



HTML <form> enctype Attribute

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Example

Send form-data encoded as "multipart/form-data":

```
<form action="/action_page_binary.asp" method="post"
enctype="multipart/form-data">
  First name: <input type="text" name="fname"><br>
  Last name: <input type="text" name="lname"><br>
  <input type="submit" value="Submit">
</form>
```

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Definition and Usage

The enctype attribute specifies how the form-data should be encoded when submitting it to the server.

Note: The enctype attribute can be used only if method="post".

Browser Support

Attribute					



Differences Between HTML 4.01 and HTML5

NONE.

Syntax

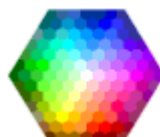
```
<form enctype="value">
```

Attribute Values

Value	Description
application/x-www-form-urlencoded	Default. All characters are encoded before sent (spaces are converted to "+" symbols, and special characters are converted to ASCII HEX values)
multipart/form-data	No characters are encoded. This value is required when you are using forms that have a file upload control
text/plain	Spaces are converted to "+" symbols, but no special characters are encoded

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