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Suppose you have the following html select statement

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Now I want to run a php if elseif statement that says,

```
if (option value = newest) {  
  // Run this  
}  
elseif ( option value = best sellers ) {  
  // Run this  
}
```

etc. But I don't know what to put inside the if elseif statement. In other words instead of 'option value = newest' (which I know is incorrect), what can I put there so that if newest is selected it will execute the if statement, or if best sellers is selected it will execute the elseif statement?

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read about HTML forms and PHP first.. <http://www.tizag.com/phpT/examples/formex.php> – bitWorking Mar 12 '13 at 9:30

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Give name to your select.

```
<select name="selectedValue">
<option value="Newest">Newest</option>
<option value="Best Sellers">Best Sellers</option>
<option value="Alphabetical">Alphabetical</option>
</select>
```

in your PHP, you will do:

```
$_POST['selectedValue'];
```

if I were you, I would prefer **aswitch-case** incase, there are more than 2 conditions.

Example:

```
switch($_POST['selectedValue']){
case 'Newest':
    // do Something for Newest
    break;
case 'Best Sellers':
    // do Something for Best seller
    break;
case 'Alphabetical':
    // do Something for Alphabetical
    break;
default:
    // Something went wrong or form has been tampered.
}
```

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Karma

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First put a name on your select:

```
<select name="demo">
<option value="Newest">Newest</option>
<option value="Best Sellers">Best Sellers</option>
<option value="Alphabetical">Alphabetical</option>
</select>
```

Then

```
if ($_POST['demo'] === 'Newest') {
// Run this
}
elseif ( $_POST['demo'] === 'Best Sellers' ) {
// Run this
}
```

or

```
switch($_POST['demo']){
    case 'Newest' :
        //some code;
        break;
    case 'Best Sellers':
        //some code;
        break;
    default:
        //some code if the post doesn't match anything
}
```

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[darkheir](#)

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String indices into arrays are case sensitive. – [Oswald](#) Mar 12 '13 at 9:39

Fair point inattention mistake! (usually I don't put any uppercase characters or any space into the value to avoid this type of mistake) – [darkheir](#) Mar 12 '13 at 9:41 

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The `<select>` should have a `name` attribute, e.g. `<select name="sortorder">`. You could then say

```
if ($_REQUEST['sortorder'] == 'Newest') {  
    // TODO sortorder 'Newest' was selected.  
}
```

If you know whether the form data is coming in via HTTP GET or HTTP POST, you could use `$_GET['sortorder']` or `$_POST['sortorder']` respectively.

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answered Mar 12 '13 at 9:29



[Oswald](#)

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I think the read-friendly version would be:

```
switch($option){  
  case 'Newest':  
    runNewestFunction();  
    break;  
  case 'Best Sellers':  
    runBestSellersFunction();  
    break;  
  case 'Alphabetical':  
    runAlphabeticalFunction();  
    break;  
  default:  
    runValidationRequest();  
}
```

also, please do add the name attribute `<select name="option">`

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answered Mar 12 '13 at 9:29



Unamata Sanatarai

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```
<?php
if ( $_POST['com'] == 1 && $_POST['dept_1'] == 'permanent' )
{
    $sel_id= "select MAX(emp_id) from employee ";
    $sel_exeid=mysql_query($sel_id) or die(mysql_error());;
    while($empid= mysql_fetch_array($sel_exeid))
    {
        $result = $empid[0];
        echo $result;
    }
}
?>

<td>
<input class="easyui-validatebox" required="true" name="eid" type="text" id="eid" val
</td>
```

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Harry

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answered Oct 29 '13 at 5:02



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