

# CL-FORMS

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# 1 Introduction

CL-FORMS is a web forms handling library for Common Lisp.

Although it is potentially framework agnostic, it runs on top of Hunchentoot at the moment.

It features:

- Several form field types: String, boolean, integer, email, password fields. And more.
- Custom fields. CL-FORMS is extensible and it is possible to define new field types.
- Server and client side validation
- Rendering backends. Forms can be rendered via CL-WHO, or Djula, or something else; the backend is pluggable. The default renderer is CL-WHO.
- Themes (like Bootstrap)
- Control on rendering and layout.
- Handling of form errors.
- CSRF protection

## 2 Installation

### 3 Usage

### 3.1 Basics

Use [DEFFORM], page 14 to define a form. Example:

```
(deform fields-form (:action "/fields-post")
  ((name :string :value "")
   (ready :boolean :value t)
   (sex :choice :choices (list "Male" "Female") :value "Male")
   (submit :submit :label "Create")))
```

On your web handler, grab the form via ‘get-form‘, select a renderer with ‘with-form-renderer‘ and then render the form with ‘render-form‘:

```
(let ((form (forms::get-form 'fields-form)))
  (forms:with-form-renderer :who
    (forms:render-form form)))
```

To handle the form, grab it via `'get-form'` and then call `'handle-request'` (you should probably also call `'validate-form'` after). Then bind form fields via either `'with-form-field-values'`, that binds the form field values; or `'with-form-fields'` that binds the form fields.

```
(let ((form (forms:get-form 'fields-form)))
  (forms::handle-request form)
  (forms::with-form-field-values (name ready sex) form
    (who:with-html-output (forms.who::*html*)
      (:ul
        (:li (who:fmt "Name: ~A" name))
        (:li (who:fmt "Ready: ~A" ready))
        (:li (who:fmt "Sex: ~A" sex)))))))
```

Please have a look at the demo sources for more examples of how to use the library

### 3.2 Demo

There's a demo included. To run:

```
(require :cl-forms.demo)
(forms.test:run-demo)
```

### 3.2.1 Basic example

Define a form. Render the form via CL-WHO backend, doing:

```
(forms:with-form-renderer :who
  (forms:render-form form))
```

Then handle and validate the form.

Source code:

[illegible]

```

((name :string :value "")
 (ready :boolean :value t)
 (sex :choice :choices (list "Male" "Female") :value "Male")
 (avatar :file :upload-handler 'handle-file-upload)
 (disabled :string :disabled-p t :required-p nil)
 (readonly :string :read-only-p t :required-p nil)
 (readonly-checkbox :boolean :read-only-p t :required-p nil)
 (disabled-checkbox :boolean :disabled-p t :required-p nil)
 (submit :submit :label "Create"))))

(defun fields-demo ()
  (who:with-html-output (forms.who::*html*)
    (:h1 (who:str "Fields example"))
    (:div :class :container
      (:div :class :row
        (:div :class :heading
          (:h3 (who:str "Simple form"))))
        (let ((form (forms::get-form 'fields-form)))
          (forms:with-form-renderer :who
            (forms:render-form form))))))
      (:div :class :row
        (:div :class :heading
          (:h3 (who:str "Choices"))))
        (let ((form (forms::get-form 'choices-form)))
          (forms:with-form-renderer :who
            (forms:render-form form))))))))))

(hunchentoot:define-easy-handler (fields-demo-handler :uri "/fields") ()
  (render-demo-page :demo #'fields-demo
    :source (asdf:system-relative-pathname :cl-forms.demo
      "test/demo/fields.lisp")
    :active-menu :fields))

(hunchentoot:define-easy-handler (fields-form-post
  :uri "/fields-post"
  :default-request-type :post) ()

(flet ((fields-post ()
  (let ((form (forms::get-form 'fields-form)))
    (forms::handle-request form)
    (forms::with-form-fields (name ready sex avatar) form
      (who:with-html-output (forms.who::*html*)
        (:ul
          (:li (who:fmt "Name: ~A" (forms::field-value name)))
          (:li (who:fmt "Ready: ~A" (forms::field-value ready)))
          (:li (who:fmt "Sex: ~A" (forms::field-value sex)))
          (:li (who:fmt "Avatar: ~A" (forms::file-name avatar))
            (when (forms::file-name avatar)

