

# Alternatives for {php} In Templates

Use of the **{php}** in Smarty templates is removed and should not be used, as going forward starting in Smarty 3.1 they will no longer work. Starting in **version 6.0.0** which uses Smarty 3.1.5, you will no longer be able to use {php} Smarty tags and must use an alternate resource instead. More info can be read in the [Smarty 3.1 Release Notes](#). Here is a snippet from that specifically affecting the {php} (and related) functions:

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There is absolutely no PHP allowed in templates any more. All deprecated features of Smarty 2.0 are gone. Again, use the SmartyBC class if you need any backward compatibility.
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You can also read more info about it on the [smarty.net documentation page for {php}](#). Below are alternatives to using **{php}** in your templates specific for this software.

- Use an Addon Tag instead, or use one of the other tools available to addons in the software. As of **Version 6.0.0**, all addon tags are called **on the fly**, with the \$params and \$smarty vars passed to the tag methods. For addon developers, this means you now have same abilities as you would if you created a custom smarty plugin! See the smarty.net documentation for [Plugin Functions](#) for more info.
- Create a custom smarty plugin. See the [smarty.net documentation](#) for more info.

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