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Chapter 1 Introduction

About this manual

This manual has been written to help users of Xara Web Designer to integrate Sitelok in their projects. It is not meant to replace the main Sitelok Manual but really to explain Xara specific points. We assume that you have installed Sitelok on your server already and that it is working properly.

As Sitelok uses PHP you won't be able to test the functionality of your pages within Xara. You must publish you site to test the pages.

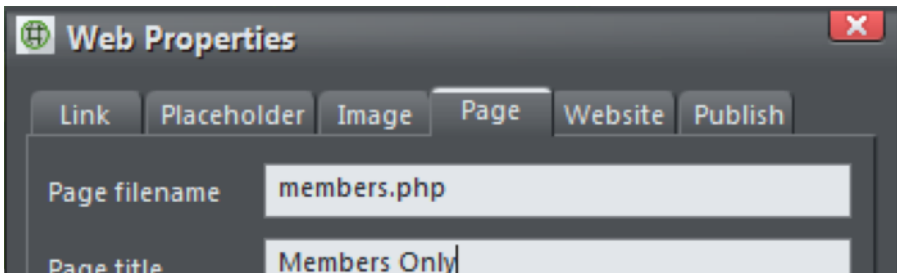
We have written this manual based on Xara Web Designer 11 but other versions should have similar settings.

Please note that Sitelok normally requires pages to have the php extension. Most servers can be set to allow PHP to be used inside .html pages as well though. Ask your hosting company to enable that if you can't rename your pages to .php for any reason.

Chapter 2 Site settings

Using the .php extension

Sitelok uses PHP so your pages ideally need to have the extension .php. Pages with the extension .php will still work exactly like the .html pages and don't affect layout etc. You can set the page filename by right clicking on the page and clicking [Web page properties](#). Click the [Page](#) tab and change the filename as needed.



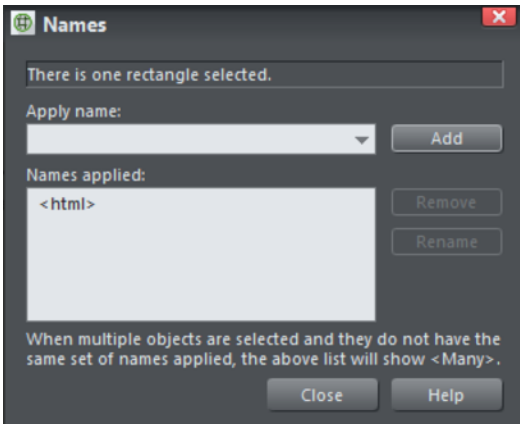
Many servers have an option allowing you to use PHP code directly in.html pages without renaming them. Normally this just requires a line to be added to your .htaccess file but check with your hosting company. This is useful for existing sites where you can't easily rename the pages.

Chapter 3 Securing a members page

Securing a page

Sitelok can secure .php pages on your site by simply adding a code snippet to the very top of the the page telling Sitelok which usergroups have access.

First of all create the page you want to secure. To secure it use the **Rectangle** tool to make a small box on your page. It won't be visible so you can place it anywhere. Right click the rectangle and select **Names**. Set the name as `<html>` and click **Add**. This forces the code snippet we will enter to be at the very top of the page.



Close the Names dialog and right click the rectangle again selecting **Web properties** from the menu. Click the **Placeholder** tab and click the **HTML Code button**. Enter the following snippet in the dialog box and click OK. Click OK again to save the changes.

