specifies that [styles](styles.docx) which are visible should be sorted by the font which they apply. |
| 0x0004 | Specifies that [styles](styles.docx) which are visible should be sorted by the style on which they are based using the [basedOn](basedOn.docx) element (§). |
| 0x0005 | Specifies that [styles](styles.docx) which are visible should be sorted by their style types (i.e. character, linked, paragraph). |
| Any other value | Undefined. Shall not be used. |

If this element is omitted, then [styles](styles.docx) which are visible should be sorted by the default sorting of the host application.

[Example: Consider a document with the following value in its document settings:

<w:stylePaneSortMethod w:val="0005" />

The [stylePaneFormatFilter](stylePaneFormatFilter.docx) element's val attribute specifies that [styles](styles.docx) which are visible should be sorted by their style types (i.e. character, linked, paragraph) via a value of 0005. end example]

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| Parent Elements |
| settings (§) |

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| Attributes | Description |
| val (Two Digit Hexadecimal Value) | Specifies a value specified as a two digit hexadecimal number), whose contents are interpreted based on the context of the parent [XML](XML.docx) element.  [Example: Consider the following WordprocessingML fragment:  <w:[tblPr](tblPr.docx)>  <w:[tblLook](tblLook.docx) w:val="0010" />  </w:[tblPr](tblPr.docx)>  The value of 0010 is interpreted in the context of the parent element. end example]  The possible values for this attribute are defined by the [ST\_ShortHexNumber](ST_ShortHexNumber.docx) simple [type](type.docx) (§). |

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

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

<attribute [name](name.docx)="val" [type](type.docx)="[ST\_ShortHexNumber](ST_ShortHexNumber.docx)" use="required"/>

</complexType>