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<code>{{Cite arXiv}}</code>	<a href="#">arXiv</a> preprints
<code>{{Cite AV media}}</code>	audio and visual
<code>{{Cite AV media notes}}</code>	audio and visual liner notes
<code>{{Cite bioRxiv}}</code>	<a href="#">bioRxiv</a> preprints
<code>{{Cite book}}</code>	books
<code>{{Cite citeseerx}}</code>	scientific and academic papers
<code>{{Cite conference}}</code>	conference papers
<code>{{Cite encyclopedia}}</code>	edited collections
<code>{{Cite episode}}</code>	radio or television episodes
<code>{{Cite interview}}</code>	interviews
<code>{{Cite journal}}</code>	academic journals and papers
<code>{{Cite magazine}}</code>	magazines, periodicals
<code>{{Cite mailing list}}</code>	public mailing lists
<code>{{Cite map}}</code>	maps
<code>{{Cite news}}</code>	news articles
<code>{{Cite newsgroup}}</code>	online newsgroups
<code>{{Cite podcast}}</code>	podcasts
<code>{{Cite press release}}</code>	press releases
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<code>{{Cite serial}}</code>	audio or video serials
<code>{{Cite sign}}</code>	signs, plaques
<code>{{Cite speech}}</code>	speeches
<code>{{Cite ssrn}}</code>	articles with SSRN identifiers
<code>{{Cite techreport}}</code>	technical reports
<code>{{Cite thesis}}</code>	theses
<code>{{Cite web}}</code>	web sources not covered by the above

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## Usage[[edit source](#)]

Copy a blank version to use. All parameter names must be in lowercase. Use the "|" (pipe) character between each parameter. Delete unused parameters to avoid clutter in the edit window. Some samples may include the current date. If the date is not current, then [purge](#) the page.

Most commonly used parameters in horizontal format

For references with author credit

```
{{cite web |url= |title= |last= |first= |date= |website= |publisher= |access-date= |quote=}}
```

For references without author credit

```
{{cite web |url= |title= |author=<!--Not stated--> |date= |website= |publisher= |access-date= |quote=}}
```

Most commonly used parameters in vertical format

```
{{cite web
|url=
|title=
|last=
|first=
|date=
|website=
|publisher=
|access-date=
|quote=}}
```

Full parameter set in horizontal format

```
{{cite web |url= |url-access= |title= |last= |first= |author= |author-link= |last2= |first2= |author2= |author-link2= |date= |year= |orig-year= |editor-last= |editor-first= |editor= |editor-link= |editor2-last= |editor2-first= |editor2-link= |editors= |department= |website= |series= |publisher= |agency= |location= |page= |pages= |at= |language= |script-title= |trans-title= |type= |format= |arxiv= |asin= |bibcode= |doi= |doi-broken-date= |isbn= |issn= |jfm= |jstor= |lccn= |mr= |oclc= |ol= |osti= |pmc= |pmid= |rfc= |ssrn= |zbl= |id= |access-date= |url-status= |archive-url= |archive-date= |via= |quote= |ref= |postscript= |subscription= |registration=}}
```

Full parameter set in vertical format

**Vertical list**

**Prerequisites**

**Brief instructions / notes**

```

{{cite web
|url=                                required
|url-access=
|title=                              required
|last=
|first=                               last
|author-link=
|last2=                               last
|first2=                              last2
|author-link2=
|date=
|year=
|orig-year=
|editor-last=
|editor-first=                       editor-last
|editor-link=
|editor2-last=                       editor-last
|editor2-first=                      editor2-last
|editor2-link=
|department=
|website=
|series=
|publisher=
|agency=
|location=
|page=
|pages=
|at=
|language=
|script-title=
|trans-title=
|type=
|format=
|arxiv=
|asin=
|bibcode=
|doi=
|doi-broken-date=
|isbn=
|issn=
|jfm=
|jstor=
|lccn=
|mr=
|oclc=
|ol=
|osti=
|pmc=
|pmid=
|rfc=
|ssrn=
|zbl=
|id=
|access-date=                       url
|url-status=                        url
|archive-url=                        url, archive-date
|archive-date=                      archive-url
|via=
|quote=
|ref=
|postscript=
|subscription=
|registration=}}

```

- If a field name is listed in the **Prerequisites** column, it is a prerequisite for the field to the left.

## Choosing between [Template:cite web](#) and [Template:cite news](#)[edit source]

Before 2014, editors had to decide whether to use `{{cite web}}` or `{{cite news}}` based on their features. In 2014, *most of* the differences between the two templates were eliminated.

As of [29 July 2016](#), `{{cite web}}` and `{{cite news}}` have the following differences:

- `{{cite news}}` can be used for [offline](#) (paper) sources whereas `{{cite web}}` generates a missing URL error when no URL is provided
- `{{cite news}}` accepts `|issue=` and `|volume=` parameters while `{{cite web}}` does not (See [Help:Citation Style 1 § Pages](#); see also `{{cite magazine}}`.)

But given the same set of valid parameters, their output is exactly the same:

**cite web:** Silverman, Dwight (July 15, 2011). "[Microsoft envisions a universal OS, but it might not be called Windows](#)". *Houston Chronicle*. Hearst Corporation. Retrieved May 26, 2015.

**cite news:** Silverman, Dwight (July 15, 2011). "[Microsoft envisions a universal OS, but it might not be called Windows](#)". *Houston Chronicle*. Hearst Corporation. Retrieved May 26, 2015.

## Examples[edit source]

- `{{cite web |url=http://www.example.org/ |title=My Favorite Things, Part II |last=Doe |first=John |publisher=Open Publishing |date=April 30, 2005 |website=Encyclopedia of Things |access-date=June 24, 2026}}`

Doe, John (April 30, 2005). "[My Favorite Things, Part II](#)". *Encyclopedia of Things*. Open Publishing. Retrieved June 24, 2026.

- `{{cite web |url=http://www.example.org/ |title=My Favorite Things, Part II |last=Doe |first=John |date=30 April 2005 |website=Encyclopedia of Things |access-date=24 June 2026}}`

Doe, John (30 April 2005). "[My Favorite Things, Part II](#)". *Encyclopedia of Things*. Retrieved 24 June 2026.

- `{{cite web |url=http://www.example.org/ |title=My Favorite Things, Part II |last=Doe |first=John |date=2005-04-30 |access-date=2026-06-24}}`

Doe, John (2005-04-30). "[My Favorite Things, Part II](#)". Retrieved 2026-06-24.

- `{{cite web |url=http://www.example.org/ |title=My Favorite Things, Part II |last=Doe |first=John |access-date=24 June 2026}}`

Doe, John. "[My Favorite Things, Part II](#)". Retrieved 24 June 2026.

- `{{cite web |url=http://www.example.org/ |title=My Favorite Things, Part II |access-date=2026-06-24}}`

["My Favorite Things, Part II"](#). Retrieved 2026-06-24.

- `{{cite web |url=https://operations.nfl.com/the-rules/nfl-rules-digest/ |title=NFL Rules Digest |website=NFL Football Operations |publisher=[[National Football League]] |access-date=June 24, 2026}}`

["NFL Rules Digest"](#). *NFL Football Operations*. [National Football League](#). Retrieved June 24, 2026.

## Using format[[edit source](#)]

- `{{cite web |url=http://www.indiapost.gov.in/Pdf/Customs/List_of_Psychotropic_Substances.pdf |title=List of psychotropic substances under international control |publisher=International Narcotics Control Board |format=PDF |access-date=24 June 2026}}`

["List of psychotropic substances under international control"](#) (PDF). International Narcotics Control Board. Retrieved 24 June 2026.

## Foreign language and translated title[[edit source](#)]

- `{{cite web |url=http://www.example.org/ |title=Honi soit qui mal y pense |last=Joliet |first=François |date=30 April 2005 |access-date=24 June 2026 |language=French |trans-title=Shame on those who think evil of it}}`

Joliet, François (30 April 2005). ["Honi soit qui mal y pense"](#) [Shame on those who think evil of it] (in French). Retrieved 24 June 2026.

## Using author-link[[edit source](#)]

- `{{cite web |url=http://www.example.org/ |title=My Favorite Things, Part II |last=Doe |first=John |author-link=John Doe |publisher=Open Publishing |date=April 30, 2005 |website=Encyclopedia of Things |access-date=June 24, 2026}}`

[Doe, John](#) (April 30, 2005). ["My Favorite Things, Part II"](#). *Encyclopedia of Things*. Open Publishing. Retrieved June 24, 2026.

## Multiple authors[[edit source](#)]

- `{{cite web |url=http://www.example.org/ |title=Our Favourite Things |last1=Doe |first1=John |last2=Smith |first2=Peter |last3=Smythe |first3=Jim |publisher=Open Publishing |date=30 April 2005 |website=Encyclopaedia of Things |access-date=24 June 2026}}`

Doe, John; Smith, Peter; Smythe, Jim (30 April 2005). ["Our Favourite Things"](#). *Encyclopaedia of*

*Things*. Open Publishing. Retrieved 24 June 2026.

### No author[[edit source](#)]

- `{{cite web |url=http://www.example.org/ |title=Index of Sharp Things |publisher=Open Publishing |date=2005-04-30 |website=Encyclopedia of Things |access-date=2026-06-24}}`

["Index of Sharp Things"](#). *Encyclopedia of Things*. Open Publishing. 2005-04-30. Retrieved 2026-06-24.

### No author, no publisher[[edit source](#)]

- `{{cite web |url=http://www.example.org/ |title=Index of Sharp Things |date=30 April 2005 |website=Encyclopedia of Things |access-date=24 June 2026}}`

["Index of Sharp Things"](#). *Encyclopedia of Things*. 30 April 2005. Retrieved 24 June 2026.

- `{{cite web |url=http://www.example.org/ |title=Index of Sharp Things |date=April 30, 2005 |access-date=June 24, 2026}}`

["Index of Sharp Things"](#). April 30, 2005. Retrieved June 24, 2026.

- `{{cite web |url=http://www.incb.org/pdf/e/list/green.pdf |title=List of psychotropic substances under international control |date=2005-04-30 |format=PDF |access-date=2026-06-24 |language=Greek}}`

["List of psychotropic substances under international control"](#) (PDF) (in Greek). 2005-04-30. Retrieved 2026-06-24.

### Using "archive-url" and "archive-date" (and optionally "url-status") for webpages that have been archived [[edit source](#)]

By default, if "archive-url" is used, `|url-status=dead` and the main link is to the archive:

- `{{cite web |url=http://www.incb.org/pdf/e/list/green.pdf |title=List of psychotropic substances under international control |date=2005-04-30 |format=PDF |access-date=2026-06-24 |archive-url=https://web.archive.org/web/20050907150136/http://www.incb.org/pdf/e/list/green.pdf |archive-date=2005-09-07}}`

["List of psychotropic substances under international control"](#) (PDF). 2005-04-30. Archived from [the original](#) (PDF) on 2005-09-07. Retrieved 2026-06-24.

With `|url-status=live`, the main link is to the original:

- `{{cite web |url=http://joanjettbadrep.com/cgi-bin/fullStory.cgi?archive=currnews&st`

```
ory=20060405-01shore.htm |title=Interview with Maggie Downs |date=March
31, 2006 |publisher=The Desert Sun |url-status=live |archive-
url=http://72.14.207.104/search?q=cache:JAxf4v-pQmgJ:joanjettbadrep.com/
cgi-
bin/fullStory.cgi%3Farchive%3Dcurrnews%26story%3D20060405-01shore.htm
|archive-date=April 26, 2006}}
```

["Interview with Maggie Downs"](#). The Desert Sun. March 31, 2006. [Archived](#) from the original on April 26, 2006.

With `|url-status=unfit` or `<syntaxhighlight lang="text" class="" id="" style="" inline="1">usurped</syntaxhighlight>`, the original is not linked at all:

- ```
{{cite web |url=http://www.wunderground.com/global/stations/03772.html
|title=London, United Kingdom Forecast: Weather Underground (weather and
elevation at Heathrow Airport) |publisher=The Weather Underground
|access-date=24 June 2026 |url-status=unfit |archive-
url=https://www.webcitation.org/5yo0HaAk7 |archive-date=19 May 2011}}
```

["London, United Kingdom Forecast: Weather Underground \(weather and elevation at Heathrow Airport\)"](#). The Weather Underground. Archived from the original on 19 May 2011. Retrieved 24 June 2026.

## Using quote[\[edit source\]](#)

- ```
{{cite web |url=http://www.webexhibits.org/daylightsaving/c.html
|title=Daylight saving time: rationale and original idea
|website=WebExhibits |date=2008 |access-date=24 June 2026
|quote=...&nbsp;Lord Balfour came forward with a unique concern:
'Supposing some unfortunate lady was confined with twins&nbsp;...'}}}
```

["Daylight saving time: rationale and original idea"](#). *WebExhibits*. 2008. Retrieved 24 June 2026. ... *Lord Balfour came forward with a unique concern: 'Supposing some unfortunate lady was confined with twins ...'*

## Parameters[\[edit source\]](#)

### Syntax[\[edit source\]](#)

Nested parameters rely on their parent parameters:

- *parent*
- OR: *parent2*—may be used instead of *parent*
  - *child*—may be used with *parent* (and is ignored if *parent* is not used)
  - OR: *child2*—may be used instead of *child* (and is ignored if *parent2* is not used)

Where aliases are listed, only one of the parameters may be defined; if multiple aliased

parameters are defined, then only one will show.

By default, sets of fields are terminated with a period (.).

## COinS[[edit source](#)]

This template embeds [COinS](#) metadata in the HTML output, allowing [reference management software](#) to retrieve bibliographic metadata. See [Wikipedia:COinS](#). As a general rule, only one data item per parameter. Do not include explanatory or alternate text:

- use `|date=27 September 2007` not `|date=27 September 2007 (print version 25 September)`

Use of templates within the citation template is discouraged because many of these templates will add extraneous HTML or CSS that will be included raw in the metadata. Also, HTML entities, for example `&nbsp;`, `&ndash;`, etc, should not be used in parameters that contribute to the metadata. Do not include Wiki markup `'` (italic font) or `'` (bold font) because these markup characters will contaminate the metadata.

## COinS metadata is created for these parameters[[edit source](#)]

Note: This table of metadata is displayed for all Citation Style 1 templates. Not all of these parameters are supported by every CS1 template. Some of these parameters are mutually exclusive, some are aliases of another parameter, and some require other parameters to be present. Please refer to each template's documentation for a full list of supported parameters, their aliases, and their dependencies.

- `|periodical=`, `|journal=`, `|newspaper=`, `|magazine=`, `|work=`, `|website=`, `|encyclopedia=`, `|encyclopaedia=`, `|dictionary=`
- `|chapter=`, `|contribution=`, `|entry=`, `|article=`, `|section=`
- `|title=`
- `|publication-place=`, `|publicationplace=`, `|place=`, `|location=`
- `|date=`, `|year=`, `|publication-date=`, `|publicationdate=`
- `|series=`, `|version=`
- `|volume=`, `|issue=`, `|number=`
- `|page=`, `|pages=`, `|at=`
- `|edition=`
- `|publisher=`, `|distributor=`, `|institution=`
- `|url=`, `|chapter-url=`, `|chapterurl=`, `|contribution-url=`, `|contributionurl=`, `|section-url=`, `|sectionurl=`
- `|author#=`, `|author-last#=`, `|author#-last=`, `|last#=`, `|surname#=`
- `|author-first#=`, `|author#-first=`, `|first#=`, `|given#=`
- any of the named identifiers: `|isbn=`, `|issn=`, `|doi=`, `|pmc=`, etc.

## What's new[[edit source](#)]

What's new or changed recently

Parameter	New or changed param
<code> script-work=</code>	New. Name of the <code> work=</code> in its original script ( <a href="#">Chinese</a> , <a href="#">Cyrillic</a> , <a href="#">Devanagari</a> , etc.) if not a <a href="#">Latin script</a> .
<code> trans-work=</code>	New. Name of the <code> work=</code> in English, if the original is in another language.

|url-status= New. Replaces dead-url; list of values has changed. Interacts with **archive-url**. See [url-status](#).

