

Converting HTML to PDF

The HTML to PDF converter is a .NET library for converting webpages, SVG, MHTML, and HTML files to PDF using C#. It uses popular rendering engines such as Blink (Google Chrome) and is reliable and accurate. The result preserves all graphics, images, text, fonts, and the layout of the original HTML document or webpage.



Syncfusion HTML-to-PDF converter will work seamlessly in various platforms like Azure Cloud or web apps, Azure Functions, Amazon Web Service (AWS), Docker, WinForms, WPF, ASP.NET MVC, ASP.NET Core with Windows, Linux, and macOS.

Key features for HTML Converter

- Converts any [webpage to PDF](#).
- Converts any raw [HTML string to PDF](#).
- Converts [HTML form to fillable PDF form](#).
- Automatically creates [Table of Contents](#).
- Automatically creates [bookmark hierarchy](#).
- Converts only a [part of the web page to PDF](#).
- Supports PDF header and PDF footer.
- Repeats HTML table header and footer in PDF.
- Supports HTML5, CSS3, SVG, and Web fonts.
- Converts any [HTML to an image](#).
- Converts any [SVG to image](#).
- Supports accessing HTML pages using both [HTTP POST and GET](#) methods.
- Supports [HTTP cookies](#).
- Supports [cookies-based form authentication](#).
- Thread safe.
- Supports internal and external [hyperlinks](#).
- Sets document properties, page settings, security, viewer preferences, and more.
- Protects PDF document with password and permission.
- Compatible with .NET Framework 4.5 and above.
- Compatible with .NET Core 2.0 and above.



Install HTML to PDF .NET library to your project

Include the HTML to PDF converter in your project using two approaches.

- NuGet packages (Recommended)
- Assemblies.

NuGet Packages Required (Recommended)

Directly install the NuGet packages to your .NET application from [nuget.org](#).

NOTE

The HTML to PDF converter library internally uses the Blink rendering engine for the conversion. The binaries will differ for Windows, Linux, Mac, and AWS. So, separate packages are provided based on OS. Include the packages based on your requirement.

Platform(s)	NuGet Package
(.NET Core, .NET 5, .NET 6) Windows	Syncfusion.HtmlToPdfConverter.Net.Windows.nupkg
(.NET Core, .NET 5, .NET 6) Linux	Syncfusion.HtmlToPdfConverter.Net.Linux.nupkg

(.NET Core, .NET 5, .NET 6) Mac	Syncfusion.HtmlToPdfConverter.Net.Mac.nupkg
(.NET Core, .NET 5, .NET 6) AWS	Syncfusion.HtmlToPdfConverter.Net.Aws.nupkg

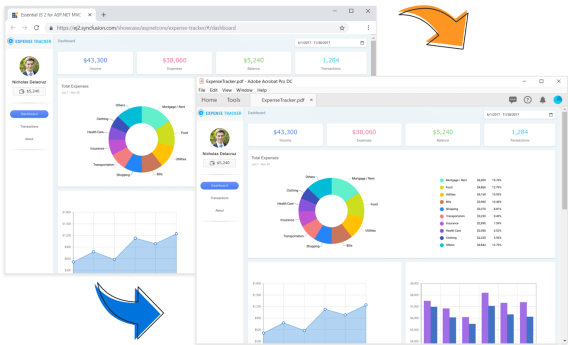
Use the following packages for .NET Framework targeted applications. If you are using other Syncfusion libraries or components, use the HTML to PDF converter library with the same platform packages.

Platform(s)	NuGet Package
Windows Forms	Syncfusion.HtmlToPdfConverter.WinForms.nupkg
WPF	Syncfusion.HtmlToPdfConverter.Wpf.nupkg
ASP.NET	Syncfusion.HtmlToPdfConverter.AspNet.nupkg
ASP.NET MVC	Syncfusion.HtmlToPdfConverter.AspNet.Mvc5.nupkg

Assemblies Required

Get the following required assemblies by downloading the HTML converter installer. Download and install the HTML converter for [Windows](#), [Linux](#), and [Mac](#), respectively. Please refer to the [advanced installation](#) steps for more details.

