

# SAMPLE CODECHECK RULE FILE FOR A CORPORATE C++ STYLE GUIDELINE

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/*      xyzrule.cc
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      Purpose:          Checks for compatibility with XYZ C++ standards.
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## abstract:

These CodeCheck rules check for compatibility with the XYZ C++ Coding Rules. These rules are based on the document "XYZ C++ Guidelines".

These rules are applied to all headers that are included in double quotes, e.g. #include "project.h". For proper use of these rules, be sure to include system headers in angle brackets: #include <ctypes.h>.

## Warning Codes:

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9111  Header filename  is not in DOS 8.3 format.
9121  Class names must begin with "XYZxxx_"
9131  Private member name  must not begin in uppercase.
9131  Private member name  must end with an underscore.
9211  Definition of class  belongs in a header file.
9212  File  needs a leading comment block.
9213  Header file  should be wrapped in an #ifndef.
9213   is not the correct wrapper name for this file.
9214  Definition of function  must NOT be in a header file.
9221  Public section must come first in class .
9222  Data member  of class  must be private.
9231  Function  is too long to be inlined.
9232  Do NOT use inline within a class definition.
9251  Class  needs a default constructor.
9251  Class  needs a copy constructor.
9252  Class  needs an operator=().
9253  Class  has too many constructors (limit is 3).
9254  Class  needs a destructor.
9255  Destructor for class  must be virtual.
9261  Operator  should not be a friend.
9261  Do NOT declare friend functions.
9261  Do NOT declare friend classes.
9271  Do NOT use virtual base classes.
9281  Declare  using a typedef name, not a basic C type.
9282  Define typedef name  in a base class.
9293  Define enum  in a base class.
9311  Declare parameter  to be a reference to .
9312  Operator  should not return an object.
9314  Function  should not return an object.

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9315 Reference parameters must come first.
9316 Constant member functions should be avoided.
9317 Parameter should not be const.
9411 Use // comments, not oldstyle C comments.
9421 Declare as a const, not a macro.
9422 This enumeration needs an enum type name.
9431 Global constant should be a class member.
9441 Function needs an explicit return type.

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#include <check.cch

#define DOT ('.') // period character
#define SLASH ('/') // forward slash character
#define BACKSLASH ('\\') // backslash character
#define COLON (':') // colon character
#define TILDE ('~') // tilde character
#define UNDERSCORE ('_') // underscore character

#define PUBLIC 0
#define PROTECTED 1
#define PRIVATE 2

int ch, j, k, okay, level,
    is_constant, is_object,
    lin_if_depth, // Holds latest value of
pp_if_depth.
    comment_needed, // True until a header file's
comment-block is found.
    define_needed, // True until a header file's wrapper
macro is #defined.
    public_needed, // True when a class definition begins.
    one_liner_needed, // True when a function is
explicitly inlined.
    no_wrap_message, // True if a wrapper-needed message
has NOT been given.
    class_has_virtual_function,
    destructor_is_virtual,
    non_ref_parm_found, // True if a non-reference fcn parameter
has been found.
    detect_virtual_base,
    bad_name, // True if the wrapper name
is wrong.
    length, ch1, ch2;

// ----- Rule 1.1.1 -----

if ( header_name() ) // A header is about to be opened
{
    if ( pp_include <3 ) // Header filename is in double quotes

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{
j = 0;
k = 0;
ch = header_name()[k++];
while ( ch != 0 )
{
ch = header_name()[k++];
if ( ch == DOT )
{
break;          //      beginning of extension found
}
else
{
j = k;          //      count characters before dot
}
if ( ch == BACKSLASH || ch == COLON )
{
j = 0;          //      DOS directory or disk marker
}
else if ( ch == SLASH || ch == TILDE )
{
j = 0;          //      Unix directory or disk marker
}
}
if ( j > 8 )
{
warn( 9111, "Header filename %s is not in DOS 8.3 format.",
header_name() );
}
else if ( ch == DOT )
{
j = 0;
ch = header_name()[k+j];
while ( ch != 0 )
{
j++;
ch = header_name()[k+j];          //      count chars
}
if ( j > 3 )
{
warn( 9111, "Header filename %s is not in DOS 8.3
format.",
header_name() );
}
}
}
}

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after dot.

format.",

// ----- Rule 1.2.1 -----

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if ( tag_begin )
{

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// Apply this rule to global classes only:
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if ( tag_global && (tag_kind == CLASS_TAG) )
    {
    if ( ! prefix("XYZ") )
        warn( 9121, "Class names must begin with \"XYZ_\" );
    else if ( strstr(tag_name(), "_") == 0 )
        warn( 9121, "Use an underscore after the class name prefix."
);
    }
}
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// ----- Rule 1.3.1 -----
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if ( dcl_member == 3 )
    {
    if ( dcl_access == PRIVATE )
        {
        if ( dcl_variable )
            {
            if ( isupper(dcl_name()[0]) )
                warn( 9131, "Private data member name %s must not
begin in uppercase.",
                                dcl_name() );
            if ( ! suffix("_") )
                warn( 9131, "Private data member name %s must end
with an underscore.",
                                dcl_name() );
            }
        else if ( dcl_function )
            {
            if ( isupper(dcl_name()[0]) )
                warn( 9131, "Private function name %s must not begin
in uppercase.",
                                dcl_name() );
            if ( ! suffix("_") )
                warn( 9131, "Private function name %s must end with
an underscore.",
                                dcl_name() );
            }
        }
    }
}
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// ----- Rule 2.1.1 -----
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if ( tag_begin )
    {
    if ( tag_global && (tag_kind == CLASS_TAG) )
        {
        if ( lin_source )
            warn( 9211, "Definition of class %s belongs in a header
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file.",
                                tag_name() );
    }
}