## Deprecated[\[edit source\]](#)

{{#lst:Help:CS1 errors|deprecated\_params\_table}}

## Description[\[edit source\]](#)

### Authors[\[edit source\]](#)

- **last**: Surname of a single author. Do not wikilink—use **author-link** instead. For corporate authors or authors for whom only one name is listed by the source, use **last** or one of its aliases (e.g. |author=Bono). Aliases: **surname**, **author**, **last1**, **surname1**, **author1**.
  - **author**: this parameter is used to hold the complete name of a single author (first and last) or to hold the name of a corporate author. This parameter should never hold the names of more than one author. Do not wikilink—use **author-link** instead.
  - **first**: Given or first names of author; for example: *Firstname Middlename* or *Firstname M.* or *Firstname M., Sr.* Do not wikilink—use **author-link** instead. Aliases: **given**, **first1**, **given1**. Requires **last**; first name will not display if **last** is empty.
  - OR: for multiple authors, use **last1**, **first1** through **lastn**, **firstn**, where *n* is any consecutive number for an unlimited number of authors (each **firstn** requires a corresponding **lastn**, but not the other way around). See the [display](#) parameters to change how many authors are displayed. Aliases: **surname1**, **given1** through **surnamen**, **givenn**, or **author1** through **authorn**. For an individual author plus an institutional author, you can use |first1=...|last1=...|author2=....
  - **author-link**: Title of existing Wikipedia article about the author—not the author's website; do not wikilink. Aliases: **author-link1**, **authorlink**, **authorlink1**, **author1-link**, **author1link**.
  - OR: for multiple authors, use **author-link1** through **author-linkn**. Aliases: **authorlink1** through **authorlinkn**, or **author1-link** through **authorn-link**, or **author1link** through **authornlink**.
  - **name-list-format**: displays authors and editors in [Vancouver style](#) when set to vanc and when the list uses last/first parameters for the name list(s).
- **vauthors**: comma-separated list of author names in [Vancouver style](#); enclose corporate or institutional author names in doubled parentheses:

```
|vauthors=Smythe JB, ((Megabux Corp.))
```

- **author-link** and **author-mask** may be used for the individual names in |vauthors= as described above
- **authors**: Free-form list of author names; use of this parameter is discouraged because it does not contribute to a citation's metadata; not an alias of **last**.
- **translator-last**: Surname of translator. Do not wikilink—use **translator-link** instead. Aliases: **translator-surname**, **translator1**, **translator1-last**, **translator-last1**.
  - **translator-first**: Given or first names of translator. Do not wikilink—use **translator-link** instead. Aliases: **translator-given**, **translator1-first**, **translator-first1**.
  - OR: for multiple translators, use **translator-last1**, **translator-first1** through **translator-lastn**, **translator-firstn**, where *n* is any consecutive number for an unlimited number of translators (each **translator-firstn** requires a corresponding

**translator-last $n$** , but not the other way around). Aliases: **translator1-last**, **translator1-first** through **translatorn-last**, **translatorn-first**, or **translator1** through **translatorn**.

- **translator-link**: Title of existing Wikipedia article about the translator—not the translator's website; do not wikilink. Aliases: **translator-link1**, **translator1-link**.
- OR: for multiple translators, use **translator-link1** through **translator-link $n$** . Aliases: **translator1-link** through **translatorn-link**.
- **collaboration**: Name of a group of authors or collaborators; requires **author**, **last**, or **vauthors** listing one or more primary authors; follows author name-list; appends "et al." to author name-list.
- **others**: To record other contributors to the work, including illustrators. For the parameter value, write *Illustrated by John Smith*.
- Note: When using [shortened footnotes](#) or [parenthetical referencing](#) styles with templates, do not use multiple names in one field, or else the anchor will not match the inline link.

## Title[[edit source](#)]

(See also [Help:Citation Style 1 § Titles and chapters](#).)

- **title**: Title of source page on website. Displays in quotes. If **script-title** is defined, **title** holds a [Romanization](#) of title in **script-title**.
  - **script-title**: Original title for languages that do not use a Latin-based script (Arabic, Chinese, Cyrillic, Greek, Hebrew, Japanese, Korean, etc); follows Romanization defined in **title**. May be prefixed with an [ISO 639-1](#) two-character code to help browsers properly display the script:

```
... |title=Tōkyō tawā |script-title=ja:東京都タワー |trans-title=Tokyo Tower ...
```

- **trans-title**: English translation of the title if the source cited is in a foreign language. Displays in square brackets after **title**; **trans-title** is included in the link. Use of the **language** parameter is recommended.

Titles containing certain characters will display and link incorrectly unless those characters are encoded.

```
newline    [      ] |
space     &#91;  &#93;    &#124;
```

[{{bracket|text}}](#) [{{pipe}}](#) - see also [Help:Table § Rendering pipe itself](#)

This parameter is required and will generate an error if not defined. On errors, main, help and template pages are placed into [Category:Articles with incorrect citation syntax](#). Set `|template-doc-demo=true` to disable categorization; mainly used for documentation where the error is demonstrated.

- **website**: Title of website; may be wikilinked. Displays in italics. Aliases: **work**
- **type**: Provides additional information about the media type of the source. May alternatively be used to identify the type of manuscript linked to in the title, if this is not the final version of a

manuscript (e.g. if a preprint of a manuscript is freely available, but the version of record is behind a paywall). Format in sentence case. Displays in parentheses following the title. Examples: **Thesis**, **Booklet**, **Accepted manuscript**, **CD liner**, **Press release**. Alias: **medium**.

- **language**: A comma-separated list of the languages in which the source is written, as either the full language name or the [ISO 639](#) language code , e.g. |language=French or |language=fr, pt-br. [See the list of supported codes and names](#). Do not use templates or wikilinks. Displays in parentheses with "in" before the language name or names. When the only source language is English, no language is displayed in the citation; use of the parameter in this case is discouraged. The use of languages recognized by the citation module adds the page to the appropriate subcategory of [Category:CS1 foreign language sources](#). Aliases: **lang**

## Date[[edit source](#)]

- **date**: Date of source being referenced. Can be full date (day, month, and year) or partial date (month and year, season and year, or year). Use same format as other publication dates in the citations.<sup>[[date 1](#)]</sup> Required when **year** is used to disambiguate [{{sfn}}](#) links to multiple-work citations by the same author in the same year.<sup>[[more](#)]</sup> Do not wikilink. Displays after the authors and is enclosed in parentheses. If there is no author, then displays after publisher. For acceptable date formats, see [Help:Citation Style 1 § Dates](#).

For approximate year, precede with "c. ", like this: |date=c. 1900.

For no date, or "undated", use |date=n.d.

Automatic date formatting: [Citation Style 1](#) and [2](#) templates, including this template, automatically render dates in date parameters (|date=, |access-date=, |archive-date=, etc.) in the style specified by the article's [{{use dmy dates}}](#) or [{{use mdy dates}}](#) template. See those templates' documentation for details.

- **year**: Year of source being referenced. Use of |date= is recommended unless *all* of the following conditions are met:
  1. The |date= format is YYYY-MM-DD.
  2. The citation requires a [CITEREF disambiguator](#).
  3. The template uses |ref=harv or |mode=cs2, or the template is [{{citation}}](#).
- **orig-year**: Original publication year; displays in square brackets after the **date** (or **year**). For clarity, please supply specifics. For example: |orig-year=First published 1859 or |orig-year=Composed 1904. Alias: **origyear**
- **df**: date format; sets rendered dates to the specified format; does not support date ranges or seasonal dates; overrides the automatic date formatting described above. Accepts one value which may be one of these:

dmy - set publication dates to day month year format; access- and archive-dates are not modified;

mdy - as above for month day, year format

ymd - as above for year initial numeric format YYYY-MM-DD

dmy-all - set publication, access-, and archive-dates to day month year format;

mdy-all - as above for month day, year format

ymd-all - as above for year initial numeric format YYYY-MM-DD

1. [↑](#) Publication dates in references within an article should all have the same format. This may be a different format from that used for archive and access dates. See [MOS:DATEUNIFY](#).

## Website[\[edit source\]](#)

- **work** (required by [{{cite journal}}](#) and [{{cite magazine}}](#)): Name of the work containing the source; may be wikilinked if relevant. Displays in italics. Aliases: **journal**, **newspaper**, **magazine**, **periodical**, **website**. Use [Latin script](#). For languages written in non-Latin based scripts (Arabic, Chinese, Cyrillic, Greek, Hebrew, Indic, Japanese, Korean, etc.) use a standard [Romanization](#) in this field.
  - **script-work**: Work title in its original, non-Latin script; not italicized, follows italicized Romanization defined in **work**. Must be prefixed with an [ISO 639-1](#) two-character code to help browsers properly display the script. Leave empty for Latin-based scripts (Czech, French, Turkish, Vietnamese, etc.). Aliases: **script-journal**, **script-newspaper**, **script-magazine**, **script-periodical**, **script-website**.
  - **trans-work**: English translation of the work title if the source cited is in a foreign language. Displays in square brackets after **work** or **script-work**. Aliases: **trans-journal**, **trans-newspaper**, **trans-magazine**, **trans-periodical**, **trans-website**.