Platforms	Assemblies
WinForms WPF ASP.NET ASP.NET MVC	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Syncfusion.Compression.Base.dll • Syncfusion.Pdf.Base.dll • Syncfusion.HtmlConverter.Base.dll • Newtonsoft.Json package (v13.0.1 or above)
.NET/.NET Core Blazor	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Syncfusion.Compression.Portable.dll • Syncfusion.Pdf.Portable.dll • Syncfusion.HtmlConverter.Portable.dll • Newtonsoft.Json package (v13.0.1 or above)



Convert HTML to PDF in Linux

HTML to PDF converter .NET library supports conversion in Linux. Refer to [this](#) section for more information about HTML to PDF conversion in Linux.

Convert HTML to PDF in Docker

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Convert HTML to PDF in Mac

HTML to PDF converter .NET library supports conversion in Mac. Refer to [this](#) section for more information about HTML to PDF conversion in Mac.

Convert HTML to PDF in ASP.NET Core

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Convert HTML to PDF in ASP.NET MVC

HTML to PDF converter .NET library supports conversion in ASP.NET MVC. Refer to [this](#) section for more information about HTML to PDF conversion in ASP.NET MVC.

Convert HTML to PDF in Blazor

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Convert HTML to PDF in Azure

HTML to PDF converter .NET library supports conversion in Azure. Refer to [this](#) section for more information about HTML to PDF conversion in Azure.

Convert HTML to PDF in AWS

HTML to PDF converter .NET library supports conversion in AWS. Refer to [this](#) section for more information about HTML to PDF conversion in AWS.

Features

Refer to [this](#) section for more information about features in HTML to PDF converter, you can get the details, code examples and demo from this section.

HTML converter Features

URL to PDF

To convert website URL or local HTML file to PDF document using [Convert](#) method in [HtmlToPdfConverter](#) class. refer to the following code example.

 Convert HTML to PDF

You can download a complete working sample from [GitHub](#).

HTML String to PDF

The HTML to PDF converter provides support for converting HTML string to PDF. While converting HTML string to PDF, converter provides option to specify the base URL.

baseURL: Path of the resources (images, style sheets, scripts..) used in the input HTML string.

For the following HTML string, the baseURL will be the path of the [syncfusion_logo.gif](#) image.

For example, if the above image is in “*C:/Temp/HTMLFiles/syncfusion_logo.gif*” location, then the baseURL will be as follows.

baseURL: C:/Temp/HTMLFiles/

To convert the HTML string to PDF using [Convert](#) method, refer to the following code example.

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URL to Image

To convert website URL or local HTML file to Image using [ConvertToImage](#) method, refer to the following code example.

You can download a complete working sample from [GitHub](#).

HTML String to Image

The Blink rendering engine supports converting HTML string to Image. While converting HTML string to Image, converter provides an option to specify the base URL.

baseURL: Path of the resources (images, style sheets, scripts.,) used in the input HTML string.

For the following HTML string, the baseURL will be the path of the [syncfusion_logo.gif](#) image.

For example, if the previous image is in “*C:/Temp/ HTMLFiles/syncfusion_logo.gif*” location then the baseURL will be as follows.

baseURL: C:/Temp/HTMLFiles/

To convert the HTML string to Image using [ConvertToImage](#) method, refer to the following code example.

You can download a complete working sample from [GitHub](#).

JavaScript

The Blink HTML converter supports enabling or disabling the JavaScript using [EnableJavaScript](#) property in [BlinkConverterSettings](#) class. while converting HTML to PDF. Refer to the following code example.

You can download a complete working sample from [GitHub](#).

Additional delay

The Blink HTML converter provides an option to set the [AdditionalDelay](#) property while converting HTML to PDF. Additional delay is the waiting time of the converter for loading the external resources (styles, scripts, images and more). Refer to the following code example.

You can download a complete working sample from [GitHub](#).

Hyperlinks

The Blink HTML converter support preserving URL links from HTML to PDF using [EnableHyperLink](#) property in [BlinkConverterSettings](#) class. Refer to the following code snippet.

You can download a complete working sample from [GitHub](#).

Bookmarks

The Blink HTML converter provides support for creating bookmarks automatically by enabling the [EnableBookmarks](#) property.

NOTE

The bookmarks are added from the <h> tag, it supports from <h1> to <h6>.

You can download a complete working sample from [GitHub](#).

Table of contents

The Blink HTML converter provides support for creating a table of contents automatically by using the [EnableToc](#) property.

NOTE

TOC are added from the <h> tag, it supports from <h1> to <h6>.

You can download a complete working sample from [GitHub](#).

Table of contents with custom style

The Blink HTML converter provides support for customizing the table of contents style. Each header tag style can be customized by using [HtmlToPdfTocStyle](#).

You can download a complete working sample from [GitHub](#).

