



Test Plan

aka The Bouncer

The test plan verifies that features and functionality meet developer, client, and end-user expectations.

OWNER:



TESTER

CONTRIBUTORS:



PRODUCTION
LEAD



BACK-END
DEVELOPER



TECH LEAD

DESCRIPTION:

Test plans verify that approved functionality, user experience architecture, and design satisfy stakeholder expectations. Testers verify that features behave as expected, and that any unintended actions are handled in a graceful manner.

The test plan merges information from project documentation to translate features into a combination of scenarios (test cases) and anticipated behaviors (expected results). Additionally, testers explore the behavior of unintended functionality; "What happens if..." is a charter for exploratory testing.

When testers find errors or inconsistencies, they create bug reports that communicate issues to developers. Writing a complete and thorough bug report is critical to timely and effective fixes.

SPECIAL CONSIDERATIONS:

- Test plans are a preventative document. Test plans can identify holes in the requirements definition and information architecture. Testers should review those documents to save time and money before testing even begins.
- As the project evolves, so does the test plan. Test cases must be added or adjusted to accommodate all changes.

LOCATION IN THE PROCESS:

