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Enum keyword is used for enumerations in Swift programming.

What is enumeration?

By English definition, enumeration mean **“the action of mentioning a number of things one by one”**. We do in Swift programming the same thing. We declare a set of named values called elements and each of these elements gets a number implicitly. We use these elements as constants throughout the program.

Syntax of Enum in Swift

The syntax to declare an enum is:

```
enum enumName {  
    // enumerated  
  
enum enumName {  
    // enumerated elements  
}
```

where `enumName` is the name by which we can reference this enum.

Inside the curly braces, you can declare the elements, one for each line. For each element you declare, you should provide the keyword `case` prior to the element name. An example is shown below.

```
enum enumName {  
    case Element1  
  
enum enumName {  
    case Element1  
    case Element2  
}
```

You can declare as many number of elements inside Enum as per requirement.

Example – Swift Enum

Following is a simple example, where we have an enum to declare days of week as elements. We use switch case to demonstrate the usage of enum.

```
enum WeekDay {  
  case Monday
```

```
enum WeekDay {  
  case Monday  
  case Tuesday  
  case Wednesday  
  case Thursday  
  case Friday  
  case Saturday  
  case Sunday  
}  
  
func action(day: WeekDay){  
  switch day{  
    case .Monday:  
      print("Monday is working day. Go to office.")  
    case .Tuesday:  
      print("Tuesday is working day. Go to office.")  
    case .Wednesday:  
      print("Wednesday is working day. Go to office.")  
    case .Thursday:  
      print("Thursday is working day. Go to office.")  
    case .Friday:  
      print("Friday is status day. Prepare stutus presentation for office.")  
    case .Saturday:  
      print("Saturday is off day. Rest at home.")  
    case .Sunday:  
      print("Sunday is off day. Rest at home.")  
  }  
}  
  
let today = WeekDay.Thursday  
action(day:today)  
  
action(day:WeekDay.Friday)  
action(day:WeekDay.Saturday)
```

Output

```
Thursday is working  
day. Go to office.
```

```
Thursday is working day. Go to office.  
Friday is status day. Prepare stutus presentation for office.  
Saturday is off day. Rest at home.
```

Conclusion

In this [Swift Tutorial](#), we learned the syntax and usage of Enumerations in Swift programming.

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