When set, **work** changes the formatting of other parameters in the same citation:

**title** is not italicized and is enclosed in quotes.

**chapter** does not display (and will produce an error message).

## Publisher[\[edit source\]](#)

- **publisher**: Name of publisher; may be wikilinked if relevant. The [publisher](#) is the *company* that publishes the work being cited. Do *not* use the **publisher** parameter for the name of a work (e.g. a website, book, encyclopedia, newspaper, magazine, journal, etc.). Corporate designations such as "Ltd", "Inc.", or "GmbH" are not usually included. Not normally used for periodicals. Omit where the publisher's name is substantially the same as the name of the work (for example, The New York Times Co. publishes *The New York Times* newspaper, so there is no reason to name the publisher). Displays after **title**.
- **place**: For news stories with a [dateline](#), that is, the location where the story was written. In earlier versions of the template this was the publication place, and for compatibility, will be treated as the publication place if the publication-place parameter is absent; see that parameter for further information. Alias: **location**
- **publication-place**: Geographical place of publication; generally not wikilinked; omit when the name of the work includes the publication place; examples: *The Boston Globe*, *The Times of India*. Displays after the title. If only one of **publication-place**, **place**, or **location** is defined, it will be treated as the publication place and will show after the title; if **publication-place** and **place** or **location** are defined, then **place** or **location** is shown before the title prefixed with "written at" and **publication-place** is shown after the title.
- **publication-date**: Date of publication when different from the date the work was written. Displays only if **year** or **date** are defined and only if different, else **publication-date** is used

and displayed as **date**. Use the same format as other dates in the article; do not wikilink. Follows **publisher**; if **work** is not defined, then **publication-date** is preceded by "published" and enclosed in parenthesis.

- **via**: Name of the content deliverer (if *different* from **publisher**). **via** is not a replacement for **publisher**, but provides additional detail. It may be used when the content deliverer presents the source in a format other than the original (e.g. [NewsBank](#)), when the URL provided does not make clear the identity of the deliverer, where no URL or DOI is available (EBSCO), or if the deliverer requests attribution. See the [access level](#) parameters to display access restrictions.
- **agency**: The [news agency](#) (wire service) that provided the content (if *different* from the **work** and **publisher**); examples: [Associated Press](#), [Reuters](#), [Agence France-Presse](#). May be wikilinked if relevant.

### Series[[edit source](#)]

- **series** or **version**: When the source is part of a series, such as a book series or a journal where the issue numbering has restarted.

### In-source locations[[edit source](#)]

- **page**: The number of a single page in the source that supports the content. Use either `|page=` or `|pages=`, but not both. Displays preceded by `<syntaxhighlight lang="text" class="" id="" style="" inline="1">p.</syntaxhighlight>` unless `|nopp=y`. If hyphenated, use `{{hyphen}}` to indicate this is intentional (e.g. `|page=3{{hyphen}}12`), otherwise several editors and semi-automated tools will assume this was a misuse of the parameter to indicate a page range and will convert `|page=3-12` to `|pages=3{{ndash}}12`.
- OR: **pages**: A range of pages in the source that supports the content. Use either `|page=` or `|pages=`, but not both. Separate using an en dash (-); separate non-sequential pages with a comma (,); do not use to indicate the total number of pages in the source. Displays preceded by `<syntaxhighlight lang="text" class="" id="" style="" inline="1">pp.</syntaxhighlight>` unless `|nopp=y`.

Hyphens are automatically converted to en dashes; if hyphens are appropriate because individual page numbers contain hyphens, for example: pp. 3-1-3-15, use double parentheses to tell the template to display the value of `|pages=` without processing it, and use `{{hyphen}}` to indicate to editors that a hyphen is really intended:  
`|pages=( (3{{hyphen}}1{{ndash}}3{{hyphen}}15) )`. Alternatively, use `|at=`, like this:  
`|at=pp. 3-1&ndash;3-15`.

  - **nopp**: Set to *y*, *yes*, or *true* to suppress the `<syntaxhighlight lang="text" class="" id="" style="" inline="1">p.</syntaxhighlight>` or `<syntaxhighlight lang="text" class="" id="" style="" inline="1">pp.</syntaxhighlight>` notations where this is inappropriate; for example, where `|page=Front cover` or `|pages=passim`.
- OR: **at**: For sources where a page number is inappropriate or insufficient. Overridden by `|page=` or `|pages=`. Use only one of `|page=`, `|pages=`, or `|at=`.

Examples: page (p.) or pages (pp.); section (sec.), column (col.), paragraph (para.); track; hours, minutes and seconds; act, scene, canto, book, part, folio, stanza, back cover, liner notes, indicia, colophon, dust jacket, verse.

## URL[[edit source](#)]

- **url**: URL of an online location where the text of the publication named by **title** can be found. Cannot be used if **title** is wikilinked. If applicable, the link may point to the specific page(s) referenced. Remove tracking parameters from URLs, e.g. #ixzz2rBr3a094 or ?utm\_source=google&utm\_medium=...&utm\_term=...&utm\_campaign=... For linking to pages in PDF files or in Google Books, see [WP:PAGELINKS](#). Do not link to any commercial booksellers, such as Amazon.com; use |ISBN= or |OCLC= to provide neutral search links for books. Invalid URLs, including those containing spaces, will result in an error message.
  - **access-date**: Full date when the content pointed to by **url** was last verified to support the text in the article; do not wikilink; requires **url**; use the same format as other access and archive dates in the citations.<sup>[[date 1](#)]</sup> *Not required for linked documents that do not change*. For example, **access-date** is required for online sources, such as personal websites, that do not have a publication date; see [WP:CITWEB](#). Access dates are not required for links to published research papers, published books, or news articles with publication dates. Note that **access-date** is the date that the URL was found to be working and to support the text being cited. See "[Automatic date formatting](#)" above for details about interaction with {{[use dmy dates](#)}} and {{[use mdy dates](#)}}. Can be [hidden or styled](#) by registered editors. Alias: **accessdate**.
  - **archive-url**: The URL of an [archived](#) snapshot of a web page. Typically used to refer to services such as [Internet Archive](#) (see [Wikipedia:Using the Wayback Machine](#)), [WebCite](#) (see [Wikipedia:Using WebCite](#)) and [archive.is](#) (see [Wikipedia:Using archive.is](#)); requires **archive-date** and **url**. By default (overridden by |url-status=live) the archived link is displayed first, with the original link at the end. Alias: **archiveurl**.
    - **archive-date**: Archive-service snapshot-date; preceded in display by default text "archived from the original on". Use the same format as other access and archive dates in the citations. This does not necessarily have to be the same format that was used for citing publication dates.<sup>[[date 1](#)]</sup> Do not wikilink; templated dates are discouraged. See "[Automatic date formatting](#)" above for details about interaction with {{[use dmy dates](#)}} and {{[use mdy dates](#)}}. Alias: **archivedate**.
    - **url-status**: this optional parameter is ignored if **archive-url** is not set. If omitted, or with null value, the default value is |url-status=dead. When the URL is still live, but pre-emptively archived, then set |url-status=live; this changes the display order, with the title retaining the original link and the archive linked at the end. When the original URL has been usurped for the purposes of spam, advertising, or is otherwise unsuitable, setting |url-status=unfit or |url-status=usurped suppresses display of the original URL (but |url= and |archive-url= are still required).
  - **template-doc-demo**: The archive parameters will be error-checked to ensure that all the required parameters are included, or else {{[citation error](#)}} is invoked. With errors, main, help and template pages are placed into one of the subcategories of [Category:Articles with incorrect citation syntax](#). Set |template-doc-demo=true to disable categorization; mainly used for documentation where the error is demonstrated. Alias: **no-cat**.
- **format**: Format of the work referred to by **url**; for example: PDF, DOC, or XLS; displayed in parentheses after **title**. (For media format, use **type**.) HTML is implied and should not be specified. Automatically added when a PDF icon is displayed. Does not change the [external link icon](#). Note: External link icons do not include [alt text](#); thus, they do not add format information for the visually impaired.

URLs must begin with a supported [URI scheme](#). http:// and https:// will be supported by all

browsers; however, `ftp://`, `gopher://`, `irc://`, `ircs://`, `mailto:` and `news:` may require a plug-in or an external application and should normally be avoided. [IPv6](#) host-names are currently not supported.

If URLs in [citation template parameters](#) contain certain characters, then they will not display and link correctly. Those characters need to be [percent-encoded](#). For example, a space must be replaced by `%20`. To encode the URL, replace the following characters with:

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%20 %22 %27 %3c %3e %5b %5d %7b %7c %7d
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Single apostrophes do not need to be encoded; however, unencoded multiples will be parsed as italic or bold markup. Single curly closing braces also do not need to be encoded; however, an unencoded pair will be parsed as the double closing braces for the template transclusion.

