

# The **tableof** package

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## Abstract

The commands `\toftagstart`, `\toftagstop`, `\toftagthis`, `\tofuntagthis` are used to tag chapters, sections or any other sectioning units destined to end up in the table(s) of contents. Then:

```
\nexttocwithtags{req. 1, req. 2, ...}{excl. 1, excl. 2, ...}  
\tableofcontents% or equivalent command
```

specifies which tags are to be required and which ones are to be excluded from the typeset TOC.

For documents with classes where `\tableofcontents` is only single-use, the package provides:

```
\tableoftaggedcontents{req. 1, req. 2, ...}{excl. 1, excl. 2, ...}
```

which does not have this restriction.

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## 1 Tagging commands

### 1.1 `\toftagstart {tag1, tag2, ...}` and `\toftagstop {tag1, tag2, ...}`

These commands have a mandatory argument which is a comma separated list of tags. The tags need not have been predeclared.

```
\toftagstart{kitchenware, weaponry, gastronomy}
\section{Dealing with knives} % tagged with kitchenware+weaponry+gastronomy
```

```
\toftagstop{kitchenware}
\section{Hunting rabbits} % tagged with weaponry+gastronomy
```

```
\toftagstart{tag1}
\subsection{This is tagged, too} % tagged with weaponry+gastronomy+tag1
```

```
\toftagstop{weaponry}
\section{Eating rabbits} % tagged with gastronomy+tag1
```

### 1.2 `\toftagthis {tag1, tag2, ...}` and `\tofuntagthis {tag1, tag2, ...}`

The `\toftagthis` command flags with the comma separated values from its list argument only the *next* sectioning command. The effect is not cumulative: it is the last use of `\toftagthis` which counts; use it for all the needed tags at once.

The `\tofuntagthis` command similarly untags only the *next* entry. Similarly, only the tags in the last call of `\tofuntagthis` are taken into account.

```
\toftagstart{kitchenware, rabbits}
\section{Knives and rabbits} % tagged with kitchenware and rabbits
```

```
\tofuntagthis{kitchenware}
\subsection{Hunting rabbits} % tagged only with rabbits
```

```
\subsection{Best knives for cooking} % tagged with kitchenware and rabbits
```

```
\toftagstart{ecology}
\toftagthis{climate}
\section{Knives and global climate} % tagged with kitchenware+rabbits+ecology+climate
```

```
\toftagstop{kitchenware}
\section{The rabbit in the wild} % tagged with rabbits+ecology
```

### 1.3 Spaces

Spaces in tags and around commas in tag lists are transparently removed. (*new with release 1.3*). Tags may be macros, they are completely expanded before use.

## 2 Table of contents commands

### 2.1 `\nexttocwithtags {required tag1, required tag2, ...}{excluded tag1, excluded tag2, ...}`

This command influences the next `\tableofcontents` (or equivalent) command:

```
\nexttocwithtags{A, B}{C, D, E}
\tableofcontents
```

will let `\tableofcontents` print only the sectioning units having been flagged with both A and B and none of C, D, or E.

**DO NOT FORGET THE SECOND PAIR OF BRACES EVEN IF YOU ONLY WANT TO REQUIRE SOME TAGS:** `\nexttocwithtags{tag1, tag2}{}`.

#### 2.1.1 starred variants

There are starred variants:

```
\nexttocwithtags{A, B}{C, D, E} % A and B and neither C nor D nor E
\nexttocwithtags*{A, B}{C, D, E} % (A or B) and neither C nor D nor E
\nexttocwithtags{A, B}*{C, D, E} % A and B and (not C or not D or not E)
\nexttocwithtags*{A, B}*{C, D, E} % (A or B) and (not C or not D or not E)
```

### 2.2 `\tableoftaggedcontents {required tag1, required tag2, ...}{excluded tag1, excluded tag2, ... }`

This command is provided in case the document class allows only a single use of `\tableofcontents`, indeed `\tableoftaggedcontents` can be used arbitrarily many times. **However it does not typeset a heading.** Example:

```
\section*{A table of tagged contents} % <- needs to be explicitly added
\tableoftaggedcontents{weaponry, hunting}{ecology, climate}
```

This will limit the printed TOC entries to the ones which have been tagged with `weaponry` and also with `hunting`, but not with `ecology` and neither with `climate`.

