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1 article

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```
<txp:article />
```

The basic `article` tag can be used as either a *single* tag or *container* tag and used to output one or more articles depending on the attributes used. Default attributes will be used when nothing specific is assigned.

It may be used as a *container* tag, in which case it must be specified as an opening and closing pair of tags, like this:

```
<txp:article>  
...contained statements...  
</txp:article>
```

This is equivalent to putting the contained statements into a form named "my_form" and using `<txp:article form="my_form" />`.

The tag is context-sensitive, which means it will grab articles from the currently viewed section/category/author, etc.

When used on the front page, article's context will include articles from all [Sections](#) set to display "On front page".

See this [comparison of how article and article_custom differ](#).

1.1 Attributes

Tag will accept content/behaviour and presentation attributes ([case-sensitive](#)).

1.1.1 Content/behaviour attributes

allowoverride="boolean"
Whether to use override forms for the generated article list.
Default: 1 (yes).

customfieldname="value"
Restrict to articles with specified value for specified custom field name. Replace "customfieldname" with the name of the custom field.

form="form name"
Use specified form.
Default: default.

keywords="keyword(s)"
Restrict to articles with specified keyword(s).

limit="integer"
The number of articles to display.
Default: 10.

listform="form name"
Use specified form when page is displaying an article list.

offset="integer"
The number of articles to skip.
Default: 0.

pageby="integer"
The number of articles to jump forward or back when an older or newer link is clicked. Allows you to call the article tag several times on a page without messing up older/newer links.
Default: value matches the value assigned to limit.

pgonly="boolean"
Do the article count, but do not display anything. Used when you want to show a search result count, or article navigation tags **before** the list of articles. Just make sure that, other than pgonly, both article tags are identical (form-related attributes are the exception, they do not need to be assigned).
Default: 0 (no).

searchall="boolean"
When outputting search results, include only those articles with **Include in site search** set on the [Sections](#) page. If set to 0, only articles in the current section are displayed. See [Fixing search results](#) for more.
Default: 1.

searchform="form name"
The form to be used for your customized search results output.
Default: search_results.

searchsticky="boolean"
When outputting search results, include articles with status "sticky".
Default: 0 (no).

sort="sort value(s)"
How to sort resulting list.
Values:
ID (article id#)
AuthorID (author name)
LastMod (date last modified)
LastModID (author name of last modification)
Posted (date posted)
Expires (expiry date)
Title
Category1
Category2
comments_count
Status
Section
Keywords

```

Image (article image id#)
url_title
custom_1 through custom_10
(From 4.2.0 on: custom_n)
For numeric values use "(custom_n+0)"
rand() (random).
Each field in the textpattern database table can be used as a sort key.
When viewing a search results list,
score (how well the search terms match the article)
is available as an additional value.
Default: Posted desc (score desc for search results)
status="status"
Restrict to articles with the specified status.
Values: live or sticky
Default: live.
time="time"
Restrict to articles posted within specified timeframe.
Values: past, future, or any (both past and future).
Default: past.

```

1.1.2 Common Presentational Attributes

These attributes, which affect presentation, are shared by many tags. Note that default values can vary among tags.

```

label="text"
Label prepended to item.
Default: unset (but see label cross-reference for exceptions).
labeltag="element"
HTML element to wrap (markup) label (e.g., labeltag="h3")
Default: unset.
wraptag="element"
HTML element to wrap (markup) list block (e.g., wraptag="ul")
Default: unset (but see wraptag cross-reference for exceptions).
class="name"
HTML class to apply to the wraptag attribute value.
Default: tag name or unset (see class cross-reference)
break="value"
Where value is an HTML element (e.g., break="li") or some string to separate list items.
Default: br (but see break cross-reference for exceptions).

```

1.2 Note on Article List vs. Individual Article context

The `article` tag is context-sensitive. It will produce different results depending on whether the page being viewed is an article list or an individual article. Article-list context includes the default (home) page, section front pages, and category pages. Individual-article context applies on an article page (i.e., a page with a URL like `<http://example.com/archives/24/my-article>`).

1.3 Examples

1.3.1 Example 1: Basic Use as Single Tag

Here is the `article` tag responsible for the main content of the home page on a new Textpattern 4.0.7 installation:

```
<txp:article limit="5" />
```

What this does...

Calls the `default` article form, which may contain any variation of article output you want to create. The `default` form cannot be deleted; it is the form you see on first viewing the `Forms` tab.
Uses the `limit` attribute to specify the maximum number of articles displayed in article list context. (If not specified, this defaults to 10.)

1.3.2 Example 2: Specifying a Form

Expanding on example 1, here is the `article` tag responsible for showing lists of articles by category in the default page of a new Textpattern installation:

```
<txp:article listform="article_listing" limit="5" />
```

What this does...

In article list context, the form named "article_listing" will be processed and displayed for each article in the list. In individual article context, the default form would be used.

To see this in action, on a new Textpattern install, from the home page click on one of the category links near the bottom (right above the Comment link). Note the URL, similar to `<http://example.com/category/meaningful-labor>`. The `category` in the URL means this is a listing of articles by category. Here you see only the article title and posting date, because that is what is contained in the form named "article_listing".

Now click on the article title. Note the URL, similar to `<http://example.com/articles/1/welcome-to-your-site>`. This is an individual article page. Once again you can see the full article, this time with comments showing.

1.3.3 Example 3: Offsetting Article Display

Continuing from the previous examples:

```
<txp:article listform="article_listing" limit="5" offset="2" />
```

What this does...

Here we include the `offset` attribute to offset article display by two (2) articles. This means the five articles that will be displayed (i.e., `limit="5"`) in article list context will begin with the third most recent article published in the site. (The offset will not be applied in individual article context.)

Why you might do it...

Offsetting articles is useful in situations where the most recent article(s) are already accessible in some way and you don't want them appearing again in normal article flow.

1.3.4 Example 4: Using pageby to Split Article Output on a Page

```
<div id="first"><tvp:article limit="1" pageby="10" /></div>
<div id="middle"><tvp:article limit="8" offset="1" pageby="10" /></div>
<div id="last"><tvp:article limit="1" offset="9" pageby="10" /></div>
```

Another:

```
<tvp:article limit="5" pageby="10" /> <tvp:article limit="5" offset="5" pageby="10" />
```

The **pageby** number should be the total number of articles displayed on the page. Without **pageby**, each article tag would page independently based on its own **limit**, as if it was the only article tag. - From [Alex's original forum post](#).

1.3.5 Example 5: Combined with Custom Fields

This code will display articles that have a custom field named "colour" with a value "red":

```
<tvp:article colour="red" />
```

1.3.6 Example 6: Article Sorting

```
<tvp:article sort="AuthorID asc, Posted desc" />
```

What this does...

uses the **sort** attribute to define values by which to order article output. In this case two values are declared. *AuthorID asc* first orders articles alphabetically by author names, then *Posted desc* orders them by date published ("desc" meaning newest to oldest).

Why you might do it...

Sorting is a powerful way to group articles (e.g., by author), and/or give priority to articles most recently published (typically better for your website visitors).

1.4 Genealogy

1.4.1 Version 4.0.7

- Can be used as a container.
- `wraptag` and `break` attributes added.

1.4.2 Version 4.0.4

- `sort` added (replaces `sortby` and `sortdir`)
- `sortby` and `sortdir` deprecated

1.4.3 Version 4.0.2

- `pageby` added

2 article custom

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```
<txp:article_custom />
```

The `article_custom` tag is a *single* or a *container* tag that provides a variety of custom options for sorting, selecting, and displaying articles (the tag will be replaced with one or more articles).

If used as a container, it must be specified as an opening and closing pair of tags, like this:

```
<txp:article_custom>  
...contained statements...  
</txp:article_custom>
```

This is equivalent to putting the contained statements into a form named "my_form" and using `<txp:article_custom form="my_form" />`.

Unlike the `article` tag, `article_custom` will always return an article list and is *not context-sensitive*. This means while the `article` tag can only see posts within the currently viewed section/category/author and so forth, `article_custom` can see all posts from all sections, categories and authors unless you restrict it via attributes (see below), thus *context-sensitive navigation tags*, such as `older` and `newer`, will not work.

A comparison of how `article` and `article_custom` differ.

2.1 Attributes

Tag will accept the following attributes (**case-sensitive**):

`id="article ID"`

Display the specific article or list of articles (each ID separated by a comma).

IMPORTANT: When a list is supplied, this does *not* imply a sort order (see [Example 6](#)).

Default: unset.

`customfieldname="value"`

Restrict to articles with specified value for specified custom field name. Replace "`customfieldname`" with the name of the custom field.

IMPORTANT: Using dashes (-) or spaces may cause errors or render this feature ineffectual. Underscores in both custom field names and values are confirmed to work.

Default: unset.

`section="section name"`

Restrict to articles from specified section(s).

Value: (comma separated list of) section name(s).

Default: unset, retrieves from all sections.

`category="category name"`

Restrict to articles from specified category/ies. Note: the category names may be different to the Title you typed when you created the category, as the names are sanitized for URL use. Check the [Categories](#) tab to ensure you are using the correct names.

Value: (comma separated list of) category name(s).

Default: unset, retrieves from all categories.

`keywords="keyword(s)"`

Restrict to articles with specified keyword(s).

Default: unset.

`excerpted="y"`

Restrict to articles with/without an excerpt.

Value: y (yes, return only those containing an excerpt).

Default: unset (no, return all).

`status="status"`

Restrict to articles with the specified status.

Values: live or sticky.

Default: live.

`time="time"`

Restrict to articles posted within specified timeframe.

Values: past, future, or any (both past and future).

Default: past.

`expired="boolean"`

Whether to include articles that have expired or not.

Values: 0 (don't include expired articles) or 1 (include expired articles).

Default: Setting of preference *Publish expired articles*.

`month="yyyy"/"yyyy-mm"/"yyyy-mm-dd"`

Restrict to articles posted within the specified year/month/day.

Default: unset.

`author="author name" (Login name)`

Restrict to articles by specified author(s).

Value: (comma separated list of) author name(s).

Default: unset, retrieves from all authors.

`sort="sort value(s)"`

How to sort resulting list.

Values:

ID (article id#)

AuthorID (author)

LastMod (date last modified)

LastModID (author of last modification)

Posted (date posted)

Expires (expiry date)

Title

```

Category1
Category2
comments_count
Status
Section
Keywords
Image (article image id#)
url_title
custom_1 through custom_10
(From 4.2.0 on: custom_n)
For numeric values use "(custom_n+0)"
rand() (random).
Each field in the "textpattern"-table can be used as a sort key.

Default: Posted desc.
offset="integer"
The number of articles to skip.
Default: 0.
limit="integer"
The number of articles to display.
Default: 10.
allowoverride="boolean"
Whether to use override forms for the generated article list.
Values: 0 (no) or 1 (yes).
Default: 0.
form="form name"
Use specified form.
Default: default.

```

2.1.1 Common Presentational Attributes

These attributes, which affect presentation, are shared by many tags. Note that default values can vary among tags.

```

label="text"
Label prepended to item.
Default: unset (but see label cross-reference for exceptions).
labeltag="element"
HTML element to wrap (markup) label (e.g., labeltag="h3")
Default: unset.
wraptag="element"
HTML element to wrap (markup) list block (e.g., wraptag="ul")
Default: unset (but see wraptag cross-reference for exceptions).
class="name"
HTML class to apply to the wraptag attribute value.
Default: tag name or unset (see class cross-reference)
break="value"
Where value is an HTML element (e.g., break="li") or some string to separate list items.
Default: br (but see break cross-reference for exceptions).

```

2.2 Examples

2.2.1 Example 1: List articles published in specified month

```
<txp:article_custom form="month_list" sort="Section asc" month="2004-10" />
```

2.2.2 Example 2: Select by keyword

```
<txp:article_custom sort="Posted desc" keywords="One" />
```

2.2.3 Example 3: Select by author

```
<txp:article_custom form="author_list" author="Parkling" />
```

the **author_list** article form might go thus.

```
<p><txp:permalink><txp:title /></txp:permalink></p>
```

Other tags used: [permalink](#), [title](#)

2.2.3.1 Example 3a: Container tag

The following is exactly equivalent to Example 3:

```
<txp:article_custom author="Parkling">
<p><txp:permalink><txp:title /></txp:permalink></p>
</txp:article_custom>
```

2.2.4 Example 4: Combined with custom fields

This code will display articles that have a custom field named "colour" with a value "red":

```
<txp:article_custom colour="red" />
```

2.2.5 Example 5: Article sorting

```
<txp:article_custom sort="AuthorID asc, Posted asc" />
```

What this does...

uses the `sort` attribute to define values by which to order article output. In this case two values are declared. `AuthorID asc` first orders articles alphabetically by author names, then `Posted desc` orders them by date published ("desc" meaning newest to oldest).
Why you might do it...
Sorting is a powerful way to group articles (e.g., by author), and/or give priority to articles most recently published (typically better for your website visitors).

2.2.6 Example 6: Select by article ID(s)

```
<txp:article_custom id="81,73" />
```

What this does...

outputs articles specified by list of IDs
order of articles may not match the order of the IDs in the list

```
<txp:article_custom id="81,73" sort="field(id,81,73)" />
```

What this does...

outputs articles specified by list of IDs, in the order given in the `sort` field

2.3 Genealogy

2.3.1 Version 4.5.0

- Added `expired` attribute.

2.3.2 Version 4.0.7

- Can be used as a container tag.
- `id` can take a comma-separated list of IDs.
- `wraptag` and `break` attributes added.

2.3.3 Version 4.0.6

- Support added for comma separated lists for section, category and author attributes

2.3.4 Version 4.0.4

- `listform` deprecated (it never made a difference to `article_custom` anyway)
- `sort` added (replaces `sortby` and `sortdir`)
- `sortby` and `sortdir` deprecated

3 article id

Tag reference quick links:

- [Tag Reference Index](#)
- [Tag Basics](#)
- [Attributes Cross-reference](#)
- [Tags In Development](#)

```
<txp:article_id />
```

The `article_id` tag is a *single* tag which returns the numeric ID of the article being displayed. This number will also be reflected as a part of the article permanent URL if it has been chosen as the *Permanent link mode* in the [Basic Preferences](#) tab.

3.1 Attributes

This tag has no attributes.

3.2 Examples

3.2.1 Example 1: Hyperlinked to the article

```
<txp:permalink><txp:article_id /></txp:permalink>
```

Other tags used: `permalink`

3.2.2 Example 2: Conditional use

This will only display the hyperlinked article ID when on an individual article page.

```
<txp:if_individual_article>  
Article ID: <txp:permalink><txp:article_id /></txp:permalink>  
</txp:if_individual_article>
```

Other tags used: `if_individual_article`, `permalink`

4 article image

Tag reference quick links:

- [Tag Reference Index](#)
- [Tag Basics](#)
- [Attributes Cross-reference](#)
- [Tags In Development](#)

```
<txp:article_image />
```

The `article_image` tag is a *single* tag. Textpattern will replace this tag with `` HTML tag(s) matching the numeric ID(s) or URL assigned when the article is posted.

The image to be associated with the tag is set under the [Write](#) panel. Click "Article Image" and enter either the URL of the image, or the Textpattern ID (a number set by Textpattern at upload) into the *Article image* field. Most of the time you will use the image ID or a comma-separated list of IDs here.

4.1 Attributes

Tag will accept the following attributes (**case-sensitive**):

```
class="class name"
    CSS class attribute to apply to the image (or to the wraptag, if set).
    Default: unset.

escape="html"
    Escape HTML entities such as <, > and & for the image's alt and title attributes.
    Value: html or unset.
    Default: html.

height="integer"
    Specify an image height which overrides the value stored in the database. Use height="0" to turn off the output of a width attribute in the
    <img> tag (thus the browser will scale the height if a width is used)
    Default: height of image stored in the database.

html_id="id"
    The HTML id attribute assigned to the image (or to the wraptag, if set).
    Default: unset.

style="style rule"
    Inline CSS style rule.
    Default: unset.

thumbnail="boolean"
    Use the thumbnail rather than full-size image.
    Values: 1 (yes) or 0 (no).
    Default: 0.

width="integer"
    Specify an image width which overrides the value stored in the database. Use width="0" to turn off the output of a width attribute in the
    <img> tag (thus the browser will scale the width if a height is used)
    Default: width of image stored in the database.

wraptag="tag"
    HTML tag to be used to wrap the img tag, specified without brackets.
    Default: unset.
```

4.2 Examples

4.2.1 Example 1: Use wraptag and class for styling

```
<txp:article_image wraptag="p" class="article-image" />
```

What this does...

This will wrap the image in paragraph tags, applying the class to the paragraph: `<p class="article-image"></p>`.

Why you might do it...

It gives you full control over the image's appearance using CSS.

Note

Without the wraptag, the class is applied directly to the `img` tag

4.2.2 Example 2: Link thumbnail to the article

Used in an article list form this will display an article list consisting of hyperlinked article images' thumbnails.

```
<txp:permalink><txp:article_image thumbnail="1" /></txp:permalink>
```

Other tags used: `permalink`

4.3 Genealogy

4.3.1 Version 4.3.0

- `width` and `height` attributes added

4.3.2 Version 4.2.0

- attribute `align` deprecated

4.3.3 Version 4.0.7

- default value for attribute `escape` changed from `unset` to `html`

4.3.4 Version 4.0.4

- `class`, `escape`, `html_id`, `thumbnail`, and `wraptag` added.

5 Category:Article Tags

Tag reference quick links:

- [Tag Reference Index](#)
- [Tag Basics](#)
- [Attributes Cross-reference](#)
- [Tags In Development](#)

Article Tags are a subcategory of the [Tag Reference](#). They are tags that represent a field in the textpattern table and show or otherwise reference the 'article' content type. See the [Articles](#) page.

[Download Category:Article_Tags book](#)

6 article url title

Tag reference quick links:

- [Tag Reference Index](#)
- [Tag Basics](#)
- [Attributes Cross-reference](#)
- [Tags In Development](#)

```
<txp:article_url_title />
```

The `article_url_title` tag is a *single* tag which returns the dumbed-down "URL title" of the article being displayed. This URL title may also be part of the page's address depending on the *Permanent link mode* chosen in [Basic Preferences](#).

6.1 Attributes

This tag has no attributes.

6.2 Genealogy

6.2.1 Version 4.0.5

- Tag support added

7 author

Tag reference quick links:

- [Tag Reference Index](#)
- [Tag Basics](#)
- [Attributes Cross-reference](#)
- [Tags In Development](#)

```
<txp:author />
```

The `author` tag is a *single* tag that is used to return the name of the author of the currently displayed article.

7.1 Attributes

Tag will accept the following attributes (**case-sensitive**):

```
link="boolean"
    Make text a link to the author's posts.
    Values: 0 (no) or 1 (yes).
    Default: 0.
section="section name"
    Only link to articles from the named section.
    Default: unset.
this_section="boolean"
    Only link to other articles from the same section as the current article.
    Values: 0 (no) or 1 (yes).
    Default: 0.
title="boolean"
    Whether to display the author's real name (1) or login name (0).
    Default: 1.
```

7.2 Examples

7.2.1 Example 1: Link to list of author's articles

The author's name in this article form is a hyperlink to a list of articles by this author.

```
<h1><txp:title /></h1>
<txp:body />

<p class="author-date">
    Posted By: <txp:author link="1" /> @ <txp:posted />
</p>
```

Other tags used: `posted`, `title`, `body`

7.2.2 Example 2: Author landing page

Display the author's name above a list of articles by that author when visiting `site.com/author/Author+Name` URLs.

```
<txp:if_author>
    <h1>Articles by author: <txp:author /></h1>
    <txp:article form="article_listing" limit="5" />
</txp:if_author>
```

Other tags used: `if_author`, `article`

7.3 Genealogy

7.3.1 Version 4.5.0

- Permitted the tag to be used on author list landing pages

7.3.2 Version 4.3.0

- Added the `title` attribute.

7.3.3 Version 4.0.4

- `section`, `this_section` added.

8 author email

Tag reference quick links:

- [Tag Reference Index](#)
- [Tag Basics](#)
- [Attributes Cross-reference](#)
- [Tags In Development](#)

```
<txp:author_email />
```

The `author_email` tag is a *single* tag that is used to return the email address of the author of the currently displayed article.

8.1 Attributes

Tag will accept the following attributes (**case-sensitive**):

`escape="html"`
 Escape HTML markup.
 Default: `html`
`link="boolean"`
 Make text a mailto link.
 Values: 0 (no) or 1 (yes).
 Default: 0.

8.2 Examples

8.2.1 Example 1: Display email address

```
<txp:author_email />
```

8.2.2 Example 2: Create a mailto link

```
<txp:author_email link="1" />
```

8.3 Genealogy

8.3.1 Version 4.5.0

- Tag support added

9 body

Tag reference quick links:

- [Tag Reference Index](#)
- [Tag Basics](#)
- [Attributes Cross-reference](#)
- [Tags In Development](#)

```
<txp:body />
```

The **body** tag is a *single* tag which is used to return the text, or content, of the article being displayed (the article itself). The tag can be used in an article [Form](#), or within [Pages](#) (templates), either wrapped within a given article tag, or directly in the template itself so long as the context is with a single article (as opposed to an article list).

9.1 Attributes

This tag has no attributes.

9.2 Examples

9.2.1 Example 1: Display the article text

```
<h3><txp:title /></h3>
<div class="post">
    <p><txp:author /> @ <txp:posted /></p>
    <txp:body />
</div>
```

When used as part of your article form, this displays the article title, author and posted date, then the body text beneath that.

Other tags used: [author](#), [posted](#), [title](#)

10 breadcrumb

Tag reference quick links:

- [Tag Reference Index](#)
- [Tag Basics](#)
- [Attributes Cross-reference](#)
- [Tags In Development](#)

```
<txp:breadcrumb />
```

The **breadcrumb** tag is a *single* tag which is used to create [breadcrumb navigation](#). It provides either hyperlinked navigation, or plain text positional display, any time you are *not* on the Home page.

10.1 Attributes

Tag will accept the following attributes (**case-sensitive**):

link="value"
Whether to hyperlink breadcrumbs.
Values: 1 (yes) or 0 (no).
Default: 1.

linkclass="class name"
HTML class attribute applied to the breadcrumb links.
Default: unset.

separator="value"
Character to be used as the breadcrumb separator.
Default: » .

title="boolean"
Whether to display the title or not.
Values: 1 (yes) or 0 (no, display name).
Default: 0.

10.1.1 Common Presentational Attributes

These attributes, which affect presentation, are shared by many tags. Note that default values can vary among tags.

label="text"
Label prepended to item.
Default: unset (but see [label cross-reference](#) for exceptions).

wraptag="element"
HTML element to wrap (markup) list block (e.g., `wraptag="ul"`)
Default: unset (but see [wraptag cross-reference](#) for exceptions).

class="name"
HTML class to apply to the `wraptag` attribute value.
Default: tag name **or** unset (see [class cross-reference](#))

10.2 Examples

10.2.1 Example 1: Display a hyperlinked breadcrumb trail

```
<txp:breadcrumb label="Navigation" separator="::" link="1" wraptag="p" />
```

Provides hyperlinks to sections or categories in a breadcrumb style, linking back to your home page.

Breadcrumbs are not displayed on the "Default" section of your site

10.2.2 Example 2: Display a text only breadcrumb trail

```
<txp:breadcrumb label="Navigation" separator=":" link="0" wraptag="p" />
```

Provides a breadcrumb guide that reflects where a user is within the site's navigation.

10.3 Genealogy

10.3.1 Version 4.3.0

- `sep` attribute deprecated and renamed `separator`

10.3.2 Version 4.5.0

- Default class name `noline` for `linkclass` removed, now unset.

11 category

Tag reference quick links:

- Tag Reference Index
- Tag Basics
- Attributes Cross-reference
- Tags In Development

```
<txp:category />
```

The `category` tag can be used as either a *single* or *containing* tag. It will display information of the category as defined by the `name` attribute, or the one currently being viewed. When used as a containing tag, it will turn the contents into a link to the category. Otherwise, it will return plain text.

May be used in any context.

11.1 Attributes

Tag will accept the following attributes (**case-sensitive**):

`class="class name"`
HTML class attribute, applied to `wraptag`. If no `wraptag` is supplied (and `link="1"`), the class is applied to the anchor instead.
Default: unset.

`link="boolean"` (works only in the *single* tag)
Whether to display as link.
Values: 1 (yes) or 0 (no).
Default: 0.

`name="category name"`
Display specific category. Note the category name is specified in lower case regardless of how you typed its title in the Category tab. Also note that if you had called your category **My Category Name** it becomes **my-category-name** when used in tags.
Default: unset (use current category).

`section="section name"`
Restricts category search to named section.
Default: current section (for backwards compatibility).

`this_section="boolean"`
Only link to articles from the current section. `section` attribute overrides this setting.
Values: 1 (yes) or 0 (no).
Default: 0.

`title="boolean"`
Whether to display category's title instead of its name.
Values: 1 (yes) or 0 (no, display name).
Default: 0.

`type="category type"`
Values: article, image, link, file.
Default: article.

`url="boolean"`
Display plain URL or full link.
Values: 1 (yes) or 0 (no).
Default: 0 (display title or full link, depending on `link`)

`wraptag="tag"`
HTML tag (without brackets) to wrap around output.
Default: unset.

11.2 Examples

11.2.1 Example 1: Displays the current category name

```
<txp:category />
```

11.2.2 Example 2: Display hyperlinked category title

```
<txp:category title="1" link="1" />
```

11.2.3 Example 3: Display a specific category's title, hyperlinked

```
<txp:category name="articles" title="1" link="1" wraptag="p" />
```

11.2.4 Example 4: Container Example

```
<txp:category name="book">My books</txp:category>
```

11.3 Genealogy

11.3.1 Version 4.0.7

- Applies `class` attribute to the `<a>` element when `wraptag` is empty.
- New attribute, `url` to output URL only.

11.3.2 Version 4.0.4

- `this_section` added.

12 category list

Tag reference quick links:

- Tag Reference Index
- Tag Basics
- Attributes Cross-reference
- Tags In Development

```
<txp:category_list />
```

The `category_list` tag can be used as either a *single* tag or *container* tag which is used to produce a list of linked categories.

12.1 Attributes

Tag will accept the following attributes (**case-sensitive**):

`active_class="class name"` (Only works in the *single* tag without the `form` attribute. For setting an active class in the *container* tag see example 3.)
HTML class attribute to be applied to the "active" or current link in a list.
Default: unset.

`categories="category name(s)"`
Comma-separated list of categories to include, displayed in the order specified (unless overridden by `sort` attribute). Use category names not titles here -- note that Textpattern automatically converts the names to lower case and converts spaces to hyphens when they are created
Default: unset (all categories).

`children="boolean"`
Can limit the list depth to one level below the parent category.
Values: 0 (no children, i.e. only show one level below the parent) or 1 (all nested categories).
Default: 1

`exclude="category name(s)"`
List of category names which will be excluded from the list. `categories` takes precedence over `exclude`.
Default: unset.

`form="form name"`
Use the specified form to process each included category.

`parent="category name"`
Return only specified category and its "children" categories.

`section="section name"`
Link to specified section.
Default: unset, resulting in links without section restriction.

`sort="sort value(s)"`
How to sort the resulting list.
Values:
id
name
type
parent
title
rand() (random)
Default: name asc.

`this_section="boolean"`
Link to currently active section (overrides `section` attribute).
Values: 0 (no) or 1 (yes).
Default: 0.

`type="category type"`
Available values: article, image, link, file.
Default: article.

12.1.1 Common Presentational Attributes

These attributes, which affect presentation, are shared by many tags. Note that default values can vary among tags.

`label="text"`
Label prepended to item.
Default: unset (but see `label cross-reference` for exceptions).

`labeltag="element"`
HTML element to wrap (markup) label (e.g., `labeltag="h3"`)
Default: unset.

`wraptag="element"`
HTML element to wrap (markup) list block (e.g., `wraptag="ul"`)
Default: unset (but see `wraptag cross-reference` for exceptions).

`class="name"`
HTML class to apply to the `wraptag` attribute value.
Default: tag name or unset (see `class cross-reference`)

`break="value"`
Where `value` is an HTML element (e.g., `break="li"`) or some string to separate list items.
Default: `br` (but see `break cross-reference` for exceptions).

12.2 Examples

12.2.1 Example 1: Labelled category list

```
<txp:category_list label="Categories" wraptag="p" break="br" />
```

12.2.2 Example 2: As an unordered list

```
<txp:category_list break="li" wraptag="ul" />
```

Styles could go this way

```
.category_list {  
    list-style-type:none;  
}
```

12.2.3 Example 3: Set active class using the container tag

This code will add `class="active"` to the `` element around the "current" category in the list.

```
<txp:category_list wraptag="ul" break="">  
<li<txp:if_category name='<txp:category />'><code> class="active"</code></txp:if_category>>  
<txp:category title="1" link="1" />  
</li>  
</txp:category_list>
```

12.3 Genealogy

12.3.1 Version 4.0.7

- Can be used as a container tag.
- `form` and `children` attributes added.

12.3.2 Version 4.0.4

- `active_class`, `categories`, `exclude`, `section`, `this_section` added.

13 category1

Tag reference quick links:

- Tag Reference Index
- Tag Basics
- Attributes Cross-reference
- Tags In Development

```
<txp:category1 />
```

The `category1` tag can be used as either a *single* tag or *container* tag. It will display information of the category as defined by Cat1 of the article being displayed. When used as a containing tag, it will turn the contents into a link to that category. Otherwise, it will return plain text.

This tag may be used within either an article form, or in a page, wrapped in an `if_individual_article` conditional tag.

13.1 Attributes

Tag will accept the following attributes (**case-sensitive**):

`class="class name"`
HTML class attribute to be applied to `wrapTag`.
Default: unset.

`link="boolean"` (works only in the *single* tag)
Whether to link to articles from the same category.
Values: 1 (yes) or 0 (no).
Default: 0.

`section="section name"`
Only link to articles from the specified section.
Default: unset.

`title="boolean"`
Whether to output category title, rather than name.
Values: 1 (yes) or 0 (no, output name).
Default: 0.

`this_section="boolean"`
Whether to only link to articles from the section containing the current article.
Values: 1 (yes) or 0 (no, allow from any section).
Default: 0.

`wrapTag="tag"`
HTML tag (without brackets) to wrap around output.
Default: unset.

13.2 Examples

13.2.1 Example 1: Category name in plain text

```
<txp:category1 />
```

13.2.2 Example 2: Hyperlinked category title

```
<txp:category1 link="1" title="1" />
```

If category1 is "General", this tag will display the word "General" as a hyperlink to a list of articles in the same category.

13.2.3 Example 3: Container example

```
<txp:category1>Other articles in category <txp:category1 title="1" /></txp:category1>
```

13.3 Genealogy

13.3.1 Version 4.0.4

- `class`, `section`, `this_section`, `wrapTag` added.

14 category2

Tag reference quick links:

- Tag Reference Index
- Tag Basics
- Attributes Cross-reference
- Tags In Development

```
<txp:category2 />
```

The `category2` tag can be used as either a *single* tag or *container* tag. It will display information of the category as defined by Cat2 of the article being displayed. When used as a containing tag, it will turn the contents into a link to that category. Otherwise, it will return plain text.

This tag may be used within either an article form, or in a page, wrapped in an `if_individual_article` conditional tag.

