

Quick Table Deletion with a Macro

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If you want to delete a table quickly, the included DELTABLE.WPM macro will do the job.

How it works

The macro uses WordPerfect's Search feature to locate the [Tbl Def] code at the beginning of a table. The macro then presses the equal key (=) once to position your cursor on the [Tbl Def] code (because the search leaves your cursor one space past the code), activates blocking, then searches for the [Tbl Off] code at the end of the table. Finally, the macro presses (Delete) and stops, leaving you to answer the "Delete Block? No (Yes)" prompt.

Playing the macro

When you want to delete a table, position your cursor ahead of the table in your document. Press (Alt-F10), type "deltable" and press (Enter). The macro will locate and block the table's codes, press (Delete), and wait for you to respond to the "Delete Block? No (Yes)" prompt. If you type "y," the macro will delete the table and turn off blocking. If you type "n," the table will remain in your document and blocking will remain active. You'll need to press (Alt-F4) to turn off blocking.