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## **Document Metadata**

A PDF file contains metadata about the title, author, subject, creation date, keywords. The title is usually shown in the top of the screen when a user views the file; the rest of the metadata can be accessed by viewing Document properties in Adobe Reader.

You can set the metadata directly using:

- SetTitle()
- SetAuthor()
- SetCreator()
- SetSubject()
- SetKeywords()

Metadata is also set automatically if you pass full HTML code to WriteHTML() including:

- title is read from <title>...</title> tags
- subject, keywords and author are read from <meta ... /> tags

Whichever is set later will override previous settings.

The text should be UTF-8 encoded, but should not contain HTML mark-up tags. strcode2utf() is a useful function provided with mPDF which converts HTML numerical entities to UTF-8 encoded string.

**Note:** Adobe Reader uses system fonts to display the document metadata, therefore any Unicode text can be used, even if core fonts only are being used for the document.

## Example

```
<?php
$mpdf=new mPDF();
$md = strcode2utf("&#1575;&#1610;&#1604;&#1575;&#1578; &#1601;&#1610;&#1605;&#1575;
&#1575;&#1610;&#1604;&#1575;&#1578; &#1601;&#1605;&#1575;");
$mpdf->SetTitle($md);
$mpdf->WriteHTML('Hallo World');
$mpdf->Output();
?>
```

## See Also

- SetTitle() Set document Title in metadata
- SetAuthor() Set document Author in metadata
- SetCreator() Set document Creator in metadata
- SetSubject() Set document Subject in metadata
- SetKeywords() Set document Keywords in metadata
- strcode2utf() Convert HTML numerical entities to UTF-8 encoded string

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