14.1 Attributes

Tag will accept the following attributes (**case-sensitive**):

```
class="class name"
    HTML class attribute to be applied to wraptag.
    Default: unset.
link="boolean" (works only in the single tag)
    Whether to link to articles from the same category.
    Values: 1 (yes) or 0 (no).
    Default: 0.
section="section name"
    Only link to articles from the specified section.
    Default: unset.
this_section="boolean"
    Whether to only link to articles from the section containing the current article.
    Values: 1 (yes) or 0 (no, allow from any section).
    Default: 0.
title="boolean"
    Whether to output category title, rather than name.
    Values: 1 (yes) or 0 (no, output name).
    Default: 0.
wraptag="tag"
    HTML tag (without brackets) to wrap around output.
    Default: unset.
```

14.2 Examples

14.2.1 Example 1: Category name in plain text

```
<txp:category2 />
```

14.2.2 Example 2: Hyperlinked category title

```
<txp:category2 link="1" title="1" />
```

If category2 is "General", this tag will display the word "General" as a hyperlink to a list of articles in the same category.

14.2.3 Example 3: Container example

```
<txp:category2>Other articles in category <txp:category2 title="1" /></txp:category2>
```

14.2.4 Example 4: Category 1 and 2

Shows a hyperlinked category 1 and also hyperlinked category 2, but only if it is used.

```
Filed in: <txp:category1 link="1" title="1" />
<txp:if_article_category number="2">
    and <txp:category2 link="1" title="1" />
</txp:if_article_category>
```

Other tags used: `category1`, `if_article_category`

14.3 Genealogy

14.3.1 Version 4.0.4

- `class`, `section`, `this_section`, `wraptag` added.

15 comment anchor

Tag reference quick links:

- [Tag Reference Index](#)
- [Tag Basics](#)
- [Attributes Cross-reference](#)
- [Tags In Development](#)

```
<txp:comment_anchor />
```

The `comment_anchor` tag is a *single* tag which is used to produce an empty anchor tag with an id attribute reflecting the comment ID. Used in the form that renders your comments (the default form is named "comments").

15.1 Attributes

This tag has no attributes.

15.2 Examples

15.2.1 Example 1: Generate current comment anchor

When the comment number is `000005` you will see:

```
<a id="c000005"></a>
```

16 comment email

Tag reference quick links:

- [Tag Reference Index](#)
- [Tag Basics](#)
- [Attributes Cross-reference](#)
- [Tags In Development](#)

```
<txp:comment_email />
```

The `comment_email` tag is a *single* tag which is used to display the commenter's email address, if entered at the time of posting. Used in a comments display form.

16.1 Attributes

This tag has no attributes.

16.2 Examples

16.2.1 Example 1: Comments Display Form with linked email and comment id

```
<txp:comment_message />  
<p><small><a href="mailto:<txp:comment_email />">Email</a> |<br/><txp:comment_permalink><txp:comment_id /></txp:comment_permalink></small></p>
```

Other tags used: `comment_id`, `comment_message`, `comment_permalink`

17 comment_email_input

Tag reference quick links:

- [Tag Reference Index](#)
- [Tag Basics](#)
- [Attributes Cross-reference](#)
- [Tags In Development](#)

```
<ttx:comment_email_input />
```

The `comment_email_input` tag is a *single* tag which is used to display a text entry field to accept the commenter's email address. Used in the comment input form.

17.1 Attributes

This tag has no attributes.

17.2 Examples

17.2.1 Example 1: Comment Form

```
<table cellpadding="4" cellspacing="0" border="0">
  <tr>
    <td align="right" valign="top">
      <ttx:text item="name" />
    </td>
  <td valign="top">
    <ttx:comment_email_input />
  </td>
  <td valign="top" align="left">
    <ttx:comment_remember />
  </td>
</tr>
<tr>
  <td align="right" valign="top">
    <ttx:text item="email" />
  </td>
  <td valign="top" colspan="2">
    <ttx:comment_email_input />
  </td>
</tr>
<tr>
  <td align="right" valign="top">
    http://
  </td>
  <td valign="top" colspan="2">
    <ttx:comment_web_input />
  </td>
</tr>
<tr>
  <td valign="top" align="right">
    <ttx:text item="message" />
  </td>
  <td valign="top" colspan="2">
    <ttx:comment_message_input />
  </td>
</tr>
<tr>
  <td align="right" valign="top"> </td>
  <td valign="top" align="left">
    <ttx:comments_help />
  </td>
  <td align="right" valign="top">
    <ttx:comment_preview />
    <ttx:comment_submit />
  </td>
</tr>
</table>
```

Other tags used: `comment_message_input`, `comment_name_input`, `comment_web_input`, `comment_preview`, `comment_remember`, `comment_submit`, `comments_help`, `text`

18 comment id

Tag reference quick links:

- [Tag Reference Index](#)
- [Tag Basics](#)
- [Attributes Cross-reference](#)
- [Tags In Development](#)

```
<txp:comment_id />
```

The `comment_id` tag is a *single* tag which is used to display the comment's internal id as assigned by Textpattern at the time of posting. Used in a comments display form.

18.1 Attributes

This tag has no attributes.

18.2 Examples

18.2.1 Example 1: Comments Display Form with linked comment id

```
<txp:comment_message />  
<p><small>&#8212; <txp:comment_name /> <txp:comment_time />  
    <txp:comment_permalink><txp:comment_id /></txp:comment_permalink></small></p>
```

Other tags used: `comment_message`, `comment_name`, `comment_permalink`, `comment_time`

19 comment message

Tag reference quick links:

- [Tag Reference Index](#)
- [Tag Basics](#)
- [Attributes Cross-reference](#)
- [Tags In Development](#)

```
<txp:comment_message />
```

The `comment_message` tag is a *single* tag which is used to display the message text, or comment. Used in a comments display form.

19.1 Attributes

This tag has no attributes.

19.2 Examples

19.2.1 Example 1: Comments Display Form

```
<txp:comment_message />  
<p><small>&#8212; <txp:comment_name /> <txp:comment_time />  
    <txp:comment_permalink>#</txp:comment_permalink></small></p>
```

Other tags used: `comment_name`, `comment_permalink`, `comment_time`

20 comment message input

Tag reference quick links:

- [Tag Reference Index](#)
- [Tag Basics](#)
- [Attributes Cross-reference](#)
- [Tags In Development](#)

```
<txp:comment_message_input />
```

The `comment_message_input` tag is a *single* tag which is used to display a text entry field to accept the commenter's message text. Used in the comment input form.

20.1 Attributes

This tag has no attributes.

20.1.1 Examples

20.1.2 Example 1: Comment Form

```
<table cellpadding="4" cellspacing="0" border="0">
  <tr>
    <td align="right" valign="top">
      <txp:text item="name" />
    </td>
  <td valign="top">
    <txp:comment_name_input />
  </td>
  <td valign="top" align="left">
    <txp:comment_remember />
  </td>
  </tr>
  <tr>
    <td align="right" valign="top">
      <txp:text item="email" />
    </td>
    <td valign="top" colspan="2">
      <txp:comment_email_input />
    </td>
  </tr>
  <tr>
    <td align="right" valign="top">
      http://
    </td>
    <td valign="top" colspan="2">
      <txp:comment_web_input />
    </td>
  </tr>
  <tr>
    <td valign="top" align="right">
      <txp:text item="message" />
    </td>
    <td valign="top" colspan="2">
      <txp:comment_message_input />
    </td>
  </tr>
  <tr>
    <td align="right" valign="top">
      <txp:comments_help />
    </td>
    <td align="right" valign="top">
      <txp:comment_preview />
      <txp:comment_submit />
    </td>
  </tr>
</table>
```

Other tags used: `comment_email_input`, `comment_name_input`, `comment_web_input`, `comment_preview`, `comment_remember`, `comment_submit`, `comments_help`, `text`

21 comment name

Tag reference quick links:

- [Tag Reference Index](#)
- [Tag Basics](#)
- [Attributes Cross-reference](#)
- [Tags In Development](#)

```
<txp:comment_name />
```

The `comment_name` tag is a *single* tag which is used to display a link using the commenter's name as text. If email address is supplied and [allowed to be viewed](#), an email link is created. Otherwise, if a website is entered, the website URL is used. If neither is supplied, name displays as plain text.

Commenter's name and/or email address can be set as a requirement.

Used in a comments display form.

21.1 Attributes

`link="boolean"`
Whether to display as link or plain text.
Values: 1 (yes) or 0 (no).
Default is 1.

21.2 Examples

21.2.1 Example 1: Comments Display Form

```
<txp:comment_message />  
<p><small>&#8212; <txp:comment_name /> <txp:comment_time />  
 <txp:comment_permalink>#</txp:comment_permalink></small></p>
```

Other tags used: `comment_message`, `comment_permalink`, `comment_time`

22 comment name input

Tag reference quick links:

- [Tag Reference Index](#)
- [Tag Basics](#)
- [Attributes Cross-reference](#)
- [Tags In Development](#)

```
<ttx:comment_name_input />
```

The `comment_name_input` tag is a *single* tag which is used to display a text entry field to accept the commenter's name. Used in the comment input form.

22.1 Attributes

This tag has no attributes.

22.2 Examples

22.2.1 Example 1: Comment Form

```
<table cellpadding="4" cellspacing="0" border="0">
  <tr>
    <td align="right" valign="top">
      <ttx:text item="name" />
    </td>
  <td valign="top">
    <ttx:comment_name_input />
  </td>
  <td valign="top" align="left">
    <ttx:comment_remember />
  </td>
</tr>
<tr>
  <td align="right" valign="top">
    <ttx:text item="email" />
  </td>
  <td valign="top" colspan="2">
    <ttx:comment_email_input />
  </td>
</tr>
<tr>
  <td align="right" valign="top">
    http://
  </td>
  <td valign="top" colspan="2">
    <ttx:comment_web_input />
  </td>
</tr>
<tr>
  <td valign="top" align="right">
    <ttx:text item="message" />
  </td>
  <td valign="top" colspan="2">
    <ttx:comment_message_input />
  </td>
</tr>
<tr>
  <td align="right" valign="top"> </td>
  <td valign="top" align="left">
    <ttx:comments_help />
  </td>
  <td align="right" valign="top">
    <ttx:comment_preview />
    <ttx:comment_submit />
  </td>
</tr>
</table>
```

Other tags used: `comment_email_input`, `comment_web_input`, `comment_preview`, `comment_remember`, `comment_submit`, `comments_help`, `text`

23 comment permalink

Tag reference quick links:

- [Tag Reference Index](#)
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- [Tags In Development](#)

```
<txp:comment_permalink>
```

The `comment_permalink` tag is a *container* tag which is used to return the permanent link of the article comment being displayed. The container tag wraps the text assigned to the link.

23.1 Attributes

Tag will accept the following attributes (**case-sensitive**):

`anchor="boolean"`

Whether to apply the comment's id to the hyperlink tag (as the `id` attribute), setting this comment permanent link as the comment page anchor.
Values: 1 (yes) or 0 (no).
Default is 0.

23.2 Examples

23.2.1 Example 1: Display a link for the article comment being displayed

```
<txp:comment_permalink>#</txp:comment_permalink>
```

24 comment preview

Tag reference quick links:

- [Tag Reference Index](#)
- [Tag Basics](#)
- [Attributes Cross-reference](#)
- [Tags In Development](#)

```
<tvp:comment_preview />
```

The `comment_preview` tag is a *single* tag which is used to display a Preview button the user can use to preview the comment text. Used in the comment input form.

24.1 Attributes

This tag has no attributes.

24.2 Examples

24.2.1 Example 1: Comment Form

```
<table cellpadding="4" cellspacing="0" border="0">
  <tr>
    <td align="right" valign="top">
      <tvp:text item="name" />
    </td>
  <td valign="top">
    <tvp:comment_name_input />
  </td>
  <td valign="top" align="left">
    <tvp:comment_remember />
  </td>
</tr>
<tr>
  <td align="right" valign="top">
    <tvp:text item="email" />
  </td>
  <td valign="top" colspan="2">
    <tvp:comment_email_input />
  </td>
</tr>
<tr>
  <td align="right" valign="top">
    http://
  </td>
  <td valign="top" colspan="2">
    <tvp:comment_web_input />
  </td>
</tr>
<tr>
  <td valign="top" align="right">
    <tvp:text item="message" />
  </td>
  <td valign="top" colspan="2">
    <tvp:comment_message_input />
  </td>
</tr>
<tr>
  <td align="right" valign="top"> </td>
  <td valign="top" align="left">
    <tvp:comments_help />
  </td>
  <td align="right" valign="top">
    <tvp:comment_preview />
    <tvp:comment_submit />
  </td>
</tr>
</table>
```

Other tags used: `comment_email_input`, `comment_name_input`, `comment_web_input`, `comment_remember`, `comment_submit`, `comments_help`, `text`

25 comment remember

Tag reference quick links:

- [Tag Reference Index](#)
- [Tag Basics](#)
- [Attributes Cross-reference](#)
- [Tags In Development](#)

```
<ttx:comment_remember />
```

The `comment_remember` tag is a *single* tag which is used to display a check box input field. If checked the users details are remembered by the system the next time they open a comment form. Used in the comment input form.

25.1 Attributes

This tag has no attributes.

25.2 Examples

25.2.1 Example 1: Comment Form

```
<table cellpadding="4" cellspacing="0" border="0">
  <tr>
    <td align="right" valign="top">
      <ttx:text item="name" />
    </td>
  <td valign="top">
    <ttx:comment_name_input />
  </td>
  <td valign="top" align="left">
    <ttx:comment_remember />
  </td>
</tr>
<tr>
  <td align="right" valign="top">
    <ttx:text item="email" />
  </td>
  <td valign="top" colspan="2">
    <ttx:comment_email_input />
  </td>
</tr>
<tr>
  <td align="right" valign="top">
    http://
  </td>
  <td valign="top" colspan="2">
    <ttx:comment_web_input />
  </td>
</tr>
<tr>
  <td valign="top" align="right">
    <ttx:text item="message" />
  </td>
  <td valign="top" colspan="2">
    <ttx:comment_message_input />
  </td>
</tr>
<tr>
  <td align="right" valign="top"> </td>
  <td valign="top" align="left">
    <ttx:comments_help />
  </td>
  <td align="right" valign="top">
    <ttx:comment_preview />
    <ttx:comment_submit />
  </td>
</tr>
</table>
```

Other tags used: `comment_email_input`, `comment_name_input`, `comment_web_input`, `comment_preview`, `comment_submit`, `comments_help`, `text`

26 comment submit

Tag reference quick links:

- [Tag Reference Index](#)
- [Tag Basics](#)
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- [Tags In Development](#)

```
<txp:comment_submit />
```

The `comment_submit` tag is a *single* tag which is used to display a Submit button. Clicking the Submit button writes the comment information to the database. Used in the comment input form.

26.1 Attributes

This tag has no attributes.

26.2 Examples

26.2.1 Example 1: Comment Form

```
<table cellpadding="4" cellspacing="0" border="0">
  <tr>
    <td align="right" valign="top">
      <txp:text item="name" />
    </td>
  <td valign="top">
    <txp:comment_name_input />
  </td>
  <td valign="top" align="left">
    <txp:comment_remember />
  </td>
</tr>
<tr>
  <td align="right" valign="top">
    <txp:text item="email" />
  </td>
  <td valign="top" colspan="2">
    <txp:comment_email_input />
  </td>
</tr>
<tr>
  <td align="right" valign="top">
    http://
  </td>
  <td valign="top" colspan="2">
    <txp:comment_web_input />
  </td>
</tr>
<tr>
  <td valign="top" align="right">
    <txp:text item="message" />
  </td>
  <td valign="top" colspan="2">
    <txp:comment_message_input />
  </td>
</tr>
<tr>
  <td align="right" valign="top"> </td>
  <td valign="top" align="left">
    <txp:comments_help />
  </td>
  <td align="right" valign="top">
    <txp:comment_preview />
    <txp:comment_submit />
  </td>
</tr>
</table>
```

Other tags used: `comment_email_input`, `comment_name_input`, `comment_web_input`, `comment_preview`, `comment_remember`, `comments_help`, `text`

27 Category:Comment Tags

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- [Tags In Development](#)

Comment Tags are a subcategory of the [Tag Reference](#). They are tags that all relate to the visitor commenting system built into Textpattern. See the [Comments](#) page.

[Download Category:Comment_Tags book](#)

28 comment time

Tag reference quick links:

- [Tag Reference Index](#)
- [Tag Basics](#)
- [Attributes Cross-reference](#)
- [Tags In Development](#)

```
<txp:comment_time />
```

The `comment_time` tag is a *single* tag which is used to display the time and date the comment was submitted. Used in a comment form.

28.1 Attributes

This tag will accept the following attributes (**case-sensitive**):

`format="value"`
Override default date format, as set in preferences.
Values: any valid `strftime()` string or `since`.

`gmt="boolean"`
Return either local time -- according to the set time zone preferences -- or GMT.
Values: 0 (local time) or 1 (GMT).
Default: 0.

`lang="ISO language code"`
Format time string suitable for the specified language (locale).
Values: locales adhere to [ISO-639](#).
Default: unset (time format set via preferences).

28.2 Examples

28.2.1 Example 1: Comments Display Form

```
<txp:comment_message />  
<p><small>¶ <txp:comment_name /> <txp:comment_time />  
    <txp:comment_permalink>#</txp:comment_permalink></small></p>
```

Other tags used: `comment_name`, `comment_message`, `comment_permalink`

29 comment web

Tag reference quick links:

- [Tag Reference Index](#)
- [Tag Basics](#)
- [Attributes Cross-reference](#)
- [Tags In Development](#)

```
<txp:comment_web>
```

The `comment_web` tag can be used as either a *single* or a *container* tag. It is used to display (a link to) the commenter's web address, if entered at the time of posting.

When used as a container tag, it will turn the contents into a link to that web address. Otherwise, it will return the web address.
Used in a comment form.

29.1 Attributes

This tag has no attributes.

29.2 Examples

29.2.1 Example 1: Comments Display Form with linked website and comment id

```
<txp:comment_message />  
<p><small>#8212; <a href="
```

Other tags used: `comment_name`, `comment_message`, `comment_permalink`, `comment_time`

29.2.2 Example 2: Container Example

```
<txp:comment_web>Website</txp:comment_web>
```

30 comment web input

Tag reference quick links:

- [Tag Reference Index](#)
- [Tag Basics](#)
- [Attributes Cross-reference](#)
- [Tags In Development](#)

```
<tvp:comment_web_input />
```

The `comment_web_input` tag is a *single* tag which is used to display a text entry field to accept the commenter's domain name. This tag can be used in page or form.

Function assumes `http://` for all URLs.

30.1 Attributes

This tag has no attributes.

30.2 Examples

30.2.1 Example 1: Comment Form

```
<table cellpadding="4" cellspacing="0" border="0">
  <tr>
    <td align="right" valign="top">
      <tvp:text item="name" />
    </td>
  <td valign="top">
    <tvp:comment_name_input />
  </td>
  <td valign="top" align="left">
    <tvp:comment_remember />
  </td>
</tr>
<tr>
  <td align="right" valign="top">
    <tvp:text item="email" />
  </td>
  <td valign="top" colspan="2">
    <tvp:comment_email_input />
  </td>
</tr>
<tr>
  <td align="right" valign="top">
    http://
  </td>
  <td valign="top" colspan="2">
    <tvp:comment_web_input />
  </td>
</tr>
<tr>
  <td valign="top" align="right">
    <tvp:text item="message" />
  </td>
  <td valign="top" colspan="2">
    <tvp:comment_message_input />
  </td>
</tr>
<tr>
  <td align="right" valign="top"> </td>
  <td valign="top" align="left">
    <tvp:comments_help />
  </td>
  <td align="right" valign="top">
    <tvp:comment_preview />
    <tvp:comment_submit />
  </td>
</tr>
</table>
```

Other tags used: `comment_email_input`, `comment_message_input`, `comment_preview`, `comment_remember`, `comment_submit`, `comments_help`, `text`

31 comments

Tag reference quick links:

- [Tag Reference Index](#)
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```
<txp:comments />
```

The `comments` tag is a *single* tag which is used to display the comments associated with a particular article. Comments will be displayed for the present individual article as a default, or to the article set by the "id" attribute.

31.1 Attributes

Tag will accept the following attributes (**case-sensitive**):

`break="text"`
HTML tag (without brackets) or string used to separate comments.
Default depends upon [preference setting](#), either `li` or `div`.

`breakclass="class name"`
CSS class attribute to be applied to `break` (when value supplied is a tag).
Default: unset.

`class="class name"`
CSS class attribute to be applied to `wrapTag`.
Default: `comments`.

`form="form name"`
Default is `comments`.

`limit="integer"`
The number of comments to display.
Default: 0 (no limit).

`offset="integer"`
The number of comments to skip.
Default: 0.

`sort="sort value(s)"`
How to sort the resulting list.
Values:
`discussid` (comment ID)
`parentid` (article ID)
`name`
`email`
`web`
`ip` (IP address)
`posted`
`message`
`rand()` (random)
Default: `posted asc`.

`wrapTag="tag text"`
HTML tag (without brackets) to wrap around list.
Default depends upon [preference setting](#), either `ol` or unset.

31.1.1 Example 1: Display comments, and give an indication of *Comments* status

Comments for articles can be turned off or on at the author's discretion for any article that is published; by using the following scheme in an article form, you can still have the on/off control over comments while still giving users indication of comment status.

```
<txp:comments />  
<txp:if_comments_allowed>  
  <txp:comments_form />  
<txp:else />  
  <p>Comments are turned off for this article.</p>  
</txp:if_comments_allowed>
```

Other tags used: `comments_form`, `if_comments_allowed`, `else`

31.1.2 Example 2: Conditional comments

Tags

```
<txp:if_comments_allowed>  
  <txp:comments form="lineitem" breakclass="special" break="li" wrapTag="ul" />  
  <txp:comments_form />  
</txp:if_comments_allowed>
```

Form (lineitem) (type: comment)

```
<small><txp:comment_id /></small>
```

Styles could go this way

```
.special  
{  
  display:list-item;  
  list-style-type:none;
```

}

What it does...

For the article, list id numbers and a comment input form; but only if comments are currently allowed.

Other tags used: `comment_id`, `comments_form`, `if_comments_allowed`

32 comments count

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- [Tag Reference Index](#)
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- [Tags In Development](#)

```
<txp:comments_count />
```

The `comments_count` tag is a *single* tag which is used to display the number of comments associated with a particular article.

Though `comments_count` can be used independently, it is also called by `comments_invite` to append the comments count to the `comments_invite` link. Used in an article form.

32.1 Attributes

This tag has no attributes.

32.2 Examples

32.2.1 Example 1: Display comment invitation and count

But only if any comments are associated with the current article.

```
<txp:if_comments>
    <p><txp:comments_invite showcount="0" /> <txp:comments_count /> people have already responded.</p>
</txp:if_comments>
```

Other tags used: `comments_invite`, `if_comments`

33 comments error

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- [Tags In Development](#)

```
<txp:comments_error />
```

The `comments_error` tag is a *single* tag which is used to produce the current comments error.

33.1 Attributes

Tag will accept the following attributes (**case-sensitive**):

`break="value"`
HTML tag (without brackets) or string used to separate list items.
Default is `br`.

`class="class name"`
CSS class to be applied to `wrapTag`.
Default is `comments_error`.

`wrapTag="tag text"`
HTML tag (without brackets) to wrap around the list.
Default is unset.

33.2 Examples

33.2.1 Example 1: Display comments error when an error exists

```
<txp:if_comments_error>
  <txp:comments_error break="li" wrapTag="ul" />
</txp:if_comments_error>
```

Other tags used: `if_comments_error`

34 comments form

Tag reference quick links:

- [Tag Reference Index](#)
- [Tag Basics](#)
- [Attributes Cross-reference](#)
- [Tags In Development](#)

```
<txp:comments_form />
```

The `comments_form` tag is a *single* tag which is used to display a comment form. Comments will be attached to present individual article as a default, or to the article set by the "id" attribute.

34.1 Attributes

Tag will accept the following attributes (**case-sensitive**):

```
class="CSS class name"
    CSS class attribute to be applied to wraptag.
    Default: comments_form.
forgetlabel="text"
    Label that appears next to the Forget checkbox.
    Default: Forget (localised).
form="form name"
    Use specified form.
    Default: comment_form.
isize="integer"
    HTML size attribute to be applied to the HTML form input.
    Default: 25.
msgcols="integer"
    HTML cols attribute to be applied to HTML form textarea output.
    Default: 25.
msgrows="integer"
    HTML rows attribute to be applied to HTML form textarea output.
    Default: 5.
msgstyle="value"
    CSS inline style attribute to be applied to HTML form textarea output. Recommended that you use CSS via textarea's class or id attribute instead.
previewlabel="text"
    Label that appears on the Preview button.
    Default: Preview (localised).
rememberlabel="text"
    Label that appears next to the Remember checkbox.
    Default: Remember (localised).
show_preview="boolean"
    Whether to display an automatic preview, regardless of whether or not you've also used a comments_preview tag. See reference.
    Values: 1 (yes), 0 (no) or unset (depends on the previous comment_preview tag).
    Default: unset.
submitlabel="text"
    Label that appears on the Submit button.
    Default: Submit (localised).
wraptag="tag"
    HTML tag (without brackets) to wrap around output.
    Default: unset.
```

34.2 Examples

34.2.1 Example 1: Give visitors indication of *Comments* status

Comments for articles can be turned off or on at the author's discretion for any article that is published; by using the following scheme in an article form, you can still have the on/off control over comments while still giving users indication of comment status.

```
<txp:if_comments_allowed>
    <txp:comments_form />
<txp:else />
    <p>Comments are turned off for this article.</p>
</txp:if_comments_allowed>
```

Other tags used: `if_comments_allowed`, `else`

34.2.2 Example 2: Text area changes in preview

Using some conditional tags the size of the comment input text area can be changed in the preview.

```
<txp:if_comments_preview>
    <txp:comments_preview form="comments" />
    <p style="color:red;">This is just a preview of your comment!</p>
    <txp:comments_form isize="30" msgcols="55" msgrows="5" />
<txp:else />
    <txp:if_comments_allowed>
        <txp:comments_form isize="30" msgcols="55" msgrows="15" />
    </txp:else />
        <p>Comments are turned off for this article.</p>
    </txp:if_comments_allowed>
</txp:if_comments_preview>
```

Other tags used: `comments_preview`, `if_comments_allowed`, `if_comments_preview`, `else`

34.2.3 Example 3: Display conditional comments and form

Tags

```
<txp:if_comments_allowed>
    <txp:comments form="lineitem" break="li" wraptag="ul" breakclass="special" />
    <txp:comments_form />
</txp:if_comments_allowed>
```

Form (lineitem) Type(comment)

```
<small><txp:comment_id /></small>
```

Styles could go this way

```
.special
{
    display:list-item;
    list-style-type:none;
}
```

What it does...

For the current article, returns a list of id numbers for comments and a comment input form, but only if comments are currently allowed.

Other tags used: `comment_id`, `comments`, `if_comments_allowed`

34.3 Genealogy

34.3.1 Version 4.5.0

- Added `forgetlabel`, `previewlabel`, `rememberlabel`, and `submitlabel` attributes

34.3.2 Version 4.0.4

- `show_preview` added

35 comments help

Tag reference quick links:

- [Tag Reference Index](#)
- [Tag Basics](#)
- [Attributes Cross-reference](#)
- [Tags In Development](#)

```
<txp:comments_help />
```

The `comments_help` tag is a *single* tag which is used to display a Textile help link. This tag can be used in a page or a form.

35.1 Attributes

This tag has no attributes.

35.2 Examples

35.2.1 Example 1: Comment Form

```
<table cellpadding="4" cellspacing="0" border="0">
  <tr>
    <td align="right" valign="top">
      <tvp:text item="name" />
    </td>
  <td valign="top">
    <tvp:comment_name_input />
  </td>
  <td align="top" align="left">
    <tvp:comment_remember />
  </td>
  </tr>
  <tr>
    <td align="right" valign="top">
      <tvp:text item="email" />
    </td>
    <td align="top" colspan="2">
      <tvp:comment_email_input />
    </td>
  </tr>
  <tr>
    <td align="right" valign="top">
      http://
    </td>
    <td align="top" colspan="2">
      <tvp:comment_web_input />
    </td>
  </tr>
  <tr>
    <td align="top" align="right">
      <tvp:text item="message" />
    </td>
    <td align="top" colspan="2">
      <tvp:comment_message_input />
    </td>
  </tr>
  <tr>
    <td align="right" valign="top"> </td>
    <td align="top" align="left">
      <tvp:comments_help />
    </td>
    <td align="right" valign="top">
      <tvp:comment_preview />
      <tvp:comment_submit />
    </td>
  </tr>
</table>
```

Other tags used: `comment_email_input`, `comment_name_input`, `comment_web_input`, `comment_preview`, `comment_remember`, `comment_submit`, `text`

36 comments_invite

Tag reference quick links:

- [Tag Reference Index](#)
- [Tag Basics](#)
- [Attributes Cross-reference](#)
- [Tags In Development](#)

```
<txp:comments_invite />
```

The `comments_invite` tag is a *single* tag which is used to display a link to an article comment form. Text used for the link will be taken from the invitation field on the "write" screen.

This tag can be used in both Page templates and [Forms](#).

36.1 Attributes

Tag will accept the following attributes (**case-sensitive**):

`class="class name"`
CSS class name to be applied to `wrapped`.
Default is `comments_invite`.

`showalways="boolean"`
Whether to display invite on individual article page.
Values: 1 (yes), 0 (no).
Default: 0.

`showcount="boolean"`
Whether to display comment count.
Values: 1 (yes), 0 (no).
Default: 1.

`textonly="boolean"`
Whether to display invite as text, rather than a hyperlink.
Values: 1 (yes), 0 (no).
Default: 0.

`wrapped="tag"`
HTML tag (without brackets) to wrap around invite text.
Default: unset.

36.2 Examples

36.2.1 Example 1: Display comments invitation and comment count

But only if there are any comments associated with the current article.

