

## PHP Delete Database

### Deleting a Database

If a database is no longer required then it can be deleted forever. You can use pass an SQL command to **mysql\_query** to delete a database.

#### Example

Try out following example to drop a database.

```
<?php
    $dbhost = 'localhost:3036';
    $dbuser = 'root';
    $dbpass = 'rootpassword';
    $conn = mysql_connect($dbhost, $dbuser, $dbpass);

    if(! $conn ) {
        die('Could not connect: ' . mysql_error());
    }

    $sql = 'DROP DATABASE test_db';
    $retval = mysql_query( $sql, $conn );

    if(! $retval ) {
        die('Could not delete database db_test: ' . mysql_error());
    }

    echo "Database deleted successfully\n";

    mysql_close($conn);
?>
```

**WARNING** – its very dangerous to delete a database and any table. So before deleting any table or database you should make sure you are doing everything intentionally.

### Deleting a Table

Its again a matter of issuing one SQL command through **mysql\_query** function to delete any database table. But be very careful while using this command because by doing so you can delete some important information you have in your table.

#### Example

Try out following example to drop a table –

```
<?php
```

```
$dbhost = 'localhost:3036';
$dbuser = 'root';
$dbpass = 'rootpassword';
$conn = mysql_connect($dbhost, $dbuser, $dbpass);

if(! $conn ) {
    die('Could not connect: ' . mysql_error());
}

$sql = 'DROP TABLE employee';
$retval = mysql_query( $sql, $conn );

if(! $retval ) {
    die('Could not delete table employee: ' . mysql_error());
}

echo "Table deleted successfully\n";

mysql_close($conn);
?>
```

