#### tabs (Set of Custom Tab Stops)

This element specifies a sequence of custom [tab](tab.docx) stops which shall be used for any [tab](tab.docx) characters in the current paragraph.

If this element is omitted on a given paragraph, its value is determined by the setting previously set at any level of the style hierarchy (i.e. that previous setting remains unchanged). If this setting is never specified in the style hierarchy, then no custom [tab](tab.docx) stops shall be used for this paragraph.

As well, this property is additive - [tab](tab.docx) stops at each level in the style hierarchy are added to each other to determine the full set of [tab](tab.docx) stops for the paragraph. A hanging indent specified via the hanging attribute on the [ind](ind.docx) element (§) shall also always implicitly create a custom [tab](tab.docx) stop at its location.

[Example: Consider a paragraph which contains two custom [tab](tab.docx) stops at 1.5" and 3.5", respectively. These two [tab](tab.docx) stops would be contained within a tabs element defining the set of [tab](tab.docx) stops of the paragraph as follows:

<w:[pPr](pPr.docx)>

 <w:tabs>

 <w:[tab](tab.docx) w:val="left" w:[pos](pos.docx)="2160" />

 <w:[tab](tab.docx) w:val="left" w:[pos](pos.docx)="5040" />

 </w:tabs>

</w:[pPr](pPr.docx)>

The tabs element specifies all of the customized [tab](tab.docx) stops for the current paragraph. end example]

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| Parent Elements |
| [pPr](pPr.docx) (§); [pPr](pPr.docx) (§); [pPr](pPr.docx) (§); [pPr](pPr.docx) (§); [pPr](pPr.docx) (§); [pPr](pPr.docx) (§) |

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| Child Elements | Subclause |
| [tab](tab.docx) (Custom Tab Stop) | § |

The following [XML](XML.docx) Schema fragment defines the contents of this element:

<complexType [name](name.docx)="CT\_Tabs">

 <sequence>

 <element name="[tab](tab.docx)" [type](type.docx)="CT\_TabStop" minOccurs="1" maxOccurs="unbounded"/>

 </sequence>

</complexType>