

Getting Started with iRite

iRite allows you to add WYSIWIG functionality to any of your text form fields. iRite form fields can enhance your contact forms, administrative back-ends, user profile pages, and much more.

This Getting Started Guide shows you how to insert an iRite form to an already existing form you have created. Including how to include CSS styles and customizing your toolbar.

What Do You Need to Start?

- Dreamweaver 8, CS3, or CS4
- iRite
- Dynamic page (PHP, ASP-JS, ASP-VB, ColdFusion)

Customizing an existing form

One of the easiest ways to implement iRite is to a form you have already created. Two possible examples are Insert or Update forms created by DataAssist, or the email contact form included in the Contact Form Solution Pack.

Here we will modify a text field provided for a description, and turn it into an iRite text field.

Note: Adding iRite forms to your DataAssist Insert and Update pages is documented in the iRite Solution Recipes.

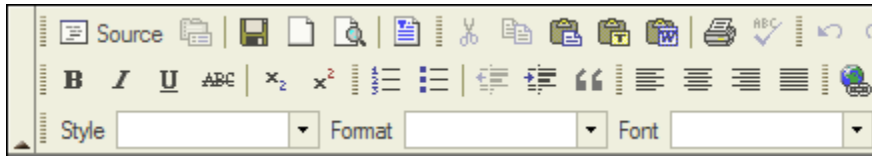
Preparing your form

1. With your form open in Dreamweaver, click once to select the description field.
This description field is used for example purposes. You can use any form field that already exists.
2. From the Properties Inspector, highlight the ID **description**.
3. Press **Ctrl (Cmd) + C** to copy the ID.
4. Select your description form field again.
5. Press the **Delete** key on your keyboard.
We will replace this with your iRite form field.

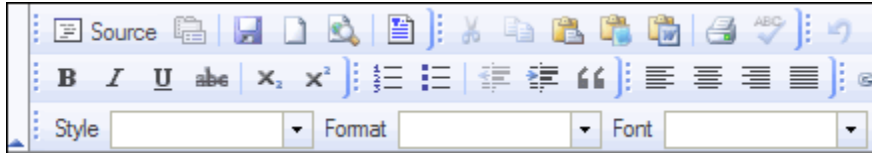
Adding iRite

1. From the **Insert** menu, choose **WebAssist > iRite**.
2. In the Editor name field, press **Ctrl (Cmd) + V** to paste the ID you copied earlier.
3. In the Initial value field you can enter text that you would like to be displayed inside the field when the page is loaded.
4. Choose one of the three different skins.

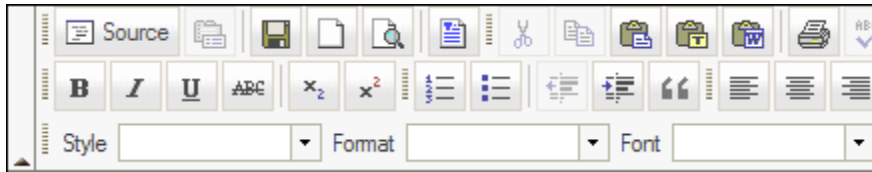
Default



Office 2003



Silver



5. Specify the width and height you want to use for your form field.
6. Select **set focus on load** if you wish the cursor to be placed within this form field when the page loads.
7. Select **full Page editing** to allow for the iRite form to expand to fill the entire page.
8. Choose the **Toolbar** tab to customize your toolbar.

Toolbar tab

In the Toolbar tab you can customize the various buttons that appear on your toolbar.

Note: Certain buttons, such as the image upload and Insert URL, require additional customization in order to work. Help implementing these features is available in the *Adding an Insert Image* Solution Recipe.

1. Choose either **Default** or **Basic** from the menu list.
2. Further customize your toolbar options by selecting **Add** or **Delete** to add more items, or remove items.
The more items you include in your toolbar, the larger the toolbar becomes. You may need to adjust the height value in the General tab to accommodate for larger toolbars.
3. Use the **Up** or **Down** arrows to rearrange the order of items in your toolbar.
4. Select the **Formatting** tab.

Formatting Tab

Options in the Formatting tab are optional, but may be useful for ensuring that your form field enters data into your database as desired.

Here we will address a few of the most commonly used formatting features. More details regarding each option can be found by selecting the Help button.

1. From the Emphasis tags menu lists, leave **Force over <i>** to maintain standards compliancy, unless otherwise necessary.
2. If providing the ability to insert tables, choose **Fill empty table cells** to ensure the data entered displays correctly in all browsers.
3. Choose **Clean WYSIWYG code** to format any code entered into the form field to be viewed and edited more easily.
4. Choose the **Keep structure from Word** option if you are providing the paste from Word button to your toolbar.
5. Choose the **Styling** tab once you have selected all your options.

Styling tab

The Styling tab allows you to connect your iRite form to a pre-existing CSS style sheet. This allows you to specify any styling for the text that is entered, and also allow you to provide CSS styles for the user to choose from.

Here we assume you already have a CSS style sheet created and saved within your site.

1. Choose the **Editor CSS** browse icon and choose your CSS style sheet. The Body class and Available styles menus are populated based on this.
2. In the **Body class** menu, choose the class you wish to use for the default text.
3. In the **Available styles** list, **Ctrl (Cmd) + Click** to select any styles you wish to be included in the Styles menu list of your toolbar.
Users of the form will be able to use this menu list to select any styles that they want to apply to the content they have entered.
4. Click **OK** when you are ready to create your iRite form field.

Once inserted onto your page, your iRite field appears in Dreamweaver with a placeholder graphic.

5. Press **Ctrl (Cmd) + S** to save your page.
6. Press **F12** to preview your page in your browser.

Wizard Reentry

The iRite wizard can be reentered at any time to make additional changes to the appearance or functionality.

1. Click once to select the iRite placeholder graphic.
2. In the Properties Inspector, choose **Edit** to open the Wizard.
3. Once you have made your changes, click **OK**.

Uploading your files

iRite creates a folder named WA_iRite that must be uploaded to your live server along with the page that contains your iRite form field. The relationship between the page that contains your iRite form field and this folder must be maintained at all times.

Additional Resources

The following resources are available to help you get the most out of this product.

Solution Recipes

Setting up your Database to work with iRite™

- This Solution Recipe shows you what you need to do to format a database column for storing data entered into an iRite form field.

Using iRite™ with DataAssist Insert and Update pages

- This Solution Recipe shows you how to modify your DataAssist Insert and Update pages to include an iRite form field.

Adding an Insert Image feature to your iRite™ toolbar

- This Solution Recipe shows you how to enable the Insert Image toolbar button to your iRite toolbar.

Context Sensitive Help Documentation

All WebAssist products include help documentation built into the product. As you progress through any user-interface, choose the Help button to view information for that step.