#### 2.2.1 starred variants

There are starred variants:

```
\tableoftaggedcontents{A, B}{C, D, E} % A and B and neither C nor D nor E
\tableoftaggedcontents*{A, B}{C, D, E} % (A or B) and neither C nor D nor E
\tableoftaggedcontents{A, B}*{C, D, E} % A and B and (not C or not D or not E)
\tableoftaggedcontents*{A, B}*{C, D, E} % (A or B) and (not C or not D or not E)
```

### 2.3 `\tableof {required tag1, required tag2, ...}`

This is equivalent to `\tableoftaggedcontents{required tag1, ...}`.

```
\tableof{weaponry,hunting} % will print the entries tagged with weaponry
                                AND hunting
```

There is a starred variant:

```
\tableof*{weaponry, hunting} % will print the entries tagged with weaponry
                                OR hunting
```

### 2.4 `\tablenotof {excluded tag1, excluded tag2, ...}`

This is equivalent to `\tableoftaggedcontents{}{excluded tag1, ...}`.

```
\tablenotof{weaponry, hunting}
% will print the entries NOT tagged with weaponry NEITHER with hunting
```

There is a starred variant:

```
\tablenotof*{weaponry, hunting}
% will print the entries NOT tagged with weaponry OR NOT tagged with hunting
```

### 2.5 `\tofOpenTocFileForWrite`

The contents of the `.toc` file (if it already exists) are read into memory by `tableof` once, at the time of `\begin{document}`.<sup>1</sup> Notice that this reading of the `.toc` file into memory is only of relevance if the document makes use of one of the `\tableoftaggedcontents`, `\tableof` or `\tablenotof` commands.

The creation of the `.toc` file is *not* dealt with by `tableof` itself: either this will be done by a standard `\tableofcontents` command somewhere in the document, or, one may use the package provided command `\tofOpenTocFileForWrite` which does not display anything and just does what its name indicates. This command should **not** be used in the preamble, however

```
\usepackage{tableof}
\AtBeginDocument{\tofOpenTocFileForWrite}
```

is possible.

Please consider: this command should *not* be used when the document makes use of its own `\tableofcontents` or equivalent. It is provided *only* for the case where the document uses *exclusively* `\tableoftaggedcontents`, `\tableof` and `\tablenotof`.

## 3 Compatibility with other packages

`tableof` checks if `hyperref` is loaded as `hyperref` modifies the format of the lines in the `.toc` file (and this must be taken into account). This check is done at the `\begin{document}` so the order of loading is not important.

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<sup>1</sup>New with 1.3. Earlier versions read the `.toc` file at the time of `\usepackage{tableof}`. But this could cause a problem if the `.toc` file used characters not yet activated by Babel.

## 4 Version History

**tableof** requires the document `.toc` file to use the `\contentsline` macro (possibly patched by other packages). It is thus incompatible with the `beamer` class. However, if `beamer` is used in an article mode, i.e., with the article class in conjunction with the `beamerarticle` package, then **tableof** should work.

**tableof** adds the tag data to the `.toc` file, but this data self-defines itself to do nothing when not activated by **tableof**'s own commands. Since release 1.3, these redefinitions are done in *one single* line of the `.toc` file to circumvent interference of `biblatex` which adds commands to the `.toc` line on every other line (thus, potentially right in the middle of multi-line commands `:-`).

No testing has actually been done of compatibility with packages manipulating tables of contents, apart from `etoc`.<sup>2</sup> It went fine.

