HTML Helper Methods i Asp.NET MVC

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- Form Helper Methods (to versioner)
 - SelectList, SelectListItem
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Html.BeginForm

Html.BeginForm (self closing form)

```
Action Method Controller HTTP Method
```

The HTML **BeginForm** method returns an object that implements **iDisposable** interface with the **Dispose** method

https://msdn.microsoft.com/en-us/library/system.web.mvc.html.formextensions.beginform(v=vs.118).aspx

GET eller POST?

- GET request repræsenterer en read-only operation .
- Du kan sende GET request til en server flere gange uden skadelige sideeffekter, fordi GET ikke ændrer (eller burde ikke ændrer – det er jo altid muligt at lave dårlig kode) på state på serveren.
- En POST request vil generelt modificere state på en server
- Repeating POST requests kan give skadelige sideeffekter (f.eks. at man betaler 2 gange for den samme varer, hvis man trykker på buyknappen). Typisk skal man tjekke state på server side for at undgå dette. Mange browser kommer også med en warning

Default metode for forms, hvis man ikke angiver noget (altså ikke angiver post eller get ved formen):

- ASP.NET MVC:
 - POST
- Standard HTML form:
 - GET

Udvalgte Overloads af BeginForm Helper Method

Overload	Description
<pre>BeginForm()</pre>	Creates a form which posts back to the action method it originated from
<pre>BeginForm(action, controller)</pre>	Creates a form which posts back to the action method and controller, specified as strings
<pre>BeginForm(action, controller, method)</pre>	As for the previous overload, but allows you to specify the value for the method attribute using a value from the System.Web.Mvc.FormMethod enumeration
<pre>BeginForm(action, controller, method, attributes)</pre>	As for the previous overload, but allows you to specify attributes for the form element an object whose properties are used as the attribute names
<pre>BeginForm(action, controller,routeValues, method, attributes)</pre>	As for the previous overload, but allows you to specify values for the variable route segments in your application routing configuration as an object whose properties correspond to the routing variables

Input HTML Helpers

Gør livet nemmere for os.

HTML Element	Example
Check box	Html.CheckBox("myCheckbox", false) Output: <input id="myCheckbox" name="myCheckbox" type="checkbox" value="true"/> <input name="myCheckbox" type="hidden" value="false"/>
Radio button	<pre>Html.RadioButton("myRadiobutton", "val", true) Output: <input checked="checked" id="myRadiobutton" name="myRadiobutton" type="radio" value="val"/></pre>
Hidden field	Html.Hidden("myHidden", "val") Output: <input id="myHidden" name="myHidden" type="hidden" value="val"/>
Password	<pre>Html.Password("myPassword", "val") Output: <input id="myPassword" name="myPassword" type="password" value="val"/></pre>

HTML Element	Example
Text area	Html.TextArea("myTextarea", "val", 5, 20, null) Output: <textarea cols="20" id="myTextarea" name="myTextarea" rows="5"> val</textarea>
Text box	Html.TextBox("myTextbox", "val") Output: <input id="myTextbox" name="myTextbox" type="text" value="val"/>

Eksempler på brug – strongly typed view

```
@model Models.Person
@using(Html.BeginForm()) {
  <label>PersonId</label>
  @Html.TextBox("personId", @Model.PersonId) <br/>
  <label>First Name</label>
  @Html.TextBox("firstName", @Model.FirstName)
  <br/>>
  <label>Last Name
  @Html.TextBox("lastName", @Model.LastName) <br/>
  <input type="submit" value="Submit" />
```

Eksempler: En overload som tager et enkelt string argument

```
@model Models.Person
@using(Html.BeginForm()) {
  <label>PersonId</label>
  @Html.TextBox("personId") <br/>
  <label>First Name</label>
  @Html.TextBox("firstName") <br/>
  <label>Last Name
  @Html.TextBox("lastName") <br/>
  <input type="submit" value="Submit" />
```

Strongly Typed Input HTML Helpers

Med Lambda Expressions

Eksempler på Strongly Typed Input HTML Helpers

med Lambda Expressions

```
@model Person //KEY LINE
@using(Html.BeginForm()) {
  <label>PersonId</label>
  @Html.TextBoxFor(m => m.PersonId) <br/>
  <label>First Name</label>
  @Html.TextBoxFor(m => m.FirstName) <br/>
  <label>Last Name
  @Html.TextBoxFor(m => m.FirstName) <br/>
  <input type="submit" value="Submit" />
```

Strongly Typed Input HTML Helpers

HTML Element	Example
Check box	<pre>Html.CheckBoxFor(x => x.lsApproved) Output: <input id="IsApproved" name="IsApproved" type="checkbox" value="true"/> <input name="IsApproved" type="hidden" value="false"/></pre>
Radio button	<pre>Html.RadioButtonFor(x => x.lsApproved, "val") Output: <input id="IsApproved" name="IsApproved" type="radio" value="val"/></pre>
Hidden field	<pre>Html.HiddenFor(x => x.PersonId) Output: <input id="x.PersonId" name="x.PersonId" type="hidden" value=""/></pre>

HTML Element	Example
Password	<pre>Html.PasswordFor(x => x.Password) Output: <input id="Password" name="Password" type="password"/></pre>
Text area	Html.TextAreaFor(x => x.Bio, 5, 20) Output: <textarea cols="20" id="Bio" name="Bio" rows="5"> Bio value</textarea>
Text box	<pre>Html.TextBoxFor(x => x.FirstName) Output: <input id="FirstName" name="FirstName" type="text" value=""/></pre>

Fordele ved at bruge strongly typed Helpers

Full IntelliSense support og kode tjek på compile time.

