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Subject: Paragraphing in Model Description dialogue???  
Posted by [ldie22](#) on Mon, 10 Dec 2012 09:41:35 GMT  
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This may sound stupid, but I don't see how I can get my description to appear in paragraphs. I've seen it done in some stores, but many don't have it as well. My long item description looks too messy and who knows, might make me lose some sales. Please, if it's possible can someone tell me how?!

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Subject: Re: Paragraphing in Model Description dialogue???  
Posted by [stannum](#) on Mon, 10 Dec 2012 19:35:56 GMT  
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Try with HTML tags, like <p> or <br>.

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Subject: Re: Paragraphing in Model Description dialogue???  
Posted by [bartv](#) on Tue, 11 Dec 2012 10:25:45 GMT  
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We don't officially support using images in the description. You might be able to 'hack' it with HTML, but it may get filtered out in the future. Better stick to the way default images work!

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Subject: Re: Paragraphing in Model Description dialogue???  
Posted by [7777773](#) on Wed, 12 Dec 2012 14:36:07 GMT  
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He was asking about Paragraphing, not images... by default your description will be mashed together into one big messy lump, no matter how you type it.  
I hadn't thought of trying html pagebreaks - Thanks, Stannum!

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Subject: Re: Paragraphing in Model Description dialogue???  
Posted by [bartv](#) on Wed, 12 Dec 2012 14:37:13 GMT  
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Ack, my bad, sorry. I'll raise this issue again in our product team.

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Bart

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Subject: Re: Paragraphing in Model Description dialogue???

Posted by [mygadgetlife](#) on Fri, 14 Dec 2012 10:10:03 GMT

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I insert a couple of <br> into my descriptions to separate paragraphs, seems to work - be careful though, when you go to edit a description you might need to put them all back in due to the way the text is filtered.

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Subject: Re: Paragraphing in Model Description dialogue???

Posted by [TinyMtn](#) on Sun, 17 Feb 2013 06:04:49 GMT

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I find it best to just use straight-up HTML paragraph tags:

```
<p>
```

One paragraph here.

```
</p>
```

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<p>
```

Another paragraph here.

```
</p>
```

This always seems to work.

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Subject: Re: Paragraphing in Model Description dialogue???

Posted by [HazelwoodModels](#) on Mon, 27 May 2013 06:08:37 GMT

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Several HTML commands work.

Another useful one is:-

```
<strong> Shout Louder </strong>
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Subject: Re: Paragraphing in Model Description dialogue???

Posted by [bartv](#) on Fri, 05 Jul 2013 08:39:01 GMT

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Hey guys,

I'm reviving this thread - the Product team has asked me for your input on a better model description editor. Which options do you think it should (and should not!) support? How can we help you make a better product page by offering other editing options?

Please share your input & examples (either your Shapeways product pages or elsewhere).

Thanks!

Bart

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Subject: Re: Paragraphing in Model Description dialogue???

Posted by [stannum](#) on Fri, 05 Jul 2013 22:46:15 GMT

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Being able to disable it and type the basic HTML tags as now would be a good feature. Some people can type faster than can point and click.

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Subject: Re: Paragraphing in Model Description dialogue???

Posted by [HazelwoodModels](#) on Fri, 05 Jul 2013 23:55:38 GMT

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A front end like eBay would be the ideal, everything is there.

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Subject: Re: Paragraphing in Model Description dialogue???

Posted by [TrainThingz](#) on Wed, 04 Sep 2013 23:05:57 GMT

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Glad I found this... was having the same issues with paragraph breaks!

I don't understand, though, why you have one text editor on the product pages in the shops, and another one here... why not use this one both places?

A couple of things I'd like to see in the shops product pages... the ability to have a list of all tags associated with my shop in a list, and be able to just check them to enable them... like the materials list. This would help those of us who aren't the greatest typists and keep us from having duplicate or NEAR-duplicate tags.

It would also be great to be able to select several items and edit their descriptive text all at once - especially if there were "shared text" and "unique text" sections so those one or two lines that are different would be simpler to add. I could go through and add all the shared text at once, then just fix up a couple of lines on each one individually.

I'm sure I'll have more suggestions later.

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Subject: Re: Paragraphing in Model Description dialogue???  
Posted by [bartv](#) on Thu, 05 Sep 2013 08:07:34 GMT  
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Thanks! We're currently working on an overhaul for the Product page and I'll forward all your suggestions to the involved team.

Cheers,

Bart

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Subject: Re: Paragraphing in Model Description dialogue???  
Posted by [TinyMtn](#) on Fri, 27 Sep 2013 02:40:40 GMT  
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Did this overhaul consist of removing the paragraph spacing in the customer-facing product description page, but not in the shop-owner "Edit Details" page?

Just surrounding my paragraphs with

```
<p>Paragraph here</p>
```

```
<p>Next paragraph here</p>
```

no longer works (as of maybe 1-2 weeks ago). Now, (in Firefox, IE, and Opera) to get proper space between paragraphs in the customer-facing product page, I need to use

```
<p>Paragraph here</p>
```

```
<br>
```

```
<p>Next paragraph here</p>
```

Why change the way HTML has always been rendered? Should I re-upload dozens of descriptions, or might this be returned to it's original behavior soon?

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Subject: Re: Paragraphing in Model Description dialogue???  
Posted by [TrainThingz](#) on Fri, 27 Sep 2013 05:16:17 GMT  
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You can accomplish the same thing just by doubling up the BR tags and leaving out the P

```
paragraph paragraph paragraph  
<br><br>  
paragraph paragraph paragraph  
<br><br>  
paragraph paragraph paragraph
```

First one ends the line above, second one spaces it.

I never thought all that hand-coding of HTML 3 I did back in the day would ever come in handy again...

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Subject: Re: Paragraphing in Model Description dialogue???  
Posted by [TinyMtn](#) on Fri, 27 Sep 2013 05:19:02 GMT  
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Sure, there are probably many ways to accomplish it. I was kind of hoping the straightforward <p> tags that have worked for 15 years would have been the answer.

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Subject: Re: Paragraphing in Model Description dialogue???  
Posted by [AmLachDesigns](#) on Fri, 27 Sep 2013 05:55:24 GMT  
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I agree that it is frustrating that <p> does not really do what it would on a web page. I also find it odd that other tags are not implemented such as <i> and <b>.

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Subject: Re: Paragraphing in Model Description dialogue???  
Posted by [SavlsSavvy](#) on Fri, 27 Sep 2013 15:32:04 GMT  
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Thank you all for your feedback. As Bart said, we're in the process of a huge overhaul and look forward to better usability in the future!

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Subject: Re: Paragraphing in Model Description dialogue???

Posted by [TinyMtn](#) on Fri, 27 Sep 2013 15:44:49 GMT

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Cool. Looking forward to it. I just didn't know if I was seeing the overhauled version yet. Until then, I guess descriptions will just look messy.

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Subject: Re: Paragraphing in Model Description dialogue???

Posted by [SavIsSavvy](#) on Fri, 27 Sep 2013 15:53:46 GMT

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We're gradually making a lot of changes, so hang in there

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Subject: Re: Paragraphing in Model Description dialogue???

Posted by [TrainThingz](#) on Fri, 27 Sep 2013 15:55:32 GMT

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I think what it really boils down to is pretty simple:

If we have to use HTML in the descriptions, don't nerf it and make us play guessing games about what will work, and what won't.

If you don't want us to use HTML, then we need a real editor... like this one here.

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