



# PHP Forms Pro Documentation





## Forms


In this section you can see the list of all available forms.

- Click **Create form** to create a new form.

- The **Send to** column shows whether user submissions are stored in a database  or sent to the specified email address .


































































- Click **Edit Form Options**  in the **Command** column to edit the properties of the form.

- Icons in the **Command** column allow you to preview the form , get the code to be inserted into a web-page , edit form options  or delete a form with all related pages and fields .



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### List of forms

Form name	Total pages	Total fields	Send to	Command
Contact Form Example	1	5		    
Survey	1	15	 	    
Feedback Form	1	5	 	    
Order Form	1	15		    
Multipage Form	5	17	 	    
File Upload Form	1	5		    
Abuse Report	1	5	 	    
Test Contact Form	1	5	 	    
NewForm	1	0		    
NewForm 1	1	0	 	    

**Create form**

## Form Options

On this page form properties are displayed.

- **Form name** is the value used to identify the form in the admin area only.
- **Copy fields from** represents a drop-down menu with all the existing forms. Select the form you want to copy the fields from
- **Form color** sets the color for the form
- **Submit to** specifies the destination of form submissions (database and/ or email address)

**Note:** if you don't choose any email template or specify an incorrect email address (multiple emails can be separated by commas), we do not guarantee that the submissions will be sent to your mail box.

- **Message displayed after submission** is the alert message displayed after the form is submitted.
- **HTML mail text.** If the check box is ticked, your emails will be sent in an HTML format. You can use HTML tags and strings in your Mail Templates (see **Mail Templates** below)
- **Preview form before SUBMIT.** If checked, users will be able to preview the form before submission.
- **Reload BACK.** If checked, after the form submission users will be redirected to the page they came from to this form.
- **Redirect to (http://... or blank).** If you want to redirect a user to a certain URL after the form is submitted, type the URL in the "**Redirect to**" field. If no URL is set, users user stay on the form page.
- **Button captions** are the names of navigation buttons on the pages for multi-part forms and Submit button.
- **Database export settings.** If checked, you'll need to specify your database host name, port, database username/password, database name and the table where you want to export forms from. Also, you can test the connection by pressing the button '**Test connection**'.



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### Form options

Form name	NewForm																								
Copy fields from	Contact Form Example																								
Form color	<input type="text"/>																								
Submit to	To e-mail & database																								
Send to email	support@phpforms.net																								
Email template	Universal Template																								
Form width, in pixels (0-default)	<input type="text"/>																								
Message displayed after submission	Thank you. We will contact you within 24 hours.																								
HTML mail text	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Enable																								
Preview form before SUBMIT	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Enable																								
Reload BACK	<input type="checkbox"/> Enable																								
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## Field Options

On this page field options for the selected form are displayed.

To add fields to your form, click on the 'Edit form fields' icon () in the Command column. Click the icon () or the button 'Add field'.

### General

- **Field name** is the value used to identify a form's field

- **Required mark** specifies if the field is required to fill out or optional. To make your field required, please select a check rule (see **Field check** below)
- **Page**. If your form consists of several pages, you can select from a drop-down menu which page this field will be on
- **Field type** specifies the type of the field, which can be:
  - **Text** is a common text field
  - **Password** is meant for password entry (the value you enter in this field will be displayed in a form as an asterix string)
  - **Checkbox** is used to toggle one or several items in a form. All the values you enter for this field will be displayed in the form
  - **Radio button** is the button that must have one selection chosen out of two or more choices.
  - **Select** field displays all the values you indicate for this field, but allows only one value to be used at a time.
  - **Multiple select** displays all the values you set for this field and allows multiple values to be used at a time.
  - **Textarea** is a simple text box where the form users can input strings of characters, numbers or any other symbols.
  - **File upload** field allows form users to upload files by means of the form
  - **Hidden** allows to hide the field from the user's view
  - **HTML** is used to create HTML values in the form
  - **Date** is used to display dates
  - **Img-code** is a CAPTCHA (dynamic) image code

## Default

- **Default value** is used as a value that will be present in the field by default

## Field check

- **Check rule** specifies the rule to be used for this field. The possible values for this field are:
  - **Not empty** means that the field must contain any value
  - **Numbers only** allows only numbers in the field
  - **Letters only** allows only letters in the field
  - **Email** checks if the value in the field has an email format
  - **Email and not empty** checks the email format and the field input data
  - **Chars interval** specifies the length of input value for the field.

