

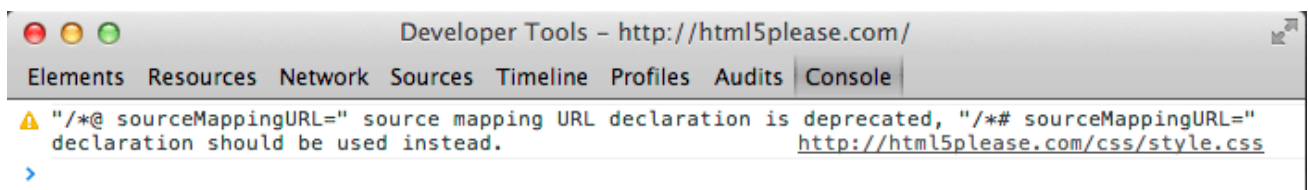
sourceMappingURL and sourceMappingURL syntax changed



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If you use either sourcemaps or sourceMappingURL (both covered in the [HTML5 Rocks Primer on Sourcemaps](#) [\[1\]](#)), then you may see a warning in Chrome console like `"/*@ sourceMappingURL=" source mapping URL declaration is deprecated, "/*# sourceMappingURL=" declaration should be used instead.`



Here's what that's about:

Impetus

`/*@ sourceMappingURL` was found to have a conflict with IE whenever it was found in the page after `/*@cc_on` was interpreted to turn on conditional compilation in the IE JScript engine. A legacy version of the HTML5 Shiv is one particular offender here.

Spec Change

The `/*@ sourceMappingURL` syntax is defined in the [Sourcemap V3 spec](#) It was changed there to use `/*#` syntax instead.

sourceURL

`/*# sourceURL` is also defined in the spec and was made to match the `/*#` syntax for consistency. Follow through, for details on [what sourceURL does](#). It's used by Ember's [minispade](#), Google's [concatenate.js](#), and others. In Chrome, `sourceURL` is supported for inline scripts and inline styles, in addition to evaluated JS.

Implementation in Browser DevTools = done!

- **Safari Inspector** now supports `//#` for `sourceMappingURL` and `sourceURL`
- **Firebug's** change has landed for `sourceURL`.
- **Firefox** landed the change for `sourceMappingURL`. The `sourceURL` [ticket is here](#).
- **Chrome DevTools** landed the change for `sourceMappingURL` and `sourceURL`. It will also warn about use of the deprecated `//@` syntax.

While these changes make their way to stable release, you can use both syntaxes simultaneously for full tool support or migrate immediately to the `#` syntax, depending on your needs.

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