

## ACAP feature comparison table

### Key

In the following two tables entries shaded in **green** are forms of expression available in conventional robots.txt or conventional <META> tags that have corresponding ACAP expressions. Table entries shaded in **yellow** may be equivalent to the corresponding ACAP features, but are extensions to standard <META> tags and may be ignored or inconsistently interpreted by crawlers. One table entry shaded in **orange** expresses partly but not fully the corresponding ACAP expression. Blank table entries shaded **red** indicate ACAP features for which there is no equivalent in conventional robots.txt or <META> tags.

### Proprietary extensions to <META> tags not currently supported by ACAP

The following extensions to conventional REP are supported by some crawlers but do not currently have any direct equivalent forms of expression in ACAP:

<META ... content="noimageindex">  
<META ... content="nomediaindex">

In both cases there are other ways of expressing the same thing in both ACAP and conventional REP, using robots.txt.



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## Basic ACAP features

ACAP expression	Existing /robots.txt expression	Existing HTML expression
crawler: crawler-name	User-agent: crawler-name	<META name="crawler-name" ... >
crawler: *	User-agent: *	<META name="robots" ... >
usage-purpose:		
allow-crawl:	Allow:	n/a
disallow-crawl:	Disallow:	n/a
allow-index:		<META ... content="index">
disallow-index:		<META ... content="noindex">
allow-follow:		<META ... content="follow">
disallow-follow:		<META ... content="nofollow">
allow-preserve:		
disallow-preserve:		
allow-present:		
disallow-present:		
allow-present-snippet:		
disallow-present-snippet:		<META ... content="nosnippet">
allow-present-thumbnail:		
disallow-present-thumbnail:		
allow-present-currentcopy:		
disallow-present-currentcopy:		<META ... content="noarchive"> <META ... content="nocache">
allow-present-oldcopy:		
disallow-present-oldcopy:		
allow-present-original:		
disallow-present-original:		
allow-present-link:		
disallow-present-link:		
disallow-other:		

## Other ACAP features

ACAP expression	Existing /robots.txt expression	Existing HTML expression
time-limit=until-recrawled		
time-limit=until-yyyy-mm-dd		<META ... content="unavailable_after: yyyy-mm-dd" >
time-limit=n-days		
max-length=...		
prohibited-modification=any		
prohibited-modification=format		
prohibited-modification=style		
prohibited-modification=translation		<META ... content="notranslate" >
prohibited-modification=annotation		<META ... content="nooldp" >
prohibited-context=...		
required-context=...		
*location=...		