```
<txp:if_comments><p><txp:comments_invite /></p></txp:if_comments>
```

Other tags used: `if_comments`

37 comments preview

Tag reference quick links:

- [Tag Reference Index](#)
- [Tag Basics](#)
- [Attributes Cross-reference](#)
- [Tags In Development](#)

```
<txp:comments_preview />
```

The `comments_preview` tag is a *single* tag which is used to display a preview of a visitor's comment.

37.1 Attributes

Tag will accept the following attributes (**case-sensitive**):

`class="class name"`
CSS class name to be applied to `wrapTag`.
Default is `comments_preview`.

`form="value"`
Default is `comments`.

`wrapTag="tag"`
HTML tag (without brackets) to wrap around the list.
Default depends upon `preference setting`, either `ol` or unset.

37.2 Genealogy

37.2.1 Version 4.0.4

- Use is necessary in comments display form (`comments_display`, by default).

37.2.2 Version 4.0.3

- Support added.

38 Category:Conditional Tags

Tag reference quick links:

- [Tag Reference Index](#)
- [Tag Basics](#)
- [Attributes Cross-reference](#)
- [Tags In Development](#)

Conditional Tags are a subcategory of the [Tag Reference](#). They are tags that are used to take action depending if a condition is met.

Most tags beginning `if_...` optionally take the `else` tag to allow you to take some action if the condition does not meet the given criteria.

[Download Category:Conditional_Tags book](#)

39 CSS

Tag reference quick links:

- [Tag Reference Index](#)
- [Tag Basics](#)
- [Attributes Cross-reference](#)
- [Tags In Development](#)

```
<txp:css />
```

The basic `css` tag is a *single* tag and used to output the URL of the style sheet assigned in the [Sections tab](#).

39.1 Attributes

Tag will accept the following attributes (**case-sensitive**):

`format="value"`
How to format output: either return complete [HTML link tag](#) with necessary HTML attributes, or only the StyleSheet's URL. Available values are `link` or `url`. Default is `url`.

`media="value"`
[HTML media attribute](#) to be applied to link tag (when invoked with `format="link"`). Default is `screen`.

`name="style name"`
Link to specified style.

`rel="value"`
[HTML rel attribute](#) to be applied to link tag (when invoked with `format="link"`). Default is `stylesheet`.

`title="value"`
[HTML title attribute](#) to be applied to link tag (when invoked with `format="link"`). Default is unset.

39.2 Examples

39.2.1 Example 1: Output the link to the section's default style sheet

```
<head>
<txp:css format="link" />
</head>
```

39.2.2 Example 2: Output the link to a named style sheet

```
<head>
<txp:css format="link" name="style_name" />
</head>
```

39.2.3 Example 3: Output print and alternate style sheets

```
<head>
<txp:css format="link" name="plain" rel="alternate" title="Plain and Simple Style" />
<txp:css format="link" name="glossy" rel="alternate" title="Glossy Style"/>
<txp:css format="link" name="print" media="print" />
</head>
```

39.3 Genealogy

39.3.1 Version 4.3.0

- `n` attribute deprecated and renamed `name`

39.3.2 Version 4.0.4

- `format`, `media`, `rel`, `title` added.

40 custom field

Tag reference quick links:

- Tag Reference Index
- Tag Basics
- Attributes Cross-reference
- Tags In Development

```
<txp:custom_field />
```

The basic `custom_field` tag is a *single* tag and used to display the contents of a custom field.

Custom fields are useful when you need to output content having a consistent structure, usually in context to a particular type of article. Custom fields are defined in [Advanced Preferences](#), and used in the [Write](#) panel. There are conditions to be aware of in each case, so be sure to read the following sections, respectively:

- [Defining custom fields](#)
- [Adding custom field data](#)

Also see the `if_custom_field` conditional tag, which provides more flexibility and power using custom fields.

40.1 Attributes

Tag will accept the following attributes (**case-sensitive**):

```
default="value"  
    Default value to use when field is empty.  
escape="html"  
    Escape HTML entities prior to echoing the field contents.  
    Values: html or unset  
    Default: html  
name="fieldname"  
    Display specified custom field.
```

40.2 Examples

40.2.1 Example 1: Book Reviews

You might, for example, publish book reviews for which you add the author, the title of the book, the publishing company and the year of publication.

With:

- a custom field named "Book_Author" containing J.R.R. Tolkien
- a custom field named "Book_Title" containing The Lord of the Rings
- a custom field named "Book_Publisher" containing HarperCollins
- a custom field named "Book_Year" containing 2004

and an article form like the following:

```
<p><txp:custom_field name="Book_Author" />: <txp:custom_field name="Book_Title" /><br />  
Published by <txp:custom_field name="Book_Publisher" /> in <txp:custom_field name="Book_Year" />.</p>
```

HTML returned would be:

```
<p>J.R.R. Tolkien: The Lord of the Rings<br />  
Published by HarperCollins in 2004.</p>
```

40.2.2 Example 2: Power A Linklog

This works well with [variation of Sencer's Txp bookmarklet](#).

With an article title of Textpattern, an excerpt of Textpattern is awesome., a custom field named "Link" containing <http://textpattern.com/>, and an article form like the following:

```
<div class="linklog-entry">  
    <div style="float: left;"><a href="    <div style="float: right;"><txp:posted format="%d %Y" /></div><br />  
    <txp:excerpt />  
</div>
```

HTML returned would be:

```
<div class="linklog-entry">  
    <div style="float: left;"><a href="http://textpattern.com/">Textpattern</a></div>  
    <div style="float: right;"><txp:posted format="08 Aug 2005" /></div>  
    <p>Textpattern is awesome.</p>  
</div>
```

Other tags used: `title`, `posted`, `excerpt`

40.2.3 Example 3: Unescaping HTML output

With a custom field named "foo" containing:

```
<a href=".../here/">
```

using the following:

```
<txp:custom_field name="foo" />
```

will return this hunk of HTML:

```
&#60;a href=&#34;.../here/&#34;&#62;
```

whereas using:

```
<txp:custom_field name="foo" escape="" />
```

will render the URL as you'd expect, exactly as written in the custom field itself. Thus, it will be rendered as a link by the browser.

41 else

Tag reference quick links:

- [Tag Reference Index](#)
- [Tag Basics](#)
- [Attributes Cross-reference](#)
- [Tags In Development](#)

```
<txp:else />
```

The **else** tag is a *single* tag that is used within a containing conditional tag to provide the means to assign default, or alternative, behavior when the condition in the surrounding tag is *not* met.

Visually, this is the general structure in which it is used:

```
<txp:if_conditional_tag>
  ...Content if true...
<txp:else />
  ...Content if not true...
</txp:if_conditional_tag>
```

41.1 Attributes

This tag has no attributes.

41.2 Examples

41.2.1 Example 1: Display excerpt when available

```
<txp:if_excerpt>
  And Furthermore &#183; <txp:excerpt />
<txp:else />
  <txp:section link="1" />
</txp:if_excerpt>
```

What this does...

When the excerpt is available it is displayed, but when it is missing a hyperlinked section name is displayed instead.

Other tags used: [excerpt](#), [if_excerpt](#), [section](#)

42 email

Tag reference quick links:

- [Tag Reference Index](#)
- [Tag Basics](#)
- [Attributes Cross-reference](#)
- [Tags In Development](#)

```
<txp:email>
```

The `email` tag is both a *single* tag and a *container* tag. Textpattern will replace it with a `mailto: email` link, according to the attributes set.

42.1 Attributes

Tag will accept the following attributes (**case-sensitive**):

`email="value"`
The e-mail address from which to make the link.
Value: Any valid email address.
Default: unset.

`linktext="value"`
The displayed link text.
Value: Any text.
Default: Contact.

`title="value"`
The title attribute to assign to the link.
Value: Any valid HTML title.
Default: unset.

42.2 Examples

42.2.1 Example 1: Simple e-mail link

```
<txp:email email="donald.swain@example.com" linktext="Contact me" title="Send me an Email" />
```

42.2.2 Example 2: Pre-populate message subject and body

```
<txp:email email="donald.swain@example.com?subject=Lorem Ipsum&body=Sit amet" />
```

42.2.3 Example 3: Container example

```
<txp:email email="donald.swain@example.com" title="Email me!"></txp:email>
```

42.2.4 Example 4: With Symbolset's "email" glyph

If you happen to use the "email" glyph in the social media set of [Symbolset](#), you can still use this tag. Let's say you're creating a social button bar using Symbolset glyphs in a list. The normal way to do this would be to set up your selectors on the individual anchor elements, like the first three list items show below. But for the email glyph you need to put the selectors in the `li` since you can't put them in the `a`, as the last list item shows:

```
<ul class="socbar">
  <li><a href="https://twitter.com/xxx" class="ss-icon twit" title="">twitter</a></li>
  <li><a href="https://plus.google.com/xxx/posts" class="ss-icon gplus" title="">googleplus</a></li>
  <li><a href="http://www.linkedin.com/in/xxx" class="ss-icon in" title="Pfffft">linkedin</a></li>
  <li class="ss-icon email"><txp:email email="your@email.tld" linktext="email" title="" /></li>
</ul>
```

If you're using Symbolset, then you'll know that the `linktext=" "` attribute in the last list item above *has* to be "`email`" for the glyph to work.

Then the CSS must be like this to target both instances of selector use...

```
/*
***** First the common rules
*/
.a.ss-icon,
li.ss-icon a { /* design as you want */ }
/*
***** Target each one if specific hover effect is wanted.
*/
.twit:hover { /* design as you want */ }
... etc ...
li.email a:hover { /* design as you want */ }
```

Tip: See the `feed_link` tag for a similar solution for Symbolset's "rss" glyph.

42.3 Genealogy

42.3.1 Version 4.0.5

- Can be used as a container.

43 Category:Error Handling Tags

Tag reference quick links:

- [Tag Reference Index](#)
- [Tag Basics](#)
- [Attributes Cross-reference](#)
- [Tags In Development](#)

Error Handling Tags are a subcategory of the [Tag Reference](#). They are tags that allow you to deal with or otherwise intercept/display the result of exceptional circumstances in the page flow.

[Download Category:Error_Handling_Tags book](#)

44 error message

Tag reference quick links:

- [Tag Reference Index](#)
- [Tag Basics](#)
- [Attributes Cross-reference](#)
- [Tags In Development](#)

```
<txp:error_message />
```

The `error_message` tag is a *single* tag that Textpattern will replace with the error message text for the error status as set by the server. Should be used in an `error_xxx` or `error_default` [page template](#).

44.1 Attributes

This tag takes no attributes.

44.2 Examples

44.2.1 Example 1: Display error information

```
<h3><txp:error_status /></h3>
<p><txp:error_message /></p>
```

What this does...

With the tags arranged like this (as they are in the `error_default` page template), they display the error status code as a header and the relevant server message beneath it, usually to indicate to the visitor that something went wrong.

Other tags used: `error_status`

45 error status

Tag reference quick links:

- [Tag Reference Index](#)
- [Tag Basics](#)
- [Attributes Cross-reference](#)
- [Tags In Development](#)

```
<txp:error_status />
```

The `error_status` tag is a *single* tag that Textpattern will replace with the error status as set by the server. Should be used in an `error_xxx` or `error_default` page template.

45.1 Attributes

This tag takes no attributes.

45.2 Examples

45.2.1 Example 1: Display error information

```
<h3><txp:error_status /></h3>
<p><txp:error_message /></p>
```

What this does...

With the tags arranged like this (as they are in the `error_default` page template), they display the error status code as a header and the relevant server message beneath it, usually to indicate to the visitor that something went wrong.

Other tags used: `error_message`

46 excerpt

Tag reference quick links:

- Tag Reference Index
- Tag Basics
- Attributes Cross-reference
- Tags In Development

```
<txp:excerpt />
```

The `excerpt` tag is a *single* tag which is used to return the excerpt text, if any, associated with the article being displayed.

46.1 Attributes

This tag has no attributes.

46.2 Related Tags

The conditional tag `if_excerpt` can be used to check if there is an excerpt.

46.3 Examples

46.3.1 Example 1: Excerpt and 'read more' button

This example explains how you could display the excerpt in an article list, and excerpt + body in an individual article. Use the following in an article form:

```
<txp:if_article_list>
  <txp:if_excerpt>
    <txp:excerpt />
    <p class="read-more">
      <a href="#body"
          title=">">&#187; Read more</a>
    </p>
  <txp:else />
    <txp:body />
  </txp:if_excerpt>

<txp:else />
  <txp:if_excerpt>
    <txp:excerpt />
  </txp:if_excerpt>
  <div id="body">
    <txp:body />
  </div>
</txp:if_article_list>
```

Other tags used: `body`, `if_article_list`, `if_excerpt`, `permalink`, `title`

46.3.2 Example 2: Display the excerpt text or a default link

Use the following within an article form:

```
<txp:if_excerpt>
  <txp:excerpt />
<txp:else />
  <p>Section: <txp:section title="1" link="1" /></p>
</txp:if_excerpt>
```

Other tags used: `if_excerpt`, `section`

47 expires

Tag reference quick links:

- [Tag Reference Index](#)
- [Tag Basics](#)
- [Attributes Cross-reference](#)
- [Tags In Development](#)

```
<txp:expires />
```

A single tag used to indicate when an article should no longer appear in a site, particularly when the information is date sensitive (e.g., events like conferences, meetings and so forth). The tag is defined by expiration date values that are set under the **More** section of the [Write](#) admin-side panel.

For more on this tag see its announcement, [So, you'd like to stick a "Best Before" label on those articles?](#)

47.1 Attributes

Tag will accept the following attributes (**case-sensitive**):

class="class name"
CSS class name which will be applied to the `wraptag` element.
Default: unset.

format="format string"
Override the default date format set in the preferences.
Values: any valid `strftime()` string values, or `since`.
Default: unset (date format set via preferences).

gmt="boolean"
Return either local time -- according to the set time zone preferences -- or GMT.
Values: 0 (local time) or 1 (GMT).
Default: 0.

lang="ISO language code"
Format time string suitable for the specified language (locale).
Values: locales adhere to [ISO-639](#).
Default: unset (time format set via preferences).

wraptag="tag"
HTML tag surrounding the expiry date, without brackets.
Default: unset.

47.2 Examples

47.2.1 Example 1: Custom format date setting

```
<p>Expires: <txp:expires format="%b %d, %Y" /></p>
```

would result in:

```
<p>Expires: Sep 10, 2010</p>
```

47.3 Genealogy

47.3.1 Version 4.0.7

- tag added.

47.4 Related

Related tags are:

- [if_expires](#)
- [if_expired](#)

48 feed link

Tag reference quick links:

- Tag Reference Index
- Tag Basics
- Attributes Cross-reference
- Tags In Development

```
<txp:feed_link>
```

The `feed_link` tag can be used as either a *single* or *container* tag and is used to output a link to the site's "articles" RSS feed. When used as a container tag, it will turn the contents into a link to the feed, otherwise the value of attribute "label" will be used as link text. Should be used in a page.

48.1 Attributes

Tag will accept the following attributes (**case-sensitive**):

`category="category name"`
 Restrict to specified category.
 Default: current category.

`flavor="value"`
 Whether to output a link to the RSS or Atom version of the feed. Available values: `rss` or `atom`.
 Default: `rss`.

`format="value"`
 Whether to output an HTML `anchor` or `link` tag.
 Values: `a` or `link`.
 Default: `a`.

`limit="integer"`
 Number of articles to display in the feed.
 Default: depends upon `preference` setting.

`section="section name"`
 Restrict to specified section.
 Default: current section.

`title="value"`
 HTML title attribute.
 Default: depends upon `flavor` used, either RSS feed or Atom feed.

48.1.1 Common Presentational Attributes

These attributes, which affect presentation, are shared by many tags. Note that default values can vary among tags.

`label="text"`
 Label prepended to item.
 Default: unset (but see `label` cross-reference for exceptions).

`wraptag="element"`
 HTML element to wrap (markup) list block (e.g., `wraptag="ul"`).
 Default: unset (but see `wraptag` cross-reference for exceptions).

`class="name"`
 HTML class to apply to the `wrap` attribute value.
 Default: tag name or unset (see `class` cross-reference)

Note: `wrap` is applicable only when using `format` of `a`.

48.2 Examples

48.2.1 Example 1: Display an RSS feed link for specific section and category

```
<txp:feed_link flavor="rss" section="about" category="general" label="XML" wraptag="p" />
```

48.2.2 Example 2: Container example

```
<txp:feed_link wraptag="p"></txp:feed_link>
```

48.2.3 Example 3: Site wide generic RSS feed

```
<txp:feed_link section="" category="" />
```

What this does...

Create a link to the site's feed for articles in all sections and categories. If you omit the `section` and `category` attributes, the feed will default to the current section/category.

48.2.4 Example 4: With Symbolset's 'rss' glyph

If you happen to use the "rss" glyph in the social media set of `Symbolset`, you can still use this tag. Let's say you're creating a social button bar using `Symbolset` glyphs in a list. The normal way to do this would be to set up your selectors on the individual anchor elements, like the first three list items show below. But for the `rss` glyph you need to put the selectors in the `li`, as the last list item shows:

```
<ul class="socbar">
<li><a href="https://twitter.com/xxx" class="ss-icon twit" title="">twitter</a></li>
<li><a href="https://plus.google.com/xxx/posts" class="ss-icon gplus" title="">googleplus</a></li>
<li><a href="http://www.linkedin.com/in/xxx" class="ss-icon in" title="Pfffft">linkedin</a></li>
<li class="ss-icon rss"><txp:feed_link flavor="rss" section="articles" category="" label="rss" /></li>
</ul>
```

Notes:

- If you're using Symbolset, then you'll know that the `label=""` attribute in the last list item above *must* be "`rss`" for the glyph to work.
- If you try and put the two Symbolset class attribute values in the `feed_link` tag using its `class=""` attribute, it won't work, unfortunately. But putting them in the `li` element like shown above does.
- Atom feed ?? There is no "atom" trigger word in Symbolset! So while you can use `flavor="atom"` and create an atom feed just fine, you still need to use `label="rss"` for the link label to call the Symbolset glyph. This shouldn't be a problem because the glyph replaces the link text. You can then use `title=""` to provide a custom hover text, or leave it out for the default display: "Atom feed".

Then the CSS must be like follows to target both instances of Symbolset glyph use...

```
/*
***** First the common rules
*/
a.ss-icon,
li.ss-icon a { /* design as you want */ }
/*
***** Target each one if specific hover effect is wanted.
*/
.twit:hover { /* design as you want */ }
... etc ...
li.rss a:hover { /* design as you want */ }
```

Tip: See the `email` tag for a similar solution for Symbolset's "email" glyph.

48.3 Genealogy

48.3.1 Version 4.3.0

- `class` attribute added

48.3.2 Version 4.0.4

- `format` added.

49 file download

Tag reference quick links:

- [Tag Reference Index](#)
- [Tag Basics](#)
- [Attributes Cross-reference](#)
- [Tags In Development](#)

```
<txp:file_download />
```

The `file_download` tag is a *single* tag which Textpattern will replace with a file download [form](#). Inside that form go the other.

49.1 Attributes

Tag will accept the following attributes (**case-sensitive**):

`filename="name"`
 Filename of the file to link to.
 Default is unset; nothing is returned.

`form="name"`
 Use the specified form.
 Default is `files`.

`id="integer"`
 File id of the file to link to.
 Default is unset; nothing is returned.

49.2 Examples

49.2.1 Example 1: Display a download form

```
<txp:file_download form="files" id="1" />
```

49.2.1.1 Default "files" form

```
<txp:text item="file" />:  
<txp:file_download_link>  
<txp:file_download_name /> [<txp:file_download_size format="b" decimals="2" />]  
</txp:file_download_link>  
<br />  
<txp:text item="category" />: <txp:file_download_category /><br />  
<txp:text item="download" />: <txp:file_download_downloads />
```

Other tags used: `file_download_category`, `file_download_downloads`, `file_download_link`, `file_download_name`, `file_download_size`, `text`

50 file download author

Tag reference quick links:

- [Tag Reference Index](#)
- [Tag Basics](#)
- [Attributes Cross-reference](#)
- [Tags In Development](#)

```
<txp:file_download_author />
```

The `file_download_author` tag is a *single* tag that Textpattern will replace with the author's name associated with the current download in a `file_download`. Can **only** be used inside `<txp:file_download />`.

50.1 Attributes

Tag will accept the following attributes (**case-sensitive**):

`class="class name"`
CSS class attribute to be applied to the wraptag.
Default: Unset.

`link="link type (boolean)"`
Whether to hyperlink the author (1) or not (0).
Default: 0.

`section="section name"`
Direct any linked author name to the nominated section instead of to the default (front) page.
Default: Unset.

`this_section="boolean"`
If set to 1, the linked author name will direct users to an author list in the current section.
Default: 0.

`title="boolean"`
Whether to display the author's real name (1) or login name (0).
Default: 1.

`wraptag="tag"`
HTML tag (without brackets) to wrap around the author name.
Default: unset.

50.2 Genealogy

50.2.1 Version 4.3.0

- tag introduced

51 file download category

Tag reference quick links:

- [Tag Reference Index](#)
- [Tag Basics](#)
- [Attributes Cross-reference](#)
- [Tags In Development](#)

```
<txp:file_download_category />
```

The `file_download_category` tag is a *single* tag that Textpattern will replace with the category of the file to download. Should be used in a [download form](#).

51.1 Attributes

Tag will accept the following attributes (**case-sensitive**):

`title="boolean"`
Whether to display the category name or its title
Values: 0 (name), or 1 (title).
Default: 0.

`wraptag="tag text"`
HTML tag to be used to wrap the category with, specified without brackets.
Default: unset.

`class="class name"`
CSS class attribute to apply to the category `wrapTag`.

51.2 Examples

51.2.1 Example 1: Display a category name following "category:"

```
<txp:text item="category" />: <txp:file_download_category />
```

Other tags used: `text`

52 file download created

Tag reference quick links:

- [Tag Reference Index](#)
- [Tag Basics](#)
- [Attributes Cross-reference](#)
- [Tags In Development](#)

```
<txp:file_download_created />
```

The `file_download_created` tag is a *single* tag that Textpattern will replace with the upload date of the file to download. Should be used in a [download form](#).

52.1 Attributes

Tag will accept the following attributes (**case-sensitive**):

`format="format string"`
Override the default Archive date format set in the [Basic Preferences](#).
Values: any valid `strftime()` string values.

52.2 Examples

52.2.1 Example 1: Display formated file upload date

```
<txp:file_download_created format="%c" />
```

53 file download description

Tag reference quick links:

- [Tag Reference Index](#)
- [Tag Basics](#)
- [Attributes Cross-reference](#)
- [Tags In Development](#)

```
<txp:file_download_description />
```

The `file_download_description` tag is a *single* tag which Textpattern will replace with the description of the file to download, as defined when the file was uploaded. Should be used in a [download form](#).

53.1 Attributes

Tag will accept the following attributes (**case-sensitive**):

`escape="html"`
Escape HTML entities such as <, > and & for the file's `description` attribute.
Values: `html` or `unset`
Default: `html`.

`wraptag="tag text"`
HTML tag to wrap description text with. Specify it without brackets.
Default: `unset`.

`class="class name"`
CSS class attribute to apply to the wraptag surrounding the description text.

53.2 Examples

53.2.1 Example 1: Display a file's description following "description:"

```
<txp:text item="description" />: <txp:file_download_description />
```

Other tags used: `text`

53.3 Genealogy

53.3.1 Version 4.0.7

- default value for attribute `escape` changed from `unset` to `html`

54 file download downloads

Tag reference quick links:

- [Tag Reference Index](#)
- [Tag Basics](#)
- [Attributes Cross-reference](#)
- [Tags In Development](#)

```
<txp:file_download_downloads />
```

The `file_download_downloads` tag is a *single* tag that Textpattern will replace with the number of times the current file has been downloaded. Should be used in a [download](#) form.

54.1 Attributes

This tag has no attributes.

54.2 Examples

54.2.1 Example 1: Display the number of downloads following "downloads:"

```
<txp:text item="downloads" />: <txp:file_download_downloads /><code>
```

Other tags used: `text`

55 file download id

Tag reference quick links:

- [Tag Reference Index](#)
- [Tag Basics](#)
- [Attributes Cross-reference](#)
- [Tags In Development](#)

```
<txp:file_download_id />
```

The `file_download_id` tag is a *single* tag that Textpattern will replace with the internal ID number of the file to be downloaded. Should be used in a download form.

55.1 Attributes

This tag has no attributes.

55.2 Examples

55.2.1 Example 1: Display a file id following "File number:"

```
<txp:text item="File number" />: <txp:file_download_id />
```

Other tags used: `text`

56 file download link

Tag reference quick links:

- [Tag Reference Index](#)
- [Tag Basics](#)
- [Attributes Cross-reference](#)
- [Tags In Development](#)

```
<txp:file_download_link />
```

The `file_download_link` tag is both a *single* tag and a *container* tag. Thus it may be used as an opening and closing pair:

```
<txp:file_download_link>
...containing statements...
</txp:file_download_link>
```

When used as a single tag, Textpattern will replace the tag with a download link to the file being downloaded. As a container, it will assign the link to the given text or tag, while the single tag outputs the file's plain URL.

56.1 Attributes

Tag will accept the following attributes (**case-sensitive**):

`filename="text"`
Name of the file to download.
`id="integer"`
Numeric id of the file to download.

Note: "id" takes precedence over "filename". If neither is defined and the tag is not used within the context of a file, nothing is returned.

56.2 Examples

56.2.1 Example 1: Provide a link to download file #4

```
<txp:file_download_link id="4">
<txp:file_download_name /> [<txp:file_download_size format="mb" decimals="2" />]
</txp:file_download_link>
```

What this does...

Makes a link to the given file (#4) comprising its file name and size

Other tags used:

- `file_download_name`
- `file_download_size`

56.2.2 Example 2: Provide a download link under a condition

This example is based on a real situation where a PDF file was made available as a language translation of the main article. This was a viable??and low-tech??solution to a problem where full integration of the MLP pack was not feasible for the website owner's needs and abilities.

```
<txp:if_custom_field name="PDF translation">
  <txp:file_download_link id=<txp:custom_field name="PDF translation" />'>
    <txp:file_download_name title="1" /> [PDF, <txp:file_download_size format="b" decimals="1" />]
  </txp:file_download_link>
</txp:if_custom_field>
```

What this does...

Provides a file download link if an associated custom field has a value.

What this requires...

You must have a custom field available. The custom field in this example is named *PDF translation*, but you could use whatever you needed. The *Title* field of the uploaded PDF file must have a translated version of the title entered, as this will be the link text of the file download.

Where used...

Code snippet was used in article form directly under main article title (and above date) to be in direct context with the main language title.

Other tags used:

- `file_download_name`
- `file_download_size`
- `if_custom_field`
- `custom_field`

57 file download list

Tag reference quick links:

- [Tag Reference Index](#)
- [Tag Basics](#)
- [Attributes Cross-reference](#)
- [Tags In Development](#)

```
<txp:file_download_list />
```

The `file_download_list` tag is a *single* or a *container* tag which is used to produce a list of download links according to the given attributes. Each file in the list is formatted by the file tags used in the given form (default is the `files` form).

If used as a container, it must be specified as an opening and closing pair of tags, like this:

```
<txp:file_download_list>
...contained statements...
</txp:file_download_list>
```

57.1 Attributes

Tag will accept the following attributes (**case-sensitive**):

`author="author login name"`
 Restrict to files with the specified author.
 Default: unset.

`auto_detect="string context"`
 List of Textpattern contexts to consider when automatically searching for files. If you wish to turn off the automatic check, set this to
 `auto_detect=""`. You can choose from the following contexts:
 `category` to look in the URL for a category list
 `author` to look in the URL for an author list
 Default: `category, author`

`category="category name"`
 Restrict to files from the specified category. Allows a comma separated list of category names. Note: category names may be different to the
 Title you typed when you created the category, as the names are sanitized for URL use. Check the [Categories](#) tab to ensure you are using the
 correct names
 Default: unset.

`form="form name"`
 Use the specified form to process the files.
 Default: `files`.

`id="file ID"`
 Display the specific file or list of files.
 Value: (comma separated list of) file ID(s).
 Default: unset.

`limit="integer"`
 Number of files to display.
 Default is 10.

`offset="integer"`
 Number of files to skip.
 Default: unset.

`pageby="integer or limit"`
 Number of files to jump each page. Without this attribute, you cannot navigate using the `newer` and `[older]` tags. Usually you will want to track
 the `limit` attribute. Use `pageby="limit"` to do this, which means you will not have to amend two values if you subsequently decide to alter
 the `limit`
 Default: unset

`realname="author real name"`
 Restrict to files with the specified author name.
 Default: unset.

`sort="by what and order"`
 How to sort the resulting list.
 Values:
 `id`
 `filename`
 `title`
 `category`
 `description`
 `downloads`
 `created`
 `modified`
 `rand() (random)`.
 Adding a space and then one of either `asc` or `desc` orders by ascending or descending value, respectively.
 Default: `filename asc`.

`status="file status"`
 Restrict to files with the specified status.
 Values: `hidden, pending, live`.
 Default: `live`.

57.1.1 Common Presentational Attributes

These attributes, which affect presentation, are shared by many tags. Note that default values can vary among tags.

`label="text"`
 Label prepended to item.
 Default: unset (but see [label cross-reference](#) for exceptions).

`labeltag="element"`
 HTML element to wrap (markup) label (e.g., `labeltag="h3"`)

Default: unset.
`wraptag="element"`
 HTML element to wrap (markup) list block (e.g., `wraptag="ul"`)
 Default: unset (but see [wraptag cross-reference](#) for exceptions).
`class="name"`
 HTML class to apply to the `wraptag` attribute value.
 Default: tag name or unset (see [class cross-reference](#))
`break="value"`
 Where `value` is an HTML element (e.g., `break="li"`) or some string to separate list items.
 Default: `br` (but see [break cross-reference](#) for exceptions).

57.2 Examples

57.2.1 Example 1: Display the ten most popular downloads

```
<txp:file_download_list limit="10" break="li" wraptag="ul" sort="downloads desc" />
```

Styles could go this way

```
.file_download_list
{
    list-style-type:none;
}
```

57.3 Genealogy

57.3.1 Version 4.3.0

- `pageby` attribute added to enable paging via `newer` and `older`
- `author` and `realname` attributes added
- `auto_detect` added to allow automatic (URL-based) contextual listings

57.3.2 Version 4.2.0

- New attribute `id`.

57.3.3 Version 4.0.7

- Can be used as a container tag.

57.3.4 Version 4.0.6

- support added for comma separated list for category attribute

58 file download modified

Tag reference quick links:

- [Tag Reference Index](#)
- [Tag Basics](#)
- [Attributes Cross-reference](#)
- [Tags In Development](#)

```
<txp:file_download_modified />
```

The `[[file_download_modified]]` tag is a *single* tag that Textpattern will replace with the last modified date of the file to download. Should be used in a [download form](#).

58.1 Attributes

Tag will accept the following attributes (**case-sensitive**):

`format="format string"`
Override the default Archive date format set in the [Basic Preferences](#).
Values: any valid `strftime()` string values.

58.2 Examples

58.2.1 Example 1: Display formated file modified date

```
<txp:file_download_modified format="%c" />
```

59 file download name

Tag reference quick links:

- [Tag Reference Index](#)
- [Tag Basics](#)
- [Attributes Cross-reference](#)
- [Tags In Development](#)

```
<txp:file_download_name />
```

The `file_download_name` tag is a *single* tag that Textpattern will replace with the name of the file to download. Should be used in a [download form](#) or within a `file_download_link` tag.

59.1 Attributes

Tag will accept the following attributes (**case-sensitive**):

`title="boolean"`
Whether to display the file download name or its title
Values: 0 (name), or 1 (title).
Default: 0.

59.2 Examples

59.2.1 Example 1: Display the name of a file, linked to download

```
<txp:file_download_link filename="my_presentation.pdf">
<txp:file_download_name /> [<txp:file_download_size format="mb" decimals="2" />]
</txp:file_download_link>
```

Other tags used: `file_download_link`, `file_download_size`

59.3 Genealogy

59.3.1 Version 4.3.0

- `title` attribute added

60 file download size

Tag reference quick links:

- [Tag Reference Index](#)
- [Tag Basics](#)
- [Attributes Cross-reference](#)
- [Tags In Development](#)

```
<txp:file_download_size />
```

The `file_download_size` tag is a *single* tag which Textpattern will replace with the formatted file size of the file to be downloaded. Should be used in a download form.

60.1 Attributes

Tag will accept the following attributes (**case-sensitive**):

`decimals="places"`
Number of decimal places to format the value to.
Default: 2.

`format="numbering style"`
The way to represent the number, based on the file's expected size.
Valid options are:
b (bytes)
k (kilobytes)
m (megabytes)
g (gigabytes)
t (terabytes)
p (petabytes)
e (exabytes)
z (zettabytes)
y (yottabytes)
Default: unset (i.e. the most appropriate units based on the file size)

60.2 Examples

60.2.1 Example 1: Display formatted file size in kilobytes

```
<txp:file_download_size format="k" />
```

61 Category:File Tags

Tag reference quick links:

- [Tag Reference Index](#)
- [Tag Basics](#)
- [Attributes Cross-reference](#)
- [Tags In Development](#)

File Tags are a subcategory of the [Tag Reference](#). They are tags that are used to display files that are managed through the [Files Tab](#).

[Download Category:File_Tags book](#)

62 Category:Future Tags

Tag reference quick links:

- [Tag Reference Index](#)
- [Tag Basics](#)
- [Attributes Cross-reference](#)
- [Tags In Development](#)

Tags listed here are not yet in use, but are under development and anticipated for future Textpattern releases. See [Tags In Development](#) for more details.

[Download Category:Future_Tags book](#)

63 hide

Tag reference quick links:

- [Tag Reference Index](#)
- [Tag Basics](#)
- [Attributes Cross-reference](#)
- [Tags In Development](#)

```
<txp:hide>
```

The `hide` tag is a *container* tag which is used to suppress the interpretation of all enclosed contents. Use it for comments, temporary concealment of article text parts or non-destructive form changes.

63.1 Attributes

This tag has no attributes.

63.2 Examples

63.2.1 Example 1: Insert a useful note in a template

```
<txp:hide>This is essential as a work-around for the Peekaboo  
bug in Internet Explorer 6</txp:hide>
```

63.2.2 Example 2: Comment out part of a form for testing

If you want to try something out to see how it affects the layout without actually deleting the content, wrap it in `hide` tags:

```
<div class="entry-content">  
  <txp:body />  
</div>  
  
<txp:hide>  
  
  <address class="vcard author">  
    - <span class="fn"><txp:author /></span>  
  </address>  
  <txp:comments_invite wraptag="p" />  
  
</txp:hide>
```

What this does...

Renders the body text inside the `entry-content` div but skips the `address` and `comments_invite` tags.

Other tags used: `body`, `author`, `comments_invite`

64 if article author

Tag reference quick links:

- [Tag Reference Index](#)
- [Tag Basics](#)
- [Attributes Cross-reference](#)
- [Tags In Development](#)

```
<txp:if_article_author>
```

The **if_article_author** tag is a *conditional* tag and always used as an opening and closing pair, like this...

