

With Deletion of Files During Edit or Delete

Displaying Your Image

- 1. Details View
 - a. Replace the @Html.DisplayFor() with an img tag
 - b. Make sure the src location is the place where you are storing your files.

- 2. Create View
 - a. Before doing any work in the view, go to a search engine and locate an image to be used if the user doesn't provide one with the record. This will be our default image for any record without an image. This image should be saved where the rest of your images will go (per previous step).
 - b. In the BeginForm(), update it to reflect The CREATE action, ControllerName, FormMethod of Post, and an Encoding Type of multipart/form-data

```
@using (Html.BeginForm("Create","Recipients",FormMethod.Post,
    new { enctype="multipart/form-data"}))
{
    @Html.AntiForgeryToken()
```

c. Replace the EditorFor() and ValidationMessageFor() with some prompt text and an input type=file as shown below. The name attribute here MUST MATCH the value passed into the Post Action later in these steps. Spelling matters, casing does not.

```
No Images Taller than 350px: <input type="file" style="display:inline" name="logo" />
```

- 3. EDIT View:
 - **a.** In the BeginForm(), update it to reflect The EDIT action, ControllerName, FormMethod
 - of Post, and an Encoding Type of multipart/form-data
 - **b.** Below the HiddenFor() for the ID, add a HiddenFor() for the property of the object that represents your image.

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c. Replace the EditorFor() and ValidationMessageFor() with some prompt text and an input type=file as shown below. The name attribute here MUST MATCH the value passed into the Post Action later in these steps. Spelling matters, casing does not. (optionally, you can display the current image as shown below).

```
Existing Image: <img width="150" src="@Url.Content("~/Content/images/"+@Model.Logo)" /><br /><br />
Change Image (No Images Taller than 350px): <input type="file" style="display:inline" name="logo" />
```

- 4. Create Post
 - a. Add the parameter for HttpPostedFileBase. This MUST match the name attribute of the input type=file in the view
 - **b.** In the if(ModelState.IsValid) code the region for File upload replace noImage.png with your default image

```
// POST: Recipients/Create
// To protect from overposting attacks, please enable the specific
//properties you want to bind to, for
// more details see http://go.microsoft.com/fwlink/?LinkId=317598.
[HttpPost]
[ValidateAntiForgeryToken]
public ActionResult Create([Bind(Include = "ID,Name,Description,URL,Logo")]
Charity charity, HttpPostedFileBase logo)
    if (ModelState.IsValid)
        #region File Upload
        //use a default image if none is provided
        string imgName = "noImage.png";
        if (logo != null)//Your HttpPostedFileBase Object that should be
                        //added to the action != null
            //get image and assign to variable
            imgName = logo.FileName;
            //declare and assign ext value
            string ext = imgName.Substring(imgName.LastIndexOf('.'));
            //declare a list of valid extensions
            string[] goodExts = { ".jpeg", ".jpg", ".gif", ".png" };
            //check the ext variable (toLower()) against the valid list
            if (goodExts.Contains(ext.ToLower()) && (logo.ContentLength <= 4194304))//4194304 - 4MB max by ASP.NET
            {
                //if it is in the list rename using a guid
                imgName = Guid.NewGuid() + ext;
                //save to the webserver
                logo.SaveAs(Server.MapPath("~/Content/Images/" + imgName));
            else
            {
                imgName = "noImage.png";
        //no matter what add the imageName to the object
        charity.Logo = imgName;
        #endregion
        db.Charities.Add(charity);
        db.SaveChanges():
        return RedirectToAction("Index");
    return View(charity);
```

5. Fdit Post

- **a.** Add the parameter for HttpPostedFileBase. This MUST match the name attribute of the input type=file in the view
- b. In the if(ModelState.IsValid) code the region for File upload

```
// POST: Recipients/Edit/5
// To protect from overposting attacks, please enable the specific properties you want to bind to, for
// more details see <a href="http://go.microsoft.com/fwlink/?LinkId=317598">http://go.microsoft.com/fwlink/?LinkId=317598</a>.
[HttpPost]
[ValidateAntiForgeryToken]
public ActionResult Edit([Bind(Include = "ID,Name,Description,URL,Logo")] Charity charity,
   HttpPostedFileBase logo)
    if (ModelState.IsValid)
        #region File Upload
        if (logo != null)//Your HttpPostedFileBase Object that should be added to the action != null
            //get image and assign to variable
            string imgName = logo.FileName;
            //declare and assign ext value
            string ext = imgName.Substring(imgName.LastIndexOf('.'));
            //declare a list of valid extensions
            string[] goodExts = { ".jpeg", ".jpg", ".gif", ".png" };
            //check the ext variable (toLower()) against the valid list
            if (goodExts.Contains(ext.ToLower()) && (logo.ContentLength <= 4194304))//4194304 - 4MB max by ASP.NET
                 //if it is in the list rename using a guid
                imgName = Guid.NewGuid() + ext;
                //save to the webserver
                logo.SaveAs(Server.MapPath("~/Content/Images/" + imgName));
                //Make sure you are not deleting your default image
                if (charity.Logo != null && charity.Logo != "noImage.png")
                {
                     //remove the original file (ViewBag.Hidden) from the edit view
                    System.IO.File.Delete(Server.MapPath("~/Content/Images/" + Session["currentImage"].ToString()));
                }
                //only save if the image meets criteria imageName to the object
                charity.Logo = imgName;
            }
        //If the image is bad (not in our list OR No file was included) the
        //HiddenFor() in the view will care for retaining the value.
        #endregion
        db.Entry(charity).State = EntityState.Modified;
        db.SaveChanges();
        return RedirectToAction("Index");
    return View(charity);
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```

6. Delete Post

a. Add the code for removing the existing image with the current record.

```
// POST: Recipients/Delete/5
[HttpPost, ActionName("Delete")]
[ValidateAntiForgeryToken]
public ActionResult DeleteConfirmed(int id)
{
    Charity charity = db.Charities.Find(id);
    if (charity.Logo != null && charity.Logo != "noImage.png")
    {
        //remove the original file |from the edit view
        System.IO.File.Delete(Server.MapPath("~/Content/Images/" + Session["currentImage"].ToString()));
    }
    db.Charities.Remove(charity);
    db.SaveChanges();
    return RedirectToAction("Index");
}
```

Handling PDF Files

There are some subtle changes if you are uploading a pdf that is to be viewed.

- 1. Prep pieces of the UI (index.cshtml & details.cshtml):
 - a. You will have no tag to display, you will instead have an <a>: Click to View Document (Remember in the index view it will be item.Field and in the details view it will be Model.Field)

2. Create

- a. There are no changes to the Create View
- b. You will still want to care for someone not uploading a pdf. You can do one of the following to address this situation:
 - i. Create a PDF that says "No Document Provided" (probably in large font) and name it noPDF.pdf. Use this as your default pdf file.
 - ii. If adding the file is REQUIRED, then if the HttpPostedFileBase object IS NULL, return the view with the unfinished/incomplete object and pass a message that the file is required.
- c. Instead of the string[] for goodExts (valid extensions), just ensure that the file extension is .pdf.
- 3. Edit
 - a. Instead of the string[] for goodExts (valid extensions), just ensure that the file extension is .pdf.
- 4. Other Uses (Email)
 - a. In the case that you are emailing the file, you do not need to save the file to the web server.
 - b. You will only need to add it to the attachments collection of the MailMessage object before you send the email.

```
MailMessage m = new MailMessage();
//Your Mail Code here
//This with go with the other mail properties
m.IsBodyHtml = true;
m.Attachments.Add(yourVariableHere);
```