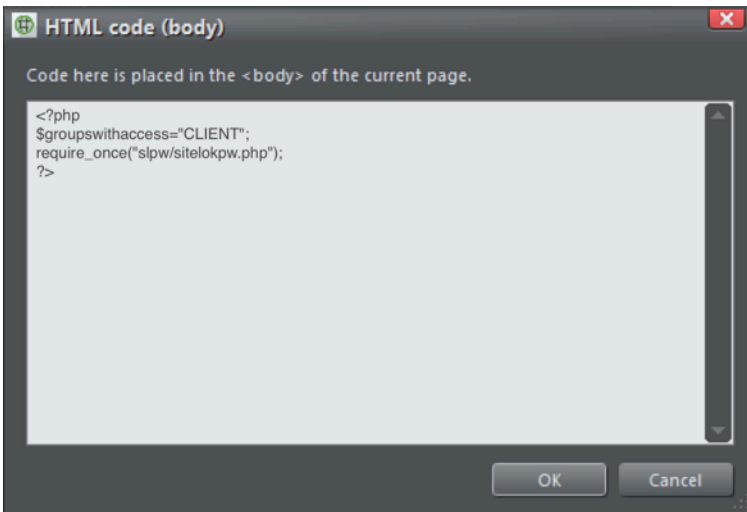
```
<?php
$groupswithaccess="CLIENT";
require_once("slpw/sitelokpw.php");
?>
```

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This tells Sitelok to only allow access to members of the CLIENT usergroup. You can replace CLIENT with another group name or list multiple groups separated by commas.

Important Please note that the above code assumes that your page is in the root. If it is in a folder on your site then we need to adjust the relative path so use

```
require_once("../slpw/sitelokpw.php");
```

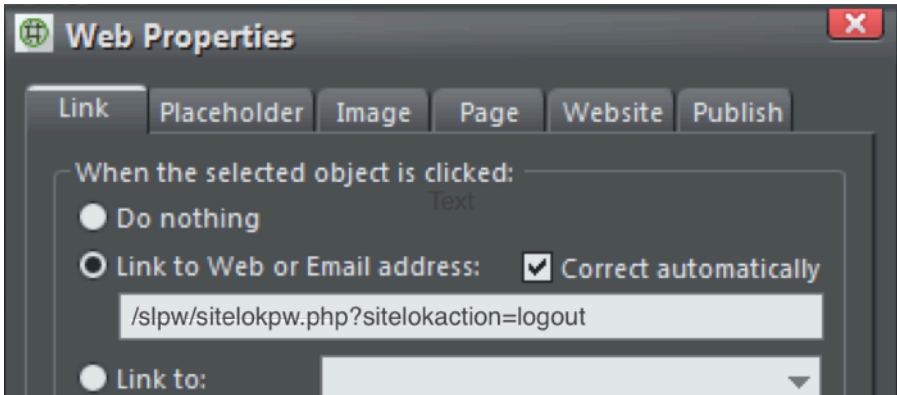


Adding a logout link

You can add a logout link to your site by creating a hyperlink that points to

</slpw/sitelokpw.php?sitelokaction=logout>

To do this just select the text or object you want to turn into a hyperlink and click the **Link Properties** button in the Xara menu. Select the **Link to Web or Email address** option and enter the above URL.



Displaying user data in pages

Sitelok lets you display any data stored in the users record anywhere on the page. So for example you might like to display the users first name or email address. To do this simply use any of the following snippets as required.

