



Agenda

- > Forms: Structure and elements
- ➤Input types: Text, email, password, number, date, file, and more.
- ➤ Validation attributes: Required, minlength, maxlength.
- ><form> and <input> attributes: placeholder, autocomplete, etc.

Introduction to HTML Forms

HTML forms are the primary way users interact with web applications, allowing them to input data, make selections, and submit information to servers.

Introduction to HTML Tables

What Are Forms Used For?

```
<form action="/register" method="POST">
    <h2>Create Account</h2>
    <!-- Form fields for user data collection -->
</form>

<!-- Contact Form -->
    <form action="/contact" method="POST">
         <h2>Contact Us</h2>
         <!-- Contact information fields -->
         </form>
```

Introduction to HTML Tables

Form vs. Non-Form Interactive Elements

```
Use forms for data submission -->
<form action="/login" method="POST">
  <input type="email" name="email" required>
  <input type="password" name="password" required>
  <button type="submit">Login</button>
</form>

■ Use buttons for UI interactions (no data submission) -->

<button onclick="toggleMenu()">Menu</button>
<button onclick="showModal()">Show Details
<!-- 🗶 Don't use forms for non-submission interactions -->
<form>
 <button type="button" onclick="toggleTheme()">Toggle Theme</putton>
</form>
```

Form Element Structure

Basic Form Element

Basic Table Structure

Form Methods Explained

```
<form action="/search" method="GET">
 <input type="text" name="q" placeholder="Search term">
 <button type="submit">Search</putton>
</form>
<form action="/submit" method="POST">
 <input type="email" name="email">
 <input type="password" name="password">
 <button type="submit">Submit
</form>
<form action="/upload" method="POST" enctype="multipart/form-data">
 <input type="file" name="document">
  <button type="submit">Upload</putton>
</form>
```

Basic Table Structure

Form Encoding Types

```
<form action="/submit" method="POST" enctype="application/x-www-form-urlencoded">
 <input type="text" name="username">
 <input type="email" name="email">
</form>
<form action="/upload" method="POST" enctype="multipart/form-data">
 <input type="text" name="title">
 <input type="file" name="photo">
</form>
<form action="/submit" method="POST" enctype="text/plain">
 <input type="text" name="message">
</form>
```

Input Elements Deep Dive

Basic Input Structure

```
type="text"
                            <!-- Input type -->
name="username"
id="username"
value="default-value"
placeholder="Enter username" <!-- Hint text -->
required
disabled
readonly
maxlength="50"
minlength="3"
size="30"
autocomplete="username"
autofocus
class="form-input"
style="border: 1px solid #ccc" <!-- Inline styles -->
title="Username for login"
pattern="[a-zA-Z0-9]+"
aria-describedby="username-help"> <!-- Accessibility description -->
```

Input Elements Deep Dive

Input Types Overview

```
<input type="text" name="firstName" placeholder="First Name">
<input type="password" name="password" placeholder="Password">
<input type="email" name="email" placeholder="email@example.com">
<input type="url" name="website" placeholder="https://example.com">
<input type="tel" name="phone" placeholder="+1-555-123-4567">
<input type="search" name="query" placeholder="Search...">
<input type="number" name="age" min="18" max="100" step="1">
<input type="range" name="volume" min="0" max="100" value="50">
<input type="date" name="birthday">
<input type="time" name="appointment">
<input type="datetime-local" name="event">
<input type="month" name="start-month">
<input type="week" name="vacation-week">
```

```
<input type="checkbox" name="newsletter" id="newsletter">
<input type="radio" name="gender" value="male" id="male">
<input type="radio" name="gender" value="female" id="female">
<input type="file" name="resume" accept=".pdf,.doc,.docx">
<input type="color" name="theme-color" value="#ff0000">
<input type="hidden" name="form-id" value="contact-form">
<input type="submit" value="Submit Form">
<input type="reset" value="Reset Form">
<input type="button" value="Custom Action" onclick="doSomething()">
```

```
<div class="form-group">
 <label for="password">Password</label>
   type="password"
   id="password"
   name="password"
   minlength="8"
   pattern="^(?=.*[a-z])(?=.*[A-Z])(?=.*\d)(?=.*[@$!%*?&])[A-Za-z\d@$!%*?&]{8,}$"
   title="Password must contain at least 8 characters, including uppercase, lower
   required>
 <div class="password-requirements">
   <small>Password must contain:
     At least 8 characters
     One uppercase letter
     One lowercase letter
     One number
     One special character
   </div>
</div>
```

```
<div class="search-form">
 <label for="search" class="visually-hidden">Search</label>
   type="search"
   id="search"
   name="q"
   placeholder="Search products..."
   autocomplete="off"
   list="search-suggestions">
  <datalist id="search-suggestions">
    <option value="Laptops">
    <option value="Smartphones">
    <option value="Tablets">
    <option value="Headphones">
 </datalist>
 <button type="submit"> Q </button>
</div>
```

