

Use Case Template

Use Case ID: *{This should be coded to identify the owning team and the level of the use case}*

Use Case Level: *{High-level, system-level end-to-end, functional sub-use case}*

Scenario: *{This is a complete description of the use. Each subsection is explained below.}*

Actor: *{Which actor from the actor model initiates this use case? This should be a reference into the actor description model.}*

Pre-conditions: *{This describes requirements on the state of the system prior to this use being valid.}*

Description: *{A detailed description of the use. It is structured as shown below.}*

Trigger: The user initiates an action by...

The system responds by...

*{In this section reference is made to sub-use cases that this use case **uses**.}*

Relevant requirements: *{In this section reference is made to any other requirements documents such as industry standards or government regulations.}*

Post-conditions: *{This describes the state of the system following the successful completion of this use. Affects on other systems and actors may also be described.}*

Alternative Courses of Action *{This section presents other scenarios that are related to the main scenario but that differ in small ways.}*

Extensions: *{This section presents variations on this use case that "specializes" it. It presents those use cases that have an extends relation with the current use case.}*

Exceptions: *{This section describes all error conditions that can arise in the use case.}*

Concurrent Uses: *{This use can occur concurrently with the uses listed in this section.}*

Related Use Cases: *{Reference is made here to use cases that describe uses that are either usually performed just before or after the current use.}*

Decision Support

Frequency: *{How often will this use of the system occur? Usually stated in terms of number of times per application execution, but can be stated in terms of number of times per hour of execution for always available systems. This field is combined with the criticality field to determine the number of tests that will be used to test the functionality. It may also be used in certain design decisions.}*

Criticality: *{How necessary is this use to the successful functioning of the program from a user's perspective. Its absence may not cause the system to crash, but it may prevent the user from accomplishing their goal. This field is used to assist in determining the extent to which the use will be tested.}*

Risk: *{The project risk associated with providing this use. This is used in project planning. Often riskier uses will be implemented early to provide sufficient recovery time.}*

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