

Position Property

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It determines how an element is positioned in the document flow and how it interacts with other elements.

Position Values:

1. **static** (default):

- The default positioning for all HTML elements.
- Elements are positioned according to the normal document flow
- **top**, **right**, **bottom**, **left**, and **z-index** properties do not apply.

Example:

```
div {  
    position: static;  
}
```

2. **relative**:

- The element is positioned relative to its normal position in the document flow.
- The **top**, **right**, **bottom**, and **left** properties can be used to adjust the element's position relative to its original position.
- Other elements' positions are not affected.

Example:

```
div {  
    position: relative;  
    top: 20px;  
    left: 10px;  
}
```

In this example, the **div** is shifted 20px down and 10px to the right from where it would normally be positioned.

3. **absolute**:

- The element is removed from the normal document flow and positioned relative to its nearest positioned ancestor (i.e., an ancestor with a **relative**, **absolute**, or **fixed** position).
- If no such ancestor exists, it is positioned relative to the initial containing block (usually the viewport).
- **top**, **right**, **bottom**, and **left** properties are used to position the element.

Example:

```
div {  
    position: absolute;  
    top: 50px;  
    left: 30px;  
}
```

In this example, the **div** is positioned 50px from the top and 30px from the left of its nearest positioned ancestor.

4. **fixed**:

- The element is removed from the normal document flow and positioned relative to the viewport.
- The element stays fixed in position even when the page is scrolled.
- **top**, **right**, **bottom**, and **left** properties are used to position the element.

Example:

```
div {  
    position: fixed;  
    top: 10px;  
    right: 10px;  
}
```

In this example, the **div** remains fixed 10px from the top and right of the viewport, even when the page is scrolled.

5. sticky:

- The element is positioned based on the user's scroll position.
- It toggles between **relative** and **fixed**, depending on the scroll position.
- The element behaves like **relative** until a given offset position is met, then it behaves like **fixed**.
- The **top**, **right**, **bottom**, or **left** properties define the threshold where the element becomes sticky.

Example:

```
div {  
  position: sticky;  
  top: 100px;  
}
```

<!-- ! z-index -->

- The **z-index** property controls the stacking order of positioned elements (elements with **relative**, **absolute**, **fixed**, or **sticky** position).
- Higher **z-index** values stack elements in front of those with lower values.

Example:

```
div {  
  position: absolute;  
  z-index: 1;  
}
```

Difference Between Relative And Absolute Position

Feature	position: relative	position: absolute
Definition	Positions the element relative to its normal/static position .	Positions the element relative to the nearest positioned ancestor or the viewport if no ancestor is positioned.
Document Flow	Element remains in the document flow ; its space is reserved.	Element is removed from the document flow , and does not occupy space.
Positioning Reference	Uses its original position as the reference for top, right, bottom, and left.	Uses the nearest positioned ancestor (with relative, absolute, or fixed) or the viewport as the reference.
Sibling Elements	Does not overlap or affect the positioning of sibling elements.	May overlap or affect sibling elements, as it's removed from the flow.
Example CSS	position: relative; top: 20px; left: 30px;	position: absolute; top: 10px; left: 15px;