Textarea Element

```
<div class="form-group">
 <label for="message">Message</label>
 <textarea
   id="message"
   name="message"
   rows="5"
   cols="50"
   placeholder="Enter your message here..."
   maxlength="500"
   required></textarea>
 <div class="character-count">
   <span id="char-count">0</span>/500 characters
 </div>
</div>
```

Textarea Element

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Radio Buttons

```
<div class="radio-group">
     <input type="radio" id="contact-phone" name="contact-method" value="phone">
     <label for="contact-phone">Phone</label>
</div>
```

Checkboxes

```
<fieldset class="form-group">
  <le><legend>What are you interested in? (Select all that apply)</legend>
  <div class="checkbox-group">
    <input type="checkbox" id="web-dev" name="interests[]" value="web-development"</pre>
    <label for="web-dev">Web Development</label>
  </div>
  <div class="checkbox-group">
    <input type="checkbox" id="mobile-dev" name="interests[]" value="mobile-develc"</pre>
    <label for="mobile-dev">Mobile Development</label>
 </div>
  <div class="checkbox-group">
    <input type="checkbox" id="data-science" name="interests[]" value="data-science"</pre>
   <label for="data-science">Data Science</label>
  </div>
  <div class="checkbox-group">
    <input type="checkbox" id="ui-design" name="interests[]" value="ui-design">
    <label for="ui-design">UI/UX Design</label>
  </div>
```

Select Dropdowns

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Selection Controls

```
<div class="form-group">
 <label for="job-category">Job Category</label>
 <select id="job-category" name="jobCategory" required>
   <option value="">Select a category</option>
   <optgroup label="Technology">
     <option value="web-dev">Web Developer</option>
     <option value="mobile-dev">Mobile Developer</option>
     <option value="data-scientist">Data Scientist</option>
     <option value="devops">DevOps Engineer</option>
   </optgroup>
   <optgroup label="Design">
     <option value="ui-designer">UI Designer
     <option value="ux-designer">UX Designer
     <option value="graphic-designer">Graphic Designer
   <optgroup label="Marketing">
     <option value="digital-marketing">Digital Marketing</option>
     <option value="content-marketing">Content Marketing</option>
     <option value="social-media">Social Media Manager
   <optgroup label="Business">
     <option value="project-manager">Project Manager
     <option value="business-analyst">Business Analyst
    <option value="sales">Sales Representative</option>
   </optgroup>
```

Select Dropdowns

```
<div class="form-group">
 <label for="skills">Technical Skills (Hold Ctrl/Cmd to select multiple)</label>
 <select id="skills" name="skills[]" multiple size="6">
   <option value="html">HTML</option>
   <option value="css">CSS</option>
   <option value="javascript">JavaScript</option>
   <option value="react">React</option>
   <option value="angular">Angular
   <option value="vue">Vue.js</option>
   <option value="nodejs">Node.js</option>
   <option value="python">Python</option>
   <option value="java">Java</option>
   <option value="csharp">C#</option>
   <option value="php">PHP</option>
   <option value="sql">SQL</option>
 </select>
 <small class="form-help">Hold Ctrl (Windows) or Cmd (Mac) while clicking to sele
</div>
```

Select Dropdowns

Button Elements

Button Types and Usage

```
<!-- Submit button - submits the form -->
<button type="submit">Submit Form</button>
<input type="submit" value="Submit Form">

<!-- Reset button - clears all form fields -->
<button type="reset">Reset Form</button>
<input type="reset" value="Clear All Fields">

<!-- Regular button - for JavaScript actions -->
<button type="button" onclick="validateForm()">Validate</button>
<input type="button" value="Calculate" onclick="calculate()">

<!-- Button with default type (submit in forms, button outside forms) -->
<button>Default Button</button>
```

Button Elements

Advanced Button Examples

Form Labels

Label Element Best Practices

```
<label for="user-email">Email Address</label>
 Full Name
 <input type="text" name="fullName" required>
<div class="form-row">
 <span id="salary-label">Annual Salary</span>
 <span id="currency-label">USD</span>
   type="number"
   name="salary"
   aria-labelledby="salary-label currency-label"
   min="Θ"
   step="1000">
<label for="phone-number">
 Phone Number
 <abbr title="required" aria-label="required">*</abbr>
<input type="tel" id="phone-number" name="phone" required>
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