```

```

        (who:htm
          (:img :width 200 :height 200
            :src (format nil "/files?f=~A" (forms::file-
name avatar)))))))))
      (render-demo-page :demo #'fields-post
        :source (asdf:system-relative-pathname :cl-forms.demo
          "test/demo/fields.lisp")
        :active-menu :fields)))

;; Choices widget test

(forms:defform choices-form (:action "/choices-post")
  ((sex :choice
    :choices (list "Male" "Female")
    :value "Male")
    (sex2 :choice
    :choices (list "Male" "Female")
    :value "Female"
    :expanded t)
    (choices :choice
    :choices (list "Foo" "Bar")
    :value (list "Foo")
    :multiple t)
    (choices2 :choice
    :choices (list "Foo" "Bar")
    :value (list "Bar")
    :multiple t
    :expanded t)
    (submit :submit :label "Ok"))))

(hunchentoot:define-easy-handler (choices-form-post :uri "/choices-post"
  :default-request-type :post) ()
  (flet ((choices-post ()
    (let ((form (forms:get-form 'choices-form)))
      (forms::handle-request form)
      (forms::validate-form form)
      (forms::with-form-field-values (sex sex2 choices choices2) form
        (who:with-html-output (forms.who::*html*)
          (:ul
            (:li (who:fmt "Sex: ~A" sex))
            (:li (who:fmt "Sex2: ~A" sex2))
            (:li (who:fmt "Choices: ~A" choices))
            (:li (who:fmt "Choices2: ~A" choices2)))))))
      (render-demo-page :demo #'choices-post
        :source (asdf:system-relative-pathname :cl-forms.demo
          "test/demo/fields.lisp")
        :active-menu :fields)))

```



```
;; File handling

(defvar *files* nil)
(defvar *files-path* (pathname "/tmp/cl-forms/"))

(defun handle-file-upload (file-field)
  ;; Store the file
  (let ((new-path (merge-pathnames
                    (forms::file-name file-field)
                    *files-path*)))
    (rename-file (forms::file-path file-field)
                  (ensure-directories-exist new-path))
    ;; Save for handler
    (push (cons (forms::file-name file-field)
                (list new-path (forms::file-content-type file-field)))
          *files*)))

(defun handle-uploaded-file ()
  (let ((finfo (cdr (assoc (hunchentoot:parameter "f") *files* :test #'equalp))))
    (hunchentoot:handle-static-file (first finfo) (second finfo))))

(push
 (hunchentoot:create-prefix-dispatcher "/files" 'handle-uploaded-file)
 hunchentoot:*dispatch-table*)
```

### 3.2.2 Validation

Example of forms validation.

Add Clavier constraints to the form. Then call [VALIDATE-FORM], page 16 after [HANDLE-REQUEST], page 15.

```
(in-package :forms.test)

(forms:defform validated-form (:action "/validation-post"
                                       :client-validation nil)
  ((name :string :value "" :constraints (list (clavier:is-a-string)
                                              (clavier:not-blank)
                                              (clavier:len :max 5)))

   (single :boolean :value t)
   (sex :choice :choices (list "Male" "Female") :value "Male")
   (age :integer :constraints (list (clavier:is-an-integer)
                                    (clavier:greater-than -1)
                                    (clavier:less-than 200)))

   (email :email)
   (birth-date :date :required-p nil)
   (submit :submit :label "Create")))
```

```

(defun validation-demo (&optional form)
  (forms:with-form-renderer :who
    (who:with-html-output (forms.who::*html*)
      (:h1 (who:str "Server side validation"))
      (:p (who:str "This is a demo of server side validation. Submit the form and play
ues to see how it works. Also look at field constraints in source code tab.)))■
      (let ((form (or form (forms::get-form 'validated-form))))
        (forms:render-form form))))))

(hunchentoot:define-easy-handler (validated-form-post :uri "/validation-
post"
                                                    :default-request-
type :post) ()

  (flet ((validation-post ()
    (let ((form (forms:get-form 'validated-form)))
      (forms::handle-request form)
      (if (forms::validate-form form)
        ;; The form is valid
        (forms::with-form-field-values (name single sex age email birth-■
date) form
          (who:with-html-output (forms.who::*html*)
            (:ul
              (:li (who:fmt "Name: ~A" name))
              (:li (who:fmt "Single: ~A" single))
              (:li (who:fmt "Sex: ~A" sex))
              (:li (who:fmt "Age: ~A" age))
              (:li (who:fmt "Email: ~A" email))
              (:li (who:fmt "Birth date: ~A" birth-date))))))
        ;; The form is not valid
        (validation-demo form))))))
    (render-demo-page :demo #'validation-post
      :source (asdf:system-relative-pathname :cl-forms.demo■
"test/demo/validation.lis
:active-menu :validation)))

(hunchentoot:define-easy-handler (validation-demo-handler :uri "/valida-
tion") ()
  (render-demo-page :demo #'validation-demo
    :source (asdf:system-relative-pathname :cl-forms.demo■
"test/demo/validation.lisp"
:active-menu :validation))

