

The footer

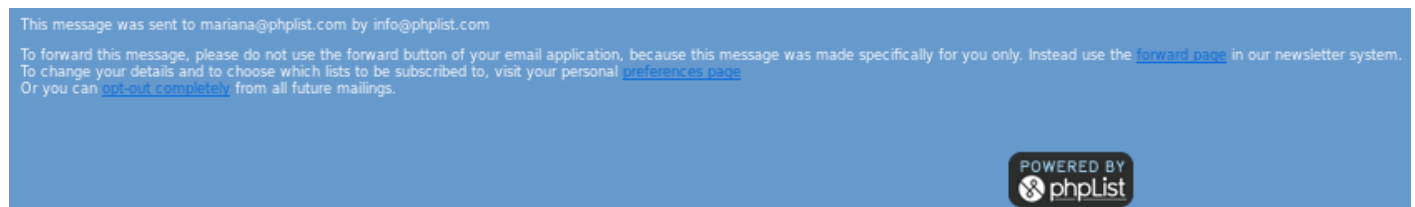
The phpList footer

- Is an active feature of the software, not simply a description of a design element
- Can be edited for each campaign from the content tab of the campaign workflow
- Is replaced by a secondary footer when the Forward to a Friend system is used
- Should contain the [UNSUBSCRIBE] placeholder
- Is placed in the template with the [FOOTER] placeholder

What is the footer?

In your template design you may have many elements which you think of as being "the footer." In the image below, for example, the blue and black colored areas and all the content within them would commonly be described as the "footer."

However, you may not wish to add all of this into your phpList footer. For example, in the image below only the "update your preferences" and "unsubscribe" elements are within the phpList footer system. The rest is in the template itself.



You may wish to choose which items go into the phpList footer carefully because:

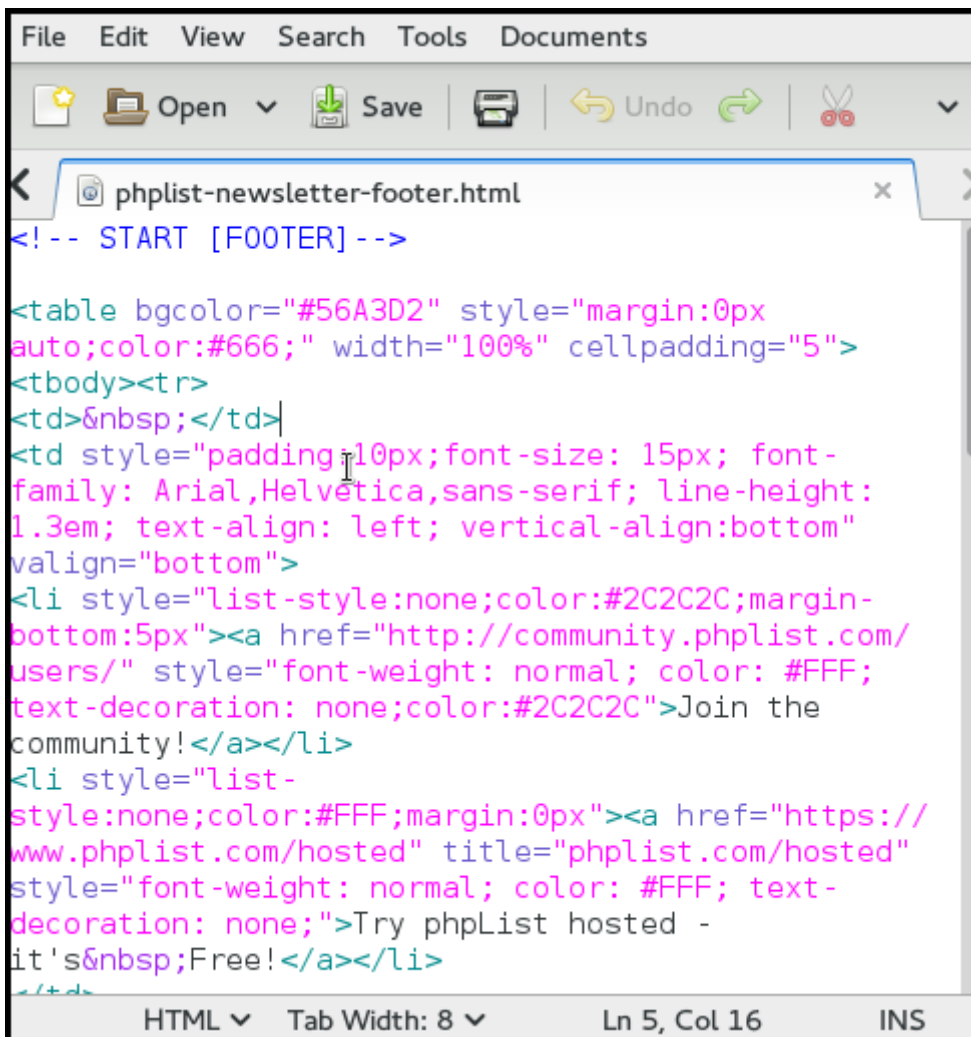
- The footer can be edited from the campaign composition tab: you may or may not want certain items to be edited on a campaign-by-campaign basis
- If the forward to friend placeholder is used, all content in the phpList footer will be replaced when the message is forwarded.

