

# How can I prevent a WebView control from opening a browser window?

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A customer had an application that used a UWP `WebView` control. Some Web sites open links in a new window by using techniques like `TARGET=_blank`. When the user clicks on such a link, it opens in a Web browser. The customer wanted to know how to prevent this.

To do this, you can handle the `NewWindowRequested` event. You can mark the event as `Handled`, in which case the system will consider the action complete and will not send the request to the user's default Web browser.

```
<!-- XAML -->
<WebView NewWindowRequested="OnNewWindowRequested" />

// C# code-behind
void OnNewWindowRequested(WebView sender, WebViewNewWindowRequestedEventArgs e)
{
    // Block all requests to open a new window
    e.Handled = true;
}
```

You can inspect the `Referrer` and `Uri` properties to learn more about what triggered the new window.

- `Referrer` is the page that wants to open the window.
- `Uri` is the page that it wants to open.

If your handler is a coroutine, then you must set `Handled = true` before performing any `await` operations, because the handler returns to its caller as soon as you perform an `await`, and the rest of the handler runs as an asynchronous task.

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