```

### 3.2.3 Client validation

To validate in the client, just set `:client-validation` to T.

```
(in-package :forms.test)
```

```

(forms:defform client-validated-form (:action "/client-validation-post"
                                         :client-validation t)
  ((name :string :value "" :constraints (list (clavier:is-a-string)
                                              (clavier:not-blank)
                                              (clavier:len :max 5))
        :validation-triggers '(:focusin))
   (single :boolean :value t)
   (sex :choice :choices (list "Male" "Female") :value "Male")
   (age :integer :constraints (list (clavier:is-an-integer)
                                    (clavier:greater-than -1)
                                    (clavier:less-than 200)))
   (email :email)
   (submit :submit :label "Create"))))

(defun client-validation (&optional form)
  (let ((form (or form (forms::get-form 'client-validated-form))))
    (forms:with-form-renderer :who
      (who:with-html-output (forms.who::*html*)
        (:h1 (who:str "Client side validation")
          (:p (who:str "This is an example of how client side validation works. Client s
          (:p (who:str "The interesting thing about the implementation is that validation
          (forms:render-form form))))))

(hunchentoot:define-easy-handler (client-validation-handler
                                   :uri "/client-validation") ()
  (render-demo-page :demo #'client-validation
                    :source (asdf:system-relative-pathname :cl-forms demo
                                                            "test/demo/client-validation
                    :active-menu :client-validation))

(hunchentoot:define-easy-handler (client-validation-post :uri "/client-validation/post
  (flet ((client-validation-post ()
    (let ((form (forms:get-form 'client-validated-form)))
      (forms::handle-request form)
      (if (forms::validate-form form)
        ;; The form is valid
        (forms::with-form-field-values (name single sex age email) form
          (who:with-html-output (forms.who::*html*)
            (:ul
              (:li (who:fmt "Name: ~A" name))
              (:li (who:fmt "Single: ~A" single))
              (:li (who:fmt "Sex: ~A" sex))
              (:li (who:fmt "Age: ~A" age))
              (:li (who:fmt "Email: ~A" email))))))
        ;; The form is not valid
        (client-validation form))))))

```

```
(render-demo-page :demo #'client-validation-post
                  :source (asdf:system-relative-pathname :cl-forms.demo
                                                          "test/demo/client-validation-post.html")
                  :active-menu :client-validation)))
```

### 3.2.4 Models

Forms can be attached to model objects. Model objects are CLOS instances from where form values are read and written to.

To work with models, forms are defined via `defform-builder` instead of `defform`. A form-builder is a function that takes the model objects and attaches it to the form. The form needs to define the accessors to access the model for each form field.

```
(in-package :forms.test)

(defclass person ()
  ((name :initarg :name
        :accessor person-name
        :initform nil)
   (single :initarg :single
          :accessor person-single
          :initform t)
   (sex :initarg :sex
        :accessor person-sex
        :initform :male)))

(forms:defform-builder model-form (person)
  (make-instance 'forms::form
    :name 'model-form
    :model person
    :action "/models-post"
    :fields (forms::make-form-fields
      '((name :string :label "Name"
            :accessor person-name)
        (single :boolean :label "Single"
            :accessor person-single)
        (sex :choice :label "Sex"
            :choices (:male :female)
            :accessor person-sex
            :formatter format-sex)
        (submit :submit :label "Update")))))

(defun format-sex (sex stream)
  (write-string
    (if (equalp sex :male) "Male" "Female")
    stream))

(defun models-demo ()
```

```

(who:with-html-output (forms.who:*html*)
  (:h1 (who:str "Form models"))
  (:p "Forms can be attached to model objects. Model objects are CLOS instances from
  (:p "To work with models, forms are defined via defform-builder instead of defform
  (:p "This is an example of a form attached to a person object. Please have a look
  (render-model-form)))

(defun render-model-form (&optional form)
  (let ((form (or form
                    (let ((person (make-instance 'person
                                                  :name "Foo"
                                                  :single t
                                                  :sex :male)))
                      (forms::get-form 'model-form person))))))
    (forms:with-form-renderer :who
      (forms:render-form form))))

(hunchentoot:define-easy-handler (model-form :uri "/models") ()
  (render-demo-page :demo #'models-demo
                    :source (asdf:system-relative-pathname :cl-forms.demo
                                                            "test/demo/models.lisp")
                    :active-menu :models))

(hunchentoot:define-easy-handler (model-form-post :uri "/models-post"
                                                  :default-request-type :post) ()
  (flet ((model-post ()
          (let ((person (make-instance 'person)))
            (let ((form (forms:get-form 'model-form person)))
              (forms::handle-request form)
              (forms::validate-form form)
              (who:with-html-output (forms.who:*html*)
                (:ul
                 (:li (who:fmt "Name: ~A" (person-name person)))
                 (:li (who:fmt "Single: ~A" (person-single person)))
                 (:li (who:fmt "Sex: ~A" (person-sex person))))))))))
    (render-demo-page :demo #'model-post
                      :source (asdf:system-relative-pathname :cl-forms.demo
                                                              "test/demo/models.lisp")
                      :active-menu :models)))

```

### 3.2.5 Composition

It is possible to compose forms using the subform field type:

```

(in-package :forms.test)

(forms:defform member-form ()
  ((name :string :value "" :required-p nil)