## Field mail options

- **Email template** allows you to select an e-mail template that will be sent to the form users

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**Contact Form Example fields, 5 on 2 page(s)**

Field name	Field type	Command
Name	Text	[I] [X] [A] [D]
Email	Text	[I] [X] [A] [D]
Phone	Text	[I] [X] [A] [D]
Message	Textarea	[I] [X] [A] [D]

2 :: Page Title

Field name	Field type	Command
Feedback/Questions:	Text	[I] [X] [A] [D]

**Add field** **Add page**

**Field options**

General	
Field name	Email
Required mark	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Page	1 ::
Field type	Text

Default	
Default value	

Field check	
Check rule	Email

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Email template (1)	Universal Template

**Save** **Advanced...**

## Field's "Advanced" options

### Field info

- **Field name** is the name of the field you edit
- **Page title** is the title of the page where the form is located

### Layout

Here you can select the type of layout for the field

### HTML

- **Field color** specifies the color of the field
- **Caption style** specifies the style that will be used to display the field's caption (i.e. you can enter a CSS style here, like below:

- color: red; font-style: oblique; font-weight: bold; font-family:Tahoma;
- font: 25px Courier; text-decoration:underline;

- **Control style** specifies the style that will be used for input fields, for instance:

- background-color: #ee0000; font-size: 26px; font-weight: bold; font-family:Tahoma;
- width: 400px; height: 40px; width: 400px; height: 40px;

- **Max length** specifies the ultimate length of the field
- **Size/Rows** (depending on the selected field type) specifies the ultimate size or the ultimate number of rows for the field

The screenshot displays the phpForms Web Form Builder interface. On the left, a window titled "Contact Form Example fields, 5 on 1 page(s)" shows a table of fields:

Field name	Field type	Command
Name	Text	[T] [X] [A] [D]
E-mail	Text	[T] [X] [A] [D]
Phone	Text	[T] [X] [A] [D]
Message	Textarea	[T] [X] [A] [D]
NewField	Text	[T] [X] [A] [D]

Below the table are "Add field" and "Add page" buttons. On the right, the "Field advanced options" panel is open, showing configuration for a field named "Name".

**Field info**

Field name	Name
Page title	Livaudais Middle School

**Layout**

Navigation arrows and a "CAPTION" control are visible.

**HTML**

Field color	[Dropdown]
Caption style	[Text input]
Control style	[Text input]
Max length	[Text input]
Size	[Text input]

At the bottom are "Save" and "Return <" buttons. The footer reads "Copyright © 2004-2005 Konkurent, LLC."

## Radio Button, Check Box, Drop-down list

**Select** fields allow you to choose one item from the list of several items

**Radio button** (group) allows you to choose one item from the list of several items (this button works like a switch)

**Checkboxes** allow you to choose from 0 to N items

**Multiple select** fields allow you to choose several items and represent the list of items (in rows) in one field.

To create radio buttons, check boxes, select or multiple select fields, select an appropriate field type in the drop-down menu next to **Field type** (see above).

A message 'If you change field type some settings will be lost. Do you want to continue?' will pop up. Click OK.

Press the 'Edit item' button.

**Title** is the value that will be displayed in the form. In other words, this is what your visitors will see in the form

**Value** is the value displayed in the form submissions. This is what you receive to your email or database. See the illustrations below:

**Contact Form Example fields, 5 on 1 page(s)**

Field name	Field type	Command
Name	Text	[I] [X] [▲] [▼]
Email	Text	[I] [X] [▲] [▼]
Phone	Text	[I] [X] [▲] [▼]
Message	Textarea	[I] [X] [▲] [▼]
Please make your choice	Checkbox	[I] [X] [▲] [▼]

**Field items list**

Field info	
Field name	Please make your choice
Page title	

New items		
Title	Value	
TV	TV	<input type="button" value="Add item"/>
Predefined		<input type="button" value="Add predefined"/>

	Title	Value	Checked	Command
<input type="checkbox"/>	LCD Projector	LCD	<input type="checkbox"/>	[X] [▲] [▼]
<input type="checkbox"/>	Laptop Computer	laptop	<input type="checkbox"/>	[X] [▲] [▼]