```
<txp:if_article_author>
...conditional statement...
</txp:if_article_author>
```

The tag will execute the contained statement if the author name associated with a particular article matches the value of the name attribute. Should be used in an article form.

The *name* attribute requires an author's login name not their Real Name

64.1 Attributes

Tag will accept the following attributes (**case-sensitive**):

name="author"
Comma-separated list of author (login) names.
Default: unset (i.e. any author at all)

64.2 Examples

64.2.1 Example 1: Display some text dependent on an article's author

```
<txp:if_article_author name="admin">
  <p>Publisher</p>
</txp:if_article_author>
```

What this does...

Displays the text "Publisher" if the article was written (posted) by the author "admin".

65 if article category

Tag reference quick links:

- Tag Reference Index
- Tag Basics
- Attributes Cross-reference
- Tags In Development

```
<txp:if_article_category>
```

The `if_article_category` tag is a *conditional* tag and always used as an opening and closing pair, like this...

```
<txp:if_article_category>
...conditional statement...
</txp:if_article_category>
```

It will execute the contained statement if the category name associated with a particular article (Category1 or Category2) matches the values of the name and number attributes. Should be used in an article `form`.

65.1 Attributes

Tag will accept the following attributes (**case-sensitive**):

`name="category"`

Comma-separated list of category names (not titles) to match. Note the category name is specified in lower case regardless of how you typed its title in the Category tab. Also note that if you had called your category **My Category Name** it becomes **my-category-name** when used in tags.

Default: unset.

`number="number"`

match category in Cat1 or Cat2 (or both).

Values: 1 or 2

Default: unset, causing both categories to be matched against the specified name.

65.2 Examples

65.2.1 Example 1: Display matched category

```
<txp:if_article_category name="prose" number="1">
    <p><txp:category1 /></p>
</txp:if_article_category>
```

What this does...

If the Category1 assigned to the article is "Prose", the category is displayed. Note that the category **name** is used in this tag, which may be different to its displayed category **Title**. When categories are created, TXP converts them to lower case and replaces spaces with hyphens. So, for example, "My Category" has a name "my-category".

Other tags used: `category1`

65.2.2 Example 2: Using the tag with `else`

```
<txp:if_article_category name="prose" number="1">
    <p>Fun With Prose</p>
<txp:else />
    <p><a href="index.php">Home</a></p>
</txp:if_article_category>
```

What this does...

Displays the welcome text if the category and category number match the given values, or shows a default link otherwise.

Other tags used: `else`

65.2.3 Example 3: Display a list of matching links

In an article form, put the following set of conditionals for each category you want to look for:

```
<txp:if_article_category name="yourcategory" number="1">
    <ul>
        <txp:article_custom form="sub" category="yourcategory" sortby="Posted" sortdir="asc" />
    </ul>
</txp:if_article_category>
```

And then your article form (in this case called 'sub') can be used to list links to other articles like this:

```
<li><txp:permalink><txp:title /></txp:permalink></li>
```

What it does...

Lists articles of the **same category as the current article's Category1**

Other tags used: `article_custom`, `else`, `title`, `permalink`

66 if article id

Tag reference quick links:

- [Tag Reference Index](#)
- [Tag Basics](#)
- [Attributes Cross-reference](#)
- [Tags In Development](#)

```
<txp:if_article_id>
```

The `if_article_id` tag is a *conditional* tag and always used as an opening and closing pair, like this...

```
<txp:if_article_id>
...conditional statement...
</txp:if_article_id>
```

The tag will execute the contained statement if the article id associated with a particular article matches the `id` attribute. Should be used in an article form/container. The `id` attribute *must* be used in an *article list context* (when producing a page that displays more than one article) or the tag will do nothing.

66.1 Attributes

Tag will accept the following attributes (**case-sensitive**):

`id="integer"`

Comma delimited integer article ID list.

Default: current article's ID if available (i.e. on a page that displays a single article).

66.2 Examples

66.2.1 Example 1: Display info if the article id matches

```
<txp:if_article_id id="33">
  <p><txp:title /></p>
</txp:if_article_id>
```

What this does...

Displays the article title if the id of the current article is 33.

Other tags used: `title`

66.2.2 Example 2: Display a list of articles omitting current article

```
<txp:article_custom label="related" labeltag="h4" section='<txp:section />' wraptag="ul">
<txp:if_article_id>
<txp:else />
<li><txp:permalink><txp:title /></txp:permalink></li>
</txp:if_article_id>
</txp:article_custom>
```

What this does...

Displays an unordered linked list of articles from the same section omitting the article currently viewed.

Other tags used: `article custom, section, else, permalink, title`

66.3 Genealogy

- As of September 2009 (version 4.2.0), there is a [motion](#) to simplify the semantics of this tag in the case of undefined `id` attribute.

66.3.1 Version 4.0.7

- Defaults to the current article's ID.

67 if article image

Tag reference quick links:

- [Tag Reference Index](#)
- [Tag Basics](#)
- [Attributes Cross-reference](#)
- [Tags In Development](#)

```
<txp:if_article_image>
```

The `if_article_image` tag is a *conditional* tag and always used as an opening and closing pair, like this...

```
<txp:if_article_image>
...conditional statement...
</txp:if_article_image>
```

The tag will execute the contained statements if an image is associated (through the [article image field](#)) with the article being displayed.

67.1 Attributes

This tag has no attributes.

67.2 Examples

67.2.1 Example 1: Display default image if no article image exists

```
<txp:if_article_image>
  <txp:article_image />
<txp:else />
  <txp:image id="5" />
</txp:if_article_image>
```

Other tags used: `article_image`, `else`, `image`

67.3 Genealogy

67.3.1 Version 4.2.0

- Added as a new tag

68 if article list

Tag reference quick links:

- [Tag Reference Index](#)
- [Tag Basics](#)
- [Attributes Cross-reference](#)
- [Tags In Development](#)

```
<txp:if_article_list>
```

The `if_article_list` tag is a *conditional* tag and always used as an opening and closing pair, like this...

```
<txp:if_article_list>
...conditional statement...
</txp:if_article_list>
```

The tag will execute the contained statement if an article list is being displayed (i.e. not showing an individual article).

68.1 Attributes

This tag has no attributes.

68.2 Examples

68.2.1 Example 1: Article/Article List Navigation

This example shows how to setup article navigation so that `prev-next` is used at the individual article level *or* `older-newer` with article lists.

```
<txp:article />

<txp:if_individual_article>
    <p>
        <txp:link_to_prev><txp:prev_title /></txp:link_to_prev>
        <txp:link_to_next><txp:next_title /></txp:link_to_next>
    </p>
</txp:if_individual_article>

<txp:if_article_list>
    <p>
        <txp:older>Previous</txp:older>
        <txp:newer>Next</txp:newer>
    </p>
</txp:if_article_list>
```

Other tags used: `link_to_prev`, `link_to_next`, `prev_title`, `next_title`, `if_individual_article`, `older`, `newer`,

68.2.2 Example 2: In Combination with the else Tag

This example shows the `if_article_list` in combination with `else` to display a site's `site_name` or logo when an article list is displayed or not, respectively.

```
<txp:if_article_list>
    <p><txp:site_name /></p>
<txp:else />
    <p></img></p>
</txp:if_article_list>
```

Other tags used: `else`, `site_name`

69 if article section

Tag reference quick links:

- Tag Reference Index
- Tag Basics
- Attributes Cross-reference
- Tags In Development

```
<txp:if_article_section>
```

The `if_article_section` tag is a *conditional* tag and always used as an opening and closing pair, like this...

```
<txp:if_article_section>
...conditional statement...
</txp:if_article_section>
```

The tag will execute the contained statements if the section name associated with a particular article matches the value of the `name` attribute. Should be used in an article form.

69.1 Attributes

Tag will accept the following attributes (**case-sensitive**):

`name="section"`
Comma-separated list of section names.

69.2 Examples

69.2.1 Example 1: Check the article's section

```
<txp:if_article_section name="poetry">
<p>by <txp:author /></p>
</txp:if_article_section>
```

What this does...

Displays the author name if the current article belongs to the section named Poetry.

Other tags used: `author`

69.2.2 Example 2: Using the tag with `else`

```
<txp:if_article_section name="poetry">
<p>Fun With Poetry</p>
<txp:else />
<p><a href="index.php">Home</a></p>
</txp:if_article_section>
```

What this does...

Display the welcome text if the article's section matches Poetry, or shows a default link otherwise.

Other tags used: `else`

70 if author

Tag reference quick links:

- [Tag Reference Index](#)
- [Tag Basics](#)
- [Attributes Cross-reference](#)
- [Tags In Development](#)

```
<txp:if_author>
```

The `if_author` tag is a *conditional* tag and always used as an opening and closing pair, like this...

```
<txp:if_author>
...conditional statement...
</txp:if_author>
```

The tag will execute the contained statement if the called page is the result of an article search by a specific author's name.

This is *not* the same as checking if the current article was written (posted) by the given author. Use `if_article_author` for that situation

70.1 Attributes

Tag will accept the following attributes (**case-sensitive**):

`name="author"`
Comma-separated list of author names.
Default is unset, which determines whether *any* author listing is being viewed.
`type="context"`
Textpattern context to check against. You can choose from the following contexts:
 `article` is this an article author list?
 `image` is this an image author list?
 `file` is this a file author list?
 `link` is this a link author list?
Default: `article`
Set to empty to include all contexts

70.2 Examples

70.2.1 Example 1: Select a stylesheet based on author

Selects a stylesheet named "author_list" when a list by author "admin" is being displayed, or a stylesheet determined by the active section for normal page display.

```
<txp:if_author name="admin">
<link rel="stylesheet" href="
```

Other tags used: `else, css`

70.3 Genealogy

70.3.1 Version 4.3.0

- `type` attribute added

71 if category

Tag reference quick links:

- [Tag Reference Index](#)
- [Tag Basics](#)
- [Attributes Cross-reference](#)
- [Tags In Development](#)

```
<txp:if_category>
```

The `if_category` tag is a *conditional* tag and always used as an opening and closing pair, like this...

```
<txp:if_category>
...conditional statement...
</txp:if_category>
```

The tag will execute the contained statements if the `name` attribute matches a category search value, or the list is an article list by category (`?c=category`)

Should be used in a page template; if checking the category in an article form, use `if_article_category`.

71.1 Attributes

Tag will accept the following attributes (**case-sensitive**):

`name="category"`

Comma-separated list of category names. Note the category name is specified in lower case regardless of how you typed its title in the Category tab. Also note that if you had called your category **My Category Name** it becomes **my-category-name** when used in tags

Default is unset, which determines whether *any* category listing is being viewed.

`type="context"`

Textpattern context to check against. You can choose from the following contexts:

- `article` is this an article category list?
- `image` is this an image category list?
- `file` is this a file category list?
- `link` is this a link category list?

Default: `article`

Set to empty to include all contexts

71.2 Examples

71.2.1 Example 1: Display info depending on list category

```
<txp:if_category name="prose">
<p><txp:author /></p>
</txp:if_category>
```

What this does...

Displays the author's name if the article list is of category "Prose".

Other tags used: `author`

71.2.2 Example 2: Use tag with else

```
<txp:if_category name="prose">
  <p><txp:category /></p>
<txp:else />
  <h3><txp:site_name /></h3>
</txp:if_category>
```

What this does...

Displays the category name if the article list is of category "Prose", otherwise show the site's name.

Other tags used: `category`, `else`, `site_name`

71.2.3 Example 3: Display an appropriate heading

```
<txp:if_category>
  <h3>Articles in category <txp:category title=1 /></h3>
<txp:else />
  <h3>All articles:</h3>
</txp:if_category>
```

What this does...

Displays an appropriate heading for both category and non-category pages.

Other tags used: `category`, `else`

71.2.4 Example 4: Display a category / article list

Given the defined article categories: Prose, Poetry, and Opinions.

```
<txp:category_list label="Category Navigation" wraptag="p" class="list" />
<txp:if_category name="prose">
<txp:recent_articles label="Prose" limit="25" break="br" wraptag="p" class="list" category="prose" />
</txp:if_category>
<txp:if_category name="poetry">
```

```
<txp:recent_articles label="Poetry" limit="25" break="br" wraptag="p" class="list" category="poetry" />
</txp:if_category>
<txp:if_category name="opinions">
<txp:recent_articles label="Opinions" limit="25" break="br" wraptag="p" class="list" category="opinions" />
</txp:if_category>
```

What this does...

Shows a category list and, underneath it, a list of related articles in the currently selected category. Changing the category using the list changes the related articles underneath.

Styles could go this way:

```
p.list
{
    font-family: Verdana, "Lucida Grande", Tahoma, Helvetica;
    font-size: 11px;
    color:#333;
    margin-left: 10px;
    border-left: 3px solid #ccc;
}

p.list a
{
    color:#333;
    margin-left:15px;
}

p.list a:hover
{
    border-bottom: 1px dashed #333;
}
```

Other tags used: `category_list`, `recent_articles`

71.3 Genealogy

71.3.1 Version 4.3.0

- `type` attribute added

72 if comments

Tag reference quick links:

- [Tag Reference Index](#)
- [Tag Basics](#)
- [Attributes Cross-reference](#)
- [Tags In Development](#)

```
<txp:if_comments>
```

The `if_comments` tag is a *conditional* tag and always used as an opening and closing pair, like this...

```
<txp:if_comments>
...conditional statement...
</txp:if_comments>
```

The tag will execute the contained statements if there are one or more comments associated with a particular article. Should be used in an article form.

72.1 Attributes

This tag has no attributes.

72.2 Examples

72.2.1 Example 1: Number of comments associated with an article

```
<txp:if_comments>
<p><txp:comments_count /> Comments</p>
<txp:else />
<p>No Current Comments</p>
</txp:if_comments>
```

What this does...

Displays the number of comments written against the current article, otherwise display default text to indicate there are no comments.

Other tags used: `comments_count`, `else`

73 if comments allowed

Tag reference quick links:

- [Tag Reference Index](#)
- [Tag Basics](#)
- [Attributes Cross-reference](#)
- [Tags In Development](#)

```
<txp:if_comments_allowed>
```

The `if_comments_allowed` tag is a *conditional* tag and always used as an opening and closing pair, like this...

```
<txp:if_comments_allowed>
...conditional statement...
</txp:if_comments_allowed>
```

The tag will execute the contained statements if comments are allowed for a given article.

This tag can be used in pages, or in article or comment forms; though it will allow you to use an `id` attribute in a comment form, the default behavior (no `attribute`) will ensure consistency in comment/article matching when viewing an individual article.

When used in a page template, it will test the article identified by the attribute for status and act, or not, according to that status. It will not pass the `id` attribute to the contained statement, such as `comments` or `comments_form`, they must be added as attributes to the contained tag.

This tag is mainly used in combination with `if_comments_disallowed`.

73.1 Attributes

This tag has no attributes.

73.2 Examples

73.2.1 Example 1: Give an indication of Comments status

Comments for articles can be turned off or on at the author's discretion for any article that is published; by using the following scheme in an article form, you can still have the on/off control over comments while also giving an indication of the comment status.

```
<txp:if_comments_allowed>
    <txp:comments_form />
</txp:if_comments_allowed>

<txp:if_comments_disallowed>
    <p>Comments are turned off for this article.</p>
</txp:if_comments_disallowed>
```

Other tags used: `comments_form`, `if_comments_disallowed`

73.2.2 Example 2: Display a list of IDs

```
<txp:if_comments_allowed>
<txp:comments form="lineitem" break="li" wraptag="ul" breakclass="special" />
<txp:else />
<p>Comments closed</p>
</txp:if_comments_allowed>
```

Form (lineitem) (type: comment)

```
<txp:comment_id />
```

Styles could go this way

```
.special
{
    display:list-item;
    list-style-type:none;
}
```

What this does...

Displays a list of id numbers for comments on the current article, if comments are currently allowed.

Other tags used: `comments`, `else`, `comment_id`

74 if comments disallowed

Tag reference quick links:

- [Tag Reference Index](#)
- [Tag Basics](#)
- [Attributes Cross-reference](#)
- [Tags In Development](#)

```
<txp:if_comments_disallowed>
```

The `if_comments_disallowed` tag is a *conditional* tag and always used as an opening and closing pair, like this...

```
<txp:if_comments_disallowed>
...conditional statement...
</txp:if_comments_disallowed>
```

The tag will execute the contained statements if comments are disallowed for a given article.

The `if_comments_disallowed` tag can be used in pages, and in article and comment forms. When used in a page template, it will test the article identified by the attribute for status and act, or not, according to that status. It will not pass the `id` attribute to the contained statement, such as `comments` or `comments_form`; they must be added as attributes to the contained tag.

Although you can use an `id` attribute in a comment form, the default behavior (no attribute) will ensure consistency in comment/article matching when viewing an individual article.

This tag is mainly used in combination with `if_comments_allowed`.

74.1 Attributes

This tag has no attributes.

74.2 Examples

74.2.1 Example 1: Giving an indication of comment status

Comments for articles can be turned off or on at the authors discretion for any article that is published; by using the following scheme in an article form, you can still have the on/off control over comments while still giving users indication of comment status.

```
<txp:if_comments_allowed>
  <txp:comments_form />
</txp:if_comments_allowed>

<txp:if_comments_disallowed>
  <p>Comments are turned off for this article.</p>
</txp:if_comments_disallowed>
```

Other tags used: `if_comments_allowed`, `comments_form`

74.2.2 Example 2: List of comment links

```
<txp:if_comments_disallowed>
  <txp:comments form="lineitem" break="li" wraptag="ul" breakclass="special" />
</txp:if_comments_disallowed>
```

Form (lineitem) (type: comment)

```
<small><txp:comment_permalink><txp:comment_id /></txp:comment_permalink></small>
```

Styles could go this way

```
.special
{
    display:list-item;
    list-style-type:none;
}
```

What this does...

Displaying a list of links to comments for the current article, using the comment id as text, but only if comments are currently **not allowed**.

Other tags used: `comments`, `comment_permalink`, `comment_id`

75 if comments error

Tag reference quick links:

- [Tag Reference Index](#)
- [Tag Basics](#)
- [Attributes Cross-reference](#)
- [Tags In Development](#)

```
<txp:if_comments_error>
```

The `if_comments_error` tag is a *conditional* tag and always used as an opening and closing pair, like this...

```
<txp:if_comments_error>
...conditional statement...
</txp:if_comments_error>
```

The tag will execute the contained statements when an error exists with the comments.

75.1 Attributes

This tag has no attributes:

75.2 Examples

75.2.1 Example 1: Display comments error when an error occurs

```
<txp:if_comments_error>
  <txp:comments_error />
</txp:if_comments_error>
```

Other tags used: `comments_error`

76 if comments preview

Tag reference quick links:

- [Tag Reference Index](#)
- [Tag Basics](#)
- [Attributes Cross-reference](#)
- [Tags In Development](#)

```
<txp:if_comments_preview>
```

The `if_comments_preview` tag is a *conditional* tag and always used as an opening and closing pair, like this...

```
<txp:if_comments_preview>
...conditional statement...
</txp:if_comments_preview>
```

The tag will execute the contained statements if a comment is being previewed.

76.1 Attributes

This tag takes no attributes:

76.2 Examples

76.2.1 Example 1: Display text prompt when comment is previewed

```
<txp:if_comments_preview>
  <p>Please review your comment before submitting</p>
</txp:if_comments_preview>
```

77 if custom field

Tag reference quick links:

- [Tag Reference Index](#)
- [Tag Basics](#)
- [Attributes Cross-reference](#)
- [Tags In Development](#)

```
<txp:if_custom_field>
```

The `if_custom_field` tag is a *conditional* tag and always used as an opening and closing pair, like this...

```
<txp:if_custom_field>
...conditional statement...
</txp:if_custom_field>
```

The tag will execute the contained statements if one or more custom fields for a given article have content. The contents of a custom field can be displayed with the `custom_field` tag.

77.1 Attributes

Tag will accept the following attributes (**case-sensitive**):

`match="match type"`

How you wish your value to be tested. Choose from:

`exact` : value text must exactly match the custom field
`any` : checks if any of the given comma-separated list of **values** occur anywhere in the custom field
`all` : checks if all of the given comma-separated list of **values** occur anywhere in the custom field
`pattern` : allows you to specify a regular expression in your **value** attribute to match against the custom field

Default: `exact`.

`name="field name"`

The custom field name you wish to check.

`separator="character"`

If you wish to treat your custom field as a list of items -- so that each item is a discrete entity and tested separately when using `any` or `all` matching -- specify the delimiter that you use in the custom field. This attribute is ignored if using `exact` or `pattern` matching

`value="field value"`

The custom field content you want to check for a match.

77.2 Examples

77.2.1 Example 1: Display contents of custom fields

```
<txp:if_custom_field name="subtitle">
  <txp:custom_field name="subtitle" />
</txp:if_custom_field>
```

What it does...

Checks if a custom field has any content (at all) and display it.

Why you might do it...

Say, you are publishing book reviews on your site and you use custom fields to enter the author, title, publisher and year of publication (see [example](#)). Some of the books have a subtitle, others don't so the conditional checks if the custom field you named "subtitle" holds any content and if it does, it will be displayed. If it's empty, the field won't turn up on the page.

The whole set of custom fields could look like this:

```
<p><txp:custom_field name="author" />: <txp:custom_field name="title" /> <br />
<txp:if_custom_field name="subtitle">
  <txp:custom_field name="subtitle" /><br />
</txp:if_custom_field>
published by <txp:custom_field name="publisher" /> in <txp:custom_field name="year" />.</p>
```

For a **book that has a subtitle**, this may be seen:

```
<p>Stephen Covey: The Seven Habits of Highly Effective People<br />
Powerful Lessons in Personal Change<br />
published by Simon & Schuster in 2002.</p>
```

For a **book without a subtitle**, this might be shown:

```
<p>J.R.R. Tolkien: The Lord of the Rings<br />
published by HarperCollins in 2004.</p>
```

Other tags used: `custom_field`

77.2.2 Example 2: Check custom field value

A mood indicator:

```
<txp:if_custom_field name="mood" value="happy">
  
</txp:if_custom_field>

<txp:if_custom_field name="mood" value="sad">
  
</txp:if_custom_field>
```

What it does...

Checks the content of the custom field named `mood` to see if it matches the text "happy" or "sad". Depending which one it matches determines which of the emoticons is displayed.

Why you might do it...

If you define a custom field "mood", you can enter a word to indicate your mood while writing an article. You enter either "happy" or "sad".

77.2.3 Example 3: Use the tag with `else`

```
<txp:if_custom_field name="website">
  <txp:custom_field name="website" />
<txp:else />
<p>Unfortunately, this band hasn't got a website.</p>
</txp:if_custom_field>
```

What it does...

If the custom field named 'website' has some content, display it, otherwise display a standard message.

Why you might do it...

If you publish music reviews and you've set up some custom fields for the band name, the album title and the band's website. But not all bands have a website and you want to display a standard message if a band hasn't got one.

Other tags used: `custom_field`, `else`

77.2.4 Example 4: Display a conditional statement based on a comma separated value

```
<txp:if_custom_field name="animals" separator="," match="any" value="monkeys">
  <p>The monkeys are eating bananas.</p>
<txp:else />
  <p>The bears ate all the monkeys. How sad.</p>
</txp:if_custom_field>
```

What it does...

Checks the content of the custom field named `animals` which has a comma separated list of animals. It checks if it contains the text "monkeys", and displays a conditional statement if it does.

Other tags used: `else`

77.3 Genealogy

77.3.1 Version 4.3.0

- Attribute `val` deprecated and renamed to `value`
- Added the `match` and `separator` attributes

78 if different

Tag reference quick links:

- [Tag Reference Index](#)
- [Tag Basics](#)
- [Attributes Cross-reference](#)
- [Tags In Development](#)

```
<txp:if_different>
```

The **if_different** tag is a *conditional* tag and always used as an opening and closing pair, like this...

```
<txp:if_different>
...conditional statement with <txp:other_tag>...
</txp:if_different>
```

The tag will execute the contained statement when the value of the contained statement differs from the preceding value for that contained statement. Can be used in article, link, comment, and file forms.

if_different can contain several HTML tags but only *one* Textpattern tag.

You can [work around this limitation](#) by means of the use of the **variable** and **if_variable** tags.

78.1 Attributes

This tag has no attributes.

78.2 Examples

78.2.1 Example 1: Display posting time per article once per day

Weblog

```
<txp:if_different>
<h3><txp:posted format="%d %B %Y" /></h3>
</txp:if_different>
```

To be used inside an article form or an article tag container.

Other tags used: [posted](#)

78.2.2 Example 2: Build an indented list of article titles grouped by section

Intention:

- Display a list of all articles' titles grouped by sections and ordered by article title
- Add headings from section titles to designate an article's context
- Sort alphabetically by section name, then by article title

Desired result:

- about (*section title*)
 - ◆ 1st Article from about section
 - ◆ 2nd Article from about section
 - ◆ â?|another articles
- family (*section title*)
 - ◆ 1st Article from family section
 - ◆ 2nd Article from family section
 - ◆ â?|another articles
- people (*section title*)
 - ◆ 1st Article from people section
 - ◆ 2nd Article from people section
 - ◆ â?|another articles

In a page template, add this tag to loop through all articles from all sections:

```
<txp:article_custom sort="section ASC, Title ASC" form="tree" />
```

The contents of the **tree** form used by the snippet above lists all article titles and renders an intermittent heading element whenever a **different** section is encountered while the articles loop through:

```
<txp:if_different><h2><txp:section title="1" /></h2></txp:if_different>
<txp:title />
```

Other tags used: [article_custom](#), [section](#), [title](#)

79 if excerpt

Tag reference quick links:

- Tag Reference Index
- Tag Basics
- Attributes Cross-reference
- Tags In Development

```
<txp:if_excerpt>
```

The **if_excerpt** tag is a *conditional* tag and always used as an opening and closing pair, like this...

```
<txp:if_excerpt>
...conditional statement...
</txp:if_excerpt>
```

The tag will execute the contained statements if an excerpt is associated with the article being displayed.

79.1 Attributes

This tag has no attributes.

79.2 Examples

79.2.1 Example 1: Display the excerpt if it exists

```
<txp:if_excerpt>
  <txp:excerpt />
<txp:else />
  Section <a href="/subdirname/index.php?s=<txp:section />"><txp:section /></a>
</txp:if_excerpt>
```

If there is no excerpt associated with the current article, the section name linked as **"/subdirname/index.php?s=section_name"** will be displayed instead, providing a means of displaying the articles from the same section as the current article.

Other tags used: **excerpt, else, section**

80 if_expired

Tag reference quick links:

- [Tag Reference Index](#)
- [Tag Basics](#)
- [Attributes Cross-reference](#)
- [Tags In Development](#)

```
<txp:if_expired>
```

The `if_expired` tag is a *conditional* tag and always used as an opening and closing pair, like this...

```
<txp:if_expired>
...conditional statement...
</txp:if_expired>
```

The tag will execute the contained statements, if a particular article is expired. Should be used in an article form.

For more on this tag see its announcement, [So, you'd like to stick a "Best Before" label on those articles?](#)

80.1 Attributes

None.

80.2 Examples

80.2.1 Example 1: Show when article has (or will) expire

```
<txp:if_expired>
This article is already expired. It expired <txp:expires />.
<txp:else />
This page isn't expired. It expires <txp:expires />.
</txp:if_expired>
```

Other tags used: `expires`

80.3 Related

Related tags are:

- `expires`
- `if_expired`

80.4 Genealogy

80.4.1 Version 4.0.7

- tag added

81 if expires

Tag reference quick links:

- [Tag Reference Index](#)
- [Tag Basics](#)
- [Attributes Cross-reference](#)
- [Tags In Development](#)

```
<txp:if_expires>
```

The `if_expires` tag is a *conditional* tag and always used as an opening and closing pair, like this...

```
<txp:if_expires>
...conditional statement...
</txp:if_expires>
```

The tag will execute the contained statements, if a particular article has an expiry date set. Should be used in an article form.

For more on this tag see its announcement, [So, you'd like to stick a "Best Before" label on those articles?](#)

81.1 Attributes

None.

81.2 Examples

81.2.1 Example 1: Show when an article is to expire

```
<txp:if_expires>
This article expires on <txp:expires />.
</txp:if_expires>
```

Other tags used: `expires`

81.3 Related

Related tags are:

- `expires`
- `if_expired`

81.4 Genealogy

81.4.1 Version 4.0.7

- tag added

82 if first article

Tag reference quick links:

- [Tag Reference Index](#)
- [Tag Basics](#)
- [Attributes Cross-reference](#)
- [Tags In Development](#)

```
<txp:if_first_article>
```

The `if_first_article` tag is a *conditional* tag and always used as an opening and closing pair, like this...