## 4 Version History

- 2015/03/10 v1.4a:
  - i. changes in the code to make it more easily patchable by other packages (I have especially the next release of `etoc` in mind): changes to the way `\tof@begin`, `\tof@finish` are set up, new `\tof@global` which defaults to nothing but may be set to be `\global` (this is in view of doing TOCs as tabulars of longtables, in the way `etoc` 1.08 will permit).
  - ii. improved sectioning of the documentation.
- 2015/02/20 v1.4:
  - i. some code efficiency improvements (some `\edef`'s replaced by a bunch of `\expandafter`'s.)
  - ii. improved documentation.
- 2015/02/11 v1.3:
  - i. comma separated lists of tags now allow spaces.
  - ii. only one line used for the `.toc` code silently unactivating `tableof` if its `\usepackage{tableof}` has been removed from the document source. (needed due to aggressive `biblatex` interference with `.toc` files.)
  - iii. reading of `.toc` file is delayed to `\begin{document}` to account for possible Babel active characters used therein. Not relevant if document uses standard `\tableofcontents` or like commands.
- 2013/03/04 v1.2:
  - i. added `\tableoftaggedcontents` as a wrapper for using `\nexttocwithtags` followed with `tableof`'s private copy of the `.toc` data.
  - ii. added `\if@files` test to `\tofOpenTocFileForWrite`.
- 2012/12/13 v1.1:
  - i. new command `\nexttocwithtags`.
  - ii. `.toc` may be input in another document not loading **tableof**.
- 2012/12/06 v1.0: initial version.

## 5 Generating the package file and the test file

Running `latex` on `tableof.dtx` generates: 1) the package file `tableof.sty` (which should be moved to a suitable location within the  $\TeX$  installation), 2) `tableof.ins` for

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<sup>2</sup><http://www.ctan.org/pkg/etoc>

TeX distributions expecting such a file, 3) `tableoftest.tex` which demonstrates the package features (one should run `latex` twice on it), and 4) the documentation itself. After running `latex` twice, use `dvipdfmx` to produce the pdf documentation.

## 6 Implementation

```

1 \ProvidesPackage{tableof}
2 [2015/03/10 v1.4a Tables of tagged contents (jfB)]
3 \NeedsTeXFormat{LaTeX2e}
4 \DeclareOption*{\PackageWarning{tableof}{Option ‘\CurrentOption’ is unknown.}}
5 \ProcessOptions\relax
6 \newtoks\tof@toctoks

```

1.3 codes this `\tof@readtoc` slightly better (copied from `etoc.dtx`).

```

7 \def\tof@readtoc {%
8   \ifeof \tof@tf
9   \else
10    \read\tof@tf to \tof@buffer
11    \tof@toctoks\expandafter\expandafter\expandafter
12      {\expandafter\the\expandafter\tof@toctoks\tof@buffer}%
13    \expandafter\tof@readtoc
14  \fi }

```

1.3 of 2015/02/11 moves the reading of the toc file to At Begin Document. This is needed for Babel activated characters. I also re-use `\endlinechar-1` which I had commented out since release 1.1. Notice though that this is irrelevant if the document uses `tableof` only via its tagging abilities, and has standard `\tableofcontents` command to print the TOC.

```

15 \AtBeginDocument{\IfFileExists{\jobname.toc}
16   {\endlinechar\m@ne
17    \makeatletter
18    \newread\tof@tf
19    \openin\tof@tf\@filef@und
20    \tof@readtoc
21    \global\tof@toctoks=\expandafter{\the\tof@toctoks}%
22    \closein\tof@tf}}{}}

```

The trick is that `\ifundefined` chooses the undefined branch if the meaning is `\relax`. Thus it is possible for `tableof` to define and use `\tof@begin` and later set it to `\relax`, the entire influence of `tableof` will then be turned off.

1.2 of 2013/03/04: `\string{->{, idem with }`. And added `\if@filesw` test.

1.3 of 2015/02/11: to circumvent aggressive biblatex manipulation of the `.toc` file, I put things to the `.toc` file in one-go; else weird commands might get inserted right in the middle of arguments to a multi-line macro! also removed a bunch of `\string`'s: when I first wrote this package I had still limited understanding of TeX's macros.

