



Welcome to the DBTS Preview Extension for WYSIWYG Webbuilder!

DB Technosystems is well known for quality, custom made software. The main fields of application are database driven scripts like membership scripts, Shopping Carts, directory scripts and other similar.

The WB Form Processor extension, released in 2008 and then continuously improved, was the result of a continuously rising request for a simple, trouble free, multi featured form processing script. It is essential, but flexible and powerful. The output is highly customizable and it will be enriched with additional features in the near future.

It is now integrated with two add-on extensions:

- a. The DBTS reCAPTCHA which is a very simple extension that allows you to embed the famous reCAPTCHA in your forms with just a few mouse clicks. It is intended only for use with the DBTS Form Processor
- b. The DBTS Preview extension, a completely customizable extension that works with the DBTS Form Processor Extension and will allow you to create Preview Pages and Data Merge Confirmation Pages simply dragging the Preview Object in your pages.

In the next pages you will find the complete installation and usage instructions for the DBTS Preview Extension. Please read them carefully and you will be able to install and use it in just a few minutes.

Thank you

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Requirements

The DBTS Preview extension requires PHP 4.3 or higher support. **Installation**

The DBTS Preview extension for WB is installed just as any other WB extension: Through the extension Manager, you can perform either an Automatic installation or a manual installation after you have downloaded the zip with the extension files.

Using the DBTS Preview Extension

The DBTS Preview will create in your page a table with the info submitted by a form to the DBTS Form Processor.

To use it, simply drag the DBTS Preview Object in your page.

Double click it and set the visual properties as required. Settings are quite easy to understand and very similar to the "Styles" settings of WB.

For the DBTS Preview Extension to work, you MUST have set the DBTS Form Processor, in the form page, to have the "Copy in Session" to "Yes" and the "Clear Session" set to "No".

The DBTS Preview Object will allow you to create a table formatted Preview or Confirmation page.

To create instead a free layout with Data merging, please follow instructions provided in the next section.

Tips & Tricks

Creating thin borders

I use the following trick to create thin borders, set the table border to 0. Set the table background to the color the "border" should have, and set cellspacing to 1. This will force cells 1 px apart, and the table background will appear as a 1 px border.

Creating a free layout Success Page that contains the submitted data

As we have already seen, if you want your visitor's submitted info formatted in a table, you can simply use the DBTS Preview Object. However, sometimes, you might prefer a free layout that will contain the submitted info.

DBTS Preview makes available the info submitted, just before the script end. If, in example, you have an editbox named "Name", the php variable \$Name contains the value submitted by the visitor. It is essential that the success page is published as .php

Let's suppose that you have named your success page "success", so you have published it as "success.php".

To display the value of this (and any other) variable in a WB page, it is enough to do the following:

a) Form Page:

Set the DBTS Form Processor to do what you want: emails, csv storage, database storage etc. Set the "Copy in Session" to "Yes" and set the "Success Url" to be your success page. Set the "Clear Session" to "No".

b) Success Page:

Add the DBTS Preview object in the page. Since you don't want the standard info display table, but you want a free layout, set the "Display Info Table" to "No".

Add the text you like to display containing the variable, just as in the following line:

Hello **'. \$Name. '**, thank you for your submission

Right click the text, and add the following in the Before Tag:

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<?
echo'
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and in the After Tag:

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';
?>
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Please pay attention to the single quotes and the dots.

Add as many variables as you like.

Please note that if you have used fields consisting in more than one words, with whitespaces between them, the variables will have underscores between the words. In example, for a field named "How did you find us" the relevant variable will be **"\$How_did_you_find_us"**

Save the page and publish it. It is important that it is published as .php.

That's all. The script will process the info and it will redirect to the success page that you have published, and if it is correctly built, will display the values submitted by the visitor.

Creating a Preview Page before Final Submission

Sometimes it is necessary that the user reviews his input just before he makes the final submission. It is simple enough with DBTS Form Processor and DBTS Preview.

In the form page add the DBTS Form Processor Object and only set "Copy in Session" to "Yes", without any further processing. Set its "Success URL" to be the Preview page.

In the preview page, add the DBTS Preview object. Double click it to set the visual properties as desired, so it will display the submitted values. **Now add an empty form object.** In this form add ONLY a submit button, and a "Back" button so that the user can go back in the first page if the info needs editing. It is not necessary that it actually is a "Back" button, it can be a simple link button or text or image linked to form page. All of the above will work.

Since we want the data to remain available to the Form Processor for the final submission, set the "Clear Session" property of the Preview Object, to "No".

Add the DBTS Form Processor Object and set it to do what you want (mail, autoresponder, etc).

Set the "Copy From Session" to "Yes".

Set the "Clear Session" to "Yes" so it will clear the session values after this final submission.

Set the DBTS Form Processor to redirect to the "success" page.

That's all, you are ready!

Support:

Contact us at info@dbtechnosystems.com . But please first read this manual carefully, the answer to your question is probably already contained in this manual.

Support that goes BEYOND simple email help and requires entering your hosting account to solve any issues, can only be provided on an agreed upon, paid for, basis.

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http://www.dbtechnosystems.com/wb6/forms/dbts_form_processor.php

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2. Many thanks to the WB Forum Users that have provided feedback! Without this feedback it wouldn't have been possible taking the script to this level.

Have fun!

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