```
<txp:if_first_article>
...conditional statement...
</txp:if_first_article>
```

The tag will execute the contained statements if the displayed article is the first in the currently displayed list. It will display in both single article and article list modes. Should be used in an article form.

82.1 Attributes

This tag has no attributes.

82.2 Examples

82.2.1 Example 1: Add a linked section by title

```
<h3><txp:permlink><txp:title /></txp:permlink> · <txp:posted /> by <txp:author />
<txp:if_first_article>
· Section: <txp:section link="1" title="1" />
</txp:if_first_article></h3>
<txp:body />
<txp:comments_invite wraptag="p" />
```

What this does...

Displays a link to the header of the first article in an article list.

Other tags used: `permalink`, `title`, `author`, `posted`, `section`, `body`, `comments_invite`

82.2.2 Example 2: Add a class to a list item

```
<li <txp:if_first_article>class="first"</txp:if_first_article>><a title=<txp:title />" href=<txp:permlink />"><txp:title /></a></li>
```

What this does...

Adds a css class to the first article in an article list.

Other tags used: `permalink`, `title`

83 if first category

Tag reference quick links:

- [Tag Reference Index](#)
- [Tag Basics](#)
- [Attributes Cross-reference](#)
- [Tags In Development](#)

```
<txp:if_first_category>
```

The `if_first_category` tag is a *conditional* tag and always used as an opening and closing pair, like this...

```
<txp:if_first_category>
...conditional statements...
</txp:if_first_category>
```

The tag will execute the contained statements if the current category (usually one inside the container or form of a `category_list`) is the first in the currently displayed list.

83.1 Attributes

This tag has no attributes.

83.2 Examples

83.2.1 Example 1: Identify 1st cat in category_list

```
<txp:category_list parent="group-1" children="0">
  <txp:if_first_category>
    <h3><txp:category /></h3>
  <txp:else />
    <txp:category link="1" />
  </txp:if_first_category>
</txp:category_list>
```

Other tags used: `category_list`, `category`, `else`

What this does...

Prevents the first category in the list from being hyperlinked to a category page

Why you might do it...

If you nest categories under a 'header' category you might want to show the header of the group but not allow people to link to its category page

83.3 Genealogy

83.3.1 Version 4.0.7

- Added as a new tag.

84 if first section

Tag reference quick links:

- [Tag Reference Index](#)
- [Tag Basics](#)
- [Attributes Cross-reference](#)
- [Tags In Development](#)

```
<txp:if_first_section>
```

The `if_first_section` tag is a *conditional* tag and always used as an opening and closing pair, like this...

```
<txp:if_first_section>
...conditional statements...
</txp:if_first_section>
```

The tag will execute the contained statements if the current section (usually one inside the container or form of a `section_list`) is the first in the currently displayed list.

84.1 Attributes

This tag has no attributes.

84.2 Examples

84.2.1 Example 1: Assign a specific id to the first item in the list

```
<txp:section_list wraptag="ul" break="">
  <li<txp:if_first_section> id="first"</txp:if_first_section>><txp:section title="1" link="1" /></li>
</txp:section_list>
```

84.3 Genealogy

84.3.1 Version 4.0.7

- Added as a new tag.

85 if individual article

Tag reference quick links:

- [Tag Reference Index](#)
- [Tag Basics](#)
- [Attributes Cross-reference](#)
- [Tags In Development](#)

```
<txp:if_individual_article>
```

The `if_individual_article` tag is a *conditional* tag and always used as an opening and closing pair, like this...

```
<txp:if_individual_article>
...conditional statement...
</txp:if_individual_article>
```

The tag will execute the contained statements if an individual article is being displayed (i.e. not an article list).

Please note, that `article_custom` always displays an article list, even when you set it to display only one article. Thus the `if_individual_article` tag will not work with `article_custom`, you'll have to use the `article` tag instead.

85.1 Attributes

This tag has no attributes.

85.2 Examples

85.2.1 Example 1: Select next-prev or older-newer navigation

```
<txp:article />

<txp:if_individual_article>
  <p>
    <txp:link_to_prev><txp:prev_title /></txp:link_to_prev>
    <txp:link_to_next><txp:next_title /></txp:link_to_next>
  </p>
</txp:if_individual_article>

<txp:if_article_list>
  <p>
    <txp:older>Previous</txp:older>
    <txp:newer>Next</txp:newer>
  </p>
</txp:if_article_list>
```

What this does...

Shows links to the next / previous article if the current page is an article, or shows links to the next / previous page of results if the current page is an article list.

Other tags used: `link_to_prev`, `link_to_next`, `next_title`, `prev_title`, `if_article_list`, `older`, `newer`

85.2.2 Example 2: Use the tag with else

```
<txp:if_individual_article>
  <p><txp:site_name /></p>
<txp:else />
  <p></img></p>
</txp:if_individual_article>
```

What this does

Displays the site's name when showing a single article, and a logo when not displaying a single article.

Other tags used: `else`, `site_name`

86 if keywords

Tag reference quick links:

- [Tag Reference Index](#)
- [Tag Basics](#)
- [Attributes Cross-reference](#)
- [Tags In Development](#)

```
<txp:if_keywords>
```

The `if_keywords` tag is a *conditional* tag and always used as an opening and closing pair, like this...

```
<txp:if_keywords>
...conditional statements...
</txp:if_keywords>
```

The tag will execute the contained statement if the current article's `keywords` field has one or more entries.

86.1 Attributes

Tag will accept the following attributes (**case-sensitive**):

`keywords="keywords"`
Comma-separated list of keywords.
Default is unset, which determines whether *any* keywords are assigned to the article.

86.2 Examples

86.2.1 Example 1: Supply meta tag if keywords exist

```
<head>
[...]
<txp:if_individual_article>

<txp:if_keywords>
    <meta name="keywords" content="
```

Other tags used: `keywords`, `if_individual_article`, `else`

86.3 Genealogy

86.3.1 Version 4.0.7

- tag added

87 if last article

Tag reference quick links:

- [Tag Reference Index](#)
- [Tag Basics](#)
- [Attributes Cross-reference](#)
- [Tags In Development](#)

```
<txp:if_last_article>
```

The `if_last_article` tag is a *conditional* tag and always used as an opening and closing pair, like this...

```
<txp:if_last_article>
...conditional statement...
</txp:if_last_article>
```

The tag will execute the contained statements if the displayed article is the last in the currently displayed list. It will display in both single article and article list modes. Should be used in an article form.

87.1 Attributes

This tag has no attributes.

87.2 Examples

87.2.1 Example 1: Add an image after the last article in a list

```
<h3><txp:permalink><txp:title /></txp:permalink> · <txp:posted /> by <txp:author /></h3>
<txp:body />
<txp:comments_invite wraptag="p" />
<txp:if_last_article>

</txp:if_last_article>
```

Other tags used: `permalink`, `title`, `posted`, `author`, `body`, `comments_invite`

88 if last category

Tag reference quick links:

- [Tag Reference Index](#)
- [Tag Basics](#)
- [Attributes Cross-reference](#)
- [Tags In Development](#)

```
<txp:if_last_category>
```

The `if_last_category` tag is a *conditional* tag and always used as an opening and closing pair, like this...

```
<txp:if_last_category>
...conditional statements...
</txp:if_last_category>
```

The tag will execute the contained statements if the current category (usually one inside the container or form of a `category_list`) is the last in the currently displayed list.

88.1 Attributes

This tag has no attributes.

88.2 Examples

88.2.1 Example 1: To be written

TBW

88.3 Genealogy

88.3.1 Version 4.0.7

- Added as a new tag.

89 if last section

Tag reference quick links:

- [Tag Reference Index](#)
- [Tag Basics](#)
- [Attributes Cross-reference](#)
- [Tags In Development](#)

```
<txp:if_last_section>
```

The `if_last_section` tag is a *conditional* tag and always used as an opening and closing pair, like this...

```
<txp:if_last_section>
...conditional statements...
</txp:if_last_section>
```

The tag will execute the contained statements if the current section (usually one inside the container or form of a `section_list`) is the last in the currently displayed list.

89.1 Attributes

This tag has no attributes.

89.2 Examples

89.2.1 Example 1: Assign a specific id to the last item in the list

```
<txp:section_list wraptag="ul" break="">
  <li<txp:if_last_section> id="last"</txp:if_last_section>><txp:section title="1" link="1" /></li>
</txp:section_list>
```

89.3 Genealogy

89.3.1 Version 4.0.7

- Added as a new tag.

90 if plugin

Tag reference quick links:

- [Tag Reference Index](#)
- [Tag Basics](#)
- [Attributes Cross-reference](#)
- [Tags In Development](#)

```
<txp:if_plugin>
```

The `if_plugin` tag is a *conditional* tag and always used as an opening and closing pair, like this...

```
<txp:if_plugin>
...conditional statement...
</txp:if_plugin>
```

The tag will execute the contained statements if the name attribute matches a currently installed and enabled plugin, and the current version number is equal to or greater than the ver attribute assigned (if used).

90.1 Attributes

Tag will accept the following attributes (**case-sensitive**):

`name="text"`
Plugin name as defined on [Plugins](#) tab.
`version="number"`
Minimum plugin version number.

90.2 Examples

90.2.1 Example 1: Check plugin exists before using a tag

```
<txp:if_plugin name="zem_plugin_lang" version="4">
<txp:zem_contact to="dest@example.com" />
</txp:if_plugin>
```

What this does...

Apply the tag `zem_contact` if the `zem_contact_lang` plugin is installed, activated, and the version number is equal to or greater than 4.

90.3 Genealogy

90.3.1 Version 4.3.0

- `ver` attribute deprecated and renamed `version`

91 if search

Tag reference quick links:

- [Tag Reference Index](#)
- [Tag Basics](#)
- [Attributes Cross-reference](#)
- [Tags In Development](#)

```
<txp:if_search>
```

The `if_search` tag is a *conditional* tag and always used as an opening and closing pair, like this...

```
<txp:if_search>
...conditional statement...
</txp:if_search>
```

The tag will execute the contained statements if the called page is the result of a search.

91.1 Attributes

This tag has no attributes.

91.2 Examples

91.2.1 Example 1: Select a different stylesheet during search

```
<txp:if_search>
  <link rel="stylesheet" href="
```

What this does...

Selects a stylesheet named "search" when search results are being displayed, or a stylesheet determined by the active section for normal page display.

Other tags used: `else, css`

92 if search results

Tag reference quick links:

- [Tag Reference Index](#)
- [Tag Basics](#)
- [Attributes Cross-reference](#)
- [Tags In Development](#)

```
<txp:if_search_results>
```

The `if_search_results` tag is a *conditional* tag and always used as an opening and closing pair, like this...

```
<txp:if_search_results>
...conditional statement...
</txp:if_search_results>
```

The tag will execute the contained statements if the current article list contains a certain amount of entries matching the search term - mostly more than zero.

A typical application of this tag is the conditional output of a "Sorry, we found no items matching your search request." message, but the `min` and `max` attributes allow for a finer grained reaction to search queries.

IMPORTANT: you cannot use this tag directly inside an `if_search` tag without using an `article` tag first to actually perform the search! See Example 2 for clarification

92.1 Attributes

Tag will accept the following attributes (**case-sensitive**):

`max="number"`
If the search results count is no higher than `max`, the tags enclosed by this conditional tag are rendered.
Default: unset, which results in no upper limit.

`min="number"`
If the search results count is at least equal to `min`, the tags enclosed by this conditional tag are rendered.
Default: 1

92.2 Examples

92.2.1 Example 1: More informative search result output

```
<txp:if_search_results>
  <p>These articles match your search request: </p>
<txp:else />
  <p>Sorry, we were not able to find a page matching your search request <strong><txp:search_term /></strong>.</p>
</txp:if_search_results>
```

What this does...

Ensures the visitor does not see a blank page when no articles match the search request.

Other tags used: `else`, `search_term`

92.2.2 Example 2: In context within `if_search`

```
<txp:if_search>
  <txp:article pgonly="1" limit="10" />
  <txp:if_search_results>
    <p>These articles match your search request: </p>
    <txp:article limit="10" searchform="search_results" />
  <txp:else />
    <p>Sorry, we were not able to find a page matching your search request <strong><txp:search_term /></strong>.</p>
  </txp:if_search_results>
</txp:if_search>
```

What this does...

Detects if a search is in progress, calls the `article` tag to perform the search but **inhibits display via the pgonly attribute**. Once the search has been performed (internally) and Textpattern knows how many search results there are, you can then use `if_search_results` to detect whether there were any or not.

Why you have to do this...

Because it's the only way to use the tag! Trying to use it without first calling an `article` tag will give unexpected results and, more often than not, a "Page template ... does not contain a txp:article tag"

You must ensure that all attributes used in your two article tags are identical (except for any `form` attributes, which can safely be omitted when using `pgonly`). Failure to keep the tags in sync will result in strange article counts or odd behaviour.

Other tags used: `if_search`, `article`, `else`, `search_term`

92.2.3 Example 3: Take action when there are too many hits

```
<txp:if_search_results max="500">
  <p>These articles match your search request: </p>
<txp:else />
  <p>Seems like you are looking for a very common search term. Try using a more specific search phrase.</p>
</txp:if_search_results>
```

What this does...

Advises the visitor to search for something more specific in the case where their search term generated an excessive amount of hits.

Other tags used: `else`

92.3 Genealogy

92.3.1 Version 4.0.6

- tag added

93 if section

Tag reference quick links:

- [Tag Reference Index](#)
- [Tag Basics](#)
- [Attributes Cross-reference](#)
- [Tags In Development](#)

```
<txp:if_section>
```

The `if_section` tag is a *conditional* tag and always used as an opening and closing pair, like this...

```
<txp:if_section>
...conditional statement...
</txp:if_section>
```

The tag will execute the contained statements if the called page is part of the section specified with the name attribute.

93.1 Attributes

Tag will accept the following attributes (**case-sensitive**):

`name="section"`

Comma-separated list of section names. For the default section, either use the text `default` or a single comma (for example, both `name=""`, `other_section`" and `name="default, other_section"` are equivalent).

93.2 Examples

93.2.1 Example 1: Conditionally display text for a section

```
<txp:if_section name="about">
  <p>danger, ego pages ahead!</p>
<txp:else />
  <p>nothing. just nothing. any ideas? anybody?</p>
</txp:if_section>
```

Other tags used: `else`

93.2.2 Example 2: Add a special class to mark the currently active section

```
<h4>Menu</h4>
<ul class="nav">
  <li<txp:if_section name="article"> class="active"</txp:if_section>>
    <txp:section link="1" title="1" name="" />
  </li>
  <li<txp:if_section name="portfolio"> class="active"</txp:if_section>>
    <txp:section link="1" title="1" name="portfolio" />
  </li>
  <li<txp:if_section name="about"> class="active"</txp:if_section>>
    <txp:section link="1" title="1" name="about" />
  </li>
</ul>
```

A different way of marking the active section can be accomplished by using `section_list` and its attribute `active_class`. While the above snippet will mark the list item, `section_list` will mark solely the link.

Other tags used: `section`

94 if status

Tag reference quick links:

- [Tag Reference Index](#)
- [Tag Basics](#)
- [Attributes Cross-reference](#)
- [Tags In Development](#)

```
<txp:if_status>
```

The **if_status** tag is a *conditional* tag and always used as an opening and closing pair, like this...

```
<txp:if_status>
...conditional statement...
</txp:if_status>
```

The tag will execute the contained statements depending on the requested page's HTTP status condition. Normal pages result in a status code of "200", while missing pages set Textpattern's status to "404".

This tag provides a method of sharing one page template between common pages and error pages, but including different output depending on the page's HTTP status.

94.1 Attributes

Tag will accept the following attributes (**case-sensitive**):

status="number"
Numerical HTTP status code.
Default: 200 (OK)

94.2 Examples

94.2.1 Example 1: Conditionally display text on missing pages

```
<txp:if_status status="404">
  <p>The page you requested could not be found.</p>
</txp:if_status>
```

95 if thumbnail

Tag reference quick links:

- [Tag Reference Index](#)
- [Tag Basics](#)
- [Attributes Cross-reference](#)
- [Tags In Development](#)

```
<txp:if_thumbnail />
```

The `if_thumbnail` tag is a *conditional* tag and always used as an opening and closing pair, like this...

```
<txp:if_thumbnail>  
...conditional statement...  
</txp:if_thumbnail>
```

The tag will execute the contained statements if the current image (from an `images`) has a thumbnail assigned to it. Must always be used in an image context.

95.1 Attributes

This tag has no attributes.

95.2 Examples

95.2.1 Example 1: Only show a thumbnail if one exists

```
<txp:images author="neo" wraptag="div" class="author_gallery">  
  <txp:if_thumbnail>  
    <div><txp:thumbnail /></div>  
  <txp:else />  
    <div>No thumbnail</div>  
  </txp:if_thumbnail>  
  <txp:image_info />  
</txp:images>
```

What this does...

For each image uploaded by **neo**, display its thumbnail if it has one, or the text "No thumbnail" if it doesn't. Add the caption beneath that using `image_info`.

Other tags used: `images`, `else`, `image_info`, `thumbnail`

95.3 Genealogy

95.3.1 Version 4.3.0

- tag introduced

96 if variable

Tag reference quick links:

- [Tag Reference Index](#)
- [Tag Basics](#)
- [Attributes Cross-reference](#)
- [Tags In Development](#)

```
<txp:if_variable>
```

The `if_variable` tag is a *conditional* tag and always used as an opening and closing pair, like this...

```
<txp:if_variable>
...conditional statements...
</txp:if_variable>
```

It tests the existence and/or value of a global variable set with the `variable` tag.

96.1 Attributes

Tag will accept the following attributes (**case-sensitive**):

`name="variable name"`
The name of the variable you wish to check.
`value="value"`
(optionally) The value which the named variable must match in order for the contained statements to be executed.
If this attribute is omitted, the tag returns *true* if the named variable is defined.
If this attribute's `value` is omitted (`value=""`), the tag returns *true* if the variable is defined, but has no value.

Note: In case you are getting unexpected results in an `if_variable` evaluation, check whether you have entered additional white space or invisible characters in your `variable` declarations and remove those.

96.2 Examples

See the `variable` page for examples.

96.3 Genealogy

96.3.1 Version 4.0.7

- Added as a new tag.

97 image

Tag reference quick links:

- [Tag Reference Index](#)
- [Tag Basics](#)
- [Attributes Cross-reference](#)
- [Tags In Development](#)

```
<txp:image />
```

The `image` tag is a *single* tag that Textpattern will replace with the `` HTML tag matching the image of the numeric `id` assigned by Textpattern when the image was uploaded via the Textpattern [Images](#) tab.

97.1 Attributes

Tag will accept the following attributes (**case-sensitive**):

`class="class name"`
CSS class attribute applied to the `wraptag`, if set, otherwise to the `img` tag.
Default: unset.

`escape="html"`
Escape HTML entities such as <, > and & for the image's alt and title attributes.
Values: html or unset.
Default: html.

`height="integer"`
Specify an image height which overrides the value stored in the database. Use `height="0"` to turn off the output of a height attribute in the `` tag (thus the browser will scale the height if a width is used)
Default: height of image stored in the database.

`html_id="id number"`
The HTML id attribute applied to the `wraptag`, if set, otherwise to the `img` tag.
Default: unset.

`id="integer"`
Specifies the id assigned at upload of the image to display. Can be found on the [Images](#) tab. If both name and id are specified, name is used while id is ignored.

`name="image name"`
Specifies which image to display by its image name as shown on the [Images](#) tab.

`style="style rule"`
Inline CSS style rule.
Default: unset.

`width="integer"`
Specify an image width which overrides the value stored in the database. Use `width="0"` to turn off the output of a width attribute in the `` tag (thus the browser will scale the width if a height is used)
Default: width of image stored in the database.

`wraptag="tag text"`
HTML tag to be used to wrap the `img` tag, specified without brackets.
Default is unset.

`aligndeprecated= "HTML value"`
HTML align attribute for the `img` tag. Recommended that you use CSS via `class` or `html_id` attribute instead.

97.2 Examples

97.2.1 Example 1: Display the given image

```
<txp:image id="42" />
```

What it does...

Displays the image uploaded as ID #42.

97.2.2 Example 2: Apply a CSS class

```
<txp:image name="chickens.jpg" class="boxit" />
```

What it does...

Displays the image named "chickens.jpg" and assigns a CSS class called `boxit` to the `` tag.

The style could be defined like this

```
img.boxit {  
    background: #fff;  
    border: 1px solid #ccc;  
    display: block;  
    margin: -5px 5px 5px -5px;  
    padding: 4px;  
    position: relative;  
}
```

Had the `wraptag` attribute been used, the `boxit` class would have been applied to that instead of directly to the image.

97.3 Genealogy

97.3.1 Version 4.3.0

- attributes `width` and `height` added

97.3.2 Version 4.2.0

- attribute `align` deprecated

97.3.3 Version 4.0.7

- default value for attribute `escape` changed from `unset` to `html`

97.3.4 Version 4.0.4

- `html_id` added
- `escape` added
- `wraptag` added

98 image author

Tag reference quick links:

- [Tag Reference Index](#)
- [Tag Basics](#)
- [Attributes Cross-reference](#)
- [Tags In Development](#)

```
<txp:image_author />
```

The `image_author` tag is a *single* tag that Textpattern will replace with the author's name associated with the current image in an `images` list. It can **only** be used inside `<txp:images />`.

98.1 Attributes

Tag will accept the following attributes (**case-sensitive**):

`class="class name"`
CSS class attribute to be applied to the wraptag.
Default: Unset.

`link="link type (boolean)"`
Whether to hyperlink the author (1) or not (0).
Default: 0.

`section="section name"`
Direct any linked author name to the nominated section instead of to the default (front) page.
Default: Unset.

`this_section="boolean"`
If set to 1, the linked author name will direct users to an author list in the current section.
Default: 0.

`title="boolean"`
Whether to display the author's real name (1) or login name (0).
Default: 1.

`wraptag="tag"`
HTML tag (without brackets) to wrap around the author name.
Default: unset.

98.2 Examples

98.2.1 Example 1: Add image author to gallery

```
<txp:images category="mammals">
  <a href="
```

Other tags used: `images`, `thumbnail`

98.2.2 Example 2: Link to author list

```
<txp:images category="fish">
  <a href="
```

What it does...

Displays thumbnails and author info for each image in the **fish** category. The authors' names are hyperlinked to `site.com/author/image/User+Name`.

Other tags used: `images`, `thumbnail`

98.3 Genealogy

98.3.1 Version 4.3.0

- tag introduced

99 image date

Tag reference quick links:

- [Tag Reference Index](#)
- [Tag Basics](#)
- [Attributes Cross-reference](#)
- [Tags In Development](#)

```
<txp:image_date />
```

The `image_date` tag is a *single* tag that Textpattern will replace with the uploaded date of the current (or given) image. Should usually be used in an [image form](#), although it may be used on its own providing you specify an `id` or `name`.

99.1 Attributes

Tag will accept the following attributes (**case-sensitive**):

`id="integer"`

An `id` assigned at upload of an image to display. The IDs can be found on the [Images](#) panel.
Default: unset.

`format="format string"`

Adjust the display of the date to taste.
Values: any valid [strftime\(\)](#) string values.
Default: the Archive date format set in [Basic Preferences](#).

`name="image name"`

An image to display, given by its image name as shown on the [Images](#) panel. If both `name` and `id` are specified, the `id` takes precedence.
Default: unset.

99.2 Examples

99.2.1 Example 1: Display additional image information

```
<txp:images category="mammals">
  <a href=<txp:image_url />><txp:thumbnail /></a>
  <div class="img_info">
    <txp:image_info type="caption, author" break=" by " />
    <txp:image_date format="%e %b %Y" />
  </div>
</txp:images>
```

Other tags used: [images](#), [image_url](#), [image_info](#), [thumbnail](#)

99.3 Genealogy

99.3.1 Version 4.3.0

- tag introduced

100 image display

Tag reference quick links:

- [Tag Reference Index](#)
- [Tag Basics](#)
- [Attributes Cross-reference](#)
- [Tags In Development](#)

```
<txp:image_display />
```

The `image_display` tag is a *single* tag that is intended to be used in tandem with `image_index`.

The `image_display` tag displays an image specified by the page URL which in turn is built by its tandem tag `image_index`.

To use this tag successfully, it has to be placed either inside an article which shares a common category with the images to display (thereby linking article and image categories), or in a location at the page template which is displayed without any special article context.

If this tag seems to display no image at all, it probably resides inside an article which is never rendered as it does not belong to the currently active category.

100.1 Attributes

This tag takes no attributes.

100.2 Examples

100.2.1 Example 1: Display a single image as chosen by `image_index`

```
<txp:image_display />
```

101 image index

Tag reference quick links:

- [Tag Reference Index](#)
- [Tag Basics](#)
- [Attributes Cross-reference](#)
- [Tags In Development](#)

```
<txp:image_index />
```

The `image_index` tag is a *single* tag that is intended to be used in tandem with `image_display`.

It renders thumbnails of all images contained in an image category. This category can be specified as an attribute to the tag and defaults to the current site category as given in the page's URL.

The thumbnail images are linked to an address which will pass the image id plus the active category on to the tandem `image_display` tag. It is up to the user to include this tandem tag at an appropriate place inside the page template.

As the image category is passed into `image_display`, it requires to either place the "receiving" `image_display` on an article independent portion of the page (i.e. outside of the article form), or otherwise both the article used for display and the images have to share a **common** category.

101.1 Attributes

Tag will accept the following attributes (**case-sensitive**):

`category="category name"`
Category of images to display.
Default: presently viewed category.

`limit="integer"`
The number of images to display.
Default: 0 (no limit).

`offset="integer"`
The number of images to skip.
Default: 0.

`sort="sort value(s)"`
How to sort resulting list.
Values:
`id` (image id#)
`name` (image name)
`category` (image category)
`ext` (image extension)
`w` (image width)
`h` (image height)
`alt` (image alt text)
`caption` (image caption text)
`date` (date posted)
`author`
`thumbnail`
`rand()` (`random`)
Each field in the "txp_image"-table can be used as a sort key.
Default: `name asc`.

101.1.1 Common Presentational Attributes

These attributes, which affect presentation, are shared by many tags. Note that default values can vary among tags.

`label="text"`
Label prepended to item.
Default: unset (but see `label` cross-reference for exceptions).

`labeltag="element"`
HTML element to wrap (markup) label (e.g., `labeltag="h3"`)
Default: unset.

`wraptag="element"`
HTML element to wrap (markup) list block (e.g., `wraptag="ul"`)
Default: unset (but see `wraptag` cross-reference for exceptions).

`class="name"`
HTML class to apply to the `wraptag` attribute value.
Default: tag name or unset (see `class` cross-reference)

`break="value"`
Where `value` is an HTML element (e.g., `break="li"`) or some string to separate list items.
Default: `br` (but see `break` cross-reference for exceptions).

101.2 Examples

101.2.1 Example 1: Create a list of images in a category

```
<txp:image_index category="personal" break="li" wraptag="ol" />
```

What it does...

Shows the thumbnail images from the category "personal".

101.3 Reference

`image_display`

101.4 Genealogy

101.4.1 Version 4.3.0

- c attribute deprecated and renamed category

102 image info

Tag reference quick links:

- [Tag Reference Index](#)
- [Tag Basics](#)
- [Attributes Cross-reference](#)
- [Tags In Development](#)

```
<txp:image_info />
```

The `image_info` tag is a *single* tag that Textpattern will replace with the relevant image data from the current image. Should usually be used in an [image form](#), although it may be used on its own providing you specify an `id` or `name`.

102.1 Attributes

Tag will accept the following attributes (**case-sensitive**):

`break="tag text"`
The HTML tag (without brackets) or string to separate each `type` item.
Default: unset.

`breakclass="class name"`
CSS `class` attribute applied to each `break` tag.
Default: unset.

`class="class name"`
CSS `class` attribute applied to the `wrap` tag.
Default: unset.

`escape="html"`
Escape HTML entities such as `<`, `>` and `&` for the given `types`.
Values: `html` or unset.
Default: `html`

`id="integer"`
An `id` assigned at upload of an image to display. The IDs can be found on the [Images](#) panel.
Default: unset.

`name="image name"`
An image to display, given by its image name as shown on the [Images](#) panel. If both `name` and `id` are specified, the `id` takes precedence.
Default: unset.

`type="information type"`
One or more of the following values to display the particular pieces of information from the current image:
`id`
`name`
`category`
`category_title`
`alt`
`caption`
`ext (image extension)`
`author` (login name: see `image_author` to display the author's real name)
`w (image width)`
`h (image height)`
`thumb_w (image thumbnail width)`
`thumb_h (image thumbnail height)`
`date` (timestamp of image upload: this is not very useful so consult `image_date` for a better alternative)
Default: `caption`.

`wrap="tag text"`
HTML tag to wrap the items grabbed from the `type` attribute, specified without brackets.
Default: unset.

102.2 Examples

102.2.1 Example 1: Gallery thumbnail and caption

```
<txp:images category="mammals">
  <txp:thumbnail />
  <txp:image_info type="caption" wraptag="div" class="img_cap" />
</txp:images>
```

What it does...

Grabs all images from the `mammals` category and displays the image thumbnail itself along with the image caption surrounded with `<div class="img_cap">...</div>` tags. Note that the image IDs/names are not specified inside the container because they are automatically assigned from the `<txp:images>` tag for each image in the given category.

Other tags used: `images`, `thumbnail`

102.2.2 Example 2: Multiple pieces of information at once

```
<txp:images category="birds, mammals" thumbnail="1" sort="category asc">
  <txp:if_different>
    <h4><txp:image_info type="category_title" /></h4>
  </txp:if_different>
  <txp:thumbnail wraptag="div" />
  <txp:image_info type="w, h" wraptag="div" class="img_dims" break=" x " />
  by <txp:image_info type="author" />
</txp:images>
```

What it does...

Shows the thumbnail of each image that has an assigned thumbnail image from the `mammals` and `birds` categories and, beneath each, show its dimensions `width x height` along with the author of the image. Since the list has been sorted by category, the `<txp:if_different>`

conditional can be used to output the category title at the top of the list of images each time it changes.

Other tags used: `images`, `thumbnail`, `if_different`

102.2.3 Example 3: Specific image information

```
<txp:image_info id="5" type="category_title" />
```

What it does

Displays the category_title of the category assigned to image ID 5.

102.3 Genealogy

102.3.1 Version 4.3.0

- tag introduced

103 Category:Image Tags

Tag reference quick links:

- [Tag Reference Index](#)
- [Tag Basics](#)
- [Attributes Cross-reference](#)
- [Tags In Development](#)

Image Tags are a subcategory of the [Tag Reference](#). They are tags that are used to display pictures that are managed through the [Images \(panel\)](#).

[Download Category:Image_Tags book](#)

104 image url

Tag reference quick links:

- [Tag Reference Index](#)
- [Tag Basics](#)
- [Attributes Cross-reference](#)
- [Tags In Development](#)

```
<txp:image_url />
```

The `image_url` tag is a *single* or a *container* tag that Textpattern will replace with the URL of the current image in an `images` list, or the specific image if given an `id` or `name`.

If used as a container tag, it must be specified as an opening and closing pair of tags, like this:

```
<txp:image_url>
...link contents...
</txp:image_url>
```

104.1 Attributes

Tag will accept the following attributes (**case-sensitive**):

`id="integer"`

An `id` assigned at upload of an image to display. The IDs can be found on the `Images` panel.

Default: unset.

`link="link type"`

Whether to hyperlink the URL or not.

Values:

1: hyperlink the URL (if used as a single tag) or the container content.

0: don't hyperlink the URL / container.

auto: only apply the hyperlink if the tag is used as a container.

Default: auto.

`name="image name"`

An image to display, given by its image name as shown on the `Images` panel. If both `name` and `id` are specified, the `id` takes precedence.

Default: unset.

`thumbnail="boolean"`

If set to 1, will display the link to the image's thumbnail instead of the full size image.

Default: 0.

104.2 Examples

104.2.1 Example 1: Directly link gallery thumbs to main image

Used as a single tag:

```
<txp:images category="mammals">
  <a href="
```

or as a container:

```
<txp:images category="mammals">
  <txp:image_url><txp:thumbnail /></txp:image_url>
</txp:images>
```

Other tags used: `images`, `thumbnail`

104.3 Genealogy

104.3.1 Version 4.3.0

- tag introduced

105 images

Tag reference quick links:

- [Tag Reference Index](#)
- [Tag Basics](#)
- [Attributes Cross-reference](#)
- [Tags In Development](#)

```
<txp:images />
```

The `images` tag is a *single* or *container* tag that Textpattern will use to gather a list of matching images uploaded via the Textpattern [Images \(panel\)](#). Utilising the other image tags in the suite `image_info`, `image_url`, `image_date` and `if_thumbnail`) you can display simple image galleries from this list.

If used as a *container* tag, it must be specified as an opening and closing pair of tags, like this:

```
<txp:images>
...contained statements...
</txp:images>
```

This is equivalent to putting the contained statements into a form named "my_form" and using `<txp:images form="my_form" />`.

By default, the tag is context-sensitive, which means that in the absence of any filter attributes (`id`, `name`, `category`, `author`, `realname`, `extension`, `thumbnail`), it will return image IDs from the first of:

1. the currently viewed article's `article_image` field;
2. images matching the global category context;
3. images matching the global author context;
4. all images.

In the *Article Image* field of the [Write panel](#), you may put a comma-separated list of IDs, and this tag will treat them as a gallery.

105.1 Attributes

Tag will accept the following attributes (**case-sensitive**):

`author="author (login) ID"`
Filter the images by this list of author IDs who uploaded the pictures to Textpattern.
Default: unset.

`auto_detect="string context"`
List of Textpattern contexts to consider when automatically searching for images. If you wish to turn off the automatic check, set this to `auto_detect=""`. You can choose from the following contexts:
`article` to look in the `article_image` field
`category` to look in the URL for a category list
`author` to look in the URL for an author list
Default: `article, category, author`

`category="image category"`
Filter the images by this list of category names as defined in the [Categories tab](#).

`extension=".extension"`
Filter the images by this list of image extensions, including the leading dot. Example: `extension=".jpg, .png"`
Default: unset.

`form="form name"`
Use specified form for each image. If not used, and the container is empty, the tag will output a list of images that are compatible with `image_display`.
Default: unset.

`html_id="id name value"`
The HTML `id` attribute applied to the `wrap` tag, if set, otherwise to the `img` tag.
Default: unset.

`id="integer"`
Filter the images by this list of `ids` assigned at upload. The IDs can be found on the [Images \(panel\)](#).
The order of the `ids` overrides the default 'sort' attribute.
For example: `<txp:images id="11,54,6,29" />`.
Default: unset.

`limit="integer"`
The number of images to display per page.
Default: 0 (unlimited).

`name="image name"`
Filter the images by this list of image names as shown on the [Images \(panel\)](#).
Default: unset.

`offset="integer"`
The number of images to skip.
Default: 0.
(Only effective if `limit` is set.)

`pageby="integer" (or "limit")`
The number of images to jump forward or back when an `older` or `newer` link is clicked. Without this attribute, pagination is not available; you will simply see `limit` images. You may specify `pageby="limit"` to allow pagination to automatically follow the value of the `limit` attribute.
NOTE: `newer` and `older` will paginate all content types at once.
Default: unset.

`realname="author name"`
Filter the image list so it only includes images uploaded by this list of author real names. The author names may be URL encoded (e.g. `realname="John+Smith"`) and thus could be read from the current site.com/author/author+name URL. Note that this attribute may incur one extra query per name, so if it is possible to use the raw author instead it will be faster.
Default: unset.

`sort="sort value(s)"`
How to sort the resulting image list. Specify an image attribute from the ones below and add either `asc` or `desc` to sort in ascending or descending order, respectively.
Values:

```

id (image id#)
name (image name)
category
extension (image extension)
author
alt
caption
date
w (image width)
h (image height)
thumb_w (image thumbnail width)
thumb_h (image thumbnail height)
rand() (random)

Default: name asc
thumbnail="boolean"
    Filter the image list to only include images that have a thumbnail (1) or not (0).
    Default: unset (i.e. all images).
    Default: unset.

```

105.1.1 Common Presentational Attributes

These attributes, which affect presentation, are shared by many tags. Note that default values can vary among tags.

