Training - MS Expressions Web (EW)

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Working with Dynamic Web Templates (DWTs)

Bullet points

Creating bullet and sub-bullet lists

Note – EW does not allow you to use the return key to go from a sub-bullet back to a main bullet.

- If a bulleted list with sub-bullets is needed:
 - Add the main bullet points first using



- If a sub-bulleted item/list is already created, and there is a need to put a main bullet underneath it:
 - Go to the main bullet above the sub-bullet
 - Place your cursor at the start of the text and hit return. This should create a new main bullet point.
 - Select the sub-bulleted item/list and drag it to the new main bullet point just created.

Putting a paragraph/heading item under a bulleted list

Note - EW does not allow you to use the return key to add a paragraph/heading item under a bulleted item.

- If there is a bulleted item/list and the need to put a paragraph/heading item underneath it:
 - Go to another part of the page with a paragraph/heading item
 - Place your cursor at the end of the text and hit return. This should create a new paragraph/heading item.
 - o Select the bulleted item/list and drag it to the new paragraph/heading item just created

Creating a space after a bulleted list

Note - EW does not create a space between a bulleted list and a paragraph when viewed in the browser

- In order to create the space, go to Code view and find the end of the bulleted list
- Then after the closing unordered list tag , add a break tag



Inserting images

Note - Place any images that are used in the images folder

Code snippets

You will use code snippets to insert images. Import the custom code snippets by following the directions at: http://dotnet/dtsd/hidden/greg/howto/ew/importsnippets.htm

Adding an image in the top right corner

Note - Images in the top right corner can be no more than 200 pixels wide

- In code view:
 - Find the closing Heading 2 tag (</h2>) at the end of the page title, then place your cursor at the end and hit return
 - o On the keyboard, press 'Ctrl' 'Enter', and the code snippet list should appear
 - o For images that do not need to be visible in mobile view:
 - Select Oadd image TR visible mobile NO Add image to TOP RIGHT, NOT visible in mobile view
 - For images that should be visible in mobile view:
 - Select
 Oadd image TR visible mobile YES
 Add image TOP RIGHT, IS visible in mobile view
 - o Edit src="images/000.gif" with the path to the image file and alt="000" with a description of the image

Adding an image in the body

Note - Images in the body can be no more than 300 pixels wide

- In code view:
 - o Locate where the image will go
 - o On the keyboard, press 'Ctrl' 'Enter', and the code snippet list should appear
 - For images that do not need to be visible in mobile view:
 - Select Oadd image BODY VisibleMobile N Add image BODY, IS NOT visible in mobile view
 - o For images that should be visible in mobile view:
 - Select Oadd image BODY VisibleMobile Y Add image BODY, IS visible in mobile view
 - o Edit src="images/000.gif" with the path to the image file and alt="000" with a description of the image

Blank spaces

Note – Do not delete any blank spaces or the purple comment tags associated with them

- Mobile navigation:
 - There is a blank space on the template homepages that contains code that allows the navigation to be visible in a mobile view.
- Correct browser spacing:
 - o There might be blank spaces that are needed for correct browser spacing

Editing code

Do not edit/delete the code that is highlighted in pale yellow. This code is part of the DWT template and needs to remain as is.

```
<body>
<div id="<u>site</u>">
<div id="<u>header</u>">
</div id="header">
</--#include virtual="/projects/header.htm" -->
</div>
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General (Basics)

Adding text

Note – If text is copied from a document and pasted directly into EW, a lot of junk code is added. Example: Copied directly from document:

Example: Copied from document into Notepad then into EW:

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General (Basics)<br />
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- When copying text into EW:
 - o Copy and paste text into Notepad
 - o Copy from Notepad and paste into EW

Heading styles

There are several heading styles to choose from:



Heading 2 (<h2>) is used for the title of the page – Red, bold

Heading 2

• Heading 3 (<h3>) is used for sections – Black, bold

Heading 3

• Heading 4 (<h4>) is used for sub-sections – Green, bold

Heading 4