

P4-REQ-21-11-002

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Statement

The Developer Handbook SHALL define file-header conventions.

Source

Part 4, Section 21.11: Developer Handbook Requirements.

Rationale

File-header conventions provide a consistent mechanism for identifying an artifact's purpose, ownership context, logical or implementation source, modification guidance, review status, and traceability.

A standard header makes governed source files easier to review and prevents implementation artifacts from entering the baseline without sufficient context.

Applies To

This requirement applies to:

- hand-authored source files;
- applicable scripts;
- governed configuration source files where required; and
- other files governed by the handbook.

Verification

Verification SHALL confirm that the Developer Handbook defines file-header conventions.

Verification activities should include review checks confirming that:

- required header fields are identified;
- artifact purpose is addressed;
- logical or implementation source is addressed;
- modification guidance is addressed; and
- traceability information is addressed.

Traceability

This requirement establishes the handbook rule used to govern Phase 0 source-file headers.

Related requirement identifiers:

- [P4-REQ-21-11-001](#)
- [P4-REQ-21-11-003](#)
- [P4-REQ-21-10-006](#)

Related source section:

- [21.11 Developer Handbook Requirements](#)

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