Or

**Contact Form Example fields, 5 on 1 page(s)**

Field name	Field type	Command
Name	Text	[I] [X] [▲] [▼]
Email	Text	[I] [X] [▲] [▼]
Phone	Text	[I] [X] [▲] [▼]
Message	Textarea	[I] [X] [▲] [▼]
Please make your choice	Multiple select	[I] [X] [▲] [▼]

**Field items list**

Field info	
Field name	Please make your choice
Page title	


New items		
Title	Value	
CD player	5	<input type="button" value="Add item"/>
Predefined		<input type="button" value="Add predefined"/>

	Title	Value	Checked	Command
<input type="checkbox"/>	LCD Projector	1	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	[X] [▲] [▼]
<input type="checkbox"/>	Laptop Computer	2	<input type="checkbox"/>	[X] [▲] [▼]
<input type="checkbox"/>	TV	3	<input type="checkbox"/>	[X] [▲] [▼]
<input type="checkbox"/>	DVD Player	4	<input type="checkbox"/>	[X] [▲] [▼]

To have a default check on the item, tick the item under the column **Checked**.

You can also set a predefined list for the fields. Select the list from the drop-down menu under Predefined and press the button 'Add predefined'. You can create a new predefined list and use it for your fields (see **Predefined Lists** below)

## File Upload Fields

To create a file upload field, click on the button 'Add field' or the icon . Name the field, set the Required mark, select the page where the field will be placed and select the Field Type – File upload.

A message 'If you change field type some settings will be lost. Do you want to continue?' will pop up. Click OK.

If you want to make the field required, select a check rule 'Not empty'.

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### Contact Form Example fields, 6 on 2 page(s)

Field name	Field type	Command
Name	Text	
Email	Text	
Phone	Text	
Message	Textarea	
Upload	File upload	

2 :: Page Title

Field name	Field type	Command
Feedback/Questions:	Text	

### Field options

General	
Field name	Upload
Required mark	<input type="checkbox"/>
Page	1 ::
Field type	File upload

Field check	
Check rule	Not empty

The 'Advanced...' section. Here you can change the following for the field:

- The field's **Layout**: caption next to /above the field
- **Field color** specifies the color for the field
- **Caption style / Control style** are the CSS control fields, where you can indicate CSS HTML to change the look of the field (e.g. color: red; font-style: oblique; font-weight: bold; font-family:Tahoma;)
- **File extension** field specifies the allowed file types for the upload (e.g. png,jpeg,doc, etc.)
- **Max File Size** sets the maximum allowed file size that can be uploaded via the form

Click on the button 'Save' to save the changes.

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### Contact Form Example fields, 6 on 2 page(s)

Field name	Field type	Command
Name	Text	
Email	Text	
Phone	Text	
Message	Textarea	
Upload	File upload	

2 :: Page Title

Field name	Field type	Command
Feedback/Questions:	Text	

### Field advanced options

Field info	
Field name	Upload
Page title	

Layout		
	<input type="button" value="CAPTION"/> <input type="button" value="CONTROL"/>	

HTML	
Field color	<input type="text"/>
Caption style	<input type="text"/>
Control style	<input type="text"/>
File extension	png,jpeg,mp3,waw,doc,txt
Max File Size	<input type="text"/>

















## Multi part Forms

To create multi part forms, create a form, click on the button 'Add page'. In the right hand section 'Page options' select the following:

- **Page title** specifies the page's title
- **Top text** is the text that will be shown above the form
- **Bottom text** is the text shown below the form
- **Page color** sets the color for the page
- **Page width (pixels)** indicates the page's width in pixels
- **"Previous" button** is the name of the button that leads to the previous page (leave blank to have 'Previous' by default)
- **"Next" button** is the name of the button that leads to the next page (leave blank to have 'Next' by default)

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### Contact Form Example fields, 4 on 1 page(s)

Field name	Field type	Command
Name	Text	   
Email	Text	   
Phone	Text	   
Message	Textarea	   


**Add field** **Add page**

### Page options

Page title	Page Title
Top text	this text is shown above the form
Bottom text	this text is shown below the form
Page color	<input type="color"/>
Page width (pixels)	<input type="text"/>
"Previous" button	<input type="text"/>
"Next" button	<input type="text"/>

**Save**

Click 'Save' to save the changes.