- ↑ <sup>[1.0](#)</sup> <sup>[1.1](#)</sup> Access-date and archive-date in references should all have the same format - either the format used for publication dates, or YYYY-MM-DD. See [MOS:DATEUNIFY](#).

### Anchor[\[edit source\]](#)

- **ref**: the citation's HTML anchor identifier. When set, `|ref=ID` generates an anchor with the given *ID* (the `id` attribute in the citation's `<cite id="ID">` HTML tag). Setting `|ref=ID` identifies the template as a target and allows [wikilinking to full references](#), especially useful with short-form citations like [shortened notes](#) and [parenthetical referencing](#). The special value `|ref=harv` generates an anchor identifier suitable for use with `{{sfn}}` and `{{harv}}` templates. For `|mode=cs2` `|ref=` defaults to `|ref=harv`. See [Template:Citation/doc § Anchors for Harvard referencing templates](#).

### Identifiers[\[edit source\]](#)

- **id**: A [unique identifier](#), used where none of the specialized identifiers are applicable; wikilink or use a template as applicable. For example, `|id=NCJ 122967` will append "NCJ 122967" at the end of the citation. You can use templates such as `|id={{NCJ|122967}}` to append [NCJ 122967](#) instead.

These identifiers create links and are designed to accept a single value. Using multiple values or other text will break the link and/or invalidate the identifier. In general, the parameters should include only the variable part of the identifier, e.g. `rfc=822` or `pmc=345678`.

When an URL is equivalent to the link produced by the corresponding identifier (such as a [DOI](#)), don't add it to any URL parameter but use the appropriate identifier parameter, which is more stable and may allow to specify the [access status](#). The `|url=` parameter or `title link` can then be used for its prime purpose of providing a [convenience link](#) to an [open access](#) copy which would not otherwise be obviously accessible.

- **arxiv**: [arXiv identifier](#); for example: `arxiv=hep-th/9205027` (before April 2007) or `arxiv=0706.0001` (April 2007 - December 2014) or `arxiv=1501.00001` (since January 2015). Do not include extraneous file extensions like ".pdf" or ".html".
- **asin**: [Amazon Standard Identification Number](#); if first character of **asin** value is a digit, use **isbn**. Because this link favours one specific distributor, include it only if standard identifiers are not available. Example `asin=B00005N5PF`

- **asin-tld**: ASIN top-level domain for Amazon sites other than the US; valid values: au, br, ca, cn, co.jp, co.uk, de, es, fr, it, mx
- **bibcode**: [bibcode](#); used by a number of astronomical data systems; for example: 1974AJ.....79..819H. *Comment*: Techies are aware of the 2019 switch from old to new ADS URLs: the old URLs should continue working after October 2019 even though deprecated; see the [April/May 2019](#) and [June 2019](#) discussions.
- **biorxiv**: [bioRxiv](#) id, a 6-digit number at the end of the biorXiv URL (e.g. 078733 for <http://biorxiv.org/content/early/2016/10/01/078733> or <https://dx.doi.org/10.1101/078733>)
- **citeseerx**: [CiteSeerX](#) id, a string of digits and dots found in a CiteSeerX URL (e.g. 10.1.1.176.341 for <http://citeseerx.ist.psu.edu/viewdoc/summary?doi=10.1.1.176.341> )
- **doi**: [Digital object identifier](#); for example: 10.1038/news070508-7. It is checked to ensure it begins with (`<syntaxhighlight lang="text" class="" id="" style="" inline="1">10.</syntaxhighlight>`).
  - **doi-broken-date**: Date the DOI was found to be non-working at <https://dx.doi.org>. Use the same format as other dates in the article. Alias: **doi-inactive-date**
- **eissn**: [International Standard Serial Number](#) for the electronic media of a serial publication; eight characters may be split into two groups of four using a [hyphen](#), but not an [en dash](#) or a space; example `eissn=1557-2986` Alias: **EISSN**
- **hdl**: [Handle System](#) identifier for digital objects and other resources on the Internet; example `hdl=20.1000/100` Alias: **HDL**
- **isbn**: [International Standard Book Number](#); for example: 978-0-8126-9593-9. (See [Wikipedia:ISBN](#) and [ISBN § Overview](#).) Hyphens in the ISBN are optional, but preferred. Use the ISBN actually printed on or in the book. Use the 13-digit ISBN – beginning with 978 or 979 – when it is available. If only a 10-digit ISBN is printed on or in the book, use it. ISBNs can be found on the page with the publisher's information – usually the back of the title page – or beneath the barcode as a number beginning with 978 or 979 (barcodes beginning with any other numbers are not ISBNs). For sources with the older 9-digit SBN system, prefix the number with a zero; thus, *SBN 902888-45-5* should be entered as `| isbn=0-902888-45-5`. Do not convert a 10-digit ISBN to 13-digit by just adding the 978 prefix; the last digit is a calculated check digit and just making changes to the numbers will make the ISBN invalid. This parameter should hold only the ISBN without *any* additional characters. It is checked for length, invalid characters – anything other than numbers, spaces, and hyphens, with "X" permitted as the last character in a 10-digit ISBN – and the proper check digit. Alias: **ISBN**
- **ismn**: [International Standard Music Number](#); for example: 979-0-9016791-7-7. [Hyphens](#) or spaces in the ISMN are optional. Use the ISMN actually printed on or in the work. This parameter should hold only the ISMN without *any* additional characters. It is checked for length, invalid characters – anything other than numbers, spaces, and hyphens – and the proper check digit. Alias: **ISMN**
- **issn**: [International Standard Serial Number](#); eight characters may be split into two groups of four using a [hyphen](#), but not an [en dash](#) or a space; example `issn=2049-3630` Alias: **ISSN**
- **jfm**: [Jahrbuch über die Fortschritte der Mathematik](#); example `jfm=53.0144.01`
- **jstor**: [JSTOR](#) reference number; for example: `jstor=3793107` will generate [JSTOR 3793107](#).
- **lccn**: [Library of Congress Control Number](#). When present, alphabetic prefix characters are to be lower case; example `lccn=2004042477`
- **mr**: [Mathematical Reviews](#); example `mr=630583`
- **oclc**: [OCLC](#); WorldCat's Online Computer Library Center; example `oclc=9355469`
- **ol**: [Open Library](#) identifier; do not include "OL" in the value; example `ol=7030731M`
- **osti**: [Office of Scientific and Technical Information](#); example `osti=4367507`
- **pmc**: [PubMed Central](#); use article number for [open repository](#) full-text of a journal article, e.g. `pmc=345678`. Do not include "PMC" in the value. See also the **pmid** parameter, below; these are two different identifiers.

- **embargo**: Date that **pmc** goes live; if this date is in the future, then **pmc** is not linked until that date.
- **pmid**: [PubMed](#); use unique identifier; example `pmid=17322060` See also the **pmc** parameter, above; these are two different identifiers.
- **rfc**: [Request for Comments](#); example `rfc=3143`
- **ssrn**: [Social Science Research Network](#); example `ssrn=1900856`
- **zbl**: [Zentralblatt MATH](#); example `zbl=0472.53010` For zbMATH search results like JFM 35.0387.02 use `jfm=35.0387.02`

### Quote[[edit source](#)]

- **quote**: Relevant text quoted from the source. Displays enclosed in quotes. When supplied, the citation terminator (a period by default) is suppressed, so the quote must include terminating punctuation.

### Editors[[edit source](#)]

- **editor-last**: surname of editor. Do not wikilink—use **editor-link** instead. Where the surname is usually written first—as in Chinese—or for corporate authors, simply use **editor-last** to include the same format as the source. Aliases: **editor-last1**, **editor1-last**, **editor-surname**, **editor-surname1**, **editor1-surname**, **editor**, **editor1**.
    - **editor**: This parameter is used to hold the complete name of a single editor (first and last), or the name of an editorial committee. This parameter should never hold the names of more than one editor.
    - **editor-first**: given or first names of editor, including title(s); example: *Firstname Middlename* or *Firstname M.* or *Dr. Firstname M., Sr.* Do not wikilink—use **editor-link** instead. Aliases: **editor-first1**, **editor1-first**, **editor-given**, **editor-given1**, **editor1-given**.
    - OR: for multiple editors, use **editor-last1**, **editor-first1** through **editor-lastn**, **editor-firstn** (Aliases: **editorn-last**, **editor-surnamen** or **editorn-surname**; **editorn-first**, **editor-givenn** or **editorn-given**; **editorn**). For an individual editor plus an institutional editor, you can use `|editor-first1=...|editor-last1=...|editor2=...`
  - **editor-link**: title of existing Wikipedia article about the editor—not the editor's website; do not wikilink. Aliases: **editor-link1**.
  - OR: for multiple editors, use **editor-link1** through **editor-linkn** (alias **editorn-link**).
  - **name-list-format**: displays authors and editors in [Vancouver style](#) when set to `vanc` and when the list uses `last/first` parameters for the name list(s)
- **veditors**: comma separated list of editor names in [Vancouver style](#); enclose corporate or institutional names in doubled parentheses:

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|veditors=Smythe JB, ((Megabux Corp.))
```

- **editor-linkn** and **editor-maskn** may be used for the individual names in `|veditors=`, as described above
- **editors**: free-form list of editor names; use of this parameter is discouraged; not an alias of

## editor-last

Display:

Use **display-editors** to control the length of the displayed editor name list and to specify when "et al." is included.

If authors: Authors are first, followed by the included work, then "In" and the editors, then the main work.

If no authors: Editors appear before the included work; a single editor is followed by "ed."; multiple editors are followed by "eds."

## Laysummary[[edit source](#)]

- **lay-url**: URL link to a non-technical summary or review of the source; the URL title is set to "Lay summary". Aliases: **lay-summary** (deprecated), **laysummary** (deprecated).
  - **lay-source**: Name of the source of the laysummary. Displays in italics and preceded by an endash. Alias: **laysource**.
  - **lay-date**: Date of the summary. Displays in parentheses. Alias: **laydate**.

## Display options[[edit source](#)]

- **mode**: Sets element separator, default terminal punctuation, and certain capitalization according to the value provided. For `|mode=cs1`, element separator and terminal punctuation is a period (.); where appropriate, initial letters of certain words are capitalized ('Retrieved...'). For `|mode=cs2`, element separator is a comma (,); terminal punctuation is omitted; where appropriate, initial letters of certain words are not capitalized ('retrieved...'). To override default terminal punctuation use **postscript**.
- **author-mask**: Replaces the name of the first author with [em dashes](#) or text. Set **author-mask** to a numeric value *n* to set the dash *n* em spaces wide; set **author-mask** to a text value to display the text without a trailing author separator; for example, "with". You must still include the values for all authors for metadata purposes. Primarily intended for use with bibliographies or bibliography styles where multiple works by a single author are listed sequentially such as [shortened footnotes](#). Do not use in a list generated by `{{reflist}}`, `<references />` or similar as there is no control of the order in which references are displayed. You can also use **editor-mask** and **translator-mask** in the same way. Mask parameters can take a number in the name of the parameter (e.g. `|authorn-mask=`) to specify which author the mask should apply to.
- **display-authors**: Controls the number of author names that are displayed when a citation is published. To change the displayed number of authors, set **display-authors** to the desired number. For example, `|display-authors=2` will display only the first two authors in a citation. By default, all authors are displayed. `|display-authors=etal` displays all authors in the list followed by et al. Aliases: **displayauthors**.
- **display-editors**: Controls the number of editor names that are displayed when a citation is published. To change the displayed number of editors, set **display-editors** to the desired number. For example, `|display-editors=2` will display only the first two editors in a citation. By default, all editors are displayed. `|display-editors=etal` displays all editors in the list followed by et al. Aliases: **displayeditors**.
- **last-author-amp**: Switches the separator between the last two names of the author list to space ampersand space ( & ) when set to `y`, `yes`, or `true`. Example: `|last-author-`

amp=yes

- **postscript**: Controls the closing punctuation for a citation; defaults to a period ( . ); for no terminating punctuation, specify `|postscript=none` - leaving `|postscript=` empty is the same as omitting it, but is ambiguous. Additional text or templates beyond the terminating punctuation may generate an error message. `|postscript=` is ignored if **quote** is defined.

## Subscription or registration required[[edit source](#)]

Citations of online sources that require registration or a subscription are acceptable in Wikipedia as documented in [Verifiability § Access to sources](#). As a courtesy to readers and other editors, editors should signal the access restrictions of the external links included in a citation. *Nota bene*: access icons do not display correctly for editors who use Modern skin.

Tracked in [Phabricator](#)  
[Task T225430](#)

Four access levels can be used:

- [access indicator for named identifiers](#):
  - [Freely accessible](#) **free**: the source is free to read for anyone
- [access indicators for url-holding parameters](#):
  - [Free registration required](#) **registration**: a free registration is required to access the source
  - [Free access subject to limited trial, subscription normally required](#) **limited**: there are other constraints (such as a cap on daily views) to freely access this source
  - [Paid subscription required](#) **subscription**: the source is only accessible via a paid subscription ("[paywall](#)")

As there are often multiple external links with different access levels in the same citation, these values are attributed to a particular external link.

## Access indicators for url-holding parameters[[edit source](#)]

Sources linked by `|url=`, `|chapter-url=`, `|entry-url=`, `|article-url=`, and `|section-url=` are presumed to be free-to-read. When they are not free-to-read, editors should mark those sources with the matching access-indicator parameter so that an appropriate icon is included in the rendered citation. Because the sources linked by these url-holding parameters are presumed to be free-to-read, they may not be marked as free.

### url-holding and access-indicator parameters

url	access	allowed keywords
<code> url=</code>	<code> url-access=</code>	registration <a href="#">Free registration required</a>
<code> article-url=</code>	<code> article-url-access=</code>	limited <a href="#">Free access subject to limited trial</a>
<code> chapter-url=</code>	<code> chapter-url-access=</code>	<a href="#">subscription normally required</a>
<code> contribution-url=</code>	<code> chapter-url-access=</code>	<a href="#">subscription</a> <a href="#">Paid subscription required</a>
<code> entry-url=</code>	<code> entry-url-access=</code>	
<code> section-url=</code>	<code> section-url-access=</code>	

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## Access indicator for named identifiers[\[edit source\]](#)

Links inserted by named identifiers are presumed to lie behind a paywall or registration barrier – exceptions listed below. When they are free-to-read, editors should mark those sources with the matching access-indicator parameter so that an appropriate icon is included in the rendered citation. Because the sources linked by these named-identifier parameters are not presumed to be free-to-read, they may not be marked as limited, registration, or subscription.

named-identifier and access-indicator parameters

identifier	access	allowed keywords
bibcode=	bibcode-access=	
doi=	doi-access=	
hdl=	hdl-access= <a href="#">File:Dagger-14-plain.png</a>	free <a href="#">Freely accessible</a>
jstor=	jstor-access=	
ol=	ol-access=	
osti=	osti-access=	

Some named-identifiers are always free-to-read. For those named-identifiers there are no access-indicator parameters, the access level is automatically indicated by the template. These named identifiers are:

- |arxiv=
- |biorxiv=
- |citeseerx=
- |pmc=
- |rfc=
- |ssrn=

## Ambiguous access parameters[\[edit source\]](#)

The parameters |registration=yes and |subscription=yes can also be used to indicate the access level of a citation. However, they do not indicate which link they apply to, so editors are encouraged to use |url-access=registration and |url-access=subscription instead, when the restriction applies to |url=. If the restriction applies to an identifier, these parameters should be omitted.

These parameters add a link note to the end of the citation:

- **registration**: (deprecated) For online sources that require registration, set |registration=yes (or y, or true); yields to **subscription** if both are set. Use the appropriate [access-indicator parameter](#)
- **subscription**: (deprecated) For online sources that require a subscription, set |subscription=yes (or y, or true); supersedes **registration** if both are set. Use the appropriate [access-indicator parameter](#)

Setting |registration= or |subscription= to any value other than y, yes, or true will generate an error message.

## TemplateData[[edit source](#)]

This section contains configuration data used by editing tools and automated bots.

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This is the [TemplateData](#) for this template used by [TemplateWizard](#), [VisualEditor](#) and other tools. [Click here](#) to see a monthly parameter usage report for this template based on this TemplateData.

### TemplateData for Cite web

Formats a citation to a website using the provided information such as URL and title. Used only for sources that are not correctly described by the specific citation templates for books, journals, news sources, etc.

#### Template parameters

This template prefers inline formatting of parameters.