```

```

(ready :boolean :value t :required-p nil)
(sex :choice :choices (list "Male" "Female") :value "Male"))

(forms:deform composition-form (:action "/composition-post")
  (
    ;; Subforms
    (main-member :subform :subform 'member-form)
    (secondary-member :subform :subform 'member-form)
    ;; Simple list
    (todo :list :type '(:string :required-p nil)
      :empty-item-predicate (lambda (field)
        (let ((val (forms:field-value field)))
          (or (null val)
              (string= val "")))))
    ;; Subform list
    (members :list :type '(:subform :subform member-form)
      :empty-item-predicate (lambda (field)
        (let* ((subform (forms:field-value field))
              (val (forms:get-field-value subform 'name)))
          (or (null val)
              (string= val "")))))
    (save :submit :label "Save")))

(defun form-composition-demo (&optional form)
  (let ((form (or form (get-form 'composition-form))))
    (forms:with-form-renderer :who
      (who:with-html-output (forms.who::*html*)
        (:h1 (who:str "Forms composition"))
        (:p (who:str "These are examples of subforms and the list field type"))
        (forms::render-form-start form)
        (:h2 (who:str "Subforms"))
        (:p (who:str "This is an example of subform composition. main-member and second")
          (forms::render-field 'main-member form)
          (forms::render-field 'secondary-member form)
          (forms::render-field 'save form)
          (:h2 (who:str "List field"))
          (:p (who:str "This is an example of the list field. In this case, the list has")
            (forms::render-field 'todo form)
            (forms::render-field 'save form)
            (:h2 (who:str "List of subforms"))
            (:p (who:str "This is the most complex example. This shows a list of subforms.")
              (forms::render-field 'members form)
              (forms::render-field 'save form)
              (forms::render-form-end form))))))

(hunchentoot:define-easy-handler (composition-demo :uri "/composition") ()
  (render-demo-page :demo #'form-composition-demo

```

```

:source (asdf:system-relative-pathname :cl-forms.demo
                                         "test/demo/composition.lisp"
:active-menu :composition))

(hunchentoot:define-easy-handler (composition-demo-post :uri "/composition-post") ()
  (let ((form (forms:get-form 'composition-form)))
    (forms:handle-request form)
    (render-demo-page :demo (lambda ()
                              (form-composition-demo form)
                              :source (asdf:system-relative-pathname :cl-forms.demo
                              "test/demo/composition.li
                              :active-menu :composition)))

```

### 3.2.6 Form templates

Form templates is an alternative way of defining and rendering forms. Instead of defining a form with `defform` and then specifying a template and render it, forms templates allow to do all that at the same time.

```

(in-package :forms.test)

(defun form-template-demo ()
  (macrolet ((row (&body body)
                ' (who:htm
                  (:div :class "row"
                      (who:htm
                        ,@body))))
    (col (&body body)
      ' (who:htm
        (:div :class "col-md-2"
            (who:htm
              ,@body))))))
  (forms:with-form-renderer :who
    (who:with-html-output (forms:who::*html*)
      (:div :class :container
        (:div :class :row
          (:div :class :heading
            (:h1 (who:str "Form templates"))))
          (:p (who:str "Form templates is an alternative way of defining and
            (:p (who:str "Form definition is embedded in rendering spec via wi
            (:div :class :container
              (forms:with-form-template () template-form (:action "/templa
                (row
                  (:h3 (who:str "General"))
                  (col (form-field firstname :string :value ""))
                  (col (form-field lastname :string :value ""))
                  (form-field active :boolean :value t)
                (row

```

```

        (:h3 (who:str "Address"))
        (form-field address :string :value "")
      (row
        (:h3 (who:str "Other"))
        (form-field choices :choice
          :choices (list "Foo" "Bar")
          :value (list "Foo")
          :multiple t)
        (form-field choices2 :choice
          :choices (list "Foo" "Bar")
          :value (list "Bar")
          :multiple t
          :expanded t))
      (row
        (form-field submit :submit :label "Create"))))))))■

(hunchentoot:define-easy-handler (template-demo-handler :uri "/template") ()■
  (render-demo-page :demo #'form-template-demo
    :source (asdf:system-relative-pathname :cl-forms.demo■
      "test/demo/form-templates.l
      :active-menu :template))

(hunchentoot:define-easy-handler (template-form-post
  :uri "/template-post"
  :default-request-type :post) ()

(flet ((fields-post ()
  (let ((form (forms:get-form 'template-form)))
    (forms::handle-request form)
    (if (forms::validate-form form)
      (forms::with-form-field-values (firstname lastname active address■
        choices choices2) form■
        (who:with-html-output (forms.who::*html*)
          (:ul
            (:li (who:fmt "Firstname: ~A" firstname))
            (:li (who:fmt "Lastname: ~A" lastname))
            (:li (who:fmt "Active: ~A" active))
            (:li (who:fmt "Address: ~A" address))
            (:li (who:fmt "Choices: ~A" choices))
            (:li (who:fmt "Choices2: ~A" choices2))))))
      "Form is not valid"))))
  (render-demo-page :demo #'fields-post
    :source (asdf:system-relative-pathname :cl-forms.demo■
      "test/demo/form-templates
      :active-menu :template)))