```

label="text"
    Label prepended to item.
    Default: unset (but see label cross-reference for exceptions).
labeltag="element"
    HTML element to wrap (markup) label (e.g., labeltag="h3")
    Default: unset.
wraptag="element"
    HTML element to wrap (markup) list block (e.g., wraptag="ul")
    Default: unset (but see wraptag cross-reference for exceptions).
class="name"
    HTML class to apply to the wraptag attribute value.
    Default: tag name or unset (see class cross-reference)
break="value"
    Where value is an HTML element (e.g., break="li") or some string to separate list items.
    Default: br (but see break cross-reference for exceptions).

```

105.2 Examples

105.2.1 Example 1: varying attributes

This example shows the outcome of various attribute configurations to give you an idea of what to expect from the tag. More concrete examples follow.

NB: THESE MAY NOT BE CORRECT ANY MORE DUE TO TAG CHANGES SINCE THE EXAMPLES WERE WRITTEN. NEED VERIFICATION.

```

<txp:images auto_detect="" />
    displays all images in the database.
<txp:images auto_detect="" sort="id desc" />
    display all images in the database, sorted by id in descending order.
<txp:images />
    Context-sensitivity mode. Returns an image list based on the first of:
    1. article image field, if on an individual article page
    2. images matching category, if on a category list page
    3. images matching author, if on an author list page
    4. all images in the database

<txp:images id="" />
<txp:images name="" />
<txp:images category="" />
    no images displayed. This means that if you did some tag-in-tag magic such as :category='<txp:custom_field name="my_cats" />' it will show no images if the custom field is empty.
<txp:images id="2,3,6" />
    display images 2, 3, and 6.
<txp:images name="lion.jpg, zebra.jpg" />
    the named images are displayed.
<txp:images name="penguin.jpg" />
    no images are displayed (mis-spelled image name).
<txp:images category="mammals, birds" />
    all images in the named categories are displayed.
<txp:images category=", mammals, birds" />
    all images in the named categories and any uncategorized images are displayed.
<txp:images category=" " />
    just uncategorized images are displayed (note that category="," also works, but a space looks better).
<txp:images author="attenborough, morris" />
    all images by author (ID) attenborough and morris are displayed.
<txp:images realname="David+Attenborough" />
    all images by author David Attenborough are displayed. This incurs one extra query to look up the author's ID from the given real name.
<txp:images category="mammals, birds" author="attenborough, morris" />
    all images in the named categories that are assigned to the named authors are displayed.
<txp:images category="mammals, birds" extension=".jpg" />
    all jpg images in the named categories are displayed.
<txp:images category="mammals, birds" extension=".jpg" author="attenborough, morris" />
    all jpg images in the named categories that are assigned to the named authors are displayed.
<txp:images extension=".gif" />
    all GIF images are displayed.
<txp:images category="mammals, birds" thumbnail="1" />

```

```

    all images in the named categories that have thumbnails assigned to them are displayed.
<txp:images thumbnail="1" />
    all images that have thumbnails assigned to them are displayed.
<txp:images thumbnail="0" />
    all images that do not have thumbnails assigned to them are displayed.

```

105.2.2 Example 2: Basic thumbnail grid inside an article

A popular design pattern is to create a thumbnail grid of images inside an article, where each thumbnail is a link to the full-size image. The best way to achieve this is by using the `images` tag in your article where the grid should appear, and calling a *Form* that will generate each grid item.

The markup you use for your grid should reflect the kind of information you want to display. For example, if it's just going to be a grid of thumbnail images only, an unordered list is probably appropriate that wraps the thumbnails horizontally. But if you want to include text output for each image too (e.g., a small caption), then you might structure your grid as a series of figures with figure captions.

This example will demonstrate an horizontal grid of four images having captions, but you should be able to see how to modify the code for whatever HTML elements you want to use.

105.2.2.1 Tag structure and placement

Let's say you have a paragraph of text, followed by your image grid, followed by another paragraph (or whatever) in your article:

...end of a paragraph.

```
<txp:images id="n,n,n,n" thumbnail="1" form="image-grid" wraptag="section" class="thumbgrid" break="figure" />
```

Beginning of a new paragraph...

The `images` tag in this example is using three content attributes (`id`, `thumbnail`, and `form`) and three presentation attributes (`wraptag`, `class`, and `break`). The order in which you position any of the attributes in the `images` tag makes no difference. Do it the way it makes sense to you.

Note that for small grids of a few images like this, using the `id` attribute to call the images individually is the best way to go â?? it keeps your categories to a minimum. On the other hand, if you expect to have *many* images in your grid (say, more than ten), you might just assign them to a unique category (using `category="name"`) then call the images by their assigned category instead.

The `thumbnail` attribute is necessary to display the thumbnails of the images rather than the full-size images. For this to work, the thumbnails for each image must be created first in the [Images panel](#). Since most people want responsive web designs anymore, make your thumbnails reasonably big: 300px² is good.

The `form` attribute is needed to call the name of your grid form, which we'll come back to below. Give it a meaningful but generic name because you can reuse the *Form* for other grids.

The three presentational attributes are saying: `wraptag="use this HTML element as the container for my grid"; class="use this class name as the selector for the container"; break="use this HTML element around each grid item"`. In our example, the HTML elements chosen are `section` and `figure`, and the class selector name is "thumbgrid". The `fig caption` will be added by way of the *Form*.

105.2.2.2 Thumbnail grid *Form*

Now create a new miscellaneous *Form* called "image-grid" and put this code in it:

```
<a href=<txp:image_url />><img src=<txp:image_url thumbnail="1" />></a>
<figcaption><txp:image_info /></figcaption>
```

The code above will be used for each grid item when output in your article. It's basically saying 'here's the thumbnail image and the link path we want to put on it, and here's the caption that should go with it.'

Conceptually speaking, when called into the `images` tag in your article, the basic HTML structure output will look like this:

```
<section class="thumbgrid">
    <figure>
        <a><img></a>
        <figcaption>...</figcaption>
    </figure>
    <figure>
        <a><img></a>
        <figcaption>...</figcaption>
    </figure>
    Etc.
</section>
```

105.2.2.3 Baseline CSS for the grid

The grid described above will need styling, and you're responsible for that, but following are a few base rules to start with. These are for desktop layouts, but assumes you want a responsive design and the rest of your CSS is in that direction:

```
.thumbgrid {
    width: auto;
    margin: 1em 0;
    text-align: center;
}

.thumbgrid > figure {
    width: 21%;
    display: inline-block;
    float: none; /* this is the part that makes horizontal layout work */
    vertical-align: top; /* needed because caption lengths likely vary */
}

.thumbgrid > img {
    padding: 2%;
}
```

105.2.3 Example 3: Multiple pieces of information at once, using images tag as wrapper

```
<txp:images category="birds, mammals" thumbnail="1" sort="category asc">
  <txp:if_different>
    <h4><txp:image_info type="category_title" /></h4>
  </txp:if_different>
  <txp:thumbnail wraptag="div" />
  <txp:image_info type="w, h" wraptag="div" class="img_dims" break="x " />
  by <txp:image_info type="author" />
</txp:images>
```

What it does...

Shows the thumbnail of each image that has an assigned thumbnail image from the **mammals** and **birds** categories and, beneath each, show its dimensions **width x height** along with the author of the image. Since the list has been sorted by category, the **<txp:if_different>** conditional can be used to output the category title at the top of the list of images each time it changes.

Other tags used: **image_info**, **thumbnail**, **if_different**

105.2.4 Example 4: Integration with third-party PHP resizing script

```
<txp:images limit="6" category="gallery">
  <a href="
```

What it does

Creates a small gallery of 6 images from the category "gallery". Uses the **timthumb** script to proportionately resize a thumbnail version (200px wide) of the image automatically, and keep a cached version of the thumbnail for other visitors. Links the thumbnail to the original image, and lists the image author name below each thumbnail.

105.3 Genealogy

105.3.1 Version 4.5.0

- Sort order of id attribute maintained, unless overridden with sort attribute.

105.3.2 Version 4.3.0

- tag introduced

106 keywords

Tag reference quick links:

- [Tag Reference Index](#)
- [Tag Basics](#)
- [Attributes Cross-reference](#)
- [Tags In Development](#)

```
<txp:keywords />
```

The `Keywords` tag is a *single* tag that Textpattern will replace with the keywords associated with the article being displayed. The tag can be used in an article [Form](#), or within [Pages](#) (templates), either wrapped within a given article tag, or directly in the template itself so long as the context is with a single article (as opposed to an article list). For keywords metadata, see [meta keywords](#) tag.

106.1 Attributes

This tag has no attributes.

106.2 Examples

106.2.1 Example 1: Display keywords in context of an article Form

In this example, keywords are used in an article Form along with other article components. The keywords themselves are used like a list of topical "tags", e.g., like you would use for more granular searching. The keywords would be presented (via CSS) horizontally (ideally) above the article's excerpt.

```
<h3><txp:permalink><txp:title /></txp:permalink></h3>
<p><txp:posted /></p>
<p><txp:keywords /></p>
<txp:excerpt />
<txp:body />
```

Other tags used in example: [permalink](#), [title](#), [posted](#), [excerpt](#), and [body](#)

106.2.2 Example 2: Use keywords to fill meta element values

In this example, keywords are used directly in a *Page* (template) to insert `content=""` values in a `meta` element.

```
<meta name="keywords" content="
```

This works if the context is a single article being displayed.

The same result can be done by putting the keywords inside an [if individual article](#) tag (though a bit more code than necessary).

```
<txp:if_individual_article>
  <meta name="keywords" content="
```

In both of the above, if a given article has keywords associated with it, they will fill the meta value. If not, the meta element remains with no `content=""` values. This might be okay if you know for sure all articles will have keywords assigned.

If not, a metadata tag in your template with no value might not be desired. In which case you could set it up as a condition; if there are no keywords on the article, the entire meta element is not added to the template.

```
<txp:if_keywords>
  <meta name="keywords" content="
```

Either of these uses might work well for certain pages where a single article is in context, but it doesn't account for other page contexts, like home pages with complex content layouts, or pages displaying article lists (rather than single articles). In other words, these are not copy/paste solutions for every template in your site. You may, in fact, create some metadata values manually if the context of certain pages doesn't change much.

Other tags used in example 2: [if_individual_article](#) and [if_keywords](#).

106.3 Related Plugins

[cbe_keywords](#) uses keywords to offer tagging features.

[chh_keywords](#) provides tags to create a link list of an article's keywords, browse lists of articles by keyword, and list all keywords in a tag cloud.

[rah_metas](#), an SEO- and meta-tool, includes several keyword related attributes.

[ras_if_article_keywords](#) is a conditional tag that compares a keyword list as an attribute against the keywords associated with a particular article.

[tru_tags](#) uses keywords to offer tagging features.

[wet_haystack](#) allows site publishers to modify the default search behavior by adding additional article fields to the set of indexed content, including keywords.

107 lang

Tag reference quick links:

- [Tag Reference Index](#)
- [Tag Basics](#)
- [Attributes Cross-reference](#)
- [Tags In Development](#)

```
<txp:lang />
```

The `lang` tag is a *single* tag. Textpattern will replace this tag with the 2-letter code of the language which is set as the site's language preference on the [Preferences Subtab](#), according to [RFC 1766](#).

107.1 Attributes

This tag has no attributes.

107.2 Examples

107.2.1 Example 1: Define a document's language

```
<!DOCTYPE html PUBLIC "-//W3C//DTD XHTML 1.0 Strict//EN" "http://www.w3.org/TR/xhtml1/DTD/xhtml1-strict.dtd">
<html xmlns="http://www.w3.org/1999/xhtml" xml:lang="" lang="">
<head>
  <title><txp:site_name/> | <txp:site_slogan/></title>
  <meta http-equiv="Content-Language" content=">" />
</head>
```

Why you might do this...

When declaring a DTD, namespace and language that a site is served, the `lang` tag is useful for ensuring translators, search engines and content parsers handle the document in the correct manner.

Other tags used: `site_name`, `site_slogan`

108 link

Tag reference quick links:

- Tag Reference Index
- Tag Basics
- Attributes Cross-reference
- Tags In Development

```
<txp:link />
```

The `link` tag is a *single* tag which is used to return an HTML hyperlink defined under the [Links](#) tab. It uses the **Title** field as the link's text.

This tag is used in "link" forms or inside the `linklist` container tag.

108.1 Attributes

Tag will accept the following attributes (**case-sensitive**):

`rel="relation"`
Value for the HTML `rel` attribute.
Default: unset.

108.2 Examples

108.2.1 Example 1: Display a link and its description

```
<p><txp:link /><br /><txp:link_description /></p>
```

Other tags used: `link_description`

109 link author

Tag reference quick links:

- Tag Reference Index
- Tag Basics
- Attributes Cross-reference
- Tags In Development

```
<txp:link_author />
```

The `link_author` tag is a *single* tag that Textpattern will replace with the author's name associated with the current link in a `linklist`. It can **only** be used inside `<txp:linklist />`.

109.1 Attributes

Tag will accept the following attributes (**case-sensitive**):

`class="class name"`
CSS class attribute to be applied to the wraptag.
Default: Unset.

`link="link type (boolean)"`
Whether to hyperlink the author (1) or not (0).
Default: 0.

`section="section name"`
Direct any linked author name to the nominated section instead of to the default (front) page.
Default: Unset.

`this_section="boolean"`
If set to 1, the linked author name will direct users to an author list in the current section.
Default: 0.

`title="boolean"`
Whether to display the author's real name (1) or login name (0).
Default: 1.

`wraptag="tag"`
HTML tag (without brackets) to wrap around the author name.
Default: unset.

109.2 Genealogy

109.2.1 Version 4.3.0

- tag introduced

110 link category

Tag reference quick links:

- Tag Reference Index
- Tag Basics
- Attributes Cross-reference
- Tags In Development

```
<txp:link_category />
```

The `link_category` tag is a *single* tag which returns the link category as text. This tag is used in a "link" form or inside the `linklist` container tag to return information about the current link in a `linklist`.

110.1 Attributes

`class="class name"`
CSS class to apply to the wraptag
Default: unset.

`label="text"`
Label for the top of the list.
Default: unset.

`labeltag="tag text"`
HTML tag to wrap the label at the top of the list.
Default: unset.

`title="integer"`
Display link category name or its title.
Values: 0 (category name) or 1 (category title).
Default: 0.

`wraptag="tag text"`
HTML tag to be used to wrap the category, without brackets.
Default: unset.

110.2 Examples

110.2.1 Example 1: Display a link with class attribute

```
<a class="thislink" href=<txp:link_url />>  
<txp:link_name escape="html" />  
</a> : <txp:link_category title="1" />
```

Other tags used: `link_url`, `link_name`

111 link date

Tag reference quick links:

- Tag Reference Index
- Tag Basics
- Attributes Cross-reference
- Tags In Development

```
<txp:link_date />
```

The `link_date` tag is a *single* tag which returns the date the link was created as text. This tag is used in a "link" form or inside the `linklistcontainer` tag to return information about the current link in a `linklist`.

111.1 Attributes

Tag will accept the following attributes (**case-sensitive**):

`format="format string"`
Override default date format, as set in [Basic Preferences](#).
Values: any valid `strftime()` string values, or `since`.

`gmt="boolean"`
Return either local time -- according to the set time zone preferences -- or GMT.
Values: 0 (local time) or 1 (GMT).
Default: 0.

`lang="ISO language code"`
Format time string suitable for the specified language (locale). Locales adhere to [ISO-639](#).
Default: unset, resulting in a time format set via preferences.

111.2 Examples

111.2.1 Example 1: Display a link with class attribute

```
<a class="thislink" href="<txp:link_name escape="html" />  
</a> : <txp:link_date />
```

Other tags used: `link_url`, `link_name`

112 link description

Tag reference quick links:

- Tag Reference Index
- Tag Basics
- Attributes Cross-reference
- Tags In Development

```
<txp:link_description />
```

The **link_description** tag is a *single* tag which is used to return the text from the **Description** field as defined under the "links" tab. This tag is used in a "link" form or inside a **linklist** container tag to display information about the current link.

112.1 Attributes

Tag will accept the following attributes (**case-sensitive**):

```
class="class name"
    CSS class attribute for description text.
    Default: unset.
escape="html"
    Escape HTML entities in description text.
    Value: html or unset.
    Default: html.
label="text"
    Label for the top of the list.
    Default: unset.
labeltag="tag"
    HTML tag (without brackets) to wrap around label.
    Default: unset.
wraptag="tag"
    HTML tag (without brackets) to wrap around description.
    Default: unset.
```

112.2 Examples

112.2.1 Example 1: Display a link and its description field contents

```
<p><txp:link /><br /><txp:link_description /></p>
```

Other tags used: **link**

112.3 Genealogy

112.3.1 Version 4.0.7

- default value for attribute `escape` changed from `unset` to `html`

113 link feed link

Tag reference quick links:

- Tag Reference Index
- Tag Basics
- Attributes Cross-reference
- Tags In Development

```
<txp:link_feed_link />
```

The `link_feed_link` tag is a *single* tag. Textpattern will replace this tag with an anchor to the site's "links" RSS feed.

113.1 Attributes

Tag will accept the following attributes (**case-sensitive**):

`category="category name"`

Restrict to specified category. Note: the category name may be different to the Title you typed when you created the category, as the names are sanitized for URL use. Check the [Categories](#) tab to ensure you are using the correct name

Value: category name.

Default: current category.

`flavor="value"`

Whether to output a link to the RSS or Atom version of the feed.

Values: `rss` or `atom`.

Default: `rss`.

`format="value"`

Whether to output a [HTML a tag](#) or a [HTML link tag](#).

Values: `a` or `link`.

Default: `a`.

`title="value"`

[HTML title attribute](#).

Default: depends upon format used, either RSS feed or Atom feed.

113.1.1 Common Presentational Attributes

These attributes, which affect presentation, are shared by many tags. Note that default values can vary among tags.

`label="text"`

Label prepended to item.

Default: unset (but see [label cross-reference](#) for exceptions).

`wraptag="element"`

[HTML element](#) to wrap (markup) list block (e.g., `wraptag="ul"`)

Default: unset (but see [wraptag cross-reference](#) for exceptions).

`class="name"`

[HTML class](#) to apply to the `wraptag` attribute value.

Default: tag name or unset (see [class cross-reference](#))

Notes:

- `label` and `wraptag` are applicable only when using `format` of a (`label` used as link text).

113.2 Examples

113.2.1 Example 1: Atom feed link with custom label

```
<txp:link_feed_link flavor="atom" label="Commerce Links" />
```

113.3 Genealogy

113.3.1 Version 4.3.0

- `class` attribute added

113.3.2 Version 4.0.4

- `format` attribute added.

114 link id

Tag reference quick links:

- [Tag Reference Index](#)
- [Tag Basics](#)
- [Attributes Cross-reference](#)
- [Tags In Development](#)

```
<txp:link_id />
```

The `link_id` tag is a *single* tag which returns the numerical ID of the link. This tag is used in a `Links` form or inside the `linklist` container tag to show information about the current link in the list.

114.1 Attributes

This tag has no attributes.

114.2 Examples

114.2.1 Example 1: Display link information

```
<txp:linklist category="dogs">
  Link: <a href="
```

Other tags used: `linklist`, `link_name`, `link_category`

114.3 Genealogy

114.3.1 Version 4.2.0

- Added as a new tag

115 link name

Tag reference quick links:

- Tag Reference Index
- Tag Basics
- Attributes Cross-reference
- Tags In Development

```
<txp:link_name />
```

The `link_name` tag is a *single* tag which returns the name of the link as assigned on the links pane as text. This tag is used in a `Links` form or inside the `linklist` container tag to display information about the current link.

115.1 Attributes

Tag will accept the following attributes (**case-sensitive**):

`escape="html"`
Escape HTML entities in link name text.
Values: `html` or `unset`.
Default: `html`.

115.2 Examples

115.2.1 Example 1: Display a link with class attribute

```
<a class="thislink" href="
```

Other tags used: `link_url`

115.3 Genealogy

115.3.1 Version 4.0.7

- default value for attribute `escape` changed from `unset` to `html`

116 Category:Link Tags

Tag reference quick links:

- [Tag Reference Index](#)
- [Tag Basics](#)
- [Attributes Cross-reference](#)
- [Tags In Development](#)

Link Tags are a subcategory of the [Tag Reference](#). They are tags that are used to display links that are managed through the [Links](#) tab.

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117 link to home

Tag reference quick links:

- [Tag Reference Index](#)
- [Tag Basics](#)
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- [Tags In Development](#)

```
<txp:link_to_home>
```

The `link_to_home` tag is primarily a *container* tag that returns a link to the site's home page. It will apply a hyperlink to whatever it wraps.

The tag can, however, be used as a *single* tag to generate a raw base URL of the site:

```
<txp:link_to_home />
```

In this mode it operates identically to `site_url`.

117.1 Attributes

Tag will accept the following attributes (**case-sensitive**):

`class="class name"`

CSS class attribute to apply to the anchor. Will be ignored if used as a single tag.
Default: unset.

117.2 Examples

117.2.1 Example 1: Home page link with Site's name

```
<txp:link_to_home><txp:site_name /></txp:link_to_home>
```

Other tags used: `site_name`

118 link to next

Tag reference quick links:

- Tag Reference Index
- Tag Basics
- Attributes Cross-reference
- Tags In Development

```
<txp:link_to_next>
```

The `link_to_next` tag can be used as a *single* tag or a *container* tag to return the permanent URL of the next article by posting date. If used as a container tag, the HTML required to output a hyperlink is returned; if used as a single tag, only the URL itself is returned.

118.1 Attributes

Tag will accept the following attributes (**case-sensitive**):

`showalways="boolean"`
Show the wrapped value even when no next article exists.
Values: 0 (no) or 1 (yes).
Default: 0.

118.2 Examples

118.2.1 Example 1: Link to next article using the article title

```
<txp:link_to_next><txp:next_title /></txp:link_to_next>
```

Other tags used: `next_title`

118.2.2 Example 2: Link to next article using static text

```
<txp:link_to_next showalways="1">Next</txp:link_to_next>
```

This will always display the text "Next", even when there is no next article.

Note: while `showalways` will enable this tag to display what is wrapped inside it, `next_title` returns nothing if there is no next title, so nothing is displayed. Use text or the returned value that you need displayed.

118.2.3 Example 3: Customizing links

The container tag returns only a very basic link, which doesn't allow for customizing the link title, or adding a CSS class, etc. Using the tag in its single tag capacity opens up a lot more possibilities.

For example, to give the link an HTML title attribute of the next article's title, and also apply a class to it:

```
<a href="<txp:link_to_next />" title="<txp:next_title />" class="orange"><txp:next_title /></a>
```

Other tags used: `next_title`

119 link to prev

Tag reference quick links:

- Tag Reference Index
- Tag Basics
- Attributes Cross-reference
- Tags In Development

```
<txp:link_to_prev>
```

The `link_to_prev` tag can be used as a *single* tag or a *container* tag to return the permanent URL of the previous article by posting date.

If used as a container tag, the HTML required to output a hyperlink is returned; if used as a single tag, only the URL itself is returned.

119.1 Attributes

Tag will accept the following attributes (**case-sensitive**):

`showalways="boolean"`

Show the wrapped value even when no previous article exists.

Values: 0 (no) or 1 (yes).

Default: 0

119.2 Examples

119.2.1 Example 1: Link to previous article using its title

```
<txp:link_to_prev><txp:prev_title /></txp:link_to_prev>
```

Other tags used: `prev_title`

119.2.2 Example 2: Link to previous article using static text

```
<txp:link_to_prev showalways="1">Previous</txp:link_to_prev>
```

Note: while `showalways` will enable this tag to display what is wrapped inside it, `prev_title` returns nothing if there is no previous title, so nothing is displayed. Use text or the returned value that you need displayed.

119.2.3 Example 3: Customizing links

The container tag returns only a very basic link, which doesn't allow for customizing the link title, or adding a CSS class, etc. Using the tag in its single tag capacity opens up a lot more possibilities.

For example, to give the link an HTML title attribute of the previous article's title, and also apply a class to it:

```
<a href="<txp:link_to_prev />" title="<txp:prev_title />" class="orange"><txp:prev_title /></a>
```

Other tags used: `prev_title`

120 link url

Tag reference quick links:

- [Tag Reference Index](#)
- [Tag Basics](#)
- [Attributes Cross-reference](#)
- [Tags In Development](#)

```
<txp:link_url />
```

The `link_url` tag is a *single* tag which returns the URL of the link as text. This tag is used in a `Links` form or inside the `linklist` container tag to show information about the current link in the list.

120.1 Attributes

This tag has no attributes.

120.2 Examples

120.2.1 Example 1: Display a link with class attribute

```
<a class="thislink" href="
```

Other tags used: `link_name`

121 linkdesctitle

Tag reference quick links:

- Tag Reference Index
- Tag Basics
- Attributes Cross-reference
- Tags In Development

```
<txp:linkdesctitle />
```

The **linkdesctitle** tag is a *single* tag which is used to return an HTML hyperlink, defined under the [Links](#) tab.

It uses the **Title** field as the link's text; the **Description** field contents will be displayed as an anchor title attribute. This tag is used in a link form or inside the [linklist](#) container tag.

121.1 Attributes

Tag will accept the following attributes (**case-sensitive**):

rel="relation"

Value for the HTML `rel` attribute.

Default: unset.

121.2 Examples

121.2.1 Example 1: Display a link and its Title field contents

```
<p><txp:linkdesctitle /></p>
```

Link, *title=Description*

122 linklist

Tag reference quick links:

- Tag Reference Index
- Tag Basics
- Attributes Cross-reference
- Tags In Development

```
<txp:linklist />
```

The `linklist` tag is a *single* or a *container* tag which is used to produce a list of links from the predefined list created on the [Links](#) tab.

If used as a container, it must be specified as an opening and closing pair of tags, like this:

```
<txp:linklist>
...Contained statements...
</txp:linklist>
```

122.1 Attributes

Tag will accept the following attributes (**case-sensitive**):

`author="author login name"`
 Restrict to links with the specified author.
 Default: unset.

`auto_detect="string context"`
 List of Textpattern contexts to consider when automatically searching for links. If you wish to turn off the automatic check, set this to `auto_detect=""`. You can choose from the following contexts:
 `category` to look in the URL for a category list
 `author` to look in the URL for an author list
 Default: `category, author`

`category="category name(s)"`
 Restrict to links from specified category/ies.
 Values: (comma separated list of) category name(s). Note: category names may be different to the Title you typed when you created the category, as the names are sanitized for URL use. Check the [Categories](#) tab to ensure you are using the correct names
 Default: unset.

`form="form name"`
 Use specified form.
 Default: `plainlinks`.

`id="integer"`
 Filter the links by this list of `ids` assigned at link creation time. The IDs can be found on the [Links](#) panel.
 Default: unset.

`limit="integer"`
 Number of links to display.
 Default: 0 (no limit).

`offset="integer"`
 The number of links to skip.
 Default: 0.

`pageby="integer or limit"`
 Number of links to jump each page. Without this attribute, you cannot navigate using the `newer` and `[older]` tags. Usually you will want to track the `limit` attribute. Use `pageby="limit"` to do this, which means you will not have to amend two values if you subsequently decide to alter the `limit`
 Default: unset

`realname="author real name"`
 Restrict to links with the specified author name.
 Default: unset.

`sort="sort value(s)"`
 How to sort the resulting list.
 Values: `id, linkname, url, description, category, date, linksort, rand()` ([random](#)).
 Default: `linksort asc`.

122.1.1 Common Presentational Attributes

These attributes, which affect presentation, are shared by many tags. Note that default values can vary among tags.

`label="text"`
 Label prepended to item.
 Default: unset (but see [label cross-reference](#) for exceptions).

`labeltag="element"`
 HTML element to wrap (markup) label (e.g., `labeltag="h3"`)
 Default: unset.

`wraptag="element"`
 HTML element to wrap (markup) list block (e.g., `wraptag="ul"`)
 Default: unset (but see [wrapag tag cross-reference](#) for exceptions).

`class="name"`
 HTML class to apply to the `wrapag` attribute value.
 Default: tag name **or** unset (see [class cross-reference](#))

`break="value"`
 Where `value` is an HTML element (e.g., `break="li"`) or some string to separate list items.
 Default: `br` (but see [break cross-reference](#) for exceptions).

122.2 Examples

122.2.1 Example 1: List of links from specified category

```
<txp:linklist form="Links" category="general" limit="10" sort="linksort" wraptag="p" />
```

122.2.2 Example 2: An ordered list (ol) of links

This example uses the displayed page's category as the criterion for choosing the linklist's category.

