## continue statement in C

The **continue** statement in C programming works somewhat like the **break** statement. Instead of forcing termination, it forces the next iteration of the loop to take place, skipping any code in between.

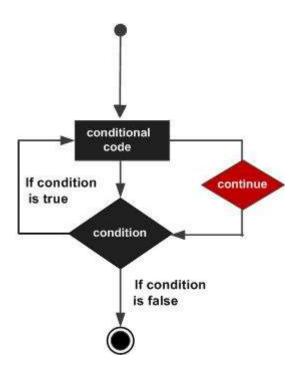
For the **for** loop, **continue** statement causes the conditional test and increment portions of the loop to execute. For the **while** and **do...while** loops, **continue** statement causes the program control to pass to the conditional tests.

## **Syntax**

The syntax for a continue statement in C is as follows -

continue;

## **Flow Diagram**



## **Example**

```
#include <stdio.h>
int main () {
  /* local variable definition */
   int a = 10;
 /* do loop execution */
   do {
      if( a == 15) {
         /* skip the iteration */
         a = a + 1;
         continue;
      }
      printf("value of a: %d\n", a);
      a++;
  } while( a < 20 );</pre>
   return 0;
}
```

When the above code is compiled and executed, it produces the following result -

```
value of a: 10
value of a: 11
value of a: 12
value of a: 13
value of a: 14
value of a: 16
value of a: 17
value of a: 18
value of a: 19
```