

# XML Schema - Structures Quick Reference

## 1 Namespaces

- <http://www.w3.org/2001/XMLSchema>
- <http://www.w3.org/2001/XMLSchema-instance>

## 2 Schema declaration

```
<schema id = ID
  attributeFormDefault = (qualified | unqualified) : unqualified
  blockDefault = (#all | List of (extension | restriction | substitution)) : "
  elementFormDefault = (qualified | unqualified) : unqualified
  finalDefault = (#all | List of (extension | restriction)) : "
  targetNamespace = anyURI
  version = token
  xml:lang = language >
  Content: ((include | import | redefine | annotation)*, (((simpleType | complexType |
  group | attributeGroup) | element | attribute | notation), annotation*)) </schema>
```

```
<include id = ID
  schemaLocation = anyURI >
  Content: (annotation?) </include>
```

```
<redefine id = ID
  schemaLocation = anyURI>
  Content: (annotation | (simpleType | complexType | group | attributeGroup))*
</redefine>
```

```
<import id = ID
  namespace = anyURI
  schemaLocation = anyURI>
  Content: (annotation?) </import>
```

## 3 Simple Data Type Declaration

```
<simpleType id = ID
  final = (#all | (list | union | restriction))
  name = NCName>
  Content: ( annotation ?, ( restriction | list | union )) </simpleType>
```

```
<restriction id = ID
  base = QName>
```

```
Content: ( annotation ?, ( simpleType ?, ( minExclusive | minInclusive |
  maxExclusive | maxInclusive | totalDigits | fractionDigits | length | minLength |
  maxLength | enumeration | whiteSpace | pattern *) ) ) </restriction>
```

```
<list id = ID
  itemType = QName>
  Content: ( annotation ?, ( simpleType ? ) ) </list>
```

```
<union id = ID
  memberTypes = List of QName>
  Content: ( annotation ?, ( simpleType * ) ) </union>
```

## Constraining Facets

```
<length id = ID
  fixed = boolean : false
  value = nonNegativeInteger >
  Content: (annotation?) </length>
```

```
<minLength id = ID
  fixed = boolean : false
  value = nonNegativeInteger >
  Content: (annotation?) </minLength>
```

```
<maxLength id = ID
  fixed = boolean : false
  value = nonNegativeInteger >
  Content: (annotation?) </maxLength>
```

```
<pattern id = ID
  value = anySimpleType
  Content: (annotation?) </pattern>
```

```
<enumeration id = ID
  value = anySimpleType >
  Content: (annotation?)
</enumeration>
```

```
<whiteSpace id = ID
  fixed = boolean : false
  value = (collapse | preserve | replace) >
  Content: (annotation?)
</whiteSpace>
```

```
<maxInclusive id = ID
  fixed = boolean : false
  value = anySimpleType>
```

## 4 Complex Data Type Declaration

```
<complexType id = ID
  abstract = boolean : false
  block = (#all | List of (extension | restriction))
  final = (#all | List of (extension | restriction))
  mixed = boolean : false
```

```
Content: (annotation?)
</maxInclusive>
```

```
<maxExclusive id = ID
  fixed = boolean : false
  value = anySimpleType>
  Content: (annotation?)
</maxExclusive>
```

```
<minExclusive id = ID
  fixed = boolean : false
  value = anySimpleType>
  Content: (annotation?)
</minExclusive>
```

```
<minInclusive id = ID
  fixed = boolean : false
  value = anySimpleType>
  Content: (annotation?)
</minInclusive>
```

```
<totalDigits id = ID
  fixed = boolean : false
  value = positiveInteger >
  Content: (annotation?)
</totalDigits>
```

```
<fractionDigits id = ID
  fixed = boolean : false
  value = nonNegativeInteger >
  Content: (annotation?)
</fractionDigits>
```

```
name = NCName>
Content: (annotation?, (simpleContent | complexContent | ((group | all | choice |
  sequence)?, ((attribute | attributeGroup)*, anyAttribute?))) </complexType>
```

## Complex Content

```
<complexContent id = ID
  mixed = boolean>
  Content: (annotation?, (restriction | extension)) </complexContent>
```

```
<restriction id = ID
  base = QName>
  Content: (annotation?, (group | all | choice | sequence)?,
  ((attribute | attributeGroup)*, anyAttribute?)) </restriction>
```

```
<extension id = ID
  base = QName>
  Content: (annotation?, ((group | all | choice | sequence)?,
  ((attribute | attributeGroup)*, anyAttribute?))) </extension>
```

## Simple Content

```
<simpleContent id = ID>
  Content: (annotation?, (restriction | extension)) </simpleContent>
```

```
<restriction id = ID
  base = QName>
  Content: (annotation?, (simpleType?, (minExclusive | minInclusive | maxExclusive
  | maxInclusive | totalDigits | fractionDigits | length | minLength | maxLength |
  enumeration | whiteSpace | pattern)*)?, ((attribute | attributeGroup)*,
  anyAttribute?)) </restriction>
```

```
<extension id = ID
  base = QName>
  Content: (annotation?, ((attribute | attributeGroup)*, anyAttribute?)) </extension>
```

```
<attributeGroup id = ID
  ref = QName>
  Content: (annotation?) </attributeGroup>
```

```
<anyAttribute id = ID
  namespace = ((##any | ##other) | List of (anyURI |
  ##targetNamespace | ##local)) : ##any
  processContents = (lax | skip | strict) : strict >
  Content: (annotation?)</anyAttribute>
```