Man undgår stavefejl i parameter navnene, som kan være svære at debugge.

Tilføje CSS parametre til HTML elements?

Overfør et anonymously typed object

Lave drop downs:

```
<div>
    @Html.DropDownList("PostalDistrict")
</div>
    View
```



Lave drop downs:

```
List<SelectListItem> postalDistricts = new List<SelectListItem>();
postalDistricts.Add(
    new SelectListItem { Text = "Aalborg", Value = "9000" }
);

ViewBag.PostalDistrict = postalDistricts;
return View();
Controller
```

Eller måske er nedenstående pænere:

```
<div>
   @Html.DropDownList("PostalDistrict" ViewBag.PostalDistrict)
</div>
```

Lav Html helper

```
public static MvcHtmlString ListArray
     (this HtmlHelper html, string[] list)
       TagBuilder tagHeadline = new TagBuilder("h1");
       tagHeadline.InnerHtml += "My list from C# code";
       TagBuilder tag = new TagBuilder("ul");
       foreach(string str in list)
       {
           TagBuilder item = new TagBuilder("li");
           item.SetInnerText(str);
           tag.InnerHtml += item.ToString();
      return new MvcHtmlString(tagHeadline.ToString()+tag.ToString());
```

Templated Helper Methods

The MVC Templated HTML Helpers

Helper	Example	Description Renders a read-only view of the specified model property, choosing an HTML element according to the property's type and metadata		
Display	<pre>Html.Display("FirstName")</pre>			
DisplayFor	<pre>Html.DisplayFor(x => x.FirstName)</pre>	Strongly typed version of the previous helper		
Editor	<pre>Html.Editor("FirstName")</pre>	Renders an editor for the specified model property, choosing an HTML element according to the property's type and metadata		
EditorFor	<pre>Html.EditorFor(x => x.FirstName)</pre>	Strongly typed version of the previous helper		
Label	<pre>Html.Label("FirstName")</pre>	Renders an HTML <label> element referring to the specified model property</label>		
LabelFor	<pre>Html.LabelFor(x => x.FirstName)</pre>	Strongly typed version of the previous helper		

Modellen – et eksempel

```
public class Person
{
    public int PersonId { get; set; }
    public string FirstName { get; set; }
    public string LastName { get; set; }
    [DataType(DataType.Date)]
    public DateTime BirthDate { get; set; }
}
```

The View – razor

<h2>Create Person</h2> <div class="dataElem"> @Html.Label("PersonId") @Html.Editor("PersonId") </div> <div class="dataElem"> @Html.Label("FirstName") @Html.Editor("FirstName") </div> <div class="dataElem"> @Html.LabelFor(m => m.LastName) @Html.EditorFor(m => m.LastName) </div> <div class="dataElem"> @Html.LabelFor(m => m.BirthDate) @Html.EditorFor(m => m.BirthDate) </div>

Output

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	22	23 30	24 1	25	26 3	27 4	28 5

HTML Source Coden som generes.

```
<h2>Create Person</h2>
<div class="dataFlem">
    <label for="PersonId">PersonId</label>
    <input class="text-box single-line" id="PersonId" name="PersonId" type="number" value="" />
</div>
<div class="dataElem">
    <label for="FirstName">FirstName</label>
   <input class="text-box single-line" id="FirstName" name="FirstName" type="text" value="" />
</div>
<div class="dataElem">
    <label for="LastName">LastName</label>
   <input class="text-box single-line" id="LastName" name="LastName" type="text" value="" />
</div>
<div class="dataFlem">
    <label for="BirthDate">BirthDate</label>
    <input class="text-box single-line" id="BirthDate" name="BirthDate" type="date" value="" />
</div>
```

Model Metadata

Brug Metadata til at kontrollere display, visibility of type

```
public class Person {
 → [HiddenInput(DisplayValue = false)]
   public int PersonId { get; set; }
  Display(Name="First")]
   public string FirstName { get; set;
 → [Display(Name="Last")]
   public string LastName { get; set; }
 → [Display(Name = "Birth Date")]
  [DataType(DataType.Date)]
   public string BirthDay { get; set; }
```



Built-In MVC Framework View Templates

Boolean	Date	MultilineText	String	Url
Collection	EmailAddress	Number	Text	
Decimal	HiddenInput	Object	Tel	
DateTime	Html	Password	Time	

Comment	
Create	

Whole-Model Templated Helpers (scaffolding) Bemærk: @model skal angives i viewet (ikke vist her)

```
public class Person {
   [HiddenInput(DisplayValue = false)]
   public int PersonId { get; set; }
   [Display(Name="First")]
   public string FirstName { get; set; }
   [Display(Name="Last")]
   public string LastName { get; set; }
    [Display(Name = "Birth Date")]
   [DataType(DataType.Date)]
   public DateTime BirthDate { get; set; }
   [DataType(DataType.PhoneNumber)]
   public string Phone { get; set; }
    [DataType(DataType.EmailAddress)]
   public string Email { get; set; }
```

```
<h2>Create Person</h2>
@using (Html.BeginForm()) {
    @Html.EditorForModel()
    <br />
    <input type="button"</pre>
     value="Create">
```

Scaffolding View (@Html.EditorForModel)

Create Person			
First			
Last			
Birth Date			
Phone	Helper	Example	Description
	DisplayForModel	Html.DisplayForModel()	Renders a read-only view
Email	EditorForModel	Html.EditorForModel()	Renders editor elements
	LabelForModel	Html.LabelForModel()	Renders an HTML < label > element object
Create			

Begrænsinger ved EditorForModel

Ved ikke, hvordan man får den til at genere dropdowns

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