First name <?php echo \$sfirstname; ?>

Last name <?php echo \$slastname; ?>

Full name <?php echo \$sname; ?>

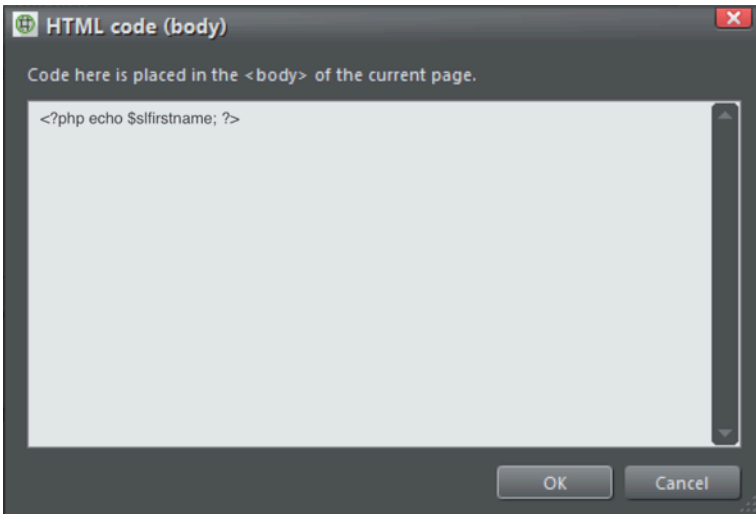
Email <?php echo \$slemail; ?>

Username <?php echo \$slusername; ?>

Custom1 <?php echo \$slicustom1; ?>

for other custom fields replace the 1 in the code.

The easiest way to use them is to drag a rectangle on the page and position it where needed. Right click the rectangle and select **Web properties** from the menu. Click the Placeholder tab and click the HTML Code button. Enter the code snippet in the dialog box and click OK. Click OK again to save the changes.



Chapter 4 Registration page

A registration page is used to allow users to register for free access to your members area. If you are selling membership using a payment plugin (such as the Paypal or 2checkout plugins) then you don't normally have to use a registration form as the user is added automatically after payment.

To create a registration form follow these steps


Creating the form

In the Sitelok control panel go to [Forms - Registration forms](#). Here you can either use an existing form or create a new one. The form designer allows you to design and style the form as well as setting things like the usergroup to add the user to, the thankyou page and also the email template to be sent out. When the form is how you want it click [Save](#).

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It's also possible to write your own form code to use with Sitelok if you need to. The main Sitelok manual explains how to do that.

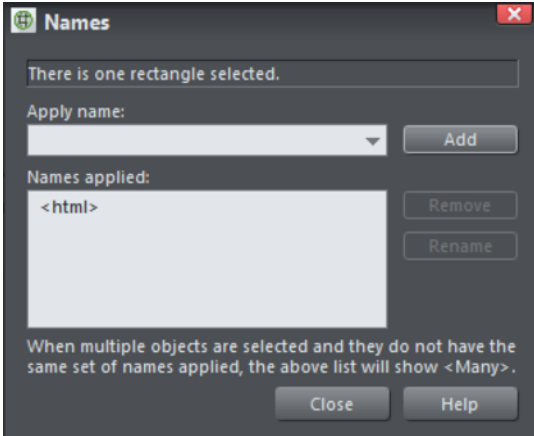
Add the form to your page

To generate the code to add to your page click  next to the form.

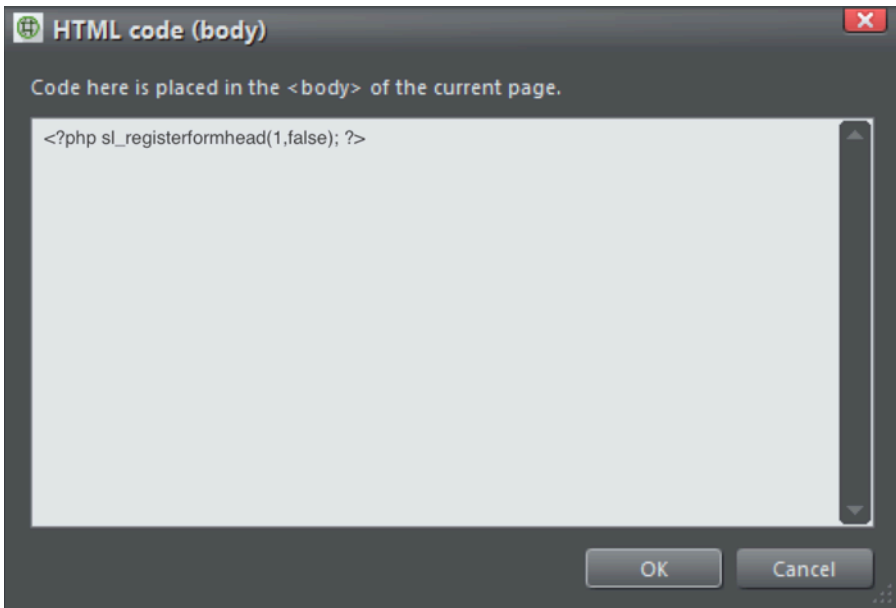
There are a few options for the generated code but unless you need to make custom changes to the form code you can just leave the defaults to embed the form in your page. You will see the 3 steps to adding the code to your page as follows.