```



## 4 API

### 4.1 CL-FORMS package

CL-FORMS [PACKAGE]

#### External definitions

##### Variables

**\*BASE64-ENCODE\*** [CL-FORMS]  
 If T, encode form parameters in base64

##### Macros

CL-FORMS:WITH-FORM-FIELD-VALUES (*fields form &body body*) [Macro]

CL-FORMS:WITH-FORM (*form &body body*) [Macro]  
 Bind **\*FORM\*** to FORM and evaluate BODY in that context.

CL-FORMS:DEFFORM-BUILDER (*form-name args &body body*) [Macro]  
 Registers a function with arguments ARGS and body BODY as a form builder.  
 BODY is expected to instantiate a FORM object using ARGS in some way.  
 FORM-NAME is the symbol under which the FORM is registered.  
 Use GET-FORM with FORM-NAME and expected arguments to obtain the registered form.

CL-FORMS:WITH-FORM-THEME (*form-theme &body body*) [Macro]  
 Bind **\*FORM-THEME\*** to FORM-THEME and evaluate BODY in that context.

CL-FORMS:WITH-FORM-FIELDS (*fields form &body body*) [Macro]  
 Bind FIELDS to the form fields in FORM under BODY.  

```
(with-form-field-values (name single sex age email) form
  (print (list name single sex age email)))
```

CL-FORMS:WITH-FORM-TEMPLATE ((**&optional** *form-var*) *form-name args* **&body** *body*) [Macro]

CL-FORMS:WITH-FORM-RENDERER (*renderer &body body*) [Macro]  
 Bind **\*FORM-RENDERER\*** to RENDERER and evaluate BODY in that context.

CL-FORMS:DEFFORM (*form-name args fields*) [Macro]  
 Define a form at top-level.  
 ARGS are the arguments passed to FORM class via MAKE-INSTANCE. FIELDS are the form field specs.

```
(forms:defform client-validated-form (:action "/client-validation-post"
                                         :client-validation t)
  ((name :string :value "" :constraints (list (clavier:is-a-string)
```

```

                                (clavier:not-blank)
                                (clavier:len :max 5))

      :validation-triggers '(:focusin))
    (single :boolean :value t)
    (sex :choice :choices (list "Male" "Female") :value "Male")
    (age :integer :constraints (list (clavier:is-an-integer)
                                     (clavier:greater-than -1)
                                     (clavier:less-than 200)))

    (email :email)
    (submit :submit :label "Create"))))

```

## Generic functions

CL-FORMS:FIELD-ACCESSOR ( <i>sb-pcl::object</i> )	[Generic-Function]
CL-FORMS:FIELD-WRITER ( <i>field</i> )	[Generic-Function]
CL-FORMS:FIELD-READER ( <i>field</i> )	[Generic-Function]
CL-FORMS:FIELD-PARSER ( <i>sb-pcl::object</i> )	[Generic-Function]
CL-FORMS:FORM-ERRORS ( <i>sb-pcl::object</i> )	[Generic-Function]
CL-FORMS:FORMAT-FIELD-VALUE ( <i>form-field field-value</i> &optional <i>stream</i> )	[Generic-Function]
CL-FORMS:FIELD-FORMATTER ( <i>sb-pcl::object</i> )	[Generic-Function]
CL-FORMS:FIELD-VALUE ( <i>field</i> )	[Generic-Function]
CL-FORMS:FIELD-VALID-P ( <i>form-field &amp;optional (form)</i> )	[Generic-Function]

## Functions

CL-FORMS:RENDER-FORM (&optional ( <i>form *form*</i> ) &rest <i>args</i> )	[Function]
CL-FORMS:FILL-FORM-FROM-MODEL ( <i>form model</i> )	[Function]
Fill a FORM from a MODEL	
CL-FORMS:RENDER-FIELD ( <i>field &amp;optional (form *form*) &amp;rest args</i> )	[Function]
CL-FORMS:REMOVE-FIELD ( <i>form field</i> )	[Function]
CL-FORMS:FORM-VALID-P ( <i>form</i> )	[Function]
CL-FORMS:GET-FIELD ( <i>form field-name &amp;optional (error-p t)</i> )	[Function]
CL-FORMS:GET-FIELD-VALUE ( <i>form field-name &amp;optional (error-p t)</i> )	[Function]
CL-FORMS:RENDER-FORM-END (&optional ( <i>form *form*</i> ))	[Function]
CL-FORMS:HANDLE-REQUEST (&optional ( <i>form *form*</i> ) ( <i>request</i> <i>hunchentoot:*request*</i> ))	[Function]

Populates FORM from parameters in HTTP request. After this, the form field contains values, but they are not validated. To validate call VALIDATE-FORM after.

