

# HTML or PHP?

Most of the functions of mPDF can be achieved two ways: using PHP commands, or using custom HTML tags. Use whichever suits your purpose better, and you can always combine a mixture of the two.

If you are new to mPDF, I would recommend using HTML/CSS for everything - you can test most things out in a browser this way as you are writing it.

Example:

## Example #1

```
<?php
$mpdf=new mPDF();
$mpdf->Bookmark('Start of the document');
$mpdf->WriteHTML('<div>Section 1 text</div>');
$mpdf->Output();

?>
```

## Example #2

```
<?php
$html = '<bookmark content="Start of the Document" /><div>Section 1 text</div>';

$mpdf=new mPDF();
$mpdf->WriteHTML($html);
$mpdf->Output();

?>
```

## Invalid HTML?

If you want to hide mPDF custom tags from a browser, enclose any mPDF code within:

```
<!--mpdf .. anything you want to write ... mpdf-->
```

mPDF will strip away the `<!--mpdf` tag and any following spaces, and the `mpdf-->` tag and any preceeding spaces, and process all enclosed code e.g.

```
<!--mpdf <htmlheader id="header1"><h2>Section 2</h2></htmlheader> mpdf-->
```

## See Also

Capturing HTML

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