Step1

Copy the code to the clipboard. Use the [Rectangle](#) tool to make a small box on your page. It won't be visible so you can place it anywhere. Right click the rectangle and select [Names](#). Set the name as `<html>` and click [Add](#). This forces the code snippet we will enter to be at the very top of the page.

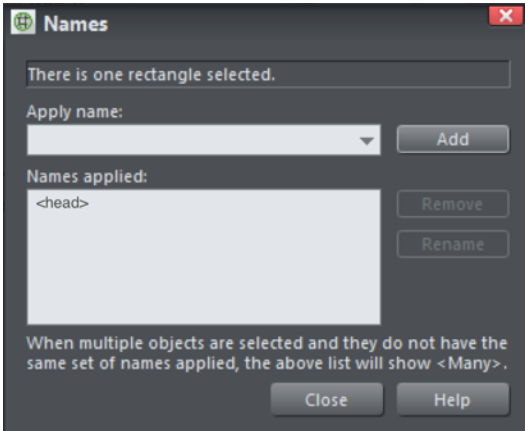


Close the Names dialog and right click the rectangle again selecting **Web properties** from the menu. Click the **Placeholder** tab and click the **HTML Code button**. Paste the code snippet in the dialog box and click OK. Click OK again to save the changes.



Step 2

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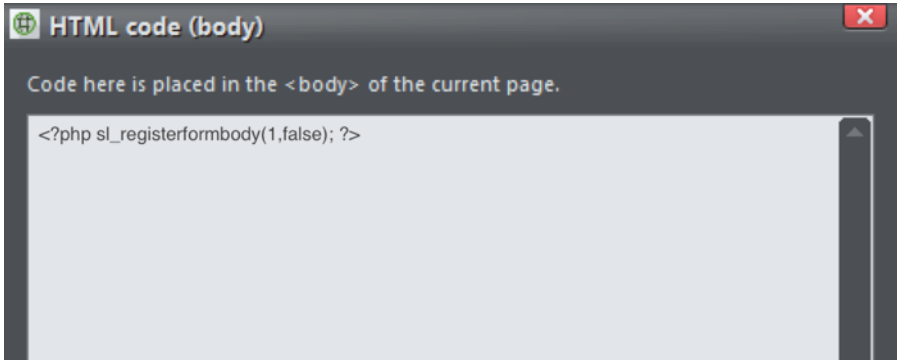


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Step 3

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When you publish the page you should see the form appear. As the form was embedded in the page any changes you make to the design in Sitelok should appear on the page immediately when saved without needing to publish the page again.

Important If you are making a responsive site with different page variants you should use separate forms for each page variant. This is because Xara stores all the pages together so each form can clash. You can use the duplicate form option in the form designer to make a new copy and use that in the page variant.

Chapter 5 Update profile page

An update profile page allows the user to modify details that you store about them such as their password and email address.

To create an update form follow these steps


Creating the form

In the Sitelok control panel go to [Forms - Update profile forms](#). Here you can either use an existing form or create a new one. The form designer allows you to design and style the form as well as setting an optional thankyou page and emails to be sent. When the form is how you want it click [Save](#).

