#### sldMaster (Slide Master)

This element specifies an instance of a slide master slide. Within a slide master slide are contained all elements that describe the objects and their corresponding formatting for within a [presentation](presentation.docx) slide. Within a slide master slide are two main elements. The [cSld](cSld.docx) element specifies the common slide elements such as shapes and their attached text bodies. Then the [txStyles](txStyles.docx) element specifies the formatting for the text within each of these shapes. The other properties within a slide master slide specify other properties for within a [presentation](presentation.docx) slide such as color information, headers and footers, as well as [timing](timing.docx) and [transition](transition.docx) information for all corresponding [presentation](presentation.docx) slides.

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| Parent Elements |
| Root element of PresentationML Slide Master part |

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| Child Elements | Subclause |
| [clrMap](clrMap.docx) (Color Scheme Map) | § |
| [cSld](cSld.docx) (Common Slide Data) | § |
| [extLst](extLst.docx) (Extension List with Modification Flag) | § |
| [hf](hf.docx) (Header/Footer information for a slide master) | § |
| [sldLayoutIdLst](sldLayoutIdLst.docx) (List of Slide Layouts) | § |
| [timing](timing.docx) (Slide Timing Information for a Slide Layout) | § |
| [transition](transition.docx) (Slide Transition for a Slide Layout) | § |
| [txStyles](txStyles.docx) (Slide Master Text Styles) | § |

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| Attributes | Description |
| preserve (Preserve Slide Master) | Specifies whether the corresponding slide layout will be deleted when all the slides that follow that layout are deleted. If this attribute is not specified then a value of false should be assumed by the generating application. This would mean that the slide would in fact be deleted if no slides within the [presentation](presentation.docx) were related to it.  The possible values for this attribute are defined by the XML Schema boolean datatype. |

The following XML Schema fragment defines the contents of this element:

<complexType name="CT\_SlideMaster">

<sequence minOccurs="1" maxOccurs="1">

<element name="[cSld](cSld.docx)" type="CT\_CommonSlideData" minOccurs="1" maxOccurs="1"/>

<group ref="EG\_TopLevelSlide" minOccurs="1" maxOccurs="1"/>

<element name="[sldLayoutIdLst](sldLayoutIdLst.docx)" type="CT\_SlideLayoutIdList" minOccurs="0" maxOccurs="1"/>

<element name="[transition](transition.docx)" type="CT\_SlideTransition" minOccurs="0" maxOccurs="1"/>

<element name="[timing](timing.docx)" type="CT\_SlideTiming" minOccurs="0" maxOccurs="1"/>

<element name="[hf](hf.docx)" type="CT\_HeaderFooter" minOccurs="0" maxOccurs="1"/>

<element name="[txStyles](txStyles.docx)" type="CT\_SlideMasterTextStyles" minOccurs="0" maxOccurs="1"/>

<element name="[extLst](extLst.docx)" type="CT\_ExtensionListModify" minOccurs="0" maxOccurs="1"/>

</sequence>

<attribute name="preserve" type="xsd:boolean" use="optional" default="false"/>

</complexType>