CL-FORMS:FILL-MODEL-FROM-FORM ( <i>form model</i> )	[Function]
Set a MODEL's values from FORM field values	

<b>CL-FORMS:MAKE-FORMATTER</b> ( <i>symbol</i> )	[Function]
Create a field formatter. SYMBOL is the function to call.	
<b>CL-FORMS:RENDER-FIELD-LABEL</b> ( <i>field</i> <b>&amp;optional</b> ( <i>form</i> <i>*form*</i> ) <b>&amp;rest</b> <i>args</i> )	[Function]
<b>CL-FORMS:GET-FORM</b> ( <i>name</i> <b>&amp;rest</b> <i>args</i> )	[Function]
Get the form named NAME.	
ARGS is the list of arguments to pass to a possible form builder function.	
See: DEFFORM-BUILDER macro.	
<b>CL-FORMS:FORMAT-FIELD-VALUE-TO-STRING</b> ( <i>form-field</i> <b>&amp;optional</b> ( <i>field-value</i> ( <i>field-value</i> <i>form-field</i> )))	[Function]
<b>CL-FORMS:RENDER-FIELD-ERRORS</b> ( <i>field</i> <b>&amp;optional</b> ( <i>form</i> <i>*form*</i> ) <b>&amp;rest</b> <i>args</i> )	[Function]
<b>CL-FORMS:SET-FIELD-VALUE</b> ( <i>form</i> <i>field-name</i> <i>value</i> )	[Function]
<b>CL-FORMS:VALIDATE-FORM</b> ( <b>&amp;optional</b> ( <i>form</i> <i>*form*</i> ))	[Function]
Validates a form. Usually called after HANDLE-REQUEST. Returns multiple values; first value is true if the form is valid; second value a list of errors. The list of errors is an association list with elements (<field> . <field errors strings list>).	
<b>CL-FORMS:RENDER-FORM-START</b> ( <b>&amp;optional</b> ( <i>form</i> <i>*form*</i> ) <b>&amp;rest</b> <i>args</i> )	[Function]
<b>CL-FORMS:RENDER-FIELD-WIDGET</b> ( <i>field</i> <b>&amp;optional</b> ( <i>form</i> <i>*form*</i> ) <b>&amp;rest</b> <i>args</i> )	[Function]
<b>CL-FORMS:ADD-FORM-ERROR</b> ( <i>field</i> <i>error-msg</i> <b>&amp;optional</b> ( <i>form</i> <i>*form*</i> ))	[Function]
Add an error on FIELD	
<b>CL-FORMS:RENDER-FORM-ERRORS</b> ( <b>&amp;optional</b> ( <i>form</i> <i>*form*</i> ) <b>&amp;rest</b> <i>args</i> )	[Function]
<b>CL-FORMS:ADD-FIELD</b> ( <i>form</i> <i>field</i> )	[Function]

## Classes

<b>CL-FORMS:INTEGER-FORM-FIELD</b>	[Class]
An integer input field	
Class precedence list: integer-form-field, form-field, standard-object, t	
<b>CL-FORMS:SUBFORM-FORM-FIELD</b>	[Class]
A field that contains a form (subform)	
Class precedence list: subform-form-field, form-field, standard-object, t	
<b>CL-FORMS:URL-FORM-FIELD</b>	[Class]
An url input field	
Class precedence list: url-form-field, form-field, standard-object, t	
<b>CL-FORMS:DATETIME-FORM-FIELD</b>	[Class]
A date input field	
Class precedence list: datetime-form-field, form-field, standard-object, t	

**CL-FORMS:PASSWORD-FORM-FIELD** [Class]

A password input field

Class precedence list: `password-form-field`, `form-field`, `standard-object`, `t`

**CL-FORMS:EMAIL-FORM-FIELD** [Class]

A string input field

Class precedence list: `email-form-field`, `form-field`, `standard-object`, `t`

**CL-FORMS:CHOICE-FORM-FIELD** [Class]

A multi-purpose field used to allow the user to "choose" one or more options. It can be rendered as a select tag, radio buttons, or checkboxes. NOTE: the defaults of this field type are too complicated for just working with string choices. `STRING-CHOICE-FIELD` is more convenient for that.

