

## From EULER Project

# PmWiki: Glossary

This page describes various terms related to PmWiki.

### Author

Any user with privileges to write to the wiki.

### Admin

The person (or people) who controls access to the wiki, configures the wiki, and generally is the person who installed the wiki.

### Configuration file

A specially-named PHP script file where local customizations can take place for a farm, a wiki, a group, or a page.

### Default configuration

The way Pm has chosen to set all settings, or an individual setting, by default. For example, `$EnablePathInfo` is disabled by default. A wiki with no *local/config.php* file is using the default configuration. Likewise, a farm that only defines `$FarmPubDirUrl` in *farmconfig.php* is using the default configuration.

### Farm

A group of wikis that share code. Content and formats may or may not be shared. For more farm-related terms, including several which have been deprecated, see [WikiFarmTerminology](#)

### Farm-wide configuration file

A WikiFarm's *local/farmconfig.php* file, where any settings (besides `$FarmPubDirUrl`) customize the default configuration for all of the wikis in a farm.

### Full page name

The *full page name* consists of a group and a name, e.g. `Main.WikiSandbox`. The variable for the full page name is `{ $FullName }`, which for this page is `PmWiki.Glossary`. Similarly, the variable for the group is `{ $Group }` which here is `PmWiki`.

### Group

A collection of associated wiki pages; by default this appears in the page name as "Group.PageName". Attributes can be set on all pages in the group simultaneously. The variable for the group is `{ $Group }`, which here is `PmWiki`.

### Local configuration file

A specially-named PHP script where local customizations can take place for an individual wiki. For an entire wiki it's named *local/config.php*. Individual groups and pages can also have their own local configuration files.

### Local customization

Any deviation from the default configuration. A related phrase is "farm-wide customization".

### Page file name

The *page file name* is the name of the file that normally stores the data of a page in the directory `wiki.d/`. This file name is normally built directly from the page name.

### Page link

A *page link* is something that is used to generate a link to a page. For example, the markup `[[wiki sandbox]]`, `[(wiki) sandbox]]`, `WikiSandbox`, `Main/WikiSandbox`, `[[Main/wiki sandbox]]`, `[[Main.WikiSandbox | click here]]`, etc all specify a link to the page 'Main.WikiSandbox'. In each case PmWiki uses the context of the link to generate a page name from the page link -- normally by capitalizing each word found in the link and stripping

any characters that aren't considered valid in page names.

#### Page name

The *page name* is a string that PmWiki uses to refer to a page - i.e. it *names the page*. This could also be considered a *handle* for the page. The variable for the page name is simply called `{ $Name }`, which for this page is `Glossary`.

Note that there is no whitespace in page names, and by default PmWiki capitalizes each word in a page's name. There is however a variable `{ $Namespaced }` where spaces have been inserted, e.g. for the page `WikiSandbox` this variable would be `Wiki Sandbox`.

Note that PmWiki also uses the page name to locate per-group and per-page customization files in the `local/` subdirectory. For example, browsing `Main.WikiSandbox` would cause `local/Main.WikiSandbox.php` and `local/Main.php` to be loaded if these files existed.

#### Page title

A *page title* is the title element of a page, i.e. what is usually shown above the page and in the browser window's name. This title is normally set via the directive `( :title: )`, but if no such directive is given the title will be automatically generated from the page name. The title of a page is accessed via either the variable `{ $Title }` or the variable `{ $Titlespaced }`. The latter differs in that it uses the spaced version of the name.

#### Page URI

Page names are used in URIs to tell PmWiki which page is to be loaded or acted upon. The normal form of a page URI is usually one of these two

```
http://www.example.com/pmwiki/pmwiki.php?n=Main.WikiSandbox
http://www.example.com/pmwiki/pmwiki.php/Main.WikiSandbox
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Note that various aliasing and rewriting tricks can be used to modify this, but PmWiki expects to obtain a page name from the parameter 'n' or from the `PATH_INFO` component following the URI of the script (`pmwiki.php`).

Note that the parameter 'n' takes precedence over `PATH_INFO` if both are available.

#### Wikifarm

Synonymous for "[farm](#)".

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