Media Type

The Blink HTML Converter allows selection of media type while converting HTML to PDF. Blink rendering engine supports **Screen** and **Print** media types. Refer to the following code snippet to select Print [MediaType](#).

You can download a complete working sample from [GitHub](#).

NOTE

Print [MediaType](#) MediaType enables the repeat html table header and footer support on every PDF page.

HTML Form to PDF Form

Blink rendering engine provides support for converting HTML forms to PDF fillable forms automatically by using the [EnableForm](#) property. To convert HTML form to PDF form, refer to the following code example.

 Convert HTML to PDF

You can download a complete working sample from [GitHub](#).

Windows authentication

The webpage you want to convert may protected with windows authentication. Blink rendering engine provides support for converting the Windows Authenticated webpage to PDF document by providing the [Username](#) and [Password](#) property in [BlinkConverterSettings](#) class. Refer to the following code example.

 Convert HTML to PDF

You can download a complete working sample from [GitHub](#).

Form authentication

The Blink HTML converter provides support for form authentication by using [Cookies](#) property in [BlinkConverterSettings](#) class. The cookies are send to web server for form authentication when the HTML page is requested. Each cookie is represented by a name and value. Refer to the following code example.

You can download a complete working sample from [GitHub](#).

Token-based authentication

The Blink HTML converter supports token-based authentication by using the [HttpRequestHeaders](#) property in [BlinkConverterSettings](#) class.. The token values will be send to web server when the HTML page is requested. Refer to the following code example.

You can download a complete working sample from [GitHub](#).

Offline conversion

The Blink HTML converter supports converting HTML to PDF in offline mode using [EnableOfflineMode](#) property in [BlinkConverterSettings](#) class. While converting HTML to PDF in offline mode, the converter does not access the resources from the internet. This may increase the performance in slow internet connection.

NOTE

If an online URL is converted in offline mode, the converter will generate empty PDF as it will not try to load any resource from online.

You can download a complete working sample from [GitHub](#).

HTTP GET and POST

The Blink HTML converter supports transmitting the parameter to the webpage. There are two methods to access a webpage. By default, Blink uses GET method. By using HTTP GET method, the parameters can be passed in the query string. In POST method, the parameters can be passed by using the [HttpPostFields](#) property. Refer to the following code snippet to access a webpage using HTTP POST.

You can download a complete working sample from [GitHub](#).

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System proxy

By default, the Blink rendering engine use system proxy settings for converting HTML to PDF. If proxy server is configured in the system, then the rendering engine automatically use the same settings for the conversion. Follow the below steps to set the system proxy settings:

1. Control Panel > Network and Internet > Internet Options.
2. From Internet properties window, open LAN settings under connections tab.
3. Then, set proxy server address and port in LAN settings window.

Manual proxy

You can specify the manual proxy settings for the conversion using the [ProxySettings](#) property. Refer to the following code snippet to configure the manual proxy settings for the conversion.

Viewport

Adjusting the HTML content size in PDF is possible by using the [ViewPortSize](#) property of Blink HTML converter. Refer to the following code snippet to adjust Blink viewport.

You can download a complete working sample from [GitHub](#).

Partial webpage to PDF

The Blink rendering engine provides support for converting only the part of an HTML document like a table, div, or image elements from the URL/HTML string. You can convert the particular HTML element using

[ConvertPartialHtml](#) method by specifying the HTML element ID, refer to the following code example.

You can download a complete working sample from [GitHub](#).

HTML to single PDF page

By using this [SinglePageLayout](#) property, you can render the whole HTML content into a single PDF page. The PDF page size is limited to 14400 points. There are two options to enable this feature since this is disabled by default.

- 1. FitWidth
- 2. FitHeight

Fit width option: Using this option, the HTML converter adjusts the PDF page height based on the HTML content height. PDF page width remains constant for this option.

Fit height option: Using this option, the HTML converter scale the HTML content and PDF page width to render the whole HTML content within the height. PDF page height remains constant for this option.

Layout Result

Getting height of the HTML content in PDF document is possible by using the [PdfLayoutResult](#) class. Using this result, you can add contents after converting HTML to PDF. Refer to the following code example.

Windows status

Windows status can be used instead of additional delay. In additional delay, the amount of time required for loading the resources is unpredictable. This behavior can be avoided by using [WindowStatus](#) property.

NOTE

This feature requires changes in the HTML file.

NOTE

If windows status does not match in code and HTML, then the converter will meet with deadlock.