Class precedence list: `choice-form-field`, `form-field`, `standard-object`, `t`

Slots:

- **choices** — `initarg: :choices`; `writer: (setf cl-forms::field-choices)`  
An alist with the choices. Or a function with which to obtain the choices.
- **preferred-choices** — `initarg: :preferred-choices`; `reader: cl-forms::field-preferred-choices`; `writer: (setf cl-forms::field-preferred-choices)`■  
If this option is specified, then a sub-set of all of the options will be moved to the top of the select menu.
- **expanded** — `initarg: :expanded`; `reader: cl-forms::field-expanded`; `writer: (setf cl-forms::field-expanded)`  
If set to true, radio buttons or checkboxes will be rendered (depending on the multiple value). If false, a select element will be rendered.
- **multiple** — `initarg: :multiple`; `reader: cl-forms::field-multiple`; `writer: (setf cl-forms::field-multiple)`  
If true, the user will be able to select multiple options (as opposed to choosing just one option). Depending on the value of the expanded option, this will render either a select tag or checkboxes if true and a select tag or radio buttons if false.
- **key-reader** — `initarg: :key-reader`; `reader: cl-forms::field-key-reader`; `writer: (setf cl-forms::field-key-reader)`  
Function to read the option key from the request
- **hash-function** — `initarg: :hash-function`; `reader: cl-forms::field-hash-function`;■  
`writer: (setf cl-forms::field-hash-function)`  
The function to use for choices key
- **test** — `initarg: :test`; `reader: cl-forms::field-test`; `writer: (setf cl-forms::field-test)`  
Function to test equality between choices
- **use-key-as-value** — `initarg: :use-key-as-value`; `reader: cl-forms::use-key-as-value`;■  
`writer: (setf cl-forms::use-key-as-value)`  
When T, use the key/s of the field as value of the field when it is read from request

**CL-FORMS:FILE-FORM-FIELD** [Class]

A file input field

Class precedence list: `file-form-field`, `form-field`, `standard-object`, `t`

Slots:

- `multiple` — `initarg: :multiple-p`; `reader: cl-forms::multiple-p`; `writer: (setf cl-forms::multiple-p)`

If this fields handles multiple file uploads

- `upload-handler` — `initarg: :upload-handler`; `reader: cl-forms::upload-handler`; `writer: (setf cl-forms::upload-handler)`

Function that handles the file upload

- `accept` — `initarg: :accept`; `reader: cl-forms::file-accept`; `writer: (setf cl-forms::file-accept)`

Files accepted. See [https://www.w3schools.com/tags/att\\_input\\_accept.asp](https://www.w3schools.com/tags/att_input_accept.asp)

**CL-FORMS:BOOLEAN-FORM-FIELD** [Class]

A boolean input

Class precedence list: `boolean-form-field`, `form-field`, `standard-object`, `t`

**CL-FORMS:DATE-FORM-FIELD** [Class]

A date input field

Class precedence list: `date-form-field`, `form-field`, `standard-object`, `t`

**CL-FORMS:FORM-FIELD** [Class]

A form field

Class precedence list: `form-field`, `standard-object`, `t`

Slots:

- `name` — `initarg: :name`; `reader: cl-forms::field-name`; `writer: (setf cl-forms::field-name)`

The field name

- `label` — `initarg: :label`; `reader: cl-forms::field-label`; `writer: (setf cl-forms::field-label)`

The field label

- `value` — `initarg: :value`

Field value

- `default-value` — `initarg: :default-value`; `reader: cl-forms::field-default-value`; `writer: (setf cl-forms::field-default-value)`

Value to use when the field value is nil

- `placeholder` — `initarg: :placeholder`; `reader: cl-forms::field-placeholder`; `writer: (setf cl-forms::field-placeholder)`

Field placeholder (text that appears when the field is empty)

- `help-text` — `initarg: :help-text`; `reader: cl-forms::field-help-text`; `writer: (setf cl-forms::field-help-text)`

Field help text

- **parser** — initarg: `:parser`; reader: `cl-forms:field-parser`; writer: `(setf cl-forms:field-parser)`  
Custom field value parser
- **formatter** — initarg: `:formatter`; reader: `cl-forms:field-formatter`; writer: `(setf cl-forms:field-formatter)`  
The field formatter. The function takes two arguments, a `VALUE` and `STREAM` to format it into.
- **constraints** — initarg: `:constraints`; reader: `cl-forms::field-constraints`; writer: `(setf cl-forms::field-constraints)`  
A list of CLAVIER validators.
- **required** — initarg: `:required-p`; reader: `cl-forms::field-required-p`; writer: `(setf cl-forms::field-required-p)`  
Whether the field is required
- **required-message** — initarg: `:required-message`; reader: `cl-forms::field-required-message`; writer: `(setf cl-forms::field-required-message)`  
Message to display when field is required
- **invalid-message** — initarg: `:invalid-message`; reader: `cl-forms::field-invalid-message`; writer: `(setf cl-forms::field-invalid-message)`  
Message to display when field is invalid
- **read-only** — initarg: `:read-only-p`; reader: `cl-forms::field-read-only-p`; writer: `(setf cl-forms::field-read-only-p)`  
Whether the field is read only
- **disabled** — initarg: `:disabled-p`; reader: `cl-forms::field-disabled-p`; writer: `(setf cl-forms::field-disabled-p)`  
Whether the field is disabled
- **accessor** — initarg: `:accessor`; reader: `cl-forms:field-accessor`; writer: `(setf cl-forms:field-accessor)`  
The field accessor to the underlying model
- **reader** — initarg: `:reader`  
The function to use to read from the underlying model
- **writer** — initarg: `:writer`  
The function to use to write to underlying model
- **trim** — initarg: `:trim-p`; reader: `cl-forms::field-trim-p`; writer: `(setf cl-forms::field-trim-p)`  
Trim the input
- **validation-triggers** — initarg: `:validation-triggers`; reader: `cl-forms::field-validation-triggers`; writer: `(setf cl-forms::field-validation-triggers)`  
Client side validation triggers. A list of `:change`, `:focus`, `:focusout`, `:focusin`, etc
- **form** — initarg: `:form`; reader: `cl-forms::field-form`; writer: `(setf cl-forms::field-form)`  
The form the field belongs to