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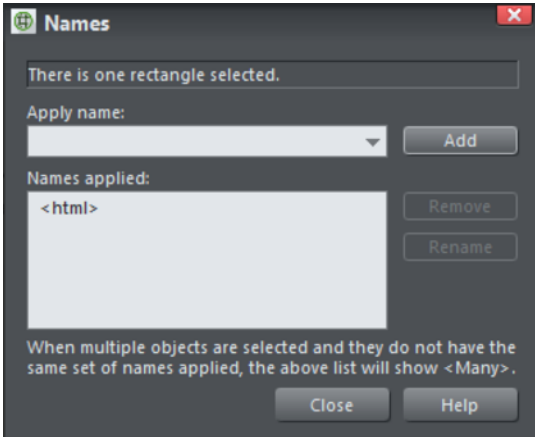
Add the form to your page

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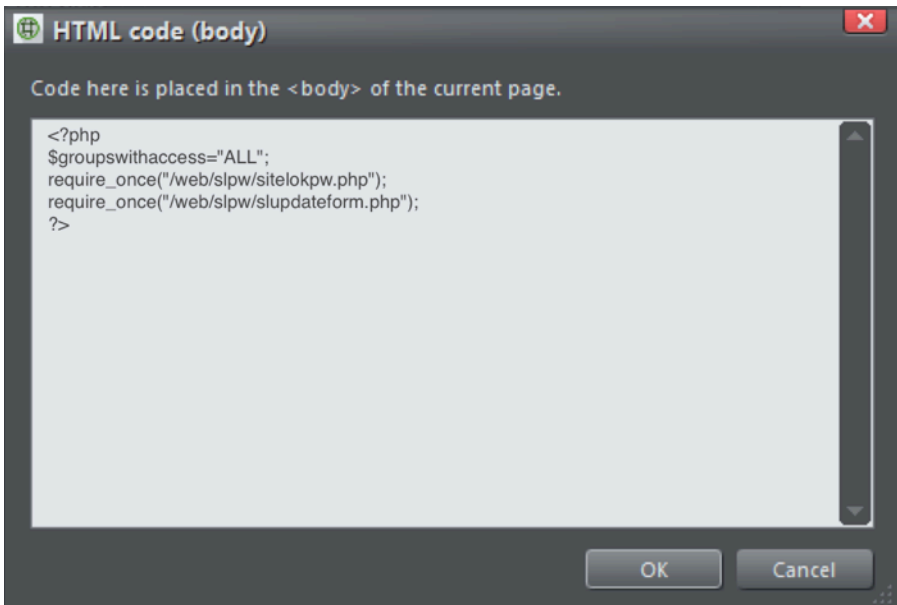
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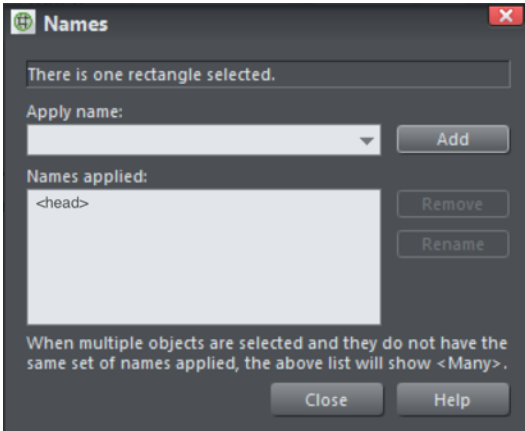


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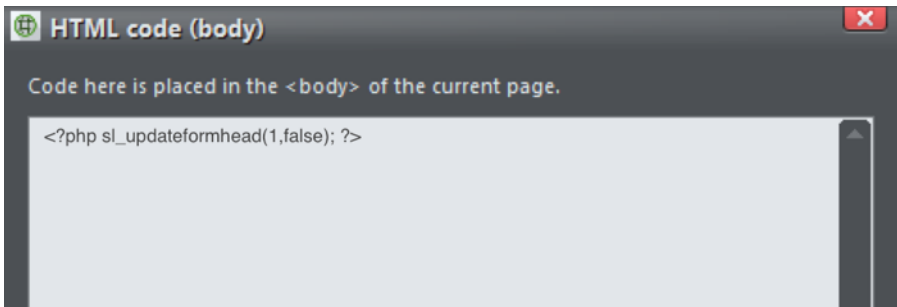