1.4a uses `\@empty` for the default `\tof@finish` rather than `\relax`, for no special reason. Also the `\let`'s in case `\tof@begin` is undefined or `\relax` are all made global, because for compatibility with the fancy things `etoc 1.08` will allow for TOC as table we need a global mode, and the simplest is here to do the things global by default.

```

23 \AtBeginDocument{
24   \addtocontents{toc}{\string\ifundefined\tof@begin}%
25   {\global\let\string\tof@begin\relax

```

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```
26     \global\let\string\tof@finish\string\@empty
27     \global\let\string\tof@starttags\string\@gobble
28     \global\let\string\tof@stoptags\string\@gobble
29     \global\let\string\tof@tagthis\string\@gobble
30     \global\let\string\tof@untagthis\string\@gobble}}}}
31 \addtocontents{toc}{\string\tof@begin}
32 \ifpackageloaded{hyperref}
33   {\def\tof@gobblethree@orfour#1#2#3#4{}}%
34   \ifx\hyper@last\@undefined\tof@toctoks{}\fi}
35   {\def\tof@gobblethree@orfour#1#2#3{}}}}
36 \AtEndDocument{\addtocontents{toc}{\string\tof@finish}}
```

1.4a makes the things more easily patchable by other packages, especially I have **etoc** in mind.

`\tof@@starttags` and `\tof@@stoptags` are defined a bit later in the code. And we use `\tof@global`. And we need `\tof@finish` to reset `\tof@tags` to empty, just in case `\tof@global` was `\global`. And also `\contentsline` !! But here it is a problem redefining it globally. In normal use of **tableof**, nothing needs to be done, because the `\tof@endgroup` closes the scope. In global mode (triggered only by **etoc** with `\etocglobaldefs` for tabulars), it needed to globally modify `\contentsline`, thus it or **etoc** has to globally unmodify it. **etoc** 1.08 by itself without **tableof** doesn't have to reset `\contentsline` because it re-defined it *before* an eventual tabular. But as it forced **tableof** to do global things, in such case **etoc** will have to proceed globally as well.

```
37 \let\tof@global      \@empty
38 \let\tof@begingroup \begingroup
39 \let\tof@endgroup   \endgroup
40 \def\tof@@finish    {\tof@global\let\contentsline\tof@saveditocline
41                      \tof@endgroup\global\let\tof@begin\relax
42                      \global\let\tof@tags\@empty }
43 \def\tof@@tagthis   #1{\def\tof@tags@tmp{#1}}
44 \def\tof@@untagthis #1{\def\tof@untags@tmp{#1}}
45 \def\tof@init#1{%
46   \def\tof@begin{%
47     \tof@begingroup
48     \tof@global\let\tof@tagthis \tof@@tagthis
49     \tof@global\let\tof@untagthis\tof@@untagthis
50     \tof@global\let\tof@starttags\tof@@starttags
51     \tof@global\let\tof@stoptags \tof@@stoptags
52     \tof@global\let\tof@finish \tof@@finish
53     \tof@global\let\tof@saveditocline\contentsline
54     \tof@global\def\contentsline {#1}}}
```

place holder for comments

```
55 \newcommand\tofOpenTocFileForWrite{%
56   \if@filesw
57     \newwrite \tf@toc
58     \immediate \openout \tf@toc \jobname.toc\relax
59   \fi}
```

Creating our booleans is not the most economical, (one could have used a single list macro) but heck, how many tags are there going to be anyhow in normal use? a dozen at the very most I think.

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1.4a: fortunately no need for the `\tof@global` thing! However, careful with `\tof@tags` it will have to be reset to empty by `\tof@finish` in case `\tof@global` is `\global`.