Adding your footer

Everything that goes in the phpList footer is added separately from the rest of the template. To situate the a footer to your template use the [FOOTER] placeholder.

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        </tr>
      </tbody>
    </table>
[FOOTER] <br />
[SIGNATURE] </div>
</div>
<!-- END TEMPLATE -->
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You should design your footer as a separate .html file

A screenshot of a web editor interface. The top menu bar includes 'File', 'Edit', 'View', 'Search', 'Tools', and 'Documents'. Below the menu is a toolbar with icons for 'Open', 'Save', 'Print', 'Undo', 'Redo', and a 'Close' button. The main editing area shows the content of a file named 'phplist-newsletter-footer.html'. The code is as follows:

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<!-- START [FOOTER] -->

<table bgcolor="#56A3D2" style="margin:0px
auto;color:#666;" width="100%" cellpadding="5">
<tbody><tr>
<td>&nbsp;</td>
<td style="padding:10px;font-size: 15px; font-
family: Arial,Helvetica,sans-serif; line-height:
1.3em; text-align: left; vertical-align:bottom"
valign="bottom">
<li style="list-style:none;color:#2C2C2C;margin-
bottom:5px"><a href="http://community.phplist.com/
users/" style="font-weight: normal; color: #FFF;
text-decoration: none;color:#2C2C2C">Join the
community!</a></li>
<li style="list-
style:none;color:#FFF;margin:0px"><a href="https://
www.phplist.com/hosted" title="phplist.com/hosted"
style="font-weight: normal; color: #FFF; text-
decoration: none;">Try phpList hosted -
it's&nbsp;Free!</a></li>
</td>
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The status bar at the bottom indicates 'HTML', 'Tab Width: 8', 'Ln 5, Col 16', and 'INS'.

To add your footer to phpList go to **Config > Settings** and **campaign settings** Find **Default footer for sending a campaign** then click the edit icon.

Default footer for sending a campaign

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```
<div class="footer" style="text-align:left; font-size: 75%;">
<p>This message was sent to [EMAIL] by [FROMEMAIL]</p>
<p>To forward this message, please do not use the forward button of your email application, because this message
was made specifically for you only. Instead use the <a href="[FORWARDURL]">forward page</a> in our newsletter
system.<br/>
To change your details and to choose which lists to be subscribed to, visit your personal <a href="[PREFERENCESURL]">preferences page</a><br/>
Or you can <a href="[UNSUBSCRIBEURL]">opt-out completely</a> from all future mailings.</p>
</div>
```

Paste in your footer code and click **Save changes**.

Editing Default footer for sending a campaign

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```
<div class="footer" style="text-align:left; font-size: 75%;">
<p>This message was sent to [EMAIL] by [FROMEMAIL]</p>
<p>To forward this message, please do not use the forward button of your email
page</a> in our newsletter system.<br/>
To change your details and to choose which lists to be subscribed to, visit your p
Or you can <a href="[UNSUBSCRIBEURL]">opt-out completely</a> from all futur
</div>
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Save changes

Undo

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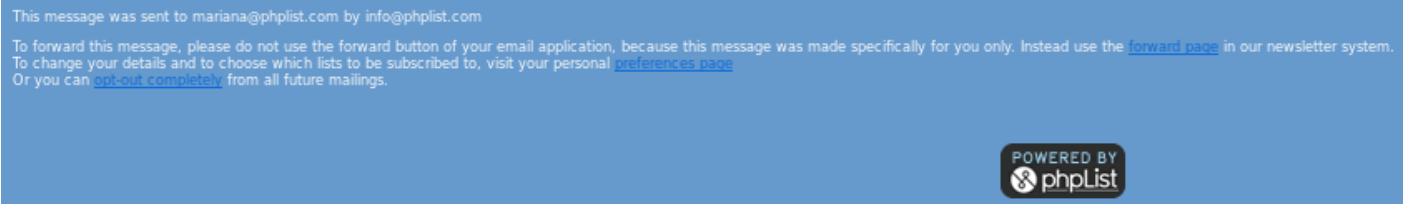
Your footer will now appear in the footer section of the content tab in your campaign workflow, where you can tweak it.

Footer .

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<div class="footer" style="text-align:left; font-size: 75%;">
<p>This message was sent to [EMAIL] by [FROMEMAIL]</p>
<p>To forward this message, please do not use the forward button of your email application
Instead use the <a href="[FORWARDURL]">forward page</a> in our newsletter system.<br/>
```

As well as in your campaigns when you send them.



The Forward to Friend footerOn the **Config > Settings** page, there is a second footer called **Footer used when a message has been forwarded**.

If you use the **[FORWARD]** placeholder, and a subscriber forwards the email, this footer will replace the usual one. It contains the following text:

This message has been forwarded to you by [FORWARDEDBY].

You have not been automatically subscribed to this newsletter.

If you think this newsletter may interest you, you can [SUBSCRIBEURL] and you will receive our next newsletter directly to your inbox.

If you wish to use the forward to friend system you should edit this footer so that it has the correct appearance while maintaining the appropriate text.

Feedback

Discuss this chapter here.

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