You can download a complete working sample from [GitHub](#).

Page size customization

To set the page size when converting HTML to PDF, utilize the [PdfPageSize](#) property in the [BlinkConverterSettings](#) class. Please refer to the following code example.

You can download a complete working sample from [GitHub](#).

Margin customization

To set the margin when converting HTML to PDF, utilize the [Margin](#) property in the [BlinkConverterSettings](#) class. Please refer to the following code example.

You can download a complete working sample from [GitHub](#).

Header and footer

To set the header and footer when converting HTML to PDF, utilize the [PdfHeader](#) and [PdfFooter](#) properties in the [BlinkConverterSettings](#) class. Please refer to the following code example.

You can download a complete working sample from [GitHub](#).

Page orientation customization

To set the Orientation when converting HTML to PDF, utilize the [Orientation](#) property in the [BlinkConverterSettings](#) class. Please refer to the following code example.

You can download a complete working sample from [GitHub](#).

Rotate page

To set the page rotation when converting HTML to PDF, utilize the [PageRotateAngle](#) property in the [BlinkConverterSettings](#) class. Please refer to the following code example.

You can download a complete working sample from [GitHub](#).

HTML Header and Footer

When converting HTML to PDF, you can set an HTML file as header and footer. Use the **HtmlHeader** and **HtmlFooter** properties within the [BlinkConverterSettings](#) class to do this.

You can download a complete working sample from [GitHub](#).

NOTE

Adjust the HTML margin top and bottom values according to the height of the HTML header and footer, as well as the margin settings.

Inject custom CSS

The Blink rendering engine supports the injection of custom CSS to be applied to HTML or a URL before rendering it into a PDF document using the ‘Css’ property of the [BlinkConverterSettings](#) class

You can download a complete working sample from [GitHub](#).

Inject custom JavaScript

The Blink rendering engine offers support for injecting custom JavaScript to be applied to the HTML or a URL before rendering it into a PDF document using the ‘JavaScript’ property of the [BlinkConverterSettings](#) class.

You can download a complete working sample from [GitHub](#).

Performance optimization

The Blink rendering engine provides support for reusing the browser process to optimize the HTML to a PDF performance for multiple operations using the ‘ReuseBrowserProcess’ property of the [HtmlToPdfConverter](#) class.

You can download a complete working sample from [GitHub](#).

Temporary path

The Blink HTML converter launching Chrome browser to perform conversion. While launching Chrome browser, temporary files are created in a temporary folder.

By default, HTML converter takes system temporary path (C:\Users<<username>>\AppData\Local\Temp or C:\Windows\Temp) to perform the conversion.

The temporary path can be changed by using the [TempPath](#) property of [BlinkConverterSettings](#). If this property is set, the converter uses the provided path to perform the conversion. Refer to the following code example.

You can download a complete working sample from [GitHub](#).

Blink path

When converting HTML to a PDF document, the default reference to the blink binaries path eliminates the need for manual addition. Nonetheless, if you prefer to manually add the blink binaries path or reference it from a custom location, simply set the path of the BlinkBinaries folder to the [BlinkPath](#) property of [BlinkConverterSettings](#).

NOTE

- The BlinkBinaries will be available in the HTMLConverter installed location (\$SystemDrive\Program Files (x86)\Syncfusion\HTMLConverter\xx.x.x.xx\BlinkBinaries)
- The BlinkBinaries also available in NuGet package installed location if you are using Blink HTML converter from NuGet packages.

You can download a complete working sample from [GitHub](#).

Scale

Resizing the HTML content within a PDF can be achieved through the utilization of the [Scale](#) property of Blink in HTML Converter.

NOTE

The scaling factor should be within the range of 0.1 to 2.0.

You can download a complete working sample from [GitHub](#).

Timeout

HTML content being converted takes a long time to render or convert into a PDF can be achieved through the utilization of the Timeout property of Blink in HTML Converter.

You can download a complete working sample from [GitHub](#).

Accessible PDF

The Blink HTML converter supports preserving tags from HTML to PDF using the EnableAccessibilityTags property in the BlinkConverterSettings class. Refer to the following code sample.

NOTE

This support fully depends on the Chromium headless browser. Our converter preserves the tags, same as the saved PDF from Chrome.

You can download a complete working sample from [GitHub](#).

Image Background

The Blink HTML converter support adding the image background from HTML to Image using the ImageBackgroundColor property in BlinkConverterSettings class. Refer to the following code sample.

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