```
60 \let\tof@tags      \@empty
61 \let\tof@tags@tmp \@empty
62 \let\tof@untags@tmp \@empty
63 \def\tof@true #1{\expandafter\let\csname tofsw@#1\endcsname\iftrue}
64 \def\tof@false#1{\expandafter\let\csname tofsw@#1\endcsname\iffalse}
65 \def\tof@secondiftrue#1%
66   {\csname tofsw@#1\endcsname \let\tof@next\@secondoftwo\fi}
67 \def\tof@secondiffalse#1%
68   {\csname tofsw@#1\endcsname\else\let\tof@next\@secondoftwo\fi}
```

1.4a: fortunately no need for the `\tof@global` thing; the `\tof@setflags` is used at *each* `\contentsline`. Quite useful design, congrats to the original architect !

```
69 \def\tof@setflags #1{\let\tof@next\@firstoftwo
70   \@for\@tempa:=#1\do      {\tof@true {\@tempa}}%
71   \@for\@tempa:=\tof@tags\do  {\tof@false{\@tempa}}%
72   \@for\@tempa:=\tof@tags@tmp\do {\tof@false{\@tempa}}%
73   \@for\@tempa:=\tof@untags@tmp\do{\tof@true {\@tempa}}}
```

Release 1.4 uses here a bunch of `\expandafter`'s in place of some `\edef`'s.

```
74 \def\tof@filter#1#2{\ifx#1#2\else
75   \ifx\tof@tmptags\@empty
76     \expandafter\def\expandafter\tof@tmptags\expandafter{#2}%
77   \else
78     \expandafter\expandafter\expandafter\def
79     \expandafter\expandafter\expandafter\tof@tmptags
80     \expandafter\expandafter\expandafter{\expandafter
81     \tof@tmptags\expandafter,#2}%
82   \fi\fi}
```

1.4a needs the `\tof@global` in the hope for **tableof** to be compatible with future **etoc** 1.08 when employed in the delicate art of TOC as a table !

```
83 \def\tof@@starttags#1{%
84   \ifx\tof@tags\@empty
85     \tof@global\def\tof@tags{#1}%
86   \else
87     \tof@global
88     \expandafter\def\expandafter\tof@tags\expandafter{\tof@tags,#1}%
89   \fi }
90 \def\tof@@stoptags#1{%
91   \@for\@tempa:=#1\do{%
92     \def\tof@tmptags{}%
93     \@for\@tempb:=\tof@tags\do{\tof@filter\@tempa\@tempb}%
94     \tof@global
95     \expandafter\def\expandafter\tof@tags\expandafter{\tof@tmptags}%
96   }%
97 }
```

Until 1.3, I was just using the `\@for` thing with no attempt at any extra parsing, for spaces in particular. With 1.3 of 2015/02/11 I use an `\edef` to remove all spaces first, using a `\zapspaces` macro pioneered in `xintkernel.sty`. Thus, comma separated lists of tags can have spaces. They will be removed if not protected by braces.