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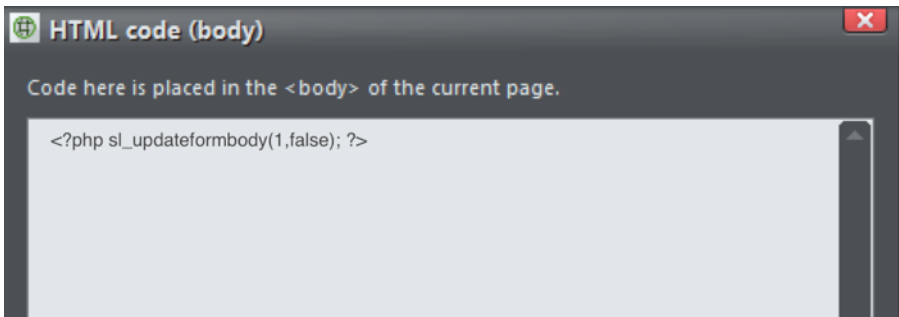


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Chapter 6 Download links

Sitelok can secure download links as well making sure that the location of the files on your server is not known and that they only work for logged in users.

Storing your files

If you want to secure downloads using Sitelok you should store the files in the file folder created during installation. This will have a name like `sfiles_xxxx` and won't be found by search engines, robots or hackers. You can find the folder name in [Tools - Configuration - Download paths](#).

Creating a download link

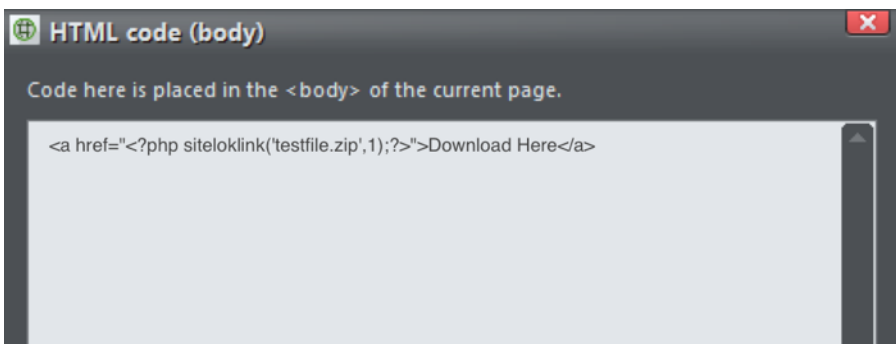
You can add a download link in your page by using the following snippet.

```
<a href="<?php siteloklink('testfile.zip',1);?>">Download Here</a>
```

`testfile.zip` is the filename (replace as needed)

`Download Here` is the anchor text displayed

Use the [Rectangle](#) tool to make a small box on your page where you want the download link to appear. Right click the rectangle and select [Web properties](#) from the menu. Click the [Placeholder](#) tab and click the [HTML Code button](#). Paste the above snippet in the dialog box (remember to change the filename and anchor text as needed) and click OK. Click OK again to save the changes.



Chapter 7 Pages with login forms

Sitelok has two ways for users to login. The simplest is the login form (login template) that appears if a user tries to visit a secured page and haven't yet logged in. The default login form that appears can be styled in [Forms - Default Login form style](#) or can be replaced by your own custom login template (see the main Sitelok manual for details).

Often the default login form is all that is needed as you can create a login link on your site that simply links to a secured page to force the login form to appear when necessary. However in some cases you may prefer to have a login form on one or more of your pages and this can be done as follows.


Creating the form

In the Sitelok control panel go to [Forms - Login forms](#). Here you can either use an existing form or create a new one. The form designer allows you to design and style the form as well as setting optional features such as captcha and forgotten password.. When the form is how you want it click [Save](#).

