

When to Use

Site Availability: Dynamic Only.

The RSS Feed Reader page type provides you with the ability to display updated links from internal or external RSS feeds. A reading pane for the syndicated feed is not provided; the links open the feed at its originating location. Administrators have the flexibility to format the appearance of the page, customizing the positioning and styles using advanced layout options.

Examples of when to use

- ▶ To provide a central location for listing RSS feeds available on your site.
- ▶ To provide a central location for listing RSS feeds on a specific subject from both your site and external sites.
- ▶ To provide a listing of related external feeds related to an area on your site.

RSS Feed Reader Page Sections & Fields

Page Section	Field Name/Item	Description of usage
List of Feeds	Add Feed	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▶ Click the Add Feed button ▶ Enter the Feed URL including http:// ▶ Enter a Title for the feed list. If no title is entered, the title from the originating page will show above the feed links. ▶ Enter the Maximum Number of Articles to display in the list. The default is 5. ▶ Choose whether to Open the Article in the same window (navigating away from your site) or in a new window. ▶ Click the Preview button to view how the feed will display on the page.
	<i>As you add feeds to your list you will maintain them using the options below.</i>	
	Order	Use the arrows, or click on a number to change the order of your links. This affects both the order of the feed list and the order in view mode.
	Feed Title	Click on the feed title to edit the feed settings.
	Feed URL	Click on the feed URL to view the linked page you are pulling the feeds from.
	Archive	To delete a feed from the list, check the box for the feed and save, publish or submit the page for approval.

<i>Page Section</i>	<i>Field Name/Item</i>	<i>Description of usage</i>
Introduction	n/a	Use the editor to add content that appears above the feed list.
Conclusion	n/a	Use the editor to add content that appears below the feed list.
Cache Expiration Time	n/a	<p>This setting was added to the page type for those sites that aren't using output cache policies. While there is no relation between this setting and the cache output settings in the Cache Manager, they can bump into each other.</p> <p>For example, if your site uses output caching and the output cache policy is set to a day and the RSS cache is set to an hour, the output cache policy will win and you'll only see updates daily (as it won't check with the RSS reader page type). If they're the other way, then the RSS cache will win (as the output cache policy will reload the page hourly, but the RSS reader will only get new values daily.)</p>

RSS Feed Reader Layout Options

There is an additional section at the bottom of the Page Editor titled **Advanced Layout Options**. This section provides additional layout options for RSS Feed Reader pages. Click the plus sign to expand the window and view the tags and HTML currently used to layout the page.



The Advanced Layout Options includes two HTML editor windows that contain default HTML code for the Feed Layout and the Item Layout. This code can be edited to remove unwanted fields from sections, or to alter the layout and styles.

FEED LAYOUT
[Feed Layout Tags](#) [Restore Default](#)

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<div class="ipf-rssreader-feed-title"><IRONPOINT>FeedTitle</IRONPOINT></div>
  <ul class="ipf-rssreader-feed-list">
    <IRONPOINT>FeedItems</IRONPOINT>
  </ul>

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The Feed Layout controls the major content areas of the page. Click the Feed Layout Tags link for information on the tags that can be used in this area, the CSS class that is applied to them, and any attributes that can be assigned to the tags.

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ITEM LAYOUT ItemLayout Tags Restore Default  
<li class="ipf-rssreader-item">  
  <a href="<IRONPOINT>ItemURL</IRONPOINT>" <IRONPOINT>ItemTarget</IRONPOINT>  
  class="ipf-rssreader-item-link">  
    <span class="ipf-rssreader-item-  
title"><IRONPOINT>ItemTitle</IRONPOINT></span></a>  
</li>
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The Article Layout controls the individual pieces of content that can make up a feed list. Click the ItemLayout Tags link for information on the tags that can be used in this area, the CSS class that is applied to them, and any attributes that can be assigned to the tags.

RSS Feed Reader Page Tips!

- ▶ Learn more about RSS at: <http://www.rss-specifications.com/>
- ▶ Locate feeds to add to your site at: <http://allrss.com/rssfeeds.html>, <http://www.syndic8.com/feedlist.php>, and <http://radio.xmlstoragesystem.com/rcsPublic/rssHotlist>
- ▶ Add a related topics area to pages by using the RSS Feed Reader as a pagelet.