



# Selectors

Selectors can be used to install custom selector engines. See [extensibility](#) for more information.

## Methods

### register

Added in: v1.8

Selectors must be registered before creating the page.

#### Usage

An example of registering selector engine that queries elements based on a tag name:

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```
from playwright.sync_api import sync_playwright, Playwright

def run(playwright: Playwright):
    tag_selector = """
    {
        // Returns the first element matching given selector in the root's
subtree.
        query(root, selector) {
            return root.querySelector(selector);
        },
        // Returns all elements matching given selector in the root's subtree.
        queryAll(root, selector) {
            return Array.from(root.querySelectorAll(selector));
        }
    }"""

    # Register the engine. Selectors will be prefixed with "tag=".
    playwright.selectors.register("tag", tag_selector)
    browser = playwright.chromium.launch()
```

```

page = browser.new_page()
page.set_content('<div><button>Click me</button></div>')

# Use the selector prefixed with its name.
button = page.locator('tag=button')
# Combine it with built-in locators.
page.locator('tag=div').get_by_text('Click me').click()
# Can use it in any methods supporting selectors.
button_count = page.locator('tag=button').count()
print(button_count)
browser.close()

with sync_playwright() as playwright:
    run(playwright)

```

## Arguments

- `name` `str`

Name that is used in selectors as a prefix, e.g. `{name: 'foo'}` enables `foo=myselectorbody` selectors. May only contain `[a-zA-Z0-9_]` characters.

- `script` `str` *(optional)*

Raw script content.

- `content_script` `bool` *(optional)*

Whether to run this selector engine in isolated JavaScript environment. This environment has access to the same DOM, but not any JavaScript objects from the frame's scripts. Defaults to `false`. Note that running as a content script is not guaranteed when this engine is used together with other registered engines.

- `path` `Union[str, pathlib.Path]` *(optional)*

Path to the JavaScript file. If `path` is a relative path, then it is resolved relative to the current working directory.

## set\_test\_id\_attribute

Added in: v1.27

Defines custom attribute name to be used in `page.get_by_test_id()`. `data-testid` is used by default.

## Usage

```
selectors.set_test_id_attribute(attribute_name)
```

## Arguments

- `attribute_name` `str`

Test id attribute name.