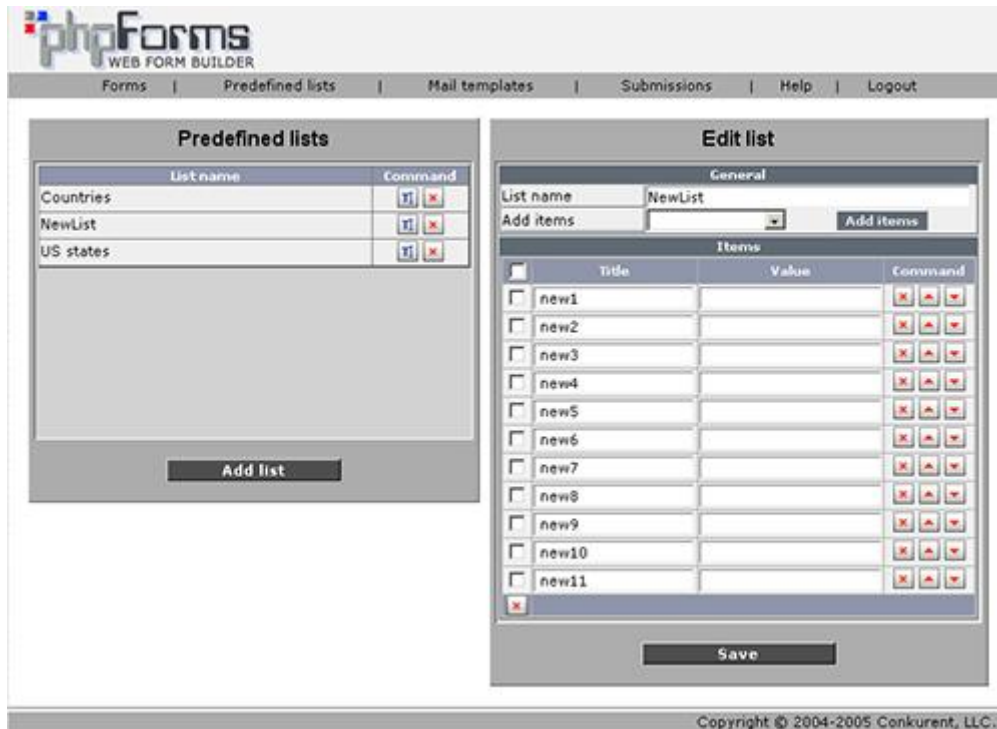
To add fields to the page, click on the icon  or the button 'Add field' (see Field Options for more info). Select the necessary field options and indicate the page where the field will be shown: in the field **Page** select the number of your page 1, 2, etc. depending on the number of pages you already added.

## Predefined Lists

Predefined list is the list of values which can be imported as items into the fields like "**Checkbox**", "**Radio button**", "**Select**", "**Multiple select**". For instance, the list of countries or the list of the email addresses of your support service. Click **Add list** to create new listing. Use the icons in the **Command** column to edit/delete lists.

### Edit list

- **List name** specifies the name of the list
- **Add items** option allows you to add a number of items specified from a drop-down menu. You can add up to 20 items at a time, and then select 20 again to enter more items to your list.



## Mail Templates

You can create templates which will be pre-populated with the values submitted by users. These submissions are sent to the email address specified in the **Send to email** field (in the properties of the form) or to the address specified in the email field.

Two types of tags are available: tags associated with forms and tags not associated with forms:

### 1. Tags not associated with forms:

- [form-name] is replaced by the form name
- [form-data] is replaced by the list "field-name :: field data"
- [ip-address] is replaced by user's IP-address

### 2. Tags associated with forms:

- [field-name#431bf861b7.b9d0be6e80#] is the name of a field
- [field-data#431bf861b7.b9d0be6e80#] is the value of the field

Select the form from the drop-down list of forms, and select the field from the list **Page.Field - Field name**. Click **Name** or **Data** at the bottom. This will insert the tag of the name or the field value into the template.





It is recommended that you use these templates for the forms which contain the fields that were used.

You should create templates when the form is completed.

