

8 Dialogues And Notification

8.1 LoadIndicator

The LoadIndicator is a UI element notifying the viewer that a process is in progress.

Specify Dimensions

LoadIndicator allows us to specify its dimensions. We can set the *height* and *width* properties to the size we need.

Apply a Custom Indicator

If we want to apply a custom indicator, we can assign the path to a new image or GIF to the *indicatorSrc* property.

We can use *LoadIndicator* within other UI components also.

8.2 LoadPanel

The LoadPanel is an overlay component used to notify users that a process is in progress.

Show and Hide the Indicator and Pane

LoadPanel elements (*a message and an animated load indicator*) are displayed on a *pane*. If we want to hide it, we can set the *showPane* property to *false*. We can also disable the *showIndicator* property to *hide* the animated *load indicator*. In this case, the LoadPanel displays only the message.

Configure the Background Shade

When LoadPanel is displayed, it shades the background. We can use the *shadingColor* property to specify the color of the shade. We can also specify the element that should be shaded. For this, assign the element's CSS selector to the *container* property. If we don't want to shade the background, *disable* the *shading* property.

Show and Hide LoadPanel

We can change the LoadPanel visibility by setting the *visible* property. Alternatively, we can call the *show()* and *hide()* or *toggle(showing)* methods.

Users can hide LoadPanel when they click outside it if you enable the *hideOnOutsideClick* property.

LoadPanel also allows you to handle the show and hide events. We can use the *onShowing* and *onHiding* functions to handle the events before they occur and possibly cancel them. We can use the *onShown* and *onHidden* functions to perform required actions after the events are raised.

8.3 Popup

The JavaScript Popup is a pop-up window overlaying the current view.

Show and Hide the Popup

We can call the *show()* method to display the popup. We can close popup, by choosing one of the following options :

Built-in close button (Enable the *showCloseButton* property to display the Close button in a popup's top toolbar)

Custom close button

On outside click (Enable the *hideOnOutsideClick* property to allow users to hide the popup by clicking outside the component)

Configure the popup

The popup inner area is divided into three parts :

Top toolbar

We can set *showTitle* to *true* and use the *title* property to specify the *caption*. The *Close button* will appear if you do *not disable* the *showCloseButton* property.

Also we can add *toolbarItems* markup and set each item's toolbar property to top.

Content area

To populate the popup with content, we can use the *contentTemplate* property.

Bottom toolbar

To enable the bottom toolbar, we can declare the *toolbarItems* array. We can set each item's toolbar property to bottom.

Resize and Position

To specify popup size, we can use the *height* and *width* properties.

We can set the *my*, *at*, and *of* properties of the *position* object.

We uses the *container* property to select the container in which you want to render the popup.

If we set the *container* property to an element on the page, the *shading* applies to this element.

We can turn on the *dragEnabled* option to allow users to *move* the popup around the page.

8.4 Popover

The Popover component shows pop-up notifications within a box with an arrow that points to a specified UI element.

Attach Popover to a Page Element

Popover displays an arrow that points to a page element. To specify the element, set the *target* property to a CSS selector.

We can use the *position* property to position Popover relative to the target element. If we don't specify this property, Popover is *displayed under the element*.

Show and Hide Popover

The *showEvent* and *hideEvent* properties allow us to *show* and *hide* Popover in response to certain events. These properties can accept *one or multiple names of DOM events* or *DevExtreme UI events separated by a space character*.

We can also specify a *delay* before the events occur. We can set the *showEvent* and *hideEvent* properties to an object with the *name* (one or multiple event names) and *delay* properties.

Specify Content

Popover consists of *content area* and a *title*. We can specify static content in the HTML markup. If Popover should display dynamic content, we can use the *contentTemplate* property to specify a template. To display the title, we can enable the *showTitle* property and set the *title* property to the title text.

Animate Popover

We can show and hide Popover with animation effects, by assigning an object with the *show* and *hide* fields to the *animation* property. Each of these fields accepts an object that configures the animation *type* and other properties.

Shade the Background

We can show Popover with a shaded background. To do this, we can enable the *shading* property and specify a *shadingColor*.

8.5 Popup vs Popover

Usage : Popups are used for more significant interactions requiring user focus, whereas Popovers are used for supplementary information related to a specific element.

Modal vs Non-Modal : Popups can be modal, blocking other interactions; Popovers are non-modal.

Positioning : Popups can be positioned anywhere on the screen, while Popovers are positioned relative to a specific element.

Content Complexity : Popups can handle complex content; Popovers are typically for simpler, more concise content.

Overlay : Popups usually include an overlay; Popovers do not.

8.6 Toast

The Toast is a UI component that displays pop-up notifications.

We can specify one of the four predefined types of notifications, depending on the *mode* of the message :

'info'(A toast with a message), *'warning'*(yellow toast), *'error'*(red toast), *'success'*(green toast).

We can also customize the Toast appearance by setting the type property to *'custom'* and use a *contentTemplate*.

If we need to specify other Toast properties in addition to *type* and *displayTime*, we can set other Toast properties, such as *shading*, *position*, *width*, *height*, and others.