

CSS break-before Property

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Example

Always insert a page-break before a <h1> element:

```
@media print {  
  h1 {  
    break-before: always;  
  }  
}
```

Definition and Usage

The **break-before** property specifies whether or not a page break, column break, or region break should occur before the specified element.

The **break-before** property extends the CSS2 **page-break-before** property.

Using **break-before**, you can tell the browser to break the page, column, or region before the element the **break-before** property is applied to, or avoid the element to be split and span across two pages.

Default value:	auto
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**Version:** CSS3**JavaScript syntax:** `object.style.breakBefore="always"`

Browser Support

The numbers in the table specify the first browser version that fully supports the property.

Property					
break-before	50.0	10.0	65.0	10.0	37.0

CSS Syntax

```
break-before: auto|all|always|avoid|avoid-column|avoid-page|avoid-region|column|left|page|recto|region|right|verso|initial|inherit;
```

Property Values

Value	Description
auto	Default. Automatic page/column/region break before the element
all	Always insert a page-break right before the principal box
always	Always insert a page-break before the element
avoid	Avoid a page/column/region break before the element
avoid-column	Avoid a column-break before the element
avoid-page	Avoid a page-break before the element
avoid-region	Avoid a region-break before the element



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page	Always insert a page-break before the element
recto	Insert one or two page-breaks before the principal box so that the next page is formatted as a recto page
region	Always insert a region-break before the element
right	Insert one or two page-breaks before the element so that the next page is formatted as a right page
verso	Insert one or two page-breaks before the principal box so that the next page is formatted as a verso page
initial	Sets this property to its default value. Read about <i>initial</i>
inherit	Inherits this property from its parent element. Read about <i>inherit</i>

More Examples

Example

To assure that all new chapters should start on a right page (like in a book) when printed, you can use `break-before: right` for all `<h1>` elements:

```
@media print {  
  h1 {  
    break-before: right;  
  }  
}
```

Example

Always insert a region-break before `` elements in a region:



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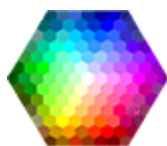
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