	<b>Parameter</b>	<b>Description</b>	<b>Type</b>	<b>Status</b>
<b>URL</b>	<code>url</code> <code>URL</code>	The URL of the online location where the text of the publication can be found. Requires schemes of the type "http://..." or maybe even the protocol relative scheme "//..." Example <code>https://www.metacritic.com//...</code>	String	required
<b>Title</b>	<code>title</code>	The title of the source page on the website; will display with quotation marks added. Usually found at the top of your web browser. Not the name of the website.	String	required
<b>Last name</b>	<code>last</code> <code>last1</code> <code>author</code> <code>author1</code> <code>author1-last</code> <code>author-last</code> <code>surname1</code> <code>author-last1</code> <code>subject1</code> <code>surname</code> <code>author-last</code> <code>subject</code>	The surname of the author; don't wikilink, use 'authorlink'; can suffix with a numeral to add additional authors	Line	suggested
<b>First name</b>	<code>first</code> <code>given</code> <code>author-first</code> <code>first1</code> <code>given1</code> <code>author-first1</code> <code>author1-first</code>	Given or first name, middle names, or initials of the author; don't wikilink, use 'authorlink'; can suffix with a numeral to add additional authors	Line	suggested
<b>Author link</b>	<code>authorlink</code> <code>author-link</code> <code>subjectlink</code> <code>subject-link</code> <code>link</code> <code>authorlink1</code> <code>author-link1</code> <code>author1-link</code> <code>subjectlink1</code> <code>authorllink</code> <code>subject-link1</code> <code>subject1-link</code> <code>subjectllink</code>	Title of existing Wikipedia article about the author; can suffix with a numeral to add additional authors	Page	optional

	<b>Parameter</b>	<b>Description</b>	<b>Type</b>	<b>Status</b>
<b>Authors list</b>	authors people host credits	List of authors as a free form list. Use of this parameter is discouraged, "lastn" to "firstn" are preferable. Warning: do not use if last or any of its aliases are used.	String	optional
<b>Last name 2</b>	last2 author2	The surname of the second author; don't wikilink, use 'authorlink2'.	Line	optional
<b>First name 2</b>	first2	Given or first name, middle names, or initials of the second author; don't wikilink.	Line	optional
<b>Author link 2</b>	authorlink2 author2-link	Title of existing Wikipedia article about the second author.	Page	optional
<b>Source date</b>	date	Full date when the source was published; if unknown, use access-date instead; do not wikilink	Date	suggested
<b>Year of publication</b>	year	Year of the source being referenced; deprecated in favor of 'date', except for the special case of ISO dates with CITEREF in CS2 or Harvard citations	String	optional
<b>Editor last name</b>	editor-last editor1-last editor editors	The surname of the editor; don't wikilink, use 'editor-link'; can suffix with a numeral to add additional editors.	Line	optional
<b>Editor first name</b>	editor-first editor1-first	Given or first name, middle names, or initials of the editor; don't wikilink, use 'editor-link'; can suffix with a numeral to add additional editors; alias of 'editor1-first'	Line	optional
<b>Editor link</b>	editor-link editor1-link	Title of existing Wikipedia article about the editor; can suffix with a numeral to add additional editors	Page	optional
<b>Editor last name 2</b>	editor2-last editor2	The surname of the second editor; don't wikilink, use 'editor2-link'.	Line	optional
<b>Editor first name 2</b>	editor2-first	Given or first name, middle names, or initials of the second editor; don't wikilink.	Line	optional
<b>Editor link 2</b>	editor2-link editor2link editorlink2	Title of existing Wikipedia article about the second editor.	Page	optional
<b>Name of the website</b>	website work	Title (name) of the website (or its short URL if no plain-language title is discernible); may be wikilinked; will display in italics. Having both 'publisher' and 'website' is redundant in many cases. Example Rotten Tomatoes	String	suggested
<b>Series identifier</b>	series	Series identifier when the source is part of a series, such as a book series or a journal	String	optional

	<b>Parameter</b>	<b>Description</b>	<b>Type</b>	<b>Status</b>
<b>Publisher</b>	publisher	Name of the publisher; may be wikilinked. Having both 'publisher' and 'website' (a.k.a. 'work') is redundant in many cases. Example "CBS Interactive", which owns "Metacritic.com"	String	optional
<b>Location of publication</b>	location	Geographical place of publication; usually not wikilinked; omit when the publication name includes place; alias of 'place'	String	optional
<b>Page</b>	page	Page in the source that supports the content; displays after 'p.'	String	optional
<b>Pages</b>	pages	Pages in the source that support the content (not an indication of the number of pages in the source); displays after 'pp.'	String	optional
<b>At</b>	at	May be used instead of 'page' or 'pages' where a page number is inappropriate or insufficient	String	optional
<b>Language</b>	language lang	The language in which the source is written, if not English; use the full language name or one of the standard MediaWiki language codes; do not use icons or templates; separate multiple languages with commas (with no 'and' before the last one) Example de, fr, es	String	optional
<b>Script title</b>	script-title	For titles in languages that do not use a Latin-based alphabet (Arabic, Chinese, Cyrillic, Greek, Hebrew, Japanese, Korean, Vietnamese, etc). Prefix with two-character ISO639-1 language code followed by a colon. For Japanese use:  script-title=ja:...	String	optional
<b>Translated title</b>	trans-title trans_title	An English language title, if the source cited is in a foreign language; 'language' is recommended	String	optional
<b>Type</b>	type	Additional information about the media type of the source; format in sentence case	String	optional
<b>Format</b>	format	Format of the work referred to by 'url'; examples: PDF, DOC, XLS; do not specify HTML	String	optional

	<b>Parameter</b>	<b>Description</b>	<b>Type</b>	<b>Status</b>
<b>Others</b>	others	Used to record other (non-author) contributions to the work, such as 'Illustrated by John Smith' or 'Translated by John Smith'. Only one "others" parameter is allowed: e.g., 'Illustrated by Jane Doe; Translated by John Smith'	String	optional
<b>Original year</b>	orig-year origyear	Original year of publication; provide specifics	String	optional
<b>Place of publication</b>	publication-place	Publication place shows after title; if 'place' or 'location' are also given, they are displayed before the title prefixed with 'written at'	String	optional
<b>Publication date</b>	publication-date	Date of publication when different from the date the work was written; do not wikilink	String	optional
<b>Published via</b>	via	Name of the entity hosting the original copy of the work, if different from the publisher. This entity is committed not to alter the work. GitHub, SourceForge, CodePlex, YouTube, Vimeo, Dailymotion and Netflix are examples of service dedicated to acting on behalf of the publisher, but Archive.org, Wikimedia Commons and grc.com have done this on certain occasions. Example "GitHub", which hosts "Visual Studio Code" on behalf of "Microsoft"	String	optional
<b>No pp</b>	nopp	Set to 'y' to suppress the 'p.' or 'pp.' display with 'page' or 'pages' when inappropriate (such as 'Front cover')	String	optional
<b>arXiv identifier</b>	arxiv	An identifier for arXive electronic preprints of scientific papers	String	optional
<b>ASIN</b>	asin	Amazon Standard Identification Number; 10 characters	String	optional
<b>ASIN TLD</b>	asin-tld	ASIN top-level domain for Amazon sites other than the US	String	optional
<b>Bibcode</b>	bibcode	Bibliographic Reference Code (REFCODE); 19 characters	String	optional
<b> biorXiv</b>	biorxiv	biorXiv identifier; 6 digits	Line	optional
<b>CiteSeerX</b>	citeseerx	CiteSeerX identifier; found after the 'doi=' query parameter	Line	optional
<b>DOI</b>	doi	Digital Object Identifier; begins with '10.'	String	optional
<b>DOI broken date</b>	doi-broken-date	The date that the DOI was determined to be broken	String	optional

	<b>Parameter</b>	<b>Description</b>	<b>Type</b>	<b>Status</b>
<b>ISBN</b>	isbn	International Standard Book Number; use the 13-digit ISBN where possible	String	optional
<b>ISSN</b>	issn	International Standard Serial Number; 8 characters; may be split into two groups of four using a hyphen	String	optional
<b>jfm code</b>	jfm	Jahrbuch über die Fortschritte der Mathematik classification code	String	optional
<b>JSTOR</b>	jstor	JSTOR identifier	String	optional
<b>LCCN</b>	lccn	Library of Congress Control Number	String	optional
<b>MR</b>	mr	Mathematical Reviews identifier	String	optional
<b>OCLC</b>	oclc	Online Computer Library Center number	String	optional
<b>OL</b>	ol	Open Library identifier	String	optional
<b>OSTI</b>	osti	Office of Scientific and Technical Information identifier	String	optional
<b>PMC</b>	pmc	PubMed Center article number	String	optional
<b>PMID</b>	pmid	PubMed Unique Identifier	String	optional
<b>RFC</b>	rfc	Request for Comments number	String	optional
<b>SSRN</b>	ssrn	Social Science Research Network	String	optional
<b>Zbl</b>	zbl	Zentralblatt MATH journal identifier	String	optional
