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About this guide

This guide covers:

- Deleting documents with Monger
- Deleting a single document vs multiple documents

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What version of Monger does this guide cover?

This guide covers Monger 3.1 (including preview releases).

How to Remove Documents with Monger

Documents are removed using `monger.collection/remove` function that takes a collection name and conditions:

```
(ns my.service.server
  (:require [monger.core :as mg]
            [monger.collection :as mc])
  (:import [org.bson.types.ObjectId]))

(let [conn (mg/connect)
      db   (mg/get-db conn "monger-test")
      coll "documents"]
  ;; insert a few documents
  (mc/insert db coll { :language "English" :pages 38 })
  (mc/insert db coll { :language "Spanish" :pages 78 })
  (mc/insert db coll { :language "Unknown" :pages 87 })

  ;; remove multiple documents
  (mc/remove db coll { :language "English" })

  ;; remove ALL documents in the collection
  (mc/remove db coll))
```

Removing a Single Document By Id

`monger.collection/remove-by-id` is useful when document id is known:

```
(ns my.service.server
  (:require [monger.core :as mg]
            [monger.collection :as mc])
  (:import [org.bson.types.ObjectId]))

(let [conn (mg/connect)
      db   (mg/get-db conn "monger-test")
      coll "documents"]
  ;; remove document by id
  (let [oid (ObjectId.)]
    (mc/insert db coll { :language "English" :pages 38 :_id oid })
    (mc/remove-by-id db coll oid)))
```

What to read next

The documentation is organized as [a number of guides](#), covering all kinds of topics.

We recommend that you read the following guides first, if possible, in this order:

- [Indexing and other collection operations](#)
- [Integration with 3rd party libraries](#)
- [Map/Reduce](#)
- [GridFS support](#)
- [Using MongoDB Aggregation Framework](#)
- [Using MongoDB commands](#)

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