**CL-FORMS:SUBMIT-FORM-FIELD** [Class]

A submit input button

Class precedence list: `submit-form-field`, `form-field`, `standard-object`, `t`

**CL-FORMS:HIDDEN-FORM-FIELD** [Class]

A hidden form field

Class precedence list: `hidden-form-field`, `form-field`, `standard-object`, `t`

**CL-FORMS:STRING-FORM-FIELD** [Class]

A string input field

Class precedence list: `string-form-field`, `form-field`, `standard-object`, `t`

**CL-FORMS:LIST-FORM-FIELD** [Class]

A field that contains a list of elements (either other fields or subforms)

Class precedence list: `list-form-field`, `form-field`, `standard-object`, `t`

Slots:

- `type` — `initarg: :type`; `reader: cl-forms::list-field-type`; `writer: (setf cl-forms::list-field-type)`  
The list elements type.
- `empty-item-predicate` — `initarg: :empty-item-predicate`; `reader: cl-forms::empty-item-predicate`; `writer: (setf cl-forms::empty-item-predicate)`  
A predicate that tells when a list item is considered empty, and so it is removed from the list
- `add-button` — `initarg: :add-button`; `reader: cl-forms::add-button-p`; `writer: (setf cl-forms::add-button-p)`  
Whether have a list 'ADD' button or not
- `remove-button` — `initarg: :remove-button`; `reader: cl-forms::remove-button-p`; `writer: (setf cl-forms::remove-button-p)`  
Whether add an item removal button or not

**CL-FORMS:FORM** [Class]

A form

Class precedence list: `form`, `standard-object`, `t`

Slots:

- `id` — `initarg: :id`; `reader: cl-forms::form-id`; `writer: (setf cl-forms::form-id)`  
The form id
- `name` — `initarg: :name`; `reader: cl-forms::form-name`; `writer: (setf cl-forms::form-name)`  
The form name
- `action` — `initarg: :action`; `reader: cl-forms::form-action`; `writer: (setf cl-forms::form-action)`  
The form action

- **method** — initarg: `:method`; reader: `cl-forms::form-method`; writer: `(setf cl-forms::form-method)`  
The form method
- **enctype** — initarg: `:enctype`; reader: `cl-forms::form-enctype`; writer: `(setf cl-forms::form-enctype)`  
Form encoding type. i.e. Use multipart/form-data for file uploads
- **fields** — initarg: `:fields`; reader: `cl-forms::form-fields`; writer: `(setf cl-forms::form-fields)`  
Form fields
- **model** — initarg: `:model`; reader: `cl-forms::form-model`; writer: `(setf cl-forms::form-model)`  
The form model object
- **csrf-protection** — initarg: `:csrf-protection`; reader: `cl-forms::form-csrf-protection-p`; writer: `(setf cl-forms::form-csrf-protection-p)`  
T when csrf protection is enabled
- **csrf-field-name** — initarg: `:csrf-field-name`; reader: `cl-forms::form-csrf-field-name`; writer: `(setf cl-forms::form-csrf-field-name)`  
csrf field name
- **errors** — reader: `cl-forms:form-errors`; writer: `(setf cl-forms:form-errors)`  
Form errors after validation. An association list with elements (`<field> . <field errors strings list>`).
- **display-errors** — initarg: `:display-errors`; reader: `cl-forms::display-errors`; writer: `(setf cl-forms::display-errors)`  
A list containing the places where to display errors. Valid options are `:list` and `:inline`
- **client-validation** — initarg: `:client-validation`; reader: `cl-forms::client-validation`; writer: `(setf cl-forms::client-validation)`  
When T, form client validation is enabled

**CL-FORMS:TEXT-FORM-FIELD**

[Class]

A text field. Renders as a text area

Class precedence list: `text-form-field`, `string-form-field`, `form-field`, `standard-object`, `t`



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