<b>id</b>	id	A unique identifier used where none of the specialized ones are applicable	String	optional
<b>URL access level</b>	url-access	Classification of the access restrictions on the URL ('registration', 'subscription' or 'limited')  If set to 'live', the title display is adjusted; useful for when the URL is archived preemptively but still live. Set to "dead" or 'usurped' for broken links. Entering 'unfit' or 'usurped' makes the original link not appear at all.	String	optional
<b>URL status</b>	url-status	Default 'dead' if an Archive URL is entered Example 'dead' or 'live' Auto value live	String	suggested
<b>Archive URL</b>	archive-url archiveurl	The URL of an archived copy of a web page, if or in case the URL becomes unavailable; requires 'archive-date'	String	suggested
<b>Archive date</b>	archive-date archivedate	Date when the original URL was archived; do not wikilink	Date	suggested

	<b>Parameter</b>	<b>Description</b>	<b>Type</b>	<b>Status</b>
<b>URL access date</b>	access-date accessdate	The full date when the original URL was accessed; do not wikilink	Date	suggested
<b>Quote</b>	quote	Relevant text quoted from the source; displays last, enclosed in quotes; must include terminating punctuation	String	optional
<b>Ref</b>	ref	An anchor identifier; can be made the target of wikilinks to full references; special value 'harv' generates an anchor suitable for the harv template	String	optional
<b>Postscript</b>	postscript	The closing punctuation for the citation; ignored if 'quote' is defined Default .	String	optional
<b>Subscription required</b>	subscription	Use 'url-access' instead	String	deprecated
<b>Registration required</b>	registration	Use 'url-access' instead	String	deprecated
<b>Separator</b>	separator	The punctuation used to separate lists of authors, editors, etc.; a space must be encoded as <code>&amp;#32;</code> ; do not use an asterisk, colon, or hash mark Default .	String	optional
<b>Lay URL</b>	layurl	URL link to a non-technical summary or review of the source; alias of 'laysummary'	String	optional
<b>Lay source</b>	laysource	Name of the source of the laysummary; displays in italics, preceded by an en dash	String	optional
<b>Lay date</b>	laydate	Date of the summary; displays in parentheses	String	optional
<b>Author mask</b>	author-mask	Replaces the name of the first author with em dashes or text; set to a numeric value 'n' to set the dash 'n' em spaces wide; set to a text value to display the text without a trailing author separator; for example, 'with' instead	String	optional
<b>Last name 3</b>	last3 author3	The surname of the third author; don't wikilink, use 'authorlink3'.	Line	optional
<b>First name 3</b>	first3	Given or first name, middle names, or initials of the third author; don't wikilink.	Line	optional
<b>Author link 3</b>	authorlink3 author3-link	Title of existing Wikipedia article about the third author.	Page	optional
<b>Last name 4</b>	last4 author4	The surname of the fourth author; don't wikilink, use 'authorlink4'.	Line	optional

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<b>First name 4</b>	first4	Given or first name, middle names, or initials of the fourth author; don't wikilink.	Line	optional
<b>Author link 4</b>	authorlink4 author4-link	Title of existing Wikipedia article about the fourth author.	Page	optional
<b>Last name 5</b>	last5 author5	The surname of the fifth author; don't wikilink, use 'authorlink5'.	Line	optional
<b>First name 5</b>	first5	Given or first name, middle names, or initials of the fifth author; don't wikilink.	Line	optional
<b>Author link 5</b>	authorlink5 author5-link	Title of existing Wikipedia article about the fifth author.	Page	optional
<b>Last name 6</b>	last6 author6	The surname of the sixth author; don't wikilink, use 'authorlink6'.	Line	optional
<b>First name 6</b>	first6	Given or first name, middle names, or initials of the sixth author; don't wikilink.	Line	optional
<b>Author link 6</b>	authorlink6 author6-link	Title of existing Wikipedia article about the sixth author.	Page	optional
<b>Last name 7</b>	last7 author7	The surname of the seventh author; don't wikilink, use 'authorlink7'.	Line	optional
<b>First name 7</b>	first7	Given or first name, middle names, or initials of the seventh author; don't wikilink.	Line	optional
<b>Author link 7</b>	authorlink7 author7-link	Title of existing Wikipedia article about the seventh author.	Page	optional
<b>Last name 8</b>	last8 author8	The surname of the eighth author; don't wikilink, use 'authorlink8'.	Line	optional
<b>First name 8</b>	first8	Given or first name, middle names, or initials of the eighth author; don't wikilink.	Line	optional
<b>Author link 8</b>	authorlink8 author8-link	Title of existing Wikipedia article about the eighth author.	Page	optional
<b>Last name 9</b>	last9 author9	The surname of the ninth author; don't wikilink, use 'authorlink9'. If nine authors are defined, then only eight will show and 'et al.' will show in place of the last author.	Line	optional
<b>First name 9</b>	first9	Given or first name, middle names, or initials of the ninth author; don't wikilink.	Line	optional
<b>Author link 9</b>	authorlink9 author9-link	Title of existing Wikipedia article about the ninth author.	Page	optional
<b>Author name separator</b>	author-name-separator	Changes the separator between last and first names; defaults to a comma and space; a space must be encoded as &#32; do not use an asterisk, colon, or hash mark Default	String	optional

	<b>Parameter</b>	<b>Description</b>	<b>Type</b>	<b>Status</b>
<b>Author separator</b>	author-separator	Changes the separator between authors; defaults to a semicolon and space; a space must be encoded as <code>&amp;#32;</code> ; do not use an asterisk, colon, or hash mark Default ;	String	optional
<b>Display authors</b>	display-authors displayauthors	Number of authors to display before 'et al.' is used. By default, all authors are displayed. Examples: <code> display-authors=2</code> will display only the first two authors in a citation followed by et al. <code> display-authors=etal</code> displays all authors in the list followed by et al.	String	optional
<b>Last author ampersand</b>	lastauthoramp	When set to any value, changes the separator between the last two names of the author list to 'space ampersand space'	String	optional
<b>Editor last name 3</b>	editor3-last editor3	The surname of the third editor; don't wikilink, use 'editor3-link'.	Line	optional
<b>Editor first name 3</b>	editor3-first	Given or first name, middle names, or initials of the third editor; don't wikilink.	Line	optional
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<b>Editor link 5</b>	editor5-link editor5link editorlink5	Title of existing Wikipedia article about the fifth editor.	Page	optional
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<b>Editor first name 6</b>	editor6-first	Given or first name, middle names, or initials of the sixth editor; don't wikilink.	Line	optional
<b>Editor link 6</b>	editor6-link editor6link editorlink6	Title of existing Wikipedia article about the sixth editor.	Page	optional

	<b>Parameter</b>	<b>Description</b>	<b>Type</b>	<b>Status</b>
<b>Editor last name 7</b>	editor7-last editor7	The surname of the seventh editor; don't wikilink, use 'editor7-link'.	Line	optional
<b>Editor first name 7</b>	editor7-first	Given or first name, middle names, or initials of the seventh editor; don't wikilink.	Line	optional
<b>Editor link 7</b>	editor7-link editor7link editorlink7	Title of existing Wikipedia article about the seventh editor.	Page	optional
<b>Editor last name 8</b>	editor8-last editor8	The surname of the eighth editor; don't wikilink, use 'editor8-link'.	Line	optional
<b>Editor first name 8</b>	editor8-first	Given or first name, middle names, or initials of the eighth editor; don't wikilink.	Line	optional
<b>Editor link 8</b>	editor8-link editor8link editorlink8	Title of existing Wikipedia article about the eighth editor.	Page	optional
<b>Editor last name 9</b>	editor9-last editor9	The surname of the ninth editor; don't wikilink, use 'editor9-link'.	Line	optional
<b>Editor first name 9</b>	editor9-first	Given or first name, middle names, or initials of the ninth editor; don't wikilink.	Line	optional
<b>Editor link 9</b>	editor9-link editor9link editorlink9	Title of existing Wikipedia article about the ninth editor.	Page	optional
<b>Edition</b>	edition	Specify the edition or revision of the source, when applicable. For example: '2nd' or '5.1'. What you supply here is suffixed by ' ed.'	String	optional
<b>Bibcode access level</b>	bibcode-access	If the full text is available from ADS via this Bibcode, type 'free'.	String	optional
<b>DOI access level</b>	doi-access	If the full text is free to read via the DOI, type 'free'.	String	optional
<b>HDL access level</b>	hdl-access	If the full text is free to read via the HDL, type 'free'.	String	optional
<b>Jstor access level</b>	jstor-access	If the full text is free to read on Jstor, type 'free'.	String	optional
<b>OpenLibrary access level</b>	ol-access	If the full text is free to read on OpenLibrary, type 'free'.	String	optional
<b>OSTI access level</b>	osti-access	If the full text is free to read on OSTI, type 'free'.	String	optional

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