## 5 Model Group Definition

```
<group
  name = NCName>
  Content: (annotation?, (all | choice | sequence)) </group>
```

```
<all id = ID
  maxOccurs = 1 : 1 minOccurs = (0 | 1) : 1 >
  Content: (annotation?, element*) </all>
```

## 6 Attribute Group Definition

```
<attributeGroup id = ID
  name = NCName
  ref = QName >
  Content: (annotation?,
    ((attribute | attributeGroup)*, anyAttribute?)) </attributeGroup>
```

## 7 Element Declaration

```
<element id = ID
  abstract = boolean : false
  block = (#all | List of (extension | restriction | substitution))
  default = string
  final = (#all | List of (extension | restriction))
  fixed = string
  form = (qualified | unqualified)
  maxOccurs = (nonNegativeInteger | unbounded) : 1
  minOccurs = nonNegativeInteger : 1
  name = NCName
  nillable = boolean : false
  ref = QName
  substitutionGroup = QName
  type = QName >
  Content: (annotation?, ((simpleType | complexType)?,
    (unique | key | keyref)*)) </element>
```

## 8 Model Group (content model)

```
<choice id = ID
  maxOccurs = (nonNegativeInteger | unbounded) : 1
  minOccurs = nonNegativeInteger : 1 >
  Content: (annotation?, (element | group | choice | sequence | any)*)</choice>

<sequence id = ID
  maxOccurs = (nonNegativeInteger | unbounded) : 1
  minOccurs = nonNegativeInteger : 1 >
  Content: (annotation?, (element | group | choice | sequence | any)*)</sequence>

<any id = ID
  maxOccurs = (nonNegativeInteger | unbounded) : 1
  minOccurs = nonNegativeInteger : 1
  namespace = ((##any | ##other) | List of (anyURI |
    (##targetNamespace | ##local))) : ##any
  processContents = (lax | skip | strict) : strict >
  Content: (annotation?) </any>
```

## 9 Attribute Declaration

```
<attribute id = ID
  default = string
  fixed = string
  form = (qualified | unqualified)
  name = NCName
```

```
  ref = QName
  type = QName
  use = (optional | prohibited | required) : optional >
  Content: (annotation?, (simpleType?)) </attribute>
```

## 10 Notation Declaration

```
<notation id = ID
  name = NCName
  public = anyURI
  system = anyURI >
  Content: (annotation?) </notation>
```

## 11 Annotation Components

```
<annotation id = ID >
  Content: (appinfo | documentation)* </annotation>

<appinfo
  source = anyURI >
  Content: ({any})* </appinfo>

<documentation
  source = anyURI
  xml:lang = language >
  Content: ({any})* </documentation>
```

## 12 Identity-constraint definitions

```
<unique id = ID
  name = NCName >
  Content: (annotation?, (selector, field+)) </unique>

<key id = ID
  name = NCName >
  Content: (annotation?, (selector, field+)) </key>

<keyref id = ID
  name = NCName
  refer = QName >
  Content: (annotation?, (selector, field+)) </keyref>

<selector id = ID
  xpath = a subset of XPath expression, see below >
  Content: (annotation?) </selector>

<field id = ID
  xpath = a subset of XPath expression, see below >
  Content: (annotation?) </field>
```

## 13 Defined Values

**{any}** Any element not part of Schema namespace.  
**#all** All of the values listed  
**#atomic** A built-in primitive simple type definition

[final]

**list** A finite-length (possibly empty) sequence of values  
**union** A combination of the of one or more other datatypes.  
**restriction** Values for constraining facets are specified to a subset of those of its base type.

[namespace]

**##any** Any namespace (default)  
**##other** Any namespace other than target namespace  
**##targetNamespace** Must belong to the target Namespace of schema  
**##local** Any unqualified XML

[processContents]

**strict** There must be a top-level declaration for the item available, or the item must have an xsi:type, and must be valid.  
**skip** No constraints at all: the item must simply be well-formed.  
**lax** Validate where you can, don't worry when you can't.

[form]

**qualified** Namespace qualified  
**unqualified** No namespace qualification

[use]

**optional** Attribute is optional  
**prohibited** Attribute is prohibited  
**required** Attribute is required to have a value

[value]

**preserve** The value is the normalized value  
**replace** All occurrences of tab, line feed and carriage return are replaced with space.  
**collapse** Contiguous sequences of spaces are collapsed to a single space, and initial and/or final spaces are deleted.

## 14 Schema Instance Related Markup

**xsi:type** An element in an instance may explicitly assert its type using the attribute xsi:type. The value is a QName associated with a type definition.  
**xsi:nil** An element may be valid without content if it has the attribute xsi:nil with the value true.  
**xsi:schemaLocation, xsi:noNamespaceSchemaLocation** Provide hints as to the physical location of schema documents.