

# HTML Table Handbook

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## 1. <table>

- **Description:** Defines a table structure to organize tabular data.
- **Usage:** Wraps all table rows ( <tr> ) and optionally sections ( <thead> , <tbody> , <tfoot> ).
- **Syntax:**

```
<table> ... </table>
```

- **Attributes:**
- **border** → Defines table border width. Example: border="2" .
- **cellpadding** → Space inside cells. Example: cellpadding="10" .
- **cellspacing** → Space between cells. Example: cellspacing="5" .
- **width** → Table width (pixels or %). Example: width="70%" .
- **height** → Table height.
- **align** → Alignment of table ( left , center , right ). Depreciated; use CSS text-align .
- **bgcolor** → Background color. Depreciated; use CSS background-color .
- **rules** → Specifies which internal borders to display ( none , groups , rows , cols , all ).

## 2. <caption>

- **Description:** Adds a title or caption to the table.
- **Usage:** First child of <table> .
- **Syntax:**

```
<table>  
  <caption>Table Title</caption>  
</table>
```

- **Attributes:**
- **align** → top , bottom . Depreciated; use CSS caption-side .

## 3. <thead>

- **Description:** Groups header rows of a table.
- **Usage:** Contains <tr> with <th> cells.
- **Syntax:**

```
<thead>
  <tr>
    <th>Header 1</th>
    <th>Header 2</th>
  </tr>
</thead>
```

- **Attributes:** None (use CSS for styling).
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#### 4. <tbody>

- **Description:** Groups the main body rows of the table.
- **Usage:** Contains <tr> with <td>.
- **Syntax:**

```
<tbody>
  <tr>
    <td>Data 1</td>
    <td>Data 2</td>
  </tr>
</tbody>
```

- **Attributes:** None (styling via CSS).
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#### 5. <tfoot>

- **Description:** Groups footer rows, often used for totals or summaries.
- **Usage:** Contains <tr> with <td> or <th>.
- **Syntax:**

```
<tfoot>
  <tr>
    <td>Total</td>
    <td>100</td>
  </tr>
</tfoot>
```

- **Attributes:** None.
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## 6. <tr>

- **Description:** Represents a table row.
- **Usage:** Must be inside `<table>`, `<thead>`, `<tbody>`, or `<tfoot>`.
- **Syntax:**

```
<tr>
  <td>Cell 1</td>
  <td>Cell 2</td>
</tr>
```

- **Attributes:**
- **align** → `left`, `center`, `right`. Deprecated; use CSS.
- **valign** → `top`, `middle`, `bottom`. Deprecated; use CSS `vertical-align`.
- **bgcolor** → Cell background for row. Deprecated; use CSS.

## 7. <th>

- **Description:** Header cell, bold and centered by default.
- **Usage:** Inside `<tr>`.
- **Syntax:**

```
<th>Header</th>
```

- **Attributes:**
- **colspan** → Number of columns the header spans. Example: `<th colspan="2">Merged</th>`.
- **rowspan** → Number of rows the header spans. Example: `<th rowspan="3">Tall Header</th>`.
- **scope** → Defines header relation: `col`, `row`, `colgroup`, `rowgroup`.

## 8. <td>

- **Description:** Table data cell.
- **Usage:** Inside `<tr>` in `<tbody>`, `<thead>`, or `<tfoot>`.
- **Syntax:**

```
<td>Data</td>
```

- **Attributes:**
- **colspan** → Number of columns to span. Syntax: `<td colspan="2">Merged Data</td>`.
- **rowspan** → Number of rows to span. Syntax: `<td rowspan="3">Tall Data</td>`.

- **headers** → Associates cell with header IDs for accessibility. Example: `<td headers="h1 h2">Content</td>`.
- **align** → `left`, `center`, `right`. Depreciated; use CSS.
- **valign** → `top`, `middle`, `bottom`. Depreciated; use CSS.
- **bgcolor** → Cell background color. Depreciated; use CSS.

## 9. Accessibility Tips

- Use `<th>` for all header cells; `<td>` for data cells.
- Assign IDs to headers ( `<th id="h1">` ) and use `headers` in `<td>` for screen readers.
- Use `scope` in `<th>` for simpler tables.
- Prefer CSS for styling ( `border`, `bgcolor`, `align`, `valign` ) instead of deprecated HTML attributes.

## 10. Example Table

```
<table border="2" cellpadding="10" cellspacing="5" width="80%">
  <caption>F1 Drivers Stats</caption>
  <thead>
    <tr>
      <th rowspan="2">Driver</th>
      <th colspan="2">Performance</th>
    </tr>
    <tr>
      <th>Wins</th>
      <th>Podiums</th>
    </tr>
  </thead>
  <tbody>
    <tr>
      <td>Max Verstappen</td>
      <td>10</td>
      <td>15</td>
    </tr>
    <tr>
      <td>Lewis Hamilton</td>
      <td>8</td>
      <td>12</td>
    </tr>
  </tbody>
  <tfoot>
    <tr>
      <td>Total</td>
    </tr>
  </tfoot>
</table>
```

```
<td>18</td>  
<td>27</td>  
</tr>  
</tfoot>  
</table>
```