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### Mail templates

Mail template name	Command
NewMailTemplate	 
Universal Template	 

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  - [ip-address] is replaced by user's IP-address
- Tags associated with forms:
  - [field-name#431bf861b7.b9d0be6e80#] is the name of a field
  - [field-data#431bf861b7.b9d0be6e80#] is the value of the field

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## Form Submissions

The section contains all form input data that was submitted to the database.


### Sort Submissions


The following data sorting capabilities are available:

To sort submissions **by name** click Form Name.

To sort by date and time of submission, click Date/Time































### View / Delete Submissions

To view the submission, click the 'View submit' button - 

To delete a certain submission, click on the deletion icon - 

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### Form submissions

Form name	Date/Time	Command
Contact Form Example	2007-11-16 17:02	 
Email	2007-11-16 15:00	 
Email	2007-11-16 15:00	 
NewForm	2007-11-16 14:47	 
NewForm	2007-11-16 14:47	 
NewForm	2007-11-16 14:47	 
NewForm	2007-11-16 14:47	 
NewForm	2007-11-16 14:46	 
NewForm	2007-11-16 14:46	 
NewForm	2007-11-16 14:46	 
NewForm	2007-11-16 14:46	 
NewForm	2007-11-16 14:46	 
NewForm	2007-11-16 14:46	 
NewForm	2007-11-16 14:46	 
NewForm	2007-11-16 14:46	 

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### Submitted data

Contact Form Example	2007-11-16 17:02:18
<b>Name</b>	test
<b>Email</b>	test@test.cnk
<b>Phone</b>	11
<b>Message</b>	test
<b>Feedback/Questions:</b>	test

## Export Form Submissions

To export form input data to a CSV file, database or SQL file, press the button 'Export>'.

In the right hand section you can select submission groups for the export. Select the form name and check **'CSV export'** to export all its submissions to a CSV file.

Check **'SQL Export'** to export form submissions to a data file with an \*.sql extension that contains the script for table creation.

Check **'Database Export'**\* to export data to the database specified in form options.

**\*NOTE:** If the field names in your form contain special characters or there are several fields with the same field name, it is recommended to use the SQL export feature, which results can be easily copied / pasted to the database query line and run the script for execution.

Click on the **'Export data!'** button to export the selected form submissions.

Press the button **'Delete Export!'** to delete form submissions from the database.

The screenshot displays the phpForms web form builder interface. At the top, there is a navigation menu with links for Forms, Predefined lists, Mail templates, Submissions, Newsletter, Help, Logout, and Admin settings. The main content area is divided into two panels. The left panel, titled "Form submissions", contains a table with columns for Form name, Date/Time, and Command. The table lists seven submissions, each with a form name of "name" and a date/time of "2007-12-07 10:02". Below the table is a page number "1" and two buttons: "Delete all" and "Export >". The right panel, titled "Select groups of submissions to export", features a text input field containing "name", three radio buttons for "CSV Export", "SQL Export" (which is selected), and "Database Export", and two buttons: "Export data!" and "Delete Export!". At the bottom of the page, a copyright notice reads "Copyright © 2004-2007 Konkurent, LLC."

To navigate through the submissions, click 1, 2, 3, etc. below the submissions list. The page number shows up only if a certain amount of submissions is made.

## **Newsletter**

The section contains all the forms that include a field or several fields with the following check rule: **"Email"** or **"Email and not empty"**.

Here you'll be able to send mail to all users who submitted your forms.



**SMTPServer** - Your server's SMTP hostname;

**SMTPAuth** - If your server requires SMTP authentication, set this parameter to "1", if no authentication is required, then set "0";

**Username** - username that is used on your mail server (if the value in SMTPAuth is set to "0", then leave the field blank);

**Password** - password (if the value in SMTPAuth is set to "0", then leave the field blank);

**FromEMAIL** - From e-mail address;

**IsHTML** - if you want to have HTML format for your emails, set "1"; to set Plain Text format indicate "0"

## **Admin Settings**

This section allows you to change the administrator login parameters:

**Admin username** is the value used for the administrator login

**Password** is the value used for the administrator login

**Email address** is the script administrator email address

<b>Administrator account</b>	
<b>Administrator</b>	
Login	admin
Password	*****
Confirm password	*****
E-mail	support@phpforms.net
<b>Proceed &gt;&gt;</b>	