```
98 \def\tof@zapspaces #1 #2{#1#2\tof@zapspaces }
```



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```
99 \def\tof@cleanspaces #1#2{\edef\tof@tmp {\tof@zapspace #2 \@gobble}}%
100 \expandafter #1\tof@tmp }
placeholder for comments
101 \def\tof@and #1{%
102   \tof@init{\tof@setflags{#1}\def\tof@tags@tmp{\def\tof@untags@tmp{}}%
103     \@for\@tempa:=#1\do{\tof@secondifftrue{\@tempa}}%
104     \tof@next\tof@saveditocline\tof@gobblethree@orfour}%
105   \the\tof@toctoks }
106 \def\tof@or #1{%
107   \tof@init{\tof@setflags{#1}\def\tof@tags@tmp{\def\tof@untags@tmp{}}%
108     \@for\@tempa:=#1\do{\tof@secondiffalse{\@tempa}}%
109     \tof@next\tof@gobblethree@orfour\tof@saveditocline}%
110   \the\tof@toctoks }
111 \def\tof@nor #1{%
112   \tof@init{\tof@setflags{#1}\def\tof@tags@tmp{\def\tof@untags@tmp{}}%
113     \@for\@tempa:=#1\do{\tof@secondiffalse{\@tempa}}%
114     \tof@next\tof@saveditocline\tof@gobblethree@orfour}%
115   \the\tof@toctoks }
116 \def\tof@nand #1{%
117   \tof@init{\tof@setflags{#1}\def\tof@tags@tmp{\def\tof@untags@tmp{}}%
118     \@for\@tempa:=#1\do{\tof@secondifftrue{\@tempa}}%
119     \tof@next\tof@gobblethree@orfour\tof@saveditocline}%
120   \the\tof@toctoks }
121 \newcommand*\tableof{\@ifstar{\tof@cleanspaces\tof@or}
122   {\tof@cleanspaces\tof@and}}
123 \newcommand*\tablenotof{\@ifstar{\tof@cleanspaces\tof@nand}
124   {\tof@cleanspaces\tof@nor}}
placeholder for comments
125 \def\tof@nextof@or #1{\toks@{\tof@setflags{#1}%
126   \@for\@tempa:=#1\do{\tof@secondiffalse{\@tempa}}%
127   \tof@next
128   {\def\tof@tags@tmp{\def\tof@untags@tmp{\tof@gobblethree@orfour}}%
129   \@ifstar{\tof@cleanspaces\tof@nextof@nand}
130   {\tof@cleanspaces\tof@nextof@nor}}
131 \def\tof@nextof@and #1{\toks@{\tof@setflags{#1}%
132   \@for\@tempa:=#1\do{\tof@secondifftrue{\@tempa}}%
133   \tof@next\@secondoftwo\@firstoftwo
134   {\def\tof@tags@tmp{\def\tof@untags@tmp{\tof@gobblethree@orfour}}%
135   \@ifstar{\tof@cleanspaces\tof@nextof@nand}
136   {\tof@cleanspaces\tof@nextof@nor}}
137 \def\tof@nextof@nor #1{%
138   \toks@\expandafter{\the\toks@
139     {\tof@setflags{#1}\def\tof@tags@tmp{\def\tof@untags@tmp{}}%
140     \@for\@tempa:=#1\do{\tof@secondiffalse{\@tempa}}%
141     \tof@next\tof@saveditocline\tof@gobblethree@orfour}}%
142   \expandafter\tof@init\expandafter{\the\toks@}%
143   \tof@printtoc }
144 \def\tof@nextof@nand #1{%
145   \toks@\expandafter{\the\toks@
146     {\tof@setflags{#1}\def\tof@tags@tmp{\def\tof@untags@tmp{}}%
147     \@for\@tempa:=#1\do{\tof@secondifftrue{\@tempa}}%
148     \tof@next\tof@gobblethree@orfour\tof@saveditocline}}%
```

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```
149     \expandafter\tof@init\expandafter{\the\toks@}%
150     \tof@printtoc }
151 \newcommand*\nexttocwithtags{\let\tof@printtoc\relax
152     \ifstar{\tof@cleanspaces\tof@nextof@or}
153     {\tof@cleanspaces\tof@nextof@and}}
154 \newcommand*\tableoftaggedcontents{\def\tof@printtoc{\the\tof@toctoks}%
155     \ifstar{\tof@cleanspaces\tof@nextof@or}
156     {\tof@cleanspaces\tof@nextof@and}}
placeholder for comments
157 \newcommand*\toftagthis[1]
158   {\addtocontents{toc}{\string\tof@tagthis {\tof@zapspace #1 \@gobble }}}
159 \newcommand*\tofuntagthis[1]
160   {\addtocontents{toc}{\string\tof@untagthis{\tof@zapspace #1 \@gobble }}}
161 \newcommand*\toftagstart[1]
162   {\addtocontents{toc}{\string\tof@starttags{\tof@zapspace #1 \@gobble }}}
163 \newcommand*\toftagstop[1]
164   {\addtocontents{toc}{\string\tof@stoptags {\tof@zapspace #1 \@gobble }}}
165 \endinput
```