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#### WordprocessingML (DOCX, XML)

##### About WordprocessingML

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|  | WordprocessingML or WordML is a name for a family of XML-based formats for word processing documents.  WordprocessingML was first introduced in Microsoft Word 2003. WordprocessingML was a significant step by Microsoft towards making the document format open. It is plain XML fotmat.  [Office Open XML](http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Office_Open_XML) (OOXML) is the new XML-based format introduced in Microsoft Office 2007 applications. Office Open XML is a container format for several specialized XML-based markup languages. WordprocessingML is the markup language used by Microsoft Office Word to store its DOCX documents. |

##### WordprocessingML in Aspose.Words

This table explains which "versions" of WordprocessingML are supported by Aspose.Words for .NET:

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| **WordprocessingML “Version”** | **Applicable Standard/Specification** | **Supported** |
| Microsoft Word 2003 | [Microsoft Word 2003 XML](http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Microsoft_Office_XML_formats) | Yes |
| Microsoft Word 2007 | [OOXML ECMA-376](http://www.ecma-international.org/publications/standards/Ecma-376.htm) | Yes |
| Microsoft Word 2010 | OOXML ISO/IEC DIS 29500 | Yes |

OOXML WordprocessingML documents most often come as DOCX files, which are ZIP packages. In addition to DOCX, Aspose.Words also supports loading and saving OOXML in the “plain XML” [Flat OPC](http://blogs.msdn.com/ericwhite/archive/2008/09/29/the-flat-opc-format.aspx) format.

Aspose.Words provides extensive support for loading, saving and converting WordprocessingML documents. Such all-embracing implementation is possible because Aspose.Words was designed with the structure of Microsoft Word documents in mind (and WordprocessingML is known to mimic the internal representation of Microsoft Word documents).