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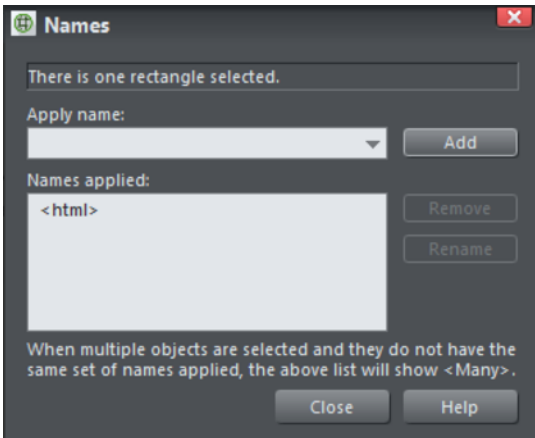
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There are a few options for the generated code but unless you need to make custom changes to the form code you can just leave the defaults to embed the form in your page. You can decide if you want users to be redirected on login (if their usergroup has a redirect URL set) or to stay on the page. You can also set if you want the login form to be hidden when the user is logged in.

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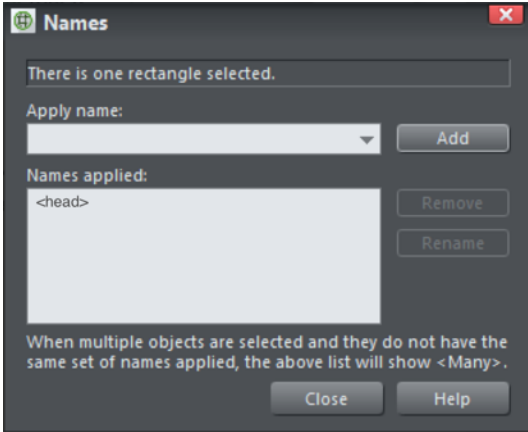


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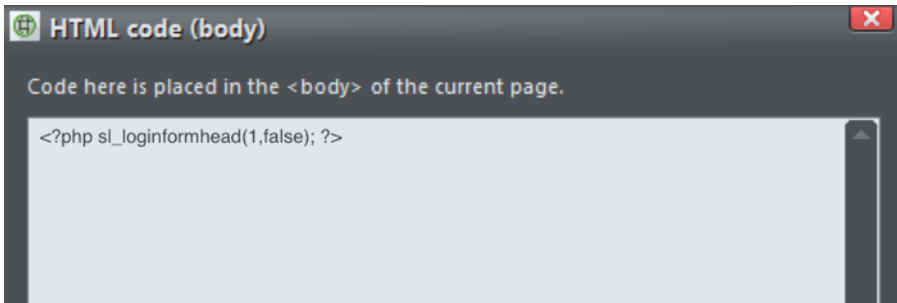


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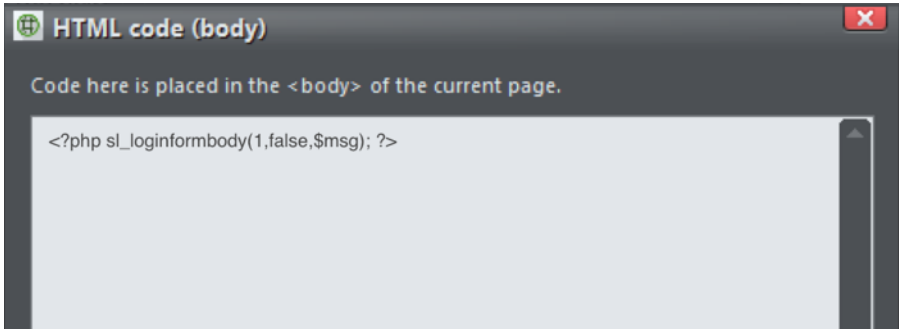


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Chapter 8 Support

Hopefully if you have followed this manual carefully everything will be working fine. However sometimes things don't go quite so smoothly so if you have any questions or problems then please check the FAQ on the support page or email us.

Support and updates for Sitelok are free of charge for one year after purchase. Shortly after purchase you should receive a username and password that provide you with access to the latest downloads, FAQ and other resources.

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