```
<txp:if_category name="100">
<txp:linklist label="First Floor" category="First" wraptag="ol" break="li" />
</txp:if_category>
<txp:if_category name="200">
<txp:linklist label="Second Floor" category="Second" wraptag="ol" break="li" />
</txp:if_category>
```

Other tags used: `if_category`

122.2.3 Example 3: Links Form (default Links)

```
<txp:link /><br />
<txp:link_description /><br />
<txp:linkdesctitle />
```

The form is repeated for each link provided by `linklist`.

122.3 Genealogy

122.3.1 Version 4.5.0

- `id` attribute added

122.3.2 Version 4.3.0

- `pageby` attribute added to enable paging via `newer` and `older`
- `author` and `realname` attributes added
- `auto_detect` added to allow automatic (URL-based) contextual listings

123 Category:List Tags

Tag reference quick links:

- [Tag Reference Index](#)
- [Tag Basics](#)
- [Attributes Cross-reference](#)
- [Tags In Development](#)

List Tags are a subcategory of the [Tag Reference](#).

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124 Category:Markup Tags

Tag reference quick links:

- [Tag Reference Index](#)
- [Tag Basics](#)
- [Attributes Cross-reference](#)
- [Tags In Development](#)

Markup Tags are a subcategory of the [Tag Reference](#). They are tags that are used to add (mostly) meta information to a page through or to html elements.

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125 meta author

Tag reference quick links:

- [Tag Reference Index](#)
- [Tag Basics](#)
- [Attributes Cross-reference](#)
- [Tags In Development](#)

```
<txp:meta_author />
```

Used in the head of an individual article page template, the `meta_author` tag is a *single* tag. Textpattern will replace this tag with an HTML meta tag as follows:

```
<meta name="author" content="Article author's name" />
```

125.1 Attributes

Tag will accept the following attributes (**case-sensitive**):

`title="boolean"`
Whether to display the author's login name or real name
Values: 0 (login name), or 1 (real name).
Default: 0.

125.2 Examples

125.2.1 Example 1: Use article author for meta tag content

Article's **author** name: sysop

Tag: In the head of an individual article page `<txp:meta_author />`

Output: `<meta name="author" content="sysop" />`

125.3 Genealogy

125.3.1 Version 4.3.0

- `title` attribute added

126 meta keywords

Tag reference quick links:

- [Tag Reference Index](#)
- [Tag Basics](#)
- [Attributes Cross-reference](#)
- [Tags In Development](#)

```
<txp:meta_keywords />
```

Used in the head of an individual article page template, the `meta_keywords` tag is a *single* tag. The tag can be used in an article [Form](#), or within [Pages](#) (templates), either wrapped within a given article tag, or directly in the template itself so long as the context is with a single article (as opposed to an article list). Textpattern will replace this tag with an HTML meta tag as follows:

```
<meta name="keywords" content="keywords as set in article's keywords field" />
```

126.1 Attributes

This tag takes no attributes.

126.2 Character limits

The `Keywords` field has a 255 character limit by default, which includes spaces and commas. This is simply the MySQL database default. You can edit this using, for example, [phpMyAdmin](#).

126.3 Examples

126.3.1 Example 1: Use article's keywords for meta tag content

`Meta_keywords` tag returns a HTML meta tag, populated with an article's keywords. The tag should always be placed to your *Page* template's `<head>` section, between closing and opening HTML `head` tags.

```
<txp:meta_keywords />
```

Above will output keywords metadata with `content=""` populated with the list of keywords set in the article's `Keywords` field. The tag returns nothing if no keywords are set for an article.

If article's `Keywords` field contains `sauce, caramel, sugar`, the tag will output following.

```
<meta name="keywords" content="sauce, caramel, sugar" />
```

127 modified

Tag reference quick links:

- [Tag Reference Index](#)
- [Tag Basics](#)
- [Attributes Cross-reference](#)
- [Tags In Development](#)

```
<txp:modified />
```

The `modified` tag is a *single* tag which is used to return the modification date of the article being displayed. The format is determined by the settings specified in the Date Format, or Archive Date Format, fields on the [Basic Preferences](#) tab.

127.1 Attributes

Tag will accept the following attributes (**case-sensitive**):

`class="class name"`
CSS class name which will be applied to the `wrapTag` element.
Default: unset.

`format="format string"`
Override the default date format set in the preferences.
Values: any valid `strftime()` string values, since, `iso8601`, `w3cdtf`, or `rfc822`.
Default: unset (date format set via preferences).

`gmt="boolean"`
Return either local time -- according to the set time zone preferences -- or GMT.
Values: 0 (local time) or 1 (GMT).
Default: 0.

`lang="ISO language code"`
Format time string suitable for the specified language (locale).
Values: locales adhere to [ISO-639](#).
Default: unset (time format set via preferences).

`wrapTag="tag"`
HTML tag surrounding the modified date, without brackets.
Default: unset.

127.2 Examples

127.2.1 Example 1: Display "since" format date setting

```
<p>modified: <txp:modified format="since" /></p>
```

would result in:

```
<p>modified: 29 Days ago</p>
```

127.2.2 Example 2: Display custom date format

```
<p>modified: <txp:modified format="%b %d, %Y" /></p>
```

would result in:

```
<p>modified: May 28, 2005</p>
```

127.3 Genealogy

127.3.1 Version 4.5.0

- `wrapTag` and `class` attributes added.

127.3.2 Version 4.0.7

- `tag` added.

128 Category:Navigation Tags

Tag reference quick links:

- [Tag Reference Index](#)
- [Tag Basics](#)
- [Attributes Cross-reference](#)
- [Tags In Development](#)

Navigation Tags are a subcategory of the [Tag Reference](#). These are all tags that (can) create hyperlinks.

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129 newer

Tag reference quick links:

- [Tag Reference Index](#)
- [Tag Basics](#)
- [Attributes Cross-reference](#)
- [Tags In Development](#)

<txp:newer>

The **newer** tag is both a *single* tag and a *container* tag. Should be used in a page after an article tag.

Textpattern will replace this tag with a link to the next list of articles in the sort order. The container tags wrap the text or tag assigned to the link. As a single tag it outputs the URL for the next list page.

An article list consists of the assigned number of articles set by the article tag. If there are no articles available having **Newer** status (articles ranked higher, or newer, in the present sort criteria than the present top of page article) <txp:newer> will not display unless the `showalways` attribute is set to 1. It is normally seen used in tandem with **older**.

Given a `<txp:article limit="5" />` tag on the page in question, <txp:newer> will page up five articles at a time from the oldest post forward in time to the most recently posted article.

Note: This tag is context-sensitive, meaning it will only grab content from the section or category being viewed.

129.1 Attributes

Tag will accept the following attributes (**case-sensitive**):

`escape="html"`

Escape HTML entities such as <, > and &.

Values: `html` or `unset`.

Default: `html`

`showalways="boolean"`

Show wrapped value even when no newer page exists.

Values: 0 (no) or 1 (yes).

Default: 0

`title="text"`

HTML title attribute.

Default: `unset`.

129.2 Examples

129.2.1 Example 1: Container tag: link with text

<txp:newer>Newer</txp:newer>

129.2.2 Example 2: Single tag: link with image

<a href=<txp:newer />><txp:image name="right-arrow.gif" />

129.2.3 Example 3: Container tag: link with image

<txp:newer><txp:image name="right-arrow.gif" /></txp:newer>

The difference between examples 2 and 3 is that the tags in example 2 will display the image even if there are no newer articles, those used in example 3 won't.

Other tags used: `image`

129.3 Genealogy

129.3.1 Version 4.3.0

- `title` attribute reintroduced after being accidentally removed
- Added `escape` attribute

130 next title

Tag reference quick links:

- [Tag Reference Index](#)
- [Tag Basics](#)
- [Attributes Cross-reference](#)
- [Tags In Development](#)

```
<txp:next_title />
```

The `next_title` tag is a *single* tag which Textpattern will replace with the title of the next article in the sort order.

The container tag `link_to_next` wraps the text or tag and assigns the link.

130.1 Attributes

This tag takes no attributes.

130.2 Examples

130.2.1 Example 1: Link to next article by its title

```
<txp:link_to_next><txp:next_title /></txp:link_to_next>
```

Other tags used: `link_to_next`

131 older

Tag reference quick links:

- [Tag Reference Index](#)
- [Tag Basics](#)
- [Attributes Cross-reference](#)
- [Tags In Development](#)

```
<txp:older>
```

The **older** tag is both a *single* tag and a *container* tag. Should be used in a page after an article tag.

Textpattern will replace this tag with a link to the next list of articles in the sort order. The container tags wrap the text or tag assigned to the link. As a single tag it outputs the URL for the previous list page.

An article list consists of the assigned number of articles set by the article tag. If there are no articles available having **Older** status (articles ranked lower, or later, in the present sort criteria than the present bottom of page article) **<txp:older>** will not display unless the **showalways** attribute is set to 1. It is normally seen used in tandem with **newer**.

Given a **<txp:article limit="5" />** tag on the page in question **<txp:older>** will page down five articles at a time from the most recent post back in time to the oldest.

Note: This tag is context-sensitive, meaning it will only grab content from the section or category being viewed.

131.1 Attributes

Tag will accept the following attributes (**case-sensitive**):

escape="html"

Escape HTML entities such as <, > and &.

Values: **html** or **unset**.

Default: **html**

showalways="boolean"

Show wrapped value even when no older page exists.

Values: 0 (no) or 1 (yes).

Default: 0

title="text"

HTML title attribute.

Default: **unset**.

131.2 Examples

131.2.1 Example 1: Container tag: link with text

```
<txp:older>Older</txp:older>
```

131.2.2 Example 2: Single tag: link with image

```
<a href="<txp:older />"><txp:image name="left-arrow.gif" /></a>
```

131.2.3 Example 3: Container tag: link with image

```
<txp:older><txp:image name="left-arrow.gif" /></txp:older>
```

The difference between examples 2 and 3 is that the tags in example 2 will display the image even if there are no older articles, those used in example 3 won't.

Other tags used: **image**

131.3 Genealogy

131.3.1 Version 4.3.0

- **title** attribute reintroduced after being accidentally removed
- Added **escape** attribute

132 output form

Tag reference quick links:

- [Tag Reference Index](#)
- [Tag Basics](#)
- [Attributes Cross-reference](#)
- [Tags In Development](#)

```
<txp:output_form>
```

The `output_form` tag can be used as a *single* or a *container* tag. Textpattern will replace this tag with the content resulting from the form called by the tag.

For the container tag usage, see the [yield](#) tag.

132.1 Attributes

Tag will accept the following attributes (**case-sensitive**):

`form="form name"`
 Use specified form.
 Default: unset (no output).

132.2 Examples

132.2.1 Example 1: Manage small pieces of static text

You can use this tag in combination with a form to create small pieces of text that would not otherwise be managed as a regular article. For example you might define the copyright conditions of content on your site in a form and add that to one or more places via the `output_form` tag. Name the form `copyright`, save it as type **misc** and call the form using the tag structure...

```
<txp:output_form form="copyright" />
```

Notice that Staff Writers and Freelancers can not edit the contents of forms.

132.2.2 Example 2: Manage header for all pages

Suppose you want to manage the `DOCTYPE` and the `<head>` section of your page template as a single-sourced block of content. You can create a form called `page-header` and save it as type **misc**. The content of the form might look like this (just one example):

```
<?xml version="1.0" encoding="utf-8"?>
<!DOCTYPE html PUBLIC "-//W3C//DTD XHTML 1.0 Strict//EN" "http://www.w3.org/TR/xhtml1/DTD/xhtml1-strict.dtd">
<html xmlns="http://www.w3.org/1999/xhtml" xml:lang="fr" lang="fr">
<head>
<title><txp:page_title /></title>
<txp:css format="link" />
</head>
```

Then in each of your pages, you insert the header using...

```
<txp:output_form form="page-header" />
```

...which will add the header to all the pages automatically.

The advantage of this is that when you edit your page header, you can do so once in the form and it will update all instances of use in your different pages at the same time.

132.3 Genealogy

132.3.1 Version 4.2.0

- Can be used as a container tag.

133 page title

Tag reference quick links:

- [Tag Reference Index](#)
- [Tag Basics](#)
- [Attributes Cross-reference](#)
- [Tags In Development](#)

```
<txp:page_title />
```

The `page_title` tag is a *single* tag that displays text depending on the context it is used. Its primary purpose is for outputting information suitable for the HTML `<title>` tag.

Results appear as follows:

Article List
 Your site name

Articles by Category
 Your site name : Category title

Search Results page
 Your site name : Search results: Search term

Single Article page
 Your site name : Article name

Comments display
 Comments on: Article name

133.1 Attributes

Tag will accept the following attributes (**case-sensitive**):

`separator="character(s)"`
 The character sequence you want between each piece of information.
 Default: `:` (a colon).

133.2 Examples

133.2.1 Example 1: Show page titles with custom separator

```
<title><txp:page_title separator=" &raquo; " /></title>
```

134 page url

Tag reference quick links:

- [Tag Reference Index](#)
- [Tag Basics](#)
- [Attributes Cross-reference](#)
- [Tags In Development](#)

```
<txp:page_url />
```

The `page_url` tag is a *single* tag. It is used to return a particular component of the URL from the current page being displayed.

134.1 Attributes

Tag will accept the following attributes (**case-sensitive**):

`type="type"`

Specifies which component of the current page's URL will be returned.

Values:

request_uri: current article's URL-title including any query string
id: current article's id on a single article page
s: current page's section
c: current page's category
q: search query string
pg: current page number in article list mode
month: current page's month on time based article lists
author: current page's author on article lists filtered by author
status: HTTP error response (200, 404)
css: current style sheet name
page: current page template name

Default: `request_uri`.

134.2 Examples

134.2.1 Example 1: Show the current article's ID, HTTP status and section

```
<p>Article ID: <txp:page_url type="id" /><br />
From section: <txp:page_url type="s" />
(Result: <txp:page_url type="status" />)</p>
```

135 password protect

Tag reference quick links:

- [Tag Reference Index](#)
- [Tag Basics](#)
- [Attributes Cross-reference](#)
- [Tags In Development](#)

```
<txp:password_protect />
```

The `password_protect` tag is a *single* tag. When Textpattern encounters the password protect tag it causes the user to be prompted for username and password, if these match the attributes set in the tag, the user is allowed access to the site. The tag can go anywhere, from page template, to article and forms.

135.1 Attributes

Tag will accept the following attributes (**case-sensitive**):

`login="text"`
The username the user has to enter.
Default: unset.
`pass="text"`
The password the user has to enter.
Default: unset.

135.2 Examples

135.2.1 Example 1: Cause Textpattern to prompt the user for a login

```
<txp:password_protect login="theuser" pass="thepassword" />
```

Note: It is not adequate to protect a single section. This is not due to the tag itself, but rather because of how Textpattern handles URLs. By changing the URL an article can be rendered with a different section template, which would mean that the tag in the protected section would not be rendered and could not protect the article - only page requests that would be rendered in that section would be protected.

136 permalink

Tag reference quick links:

- [Tag Reference Index](#)
- [Tag Basics](#)
- [Attributes Cross-reference](#)
- [Tags In Development](#)

```
<txp:permalink>
```

The **permalink** can be used as a *single* tag or a *container* tag to return the permanent url of the article being displayed.

If used as a container tag, the HTML required to output a hyperlink is returned; if used as a single tag, only the URL itself is returned.

136.1 Attributes

Tag will accept the following attributes (**case-sensitive**):

```
class="class name"
    CSS class attribute.
    Default: unset.
id="article id"
    The article ID to link.
    Default: unset (current article).
style="style rule"
    Inline CSS style definition. Recommended that you use CSS via class attribute instead.
    Default: unset.
title="text"
    HTML title attribute.
    Default: unset.
```

136.2 Examples

136.2.1 Example 1: Container tag

```
<txp:permalink><txp:title /></txp:permalink>
```

would result in:

```
<a rel="bookmark" href="http://example.com/index.php?id=2">Article title</a>
```

Other tags used: [title](#)

136.2.2 Example 2: Single Tag

```
<txp:permalink />
```

would result in something like:

```
http://example.com/index.php?id=2
```

136.2.3 Example 3: Customizing Permanent Links

By default permalink returns only a very basic link, which doesn't allow for customizing the link title, or adding a CSS class, etc. Using the tag in its single tag capacity opens up a lot more possibilities.

For example, to have the permanent link have an HTML title attribute of the article's title, and also apply a class to it named "orange":

```
<a href=<txp:permalink />" title=<txp:title />" class="orange"><txp:title /></a>
```

Other tags used: [title](#)

137 php

Tag reference quick links:

- [Tag Reference Index](#)
- [Tag Basics](#)
- [Attributes Cross-reference](#)
- [Tags In Development](#)

```
<txp:php>
```

Textpattern's `php` tag is a *container* tag that provides the same output abilities as `<?php //Code goes here... ?>`. Textpattern's tag version is used like this:

```
<txp:php>
// Code goes here...
</txp:php>
```

Control over where this tag is allowed to appear (*i.e.*, the privileges required to allow it to appear in pages and forms) are governed by settings in the [Advanced Preferences](#) tab.

137.1 Attributes

This tag has no attributes.

137.2 Notes on use

137.2.1 Using `php` inside of an article

When inserting markup or PHP into the content boxes of a Textpattern article:

1. Don't include the usual PHP delineations: *i.e.*, `<?php ?>`
2. Use PHP as you would use normal PHP, not interspersed with markup. For example, inside the PHP tags, use PHP's echo command to output HTML, rather than writing HTML directly.
3. Surround the code with both the special `<notextile>` tag and Textpattern `php` tag to **disable Textile** parsing:

```
<notextile> <txp:php>... code goes here ...</txp:php> </notextile>
```

137.2.2 Equivalent programmatic names

All Textpattern tags have equivalent programmatic names which are *exactly* the same as the tag names. For example, `<txp:recent_articles />` is `recent_articles()`.

137.2.3 Arrays must be passed to all functions

You must pass an array to all tag functions, even if there are no attributes to set. For tags that require no attributes or those that you do not wish to modify the defaults, pass an empty array, *e.g.*, `category1(array())`;

137.3 Examples

137.3.1 Example 1: Display PHP server library information

```
<txp:php>
    phpinfo();
</txp:php>
```

137.3.2 Example 2: Show the current linked category title

```
<txp:php>
    echo "The current TXP category is: "
    . category(array(
        'title' => '1',
        'link' => '1',
        'wraptag' => 'div'
    ));
</txp:php>
```

137.4 Other tags mentioned on this page

[category](#)

138 popup

Tag reference quick links:

- [Tag Reference Index](#)
- [Tag Basics](#)
- [Attributes Cross-reference](#)
- [Tags In Development](#)

```
<txp:popup />
```

The `popup` tag is a *single* tag. Textpattern will replace this tag with a popup selector for browsing by section or category.

138.1 Attributes

Tag will accept the following attributes (**case-sensitive**):

`section="section_name"`
Jump to the selected category for the named section.
Default: unset.
`this_section="boolean"`
Jump to the selected category for the currently active section.
Values: 1 (yes) or 0 (no).
Default: 0.
`type="type"`
Section or Category.
Values: s (section) or c (category).
Default: c

138.1.1 Common Presentational Attributes

These attributes, which affect presentation, are shared by many tags. Note that default values can vary among tags.

`label="text"`
Label prepended to item.
Default: unset (but see `label` cross-reference for exceptions).
`wraptag="element"`
HTML element to wrap (markup) list block (e.g., `wraptag="ul"`).
Default: unset (but see `wraptag` cross-reference for exceptions).
`class="name"`
HTML class to apply to the `wraptag` attribute value.
Default: tag name **or** unset (see `class` cross-reference)

138.2 Examples

138.2.1 Example 1: Browse by category popup selector

```
<txp:popup type="c" wraptag="p" />
```

138.2.2 Example 2: Popup selector with custom label

```
<txp:popup label="Browse this site" type="c" wraptag="p" />
```

138.3 Genealogy

138.3.1 Version 4.3.0

- `class` attribute added

139 posted

Tag reference quick links:

- [Tag Reference Index](#)
- [Tag Basics](#)
- [Attributes Cross-reference](#)
- [Tags In Development](#)

```
<txp:posted />
```

The `posted` tag is a *single* tag which is used to return the publish date of the article being displayed. The format is determined by the settings specified in the Date Format, or Archive Date Format, fields on the [Basic Preferences](#) tab.

139.1 Attributes

Tag will accept the following attributes (**case-sensitive**):

`class="class name"`
CSS class name which will be applied to the `wrapped` element.
Default: unset.

`format="format string"`
Override the default date format set in the preferences.
Values: any valid `strftime()` string values, since, [iso8601](#), [w3cdtf](#), or [rfc822](#).
Default: unset (date format set via preferences).

`gmt="boolean"`
Return either local time -- according to the set time zone preferences -- or GMT.
Values: 0 (local time) or 1 (GMT).
Default: 0.

`lang="ISO language code"`
Format time string suitable for the specified language (locale).
Values: locales adhere to [ISO-639](#).
Default: unset (time format set via preferences).

`wrapped="tag"`
HTML tag surrounding the posted date, without brackets.
Default: unset.

139.2 Examples

139.2.1 Example 1: "since" format date setting

```
<p>Posted: <txp:posted format="since" /></p>
```

would result in:

```
<p>Posted: 29 days ago</p>
```

139.2.2 Example 2: Custom format date setting

```
<p>Posted: <txp:posted format="%b %d, %Y" /></p>
```

would result in:

```
<p>Posted: Sep 18, 2008</p>
```

139.2.3 Example 3: Extended custom format date setting

```
<p>Posted:<br/><txp:posted format="%Y" wrapped="span" class="year" /><br/><txp:posted format="%B" wrapped="span" class="month" /><br/><txp:posted format="%e" wrapped="span" class="day" /><br/></p>
```

would result in:

```
<p>Posted:<br/><span class="year">2008</span><br/><span class="month">Sep</span><br/><span class="day">18</span><br/></p>
```

This provides styling hooks for each date part.

139.3 Genealogy

139.3.1 Version 4.0.4

- `class` and `wrapped` added

140 prev title

Tag reference quick links:

- [Tag Reference Index](#)
- [Tag Basics](#)
- [Attributes Cross-reference](#)
- [Tags In Development](#)

```
<txp:prev_title />
```

The `prev_title` tag is a *single* tag which Textpattern will replace with the name (text) of the previous article in the sort order.

The container tag `link_to_prev` wraps the text or tag and assigns the link.

140.1 Attributes

This tag takes no attributes.

140.2 Examples

140.2.1 Example 1: Display a link to the previous article when displaying individual articles

```
<txp:link_to_prev><txp:prev_title /></txp:link_to_prev>
```

Other tags used: `link_to_prev`

141 Category:Programmer Tags

Tag reference quick links:

- [Tag Reference Index](#)
- [Tag Basics](#)
- [Attributes Cross-reference](#)
- [Tags In Development](#)

Programmer Tags are a subcategory of the [Tag Reference](#). They are tags that help developers and people who can write PHP to customise Textpattern beyond the core tags.

[Download Category:Programmer_Tags book](#)

142 recent articles

Tag reference quick links:

- Tag Reference Index
- Tag Basics
- Attributes Cross-reference
- Tags In Development

```
<txp:recent_articles />
```

The `recent_articles` tag is a *single* tag which is used to produce a list of permanent links to recent articles by title.

142.1 Attributes

Tag will accept the following attributes (**case-sensitive**):

`category="category name"`
Restrict to articles from specified category/ies. Note: category names may be different to the Title you typed when you created the category.
Check the [Categories](#) tab to ensure you are using the correct names.
Values: (comma separated list of) category name(s).
Default: unset.

`limit="integer"`
Number of articles to display.
Default: 10.

`no_widow="boolean"`
Whether to inhibit line breaks in titles which would leave just a single word on the last line ([widows](#)).
Values: 0 single words allowed; 1 single words not allowed on their own line
Default: Whatever is set in [Advanced Preferences](#)

`section="section_name"`
Restrict to articles from specified section(s).
Values: (comma separated list of) section name(s).
Default: unset.

`sort="sort value(s)"`
How to sort resulting list.
Values:
ID (article id#)
AuthorID (author)
LastMod (date last modified)
LastModID (author of last modification)
Posted (date posted)
Title
Category1
Category2
comments_count
Status
Section
Keywords
Image (article image id#)
url_title
custom_1 through custom_10
(From 4.2.0 on: custom_n)
rand() ([random](#)).
Default: Posted desc.

142.1.1 Common Presentational Attributes

These attributes, which affect presentation, are shared by many tags. Note that default values can vary among tags.

`label="text"`
Label prepended to item.
Default: unset (but see [label cross-reference](#) for exceptions).

`labeltag="element"`
HTML element to wrap (markup) label (e.g., `labeltag="h3"`)
Default: unset.

`wrapag="element"`
HTML element to wrap (markup) list block (e.g., `wrapag="ul"`)
Default: unset (but see [wrapag cross-reference](#) for exceptions).

`class="name"`
HTML class to apply to the `wrapag` attribute value.
Default: tag name or unset (see [class cross-reference](#))

`break="value"`
Where `value` is an HTML element (e.g., `break="li"`) or some string to separate list items.
Default: `br` (but see [break cross-reference](#) for exceptions).

142.2 Examples

142.2.1 Example 1: Labelled list of recent articles

```
<txp:recent_articles label="Latest and Greatest" limit="5" />
```

142.2.2 Example 2: List of recent articles by category

```
<txp:recent_articles label="Latest" break="br" wrapag="p" category="code" sort="Section desc" />
```

142.2.3 Example 3: Styled recent article list

```
<ttx:recent_articles label="Recently" break="li" wraptag="ul" />
```

Styles could go this way

```
.recent_articles {  
    list-style-type:none;  
}
```

142.3 Genealogy

142.3.1 Version 4.0.6

- support added for comma separated lists for section and category attributes

143 recent comments

Tag reference quick links:

- Tag Reference Index
- Tag Basics
- Attributes Cross-reference
- Tags In Development

```
<txp:recent_comments />
```

The `recent_comments` tag is a *single* or a *container* tag. Textpattern will replace this tag with a list of permanent links to recent comments. This list will be displayed with the format

User's Name (Article Name)

If used as a container, the tag must be specified as an opening and closing pair, like this:

```
<txp:recent_comments>
...contained statements...
</txp:recent_comments>
```

143.1 Attributes

Tag will accept the following attributes (**case-sensitive**):

`form="form name"`
 Use specified form.
 Default: unset. If left empty, the commenter's name and article title in which the comment was made will be permlinked.

`limit="integer"`
 Number of comments to display.
 Default: 10.

`offset="integer"`
 Number of comments to skip.
 Default: unset.

`sort="sort value(s)"`
 How to sort the resulting list.
 Values:
 `discussid` (comment ID#)
 `parentid` (article ID#)
 `name`
 `email`
 `web`
 `ip` (IP address)
 `posted`
 `message`
 `rand()` (random)
 Default: `posted asc`.

143.1.1 Common Presentational Attributes

These attributes, which affect presentation, are shared by many tags. Note that default values can vary among tags.

`label="text"`
 Label prepended to item.
 Default: unset (but see `label` cross-reference for exceptions).

`labeltag="element"`
 HTML element to wrap (markup) label (e.g., `labeltag="h3"`)
 Default: unset.

`wraptag="element"`
 HTML element to wrap (markup) list block (e.g., `wraptag="ul"`)
 Default: unset (but see `wraptag` cross-reference for exceptions).

`class="name"`
 HTML class to apply to the `wraptag` attribute value.
 Default: tag name or unset (see `class` cross-reference)

`break="value"`
 Where `value` is an HTML element (e.g., `break="li"`) or some string to separate list items.
 Default: `br` (but see `break` cross-reference for exceptions).

143.2 Examples

143.2.1 Example 1: Labelled list of recent comments

```
<txp:recent_comments label="Recent Comments" limit="25" wraptag="p" break="br" />
```

143.2.2 Example 2: Recent comments as an unordered list

```
<txp:recent_comments label="Recent Comments" wraptag="ul" break="li" />
```

Style for default class could go this way:

```
.recent_comments {
    list-style-type:none;
}
```

143.3 Genealogy

143.3.1 Version 4.0.7

- Can be used as a container tag.
- `offset` attribute added.

144 related articles

Tag reference quick links:

- [Tag Reference Index](#)
- [Tag Basics](#)
- [Attributes Cross-reference](#)
- [Tags In Development](#)

```
<txp:related_articles>
```

The `related_articles` tag can be used as either a *single* tag or a *container* tag, and is used to produce a list of related (by category) articles.

When used as a *container* tag, it must be specified as an opening and closing pair of tags, like this:

```
<txp:related_articles>
...Contained statements...
</txp:related_articles>
```

This is equivalent to putting the contained statements into a form named "my_form" and using `<txp:related_articles form="my_form" />`.

Related matches are selected as follows:

If a match to category 1 (`category1`) or category 2 (`category2`) of the individual article being displayed is found in either category 1 or category 2 of any other article in the database, it will cause that article to be listed as related.

If category 1 of the individual article being displayed is left blank and category 2 is not blank, then all other articles are selected as being related. If both categories are left blank, then no articles are selected.

144.1 Attributes

Tag will accept the following attributes (**case-sensitive**):

`form="form name"`

 Use specified form.

 Default: unset. If left empty, the permlinked article title(s) will be displayed.

`limit="integer"`

 Number of articles to display.

 Default: 10.

`match="category number(s)"`

 Restrict to articles related by specified category.

 Values: "Category1", "Category2", "Category1,Category2".

 Default: "Category1,Category2".

`no_widow="boolean"`

 Whether to inhibit line breaks in titles which would leave just a single word on the last line (`widows`).

 Values: 0 single words allowed; 1 single words not allowed on their own line

 Default: Whatever is set in [Advanced Preferences](#)

`section="section name(s)"`

 Restrict to articles from specified section(s).

 Values: (comma separated list of) section name(s).

 Default: unset.

`sort="sort value(s)"`

 How to sort resulting list.

 Values:

- ID (article id#)
- AuthorID (author)
- LastMod (date last modified)
- LastModID (author of last modification)
- Posted (date posted)
- Title
- Category1
- Category2
- comments_count
- Status
- Section
- Keywords
- Image (article image id#)
- url_title
- custom_1 through custom_10
- (From 4.2.0 on: custom_n)
- rand() (random).

 Default: Posted desc.

144.1.1 Common Presentational Attributes

These attributes, which affect presentation, are shared by many tags. Note that default values can vary among tags.

`label="text"`

 Label prepended to item.

 Default: unset (but see [label cross-reference](#) for exceptions).

`labeltag="element"`

 HTML element to wrap (markup) label (e.g., `labeltag="h3"`)

 Default: unset.

`wraptag="element"`

 HTML element to wrap (markup) list block (e.g., `wraptag="ul"`)

 Default: unset (but see [wraptag cross-reference](#) for exceptions).

`class="name"`

`HTML class` to apply to the `wraptag` attribute value.
Default: tag name **or** unset (see [class cross-reference](#))
`break="value"`
Where `value` is an `HTML element` (e.g., `break="li"`) or some string to separate list items.
Default: `br` (but see [break cross-reference](#) for exceptions).

144.2 Examples

144.2.1 Example 1: Labelled list of related articles

```
<txp:related_articles label="Related" limit="5" />
```

144.2.2 Example 2: Related articles as an unordered list

```
<txp:related_articles label="Related" limit="10" break="li" wraptag="ul" />
```

Styles could go this way

```
.related_articles {  
    list-style-type:none;  
}
```

144.2.3 Example 3: Used as a container tag

```
<txp:related_articles label="Related" labeltag="h3" limit="10" break="li" wraptag="ul">  
    <txp:permalink><txp:title /></txp:permalink> by <txp:author />  
</txp:related_articles>
```

Other tags used: `permalink`, `title`, `author`.

144.3 Genealogy

144.3.1 Version 4.0.6

- support added for comma separated list for section attribute

144.3.2 Version 4.0.7

- Can be used as a container tag.
- `form` and `no-widow` attributes added.

145 rsd

Tag reference quick links:

- [Tag Reference Index](#)
- [Tag Basics](#)
- [Attributes Cross-reference](#)
- [Tags In Development](#)

<txp:rsd />

The `rsd` tag is a *single* tag which is used to insert a [Really Simple Discoverability](#) link element helping XML-RPC client programs to configure themselves.

145.1 Attributes

None.

145.2 Examples

145.2.1 Example 1: To be written

TBW.

145.3 Genealogy

145.3.1 Version 4.0.7

- Added as a new tag.

146 search input

Tag reference quick links:

- [Tag Reference Index](#)
- [Tag Basics](#)
- [Attributes Cross-reference](#)
- [Tags In Development](#)

```
<txp:search_input />
```

The `search_input` tag is a *single* tag. This tag will provide a text entry field for search parameters and an optional button to initiate the search.

146.1 Attributes

Tag will accept the following attributes (**case-sensitive**):

`button="text"`
Creates and labels a button to initiate the search.
Default: unset (no button is created)

`form="form name"`
Use specified form (*i.e.*, a Textpattern *Form* to build a customized HTML form.)
Default: `search_input`.

`html_id="id"`
The HTML `id` attribute assigned to the search form.
Default: unset.

`match="match type"`
Set the search mode. Values:
`exact` : search terms must exactly match the words in the article in the order given. This mode is also automatically selected if the search term is surrounded with double quotes
`any` : any of the search terms in an article will cause it to show up in the results
`all` : all of the search terms in the article must exist (in any order) for the article to be included in the results
Default `exact`

`section="section name"`
Use the specified section as the destination page that will display the search results.
Default: unset (use the front page)

`size="integer"`
Sets the size of the text field.
Default: 15.

146.1.1 Common Presentational Attributes

These attributes, which affect presentation, are shared by many tags. Note that default values can vary among tags.

`label="text"`
Label prepended to item.
Default: unset (but see `label` cross-reference for exceptions).

`wrapTag="element"`
HTML element to wrap (markup) list block (*e.g.*, `wrapTag="ul"`)
Default: unset (but see `wrapTag` cross-reference for exceptions).

`class="name"`
HTML `class` to apply to the `wrapTag` attribute value.
Default: tag name **or** unset (see `class` cross-reference)

146.2 Examples

146.2.1 Example 1: Display a search input form

```
<txp:search_input label="Search" button="Search" size="20" wrapTag="div" />
```

146.2.2 Example 2: Elements required for building a customized HTML search form

You can build your own custom search form (as a Textpattern *Form*) by specifying `form="form-name"` inside the `<txp:search_input />` Tag:

```
<txp:search_input form="form-name" />
```

You would then need to build your Form (*i.e.*, `form-name`), and the absolute minimum Tags and attributes required would be:

```
<form action="<input type="text" name="q" />  
</form>
```

When using a customized *Form*, Textpattern doesn't automatically wrap the HTML form output with *Form* tags, thus you need the opening and closing `form` tag pair. The `name="q"` attribute and value is *required* to initiate a search query.

Other tags used: `site_url`

Textpattern, as of this writing, will use a user defined form named `search_results`, or an internally defined default form if no search result form is defined by you.

146.3 Genealogy

146.3.1 Version 4.3.0

- `match` attribute added

146.3.2 Version 4.0.7

- `html_id` attribute added.

147 search result count

Tag reference quick links:

- Tag Reference Index
- Tag Basics
- Attributes Cross-reference
- Tags In Development

```
<txp:search_result_count />
```

The `search_result_count` tag is a *single* tag that returns the number of articles returned by an article tag. Use `if_search` to count search results or use in regular page after the `article` tag. If you need the results' count *before* the list of results, use the `article` tag in conjunction with `pgonly="1"` (see Example 3).

147.1 Attributes

Tag will accept the following attributes (**case-sensitive**):

`text="text"`
Text to display with the number of matches.
Default: articles found

147.2 Examples

Note: The `if_search` conditional tag is required to recognize actual search results, without them the number of articles is returned by default.

147.2.1 Example 1: Display a number of matches

```
<txp:if_search>
<txp:article />
<txp:search_result_count />
</txp:if_search>
```

What this does...

If the visitor is searching for articles, it will show the number of articles that matched the search term (e.g. 5) as follows: "5 articles found".

Other tags used: `if_search`, `article`

147.2.2 Example 2: Number of matches with custom text

```
<txp:if_search>
<txp:search_result_count text="Hits" />
</txp:if_search>
```

What this does...

It displays the number of articles returned (e.g. 5) as follows: "5 Hits".

Other tags used: `if_search`

147.2.3 Example 3: Search result count above results

```
<txp:if_search>
<txp:article pgonly="1" limit="20" />
<txp:search_result_count text="Hits" />
<txp:article limit="20" />
</txp:if_search>
```

Note: The "pgonly" attribute sets the `article` tag to return pagination statistics without rendering the article list. Care must be taken to remain consistent with `article` tag attributes to keep statistics accurate.

Other tags used: `article`, `if_search`

148 search result date

Tag reference quick links:

- [Tag Reference Index](#)
- [Tag Basics](#)
- [Attributes Cross-reference](#)
- [Tags In Development](#)

```
<txp:search_result_date />
```

The `search_result_date` tag is a *single* tag. This tag will provide the article posted date as returned by the search function.

148.1 Attributes

This tag has no attributes.

148.2 Examples

148.2.1 Example 1: Displays the posting date of an article

Used in a search results form, this offers a search result entry comprising a hyperlinked article title, the date that article was posted and a permanent link to the article.

```
<h3><txp:permalink><txp:title /></txp:permalink></h3>
<p><txp:search_result_date /><br/>
<small><txp:permalink><txp:permalink /></txp:permalink> .
<txp:posted /></small></p>
```

Other tags used: `title`, `search_result_date`, `permalink`, `posted`

149 search result excerpt

Tag reference quick links:

- [Tag Reference Index](#)
- [Tag Basics](#)
- [Attributes Cross-reference](#)
- [Tags In Development](#)

```
<txp:search_result_excerpt />
```

The `search_result_excerpt` tag is a *single* tag. The tag will show the occurrence of the search term with some surrounding context.

149.1 Attributes

Tag will accept the following attributes (**case-sensitive**):

`break="tag"`
Trailing string.
Default: ellipsis (...).

`hilight="tag"`
HTML tag to be used for search term matches in excerpt text, without brackets.
Default: `strong`

`limit="integer"`
Maximum number of search match excerpts per search result.
Default: 5.

149.2 Examples

149.2.1 Example 1: Display up to 15 search excerpts with a search results form

```
<h3><txp:permalink><txp:title /></txp:permalink></h3>
<p><txp:search_result_excerpt hilight="p" limit="15" />
<small><txp:permalink><txp:permalink /></txp:permalink> · <txp:posted /></small></p>
```

Other tags used: `permalink`, `title`, `posted`

149.3 Genealogy

149.3.1 Version 4.0.6

- `break` added

150 search result title

Tag reference quick links:

- [Tag Reference Index](#)
- [Tag Basics](#)
- [Attributes Cross-reference](#)
- [Tags In Development](#)

```
<ttx:search_result_title />
```

The `search_result_title` tag is a *single* tag. This tag will provide a hyperlinked title to an article as returned by the search function.

150.1 Attributes

This tag has no attributes.

150.2 Examples

150.2.1 Example 1: Display a hyperlinked title to an article

In a search results form, this shows the title of an article that matched the visitor's search results, and its posted date.

```
<h3><ttx:search_result_title /> <ttx:search_result_date /></h3>
```

Other tags used: `search_result_date`

151 search result url

Tag reference quick links:

- [Tag Reference Index](#)
- [Tag Basics](#)
- [Attributes Cross-reference](#)
- [Tags In Development](#)

```
<txp:search_result_url />
```

The `search_result_url` tag is a *single* tag. This tag will provide a hyperlinked URL to an article as returned by the search function.

151.1 Attributes

This tag has no attributes.

151.2 Examples

151.2.1 Example 1: Display a hyperlinked URL to an article

Used within a search results form to allow visitors to click on the link and be taken to the article that matched their search results.

```
<p><txp:search_result_url /></p>
```

152 Category:Search Tags

Tag reference quick links:

- [Tag Reference Index](#)
- [Tag Basics](#)
- [Attributes Cross-reference](#)
- [Tags In Development](#)

Search Tags are a subcategory of the [Tag Reference](#). They are tags that are used to react to and display information regarding visitor-submitted search results.

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153 search term

Tag reference quick links:

- [Tag Reference Index](#)
- [Tag Basics](#)
- [Attributes Cross-reference](#)
- [Tags In Development](#)

```
<txp:search_term />
```

The `search_term` tag is a *single* tag which returns the expression the user searched for through the full text search form.

153.1 Attributes

Tag will accept the following attributes (**case-sensitive**):

`align="html"`

When set to `html`, HTML entities are used for <, >, and & in the output text. As of Textpattern 4.5 the attribute is deprecated and its use is highly unrecommended.

Default: `html`

153.2 Examples

153.2.1 Example 1: Display the search term on the search results page

```
<txp:if_search>
<h3>Search results</h3>
<p>You searched for <strong><txp:search_term /></strong>. </p>
<txp:article />
</txp:if_search>
```

Other tags used: `if_search`, `article`

153.3 Genealogy

153.3.1 Version 4.5.0

- `escape` attribute deprecated

153.3.2 Version 4.0.6

- Tag support added

154 section

Tag reference quick links:

- Tag Reference Index
- Tag Basics
- Attributes Cross-reference
- Tags In Development

```
<txp:section>
```

The `section` tag can be used as either a *single* tag or *container* tag. It will display information about the section as defined by either the `name` attribute, the section currently being viewed, or the section of the article being displayed (if used within an `article` form, or an `if_individual_article` conditional tag).

When used as a containing tag, it will turn the contents into a link to that section. Otherwise, it will return plain text.

154.1 Attributes

Tag will accept the following attributes (**case-sensitive**):

```
class="class name"
    CSS class name to apply to the wraptag. If no wraptag is supplied (and link="1"), the class is applied to the anchor instead.
    Default: unset.

link="boolean" (works only in the single tag)
    Display as plain text or a link.
    Values: 0 or 1
    Default: 0 (plain text)

name="section name"
    Display the named section.
    Default: unset (display the current section)

title="boolean"
    Display either the section name or its title.
    Values: 0 or 1
    Default: 0 (name)

url="boolean"
    Display plain URL or full link.
    Values: 0 or 1
    Default: 0 (display title or full link, depending on link)

wraptag="tag"
    HTML tag name to be used as the wraptag, without brackets.
    Default: unset.
```

154.2 Examples

154.2.1 Example 1: Display the current section name

```
<txp:section />
```

154.2.2 Example 2: Display hyperlinked section title

```
<txp:section link="1" title="1" />
```

What this does...

In an article form, it displays the article's section title as a hyperlink to the section home page.
Otherwise, it displays the title of the section currently being viewed as a hyperlink to the section home page.

154.2.3 Example 3: Display a link to a specified section

```
<txp:section link="1" title="1" wraptag="p" name="archive" />
```

What this does...

It displays a hyperlink to the 'archive' section home page, wrapped in `<p>` tags, using the section's title as link text.

154.2.4 Example 4: Container tag example

```
<txp:section name="archive">My Archive</txp:section>
```

What this does...

It displays the text "My Archive" as a hyperlink to the 'archive' section home page. HTML output for clean URLs:

```
<a href="http://yourdomain.tld/archive/">My Archive</a>
```

and for messy URLs:

```
<a href="http://yourdomain.tld/index.php?s=archive">My Archive</a>
```

154.2.5 Example 5: Single tag example

```
<a href=<txp:section name="about" url="1" />><txp:section name="about" title="1" /></a>
```

What this does...

It displays the section title "About" as a hyperlink to the 'about' section home page. HTML output for clean URLs:

```
<a href="http://yourdomain.tld/about/">About</a>
```

and for messy URLs:

```
<a href="http://yourdomain.tld/index.php?s=about">About</a>
```

154.3 Genealogy

154.3.1 Version 4.0.7

- Applies `class` attribute to the `<a>` element when `wraptag` is empty.
- New attribute, `url` to output URL only.

155 section list

Tag reference quick links:

- Tag Reference Index
- Tag Basics
- Attributes Cross-reference
- Tags In Development

```
<txp:section_list />
```

The `section_list` tag is a *single* or a *container* tag which is used to produce a list of linked sections. When used as a container tag, it is used as an opening and closing pair, like this:

```
<txp:section_list>
...contained statements...
</txp:section_list>
```

155.1 Attributes

Tag will accept the following attributes (**case-sensitive**):

`active_class="class name"` (only works in the *single* tag without the `form` attribute.)
 CSS class name to be applied to the "active" or current link in a list.
 Default: unset
`default_title="text"`
 Text used as a title for the "default" section when `include_default` is set to 1.
 Default: Site Name.
`exclude="section name(s)"`
 Comma-separated list of section names to exclude from the list. Sections takes precedence over exclude.
 Default: unset (none)
`form="form name"`
 Use the specified form to process each included section.
`include_default="boolean"`
 Whether to include "default" section in section list.
 Default: 0 (no)
`sections="section name(s)"`
 Comma-separated list of section names to include in the list, displayed in specified order (unless overridden by the `sort` attribute).
 Default: unset (all sections)
`sort="sort value(s)"`
 How to sort the resulting list.
 Values:
 name
 page
 css
 is_default
 in_rss
 on_frontpage
 searchable
 title
 rand() (random)
 Default: name asc

155.1.1 Common Presentational Attributes

These attributes, which affect presentation, are shared by many tags. Note that default values can vary among tags.

`label="text"`
 Label prepended to item.
 Default: unset (but see [label cross-reference](#) for exceptions).
`labeltag="element"`
 HTML element to wrap (markup) label (e.g., `labeltag="h3"`)
 Default: unset.
`wrapag="element"`
 HTML element to wrap (markup) list block (e.g., `wrapag="ul"`)
 Default: unset (but see [wrapag cross-reference](#) for exceptions).
`class="name"`
 HTML class to apply to the `wrapag` attribute value.
 Default: tag name or unset (see [class cross-reference](#))
`break="value"`
 Where `value` is an HTML element (e.g., `break="li"`) or some string to separate list items.
 Default: `br` (but see [break cross-reference](#) for exceptions).

155.2 Examples

155.2.1 Example 1: Display a linked section list

Adding the label "Sections" and wrapping the output in a paragraph with each section on its own line:

```
<txp:section_list label="Sections" wrapag="p" break="br" />
```

155.2.2 Example 2: Display a styled section list

```
<txp:section_list break="li" wrapag="ul" />
```

Styles could go this way

```
.section_list {  
list-style-type: none;  
}
```

155.2.3 Example 3: Set active class using the container tag

This code will add `class="active"` to the `` element around the "current" section in the list.

```
<txp:section_list wraptag="ul" break="">  
<li<txp:if_section name='<txp:section />'> class="active"</txp:if_section>>  
<txp:section title="1" link="1" />  
</li>  
</txp:section_list>
```

155.3 Genealogy

155.3.1 Version 4.0.7

- Can be used as a container tag.
- `form` attribute added.

156 site name

Tag reference quick links:

- [Tag Reference Index](#)
- [Tag Basics](#)
- [Attributes Cross-reference](#)
- [Tags In Development](#)

```
<txp:site_name />
```

The `site_name` tag is a *single* tag that returns the site's name as defined under the [Basic Preferences](#) tab.

156.1 Attributes

This tag has no attributes

156.2 Examples

156.2.1 Example 1: Display the site's name

```
<h1><txp:site_name /></h1>
```

157 site_slogan

Tag reference quick links:

- [Tag Reference Index](#)
- [Tag Basics](#)
- [Attributes Cross-reference](#)
- [Tags In Development](#)

```
<txp:site_slogan />
```

The `site_slogan` is a *single* tag which is used to output the site's tagline (labeled as *Site tagline* in the [Basic Preferences](#)).

The slogan is a brief (255 characters max) tagline or description of your site which can be used, for example, in XML feeds.

157.1 Attributes

This tag has no attributes.

157.2 Examples

157.2.1 Example 1: General display of slogan

```
<p><txp:site_slogan /></p>
```

157.2.2 Example 2: As content filler

The slogan could be used for the content attribute of the description metadata element. Either whole...

```
<meta name="description" content="
```

or partial...

```
<meta name="description" content="
```

158 site url

Tag reference quick links:

- [Tag Reference Index](#)
- [Tag Basics](#)
- [Attributes Cross-reference](#)
- [Tags In Development](#)

```
<txp:site_url />
```

The `site_url` tag is a *single* tag which returns the full URL of the site (as defined in the [Basic Preferences](#)) as text.

If you maintain local development versions of your live sites and import databases between them, then this tag is extremely valuable for ensuring your domain links are never confused (thus broken) between the two locations (see example 1).

158.1 Attributes

This tag has no attributes.

158.2 Examples

158.2.1 Example 1: Maintain accurate domain paths

The idea is that you don't break URL paths after importing a database from local development to live, or visa versa. By using this tag it will automatically be relative to a given site and you'll never have to manually edit broken domain paths again. A classic example is with navigation links.

```
<ul id="navmenu">
<li class="articles"><a class="nopad" href="
```

158.2.2 Example 2: HTML header paths

In your Head section of your HTML pages you might have a variety of links to locations relative to the local server, such as CSS files, Javascript files, a favicon and so forth. The relevance is similar to example #1, you want to ensure the paths are accurate relative to the server if a database has been imported from another location. Following is an example for the *shortcut icon* file (if you use one).

```
<link rel="shortcut icon" href="
```

158.2.3 Example 3: Display a hyperlink to download a text file

```
<a href="
```

159 Category:Structural Tags

Tag reference quick links:

- [Tag Reference Index](#)
- [Tag Basics](#)
- [Attributes Cross-reference](#)
- [Tags In Development](#)

Structural Tags are a subcategory of the [Tag Reference](#). They are tags that are used to 'group' content.

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160 text

Tag reference quick links:

- [Tag Reference Index](#)
- [Tag Basics](#)
- [Attributes Cross-reference](#)
- [Tags In Development](#)

```
<txp:text />
```

The `text` tag is a *single* tag which is primarily used to return localized language strings from the `txp_lang` database table.

160.1 Attributes

Tag will accept the following attributes (**case-sensitive**):

`item="text"`

Piece of text to display, preferably an item from the `name` column of the `txp_lang` table. If the given item matches a key there, the contents of the respective item in the `data` column will be returned. Otherwise, whatever you supply as the `item` value is returned verbatim.

160.2 Examples

160.2.1 Example 1: Display some localized text

```
<txp:older><txp:text item="older" /></txp:older>
```

What it does...

Outputs the text 'older' inside the `<txp:older />` tag, respecting the current Textpattern language.

Why you might use this...

Instead of using the tag like this: `<txp:older>older</txp:older>` which would always render the English text 'older', it replaces the contents with the value assigned to the name 'older' in the current language. So you would see a link with the word 'Älter' if you were using German (de) as the Textpattern site language.

Other tags used: `older`

161 thumbnail

Tag reference quick links:

- [Tag Reference Index](#)
- [Tag Basics](#)
- [Attributes Cross-reference](#)
- [Tags In Development](#)

```
<txp:thumbnail />
```

The `thumbnail` tag is a *single* tag that Textpattern will replace with the `` HTML tag matching the thumbnail image of the numeric `id` assigned by Textpattern when the parent image was uploaded via the Textpattern [Images](#) panel.

161.1 Attributes

Tag will accept the following attributes (**case-sensitive**):

`class="class name"`
CSS class attribute to apply to the image (or to the wraptag, if set).
Default is unset.

`escape="html"`
Escape HTML entities such as <, > and & for the image's alt and title attributes.
Values: html or unset.
Default: html.

`height="integer"`
Specify an image height which overrides the value stored in the database. Use `height="0"` to turn off the output of a height attribute in the `` tag (thus the browser will scale the height if a width is used)

`html_id="id"`
The HTML id attribute assigned to the image (or to the wraptag, if set).
Default: unset.

`id="integer"`
Specifies the id assigned at upload of the image to display. Can be found on the [Images \(panel\)](#). If both name and id are specified, name is used while id is ignored.

`link="boolean"`
If set, the thumbnail will be rendered as a (non-Javascript) URL link to the full-size image.
Default: 0.

`link_rel="relation"`
Value for the HTML rel attribute.
Default: unset.

`name="image name"`
Specifies which image thumbnail to display by its image name as shown on the [Images \(panel\)](#).

`poplink="boolean"`
If set, the image will be rendered in a popup window.
Default is 0.

`style="style rule"`
Inline CSS style rule.
Default: unset.

`width="integer"`
Specify an image width which overrides the value stored in the database. Use `width="0"` to turn off the output of a width attribute in the `` tag (thus the browser will scale the width if a height is used)

`wraptag="tag text"`
HTML tag to be used to wrap the img tag, specified without brackets.
Default: unset.

161.2 Examples

161.2.1 Example 1: Display the given thumbnail

```
<txp:thumbnail id="23" />
```

What this does...

Displays the image thumbnail for the image uploaded as ID #23.

161.3 Genealogy

161.3.1 Version 4.2.0

- attribute align deprecated

161.3.2 Version 4.0.7

- default value for attribute escape changed from unset to html

161.3.3 Version 4.0.6

- link and link_rel added

161.3.4 Version 4.0.4

- html_id, escape and wraptag added

162 title

Tag reference quick links:

- Tag Reference Index
- Tag Basics
- Attributes Cross-reference
- Tags In Development

```
<txp:title />
```

The `title` tag is a *single* tag which is used to return the title of the article being displayed. It is usually used in an article form.

162.1 Attributes

Tag will accept the following attributes (**case-sensitive**):

`no_widow="boolean"`

Control `widows` and overrule `widows` setting in [Advanced Preferences](#).

Values:

0 - allow the last word in the article title to appear on its own line, i.e. the title content is rendered unchanged

1 - ensure the last word in the article title is not left on its own line. Textpattern inserts a non-breaking space between the last two words

Default: As set in [Advanced Preferences](#).

162.2 Examples

162.2.1 Example 1: Display an article title

```
<h2><txp:title /></h2>
<div class="post">
  <p><txp:author /> @ <txp:posted /></p>
  <txp:body />
</div>
```

What this does...

Shows the current article title as the page heading, a few other pieces of information such as the article's author and posted date, then the article body itself.

Other tags used: `author`, `posted`, `body`

162.2.2 Example 2: Display a hyperlinked title

```
<txp:permalink><txp:title /></txp:permalink>
```

What this does...

Wraps a permanent link to the current article around its title.

Other tags used: `permalink`

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```
<txp:txp_die />
```

The `txp_die` tag is a *single* tag that will terminate normal page rendition and return the given status to the user agent (browser, search engine crawler, feed aggregator). An error page will also be returned to the user agent.

The status can be displayed by the `error_status` tag. A textual message can be associated with the error status and retrieved with the `error_message` tag. See also: [Custom Error Pages](#).

163.1 Attributes

Tag will accept the following attributes (**case-sensitive**):

`msg="message"`
Textual representation of the error condition.
`status="number"`
Numerical representation of the error condition.
Typical values: 301, 302, 307, 404, 403, 401, 408, 410, 304, 503, or any other [valid status code](#)
Default: 503.
`url="url"`
Redirects to the specified URL. Can be used with redirection statuses 301, 302 and 307.

163.2 Examples

163.2.1 Example 1: Force a 404 'not found' error

```
<txp:txp_die status="404" />
```

163.2.2 Example 2: Issue a permanent redirect

```
<txp:txp_die status="301" url="http://example.com/new/location" />
```

163.3 Genealogy

163.3.1 Version 4.5.0

- `url` attribute added

164 variable

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```
<txp:variable />
```

The `variable` tag is both a *single* and a *container* tag which sets or returns a user-defined global variable.

If used as a container, the result of the contained statements are assigned to the given variable `name`.

```
<txp:variable>
...Contained statements...
</txp:variable>
```

164.1 Attributes

Tag will accept the following attributes (**case-sensitive**):

`name="text"`

The variable name for which you wish to assign a value. Valid variable names must not contain any single or double quotes.

`value="value"`

(optionally) define the value to which you wish to set the variable. Without this attribute, the tag returns the current value assigned to the named variable.

164.2 Note

For Textpattern version 4.3.0 and older, using the tag as a container does not assign a value if the container is empty. This can lead to unexpected results. These tags are equivalent:

```
<txp:variable name="test" />
<txp:variable name="test"></txp:variable>
```

These tags are **not** equivalent:

```
<txp:variable name="test" value="" />
<txp:variable name="test"></txp:variable>
```

In Textpattern versions 4.3.0 and older you should not use container-tag mode unless you know the tag contents will never be empty. This issue has been fixed in [r3471](#) (v4.4.0+).

Note: Avoid entering white space characters for better code readability between the opening and closing `variable` tags, they will lead to falsified results in the `if_variable` evaluation.

164.3 Examples

164.3.1 Example 1: Store sitewide constants

`<txp:variable />` allows you to define constants at a single location (e.g., a *Form*, or even at the top of a *Page* template) and use them elsewhere later on, for instance as the email address for `zem_contact_reborn`'s `to` attribute or as the AdSense Publisher id for all three AdSense forms which are scattered throughout your template.

Somewhere at the very beginning of a template you would define names and values, just like you do on your desktop calculator's "memory" keys:

```
<txp:variable name="site-owner" value="john.doe@example.com" />
<txp:variable name="adsense-pub" value="pub-9999999" />
<txp:variable name="include_webfonts" value="yes" />
```

Later down the *Page* template or in a separate *Form* you can read the attribute values previously set:

```
<txp:zem_contact to='<txp:variable name="site-owner" />' />
```

Conditionals come in handy at times:

```
<txp:if_variable name="include_webfonts" value="yes">
  <txp:css name="webfonts" format="link" />
</txp:if_variable>
```

Elsewhere :

```
<script type="text/javascript">
</script>
```

Other tags used: `if_variable`, `css`

164.3.2 Example 2: Use any tag's value as a conditional expression

There are two parts to making this work.

First a variable is created that stores the output of any Tag as the `value` (the `name` is arbitrary)...

```
<txp:variable name="foo" value='<txp:permalink />' />
```

Note: a Textpattern Tag, used as an attribute (a parsed attribute), must be surrounded with single quotes.

The variable "foo" can then be used as a conditional later in the code.

```
<txp:if_variable name="foo" value="example.com/bar/baz">
...do this...
</txp:if_variable>
```

The conditional is saying if there is a variable named "foo" having a specific value of "example.com/bar/baz", then output what is defined, i.e., "do this".

Other tags used: **if_variable**

164.3.3 Example 3: Build a table of article titles

Textpattern will build a three-column table where each row has the title of the article. If a number of articles is not divisible by 3 then empty cells will be inserted.

File:Textbook table.jpg

First, use an **article_custom** or **article** tag somewhere:

```
<txp:article_custom limit="100" section="article" form="tables" />
```

Form **tables**:

```
<txp:if_first_article>

```

```
<txp:if_variable name="trigger">
  <txp:if_variable name="trigger" value="2">
    <txp:variable name="trigger" value="3" />
  </txp:if_variable>
  <txp:if_variable name="trigger" value="1">
    <txp:variable name="trigger" value="2" />
  </txp:if_variable>
<txp:else />
  <txp:variable name="trigger" value="1" />
</txp:if_variable>
```

```
<txp:if_variable name="trigger" value="3">
  <td><txp:title /></td>
  </tr>
  <txp:variable name="trigger" value="1" />
</txp:if_variable>
```

```
<txp:if_variable name="trigger" value="2">
  <td><txp:title /></td>
```

```
<txp:if_last_article>
  <td></td>
  </tr>
</txp:if_last_article>
</txp:if_variable>
```

```
<txp:if_variable name="trigger" value="1">
  <tr>
    <td><txp:title /></td>
```

```
<txp:if_last_article>
  <td></td><td></td>
  </tr>
</txp:if_last_article>
</txp:if_variable>
```

```
<txp:if_last_article>
</table>
</txp:if_last_article>
```

In this case an article **title** was used but any article information could be inserted in the cells.

Other tags used: **if_variable**, **if_first_article**, **if_last_article**, **title**, **else**

164.4 Genealogy

164.4.1 Version 4.0.7

- Added as a new tag.

165 yield

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```
<txp:yield />
```

The `yield` tag is a *single* tag which is used to return the inner content of the enclosing `<txp:output_form>` tag.

165.1 Attributes

This tag has no attributes.

165.2 Examples

165.2.1 Example: inner content

Given the following form named "example_form":

```
<div>
    This content is static and will be the same every time this form is invoked.
    <txp:yield />
</div>
```

We can invoke it twice with different inner content each time:

```
<txp:output_form form="example_form">
    Invoking "example_form" with some inner content.
</txp:output_form>

<txp:output_form form="example_form">
    Invoking "example_form" again, this time with different inner content.
</txp:output_form>
```

And the result will be:

```
<div>
    This content is static and will be the same every time this form is invoked.
    Invoking "example_form" with some inner content.
</div>

<div>
    This content is static and will be the same every time this form is invoked.
    Invoking "example_form" again, this time with different inner content.
</div>
```

Other tags used: `output_form`

165.3 Genealogy

165.3.1 Version 4.2.0

- Added as a new tag