// ----- Rules 2.1.2 -----

if ( mod_begin )
{
    comment_needed = FALSE;
}

if ( lin_end )
{
    if ( lin_number == 1 )
    {
        if ( lin_is_comment )
        {
            comment_needed = FALSE;
        }
        else if ( lin_header )
        {
            comment_needed = TRUE;
        }
    }

    if ( comment_needed )
    {
        if ( lin_is_comment )
        {
            comment_needed = FALSE;
        }
        else if ( lin_preprocessor )
        {
            warn( 9212, "File %s needs a leading comment block.",
                    file_name() );
            comment_needed = FALSE;
        }
        else if ( lin_has_code )
        {
            warn( 9212, "File %s needs a leading comment block.",
                    file_name() );
            comment_needed = FALSE;
        }
    }
}

// ----- Rule 2.1.3 -----

if ( pp_if_depth || pp_endif )
{

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    lin_if_depth = pp_if_depth;
}

if ( pp_include )
{
    if ( lin_header )
        {
            if ( no_wrap_message )
                {
                    warn( 9213, "Header file %s should be wrapped in an
#ifdef.",
                                file_name() );
                }
        }

    no_wrap_message = TRUE;
    define_needed = TRUE;
}

if ( lin_dcl_count )
{
    if ( lin_header && lin_if_depth == 0 )
        {
            if ( no_wrap_message )
                {
                    warn( 9213, "Header file %s should be wrapped in an
#ifdef.",
                                file_name() );
                    no_wrap_message = FALSE;
                    define_needed = FALSE;
                }
        }
}

if ( pp_macro )
{
    if ( lin_header )
        {
            if ( no_wrap_message && lin_if_depth == 0 )
                {
                    warn( 9213, "Header file %s should be wrapped in an
#ifdef.",
                                file_name() );
                    no_wrap_message = FALSE;
                    define_needed = FALSE;
                }
            if ( define_needed && lin_if_depth == 1 )
                {
                    bad_name = FALSE;
                    length = strlen( pp_name() );
                    k = 0;
                    while ( k < length )
                        {
                            if ( one_liner_needed )
                                {

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        warn( 9231, "Function %s is too long to be inlined.",
              fcn_name() );
    }
}

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// ----- Rule 2.3.2 -----
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if ( dcl_inline )
    {
        if ( lin_within_class == 1 )
            {
                warn( 9232, "Do NOT use inline within a class definition. (%d)",
lin_within_class );
            }
    }

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// ----- Rule 2.4.1 -----
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//      *** This needs a new trigger in CodeCheck: dcl_override. ***
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// ----- Rules 2.5.1, 2.5.2, and 2.5.4 -----
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if ( tag_end )
    {
        if ( tag_global && (tag_kind == CLASS_TAG) )
            {
                if ( ! tag_has_default )
                    {
class_name() );
                        warn( 9251, "Class %s needs a default constructor.",
                    }
                if ( ! tag_has_copy )
                    {
class_name() );
                        warn( 9251, "Class %s needs a copy constructor.",
                    }
                if ( ! tag_has_assign )
                    {
class_name(),
                        warn( 9252, "Class %s needs an operator=(%s&).",
                                class_name() );
                    }
            }
    }
}

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// ----- Rule 2.5.3 -----
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if ( tag_constructors 3 )
    {
        warn( 9253, "Class %s has too many constructors (limit = 3).",
                class_name() );
    }

// ----- Rules 2.5.4 and 2.5.5 -----

if ( tag_begin )
    {
        if ( tag_global && (tag_kind == CLASS_TAG) )
            {
                class_has_virtual_function = FALSE;
                destructor_is_virtual = FALSE;
            }
    }

if ( dcl_function )
    {
        if ( dcl_virtual )
            {
                if ( dcl_base == DESTRUCTOR_TYPE )
                    {
                        destructor_is_virtual = TRUE;
                    }
                else
                    {
                        class_has_virtual_function = TRUE;
                    }
            }
    }

if ( tag_end )
    {
        if ( tag_global && (tag_kind == CLASS_TAG) )
            {
                if ( tag_has_destr )
                    {
                        if ( class_has_virtual_function )
                            {
                                if ( ! destructor_is_virtual )
                                    {
                                        warn( 9255, "Destructor %s::~%s() must be
virtual.",
                                                class_name(), class_name() );
                                    }
                            }
                    }
                else
                    {
                        warn( 9254, "Class %s needs a destructor.", class_name() );
                    }
            }
    }

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    }
}

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// ----- Rules 2.6.1 and 2.6.2 -----
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if ( dcl_friend )
{
    if ( dcl_function )
        {
            if ( prefix("operator") )
                {
                    if ( strequiv(root(), "=") )
                        ;
                    else if ( strequiv(root(), "+") )
                        ;
                    else if ( strequiv(root(), "-") )
                        ;
                    else if ( strequiv(root(), "*") )
                        ;
                    else if ( strequiv(root(), "/") )
                        ;
                    else if ( strequiv(root(), "%") )
                        ;
                    else if ( strequiv(root(), "") )
                        ;
                    else if ( strequiv(root(), "<<") )
                        ;
                    else
                        warn( 9261, "%s should not be a friend.", dcl_name()
);
                }
            else
                warn( 9261, "Do NOT declare friend functions." );
        }
    else
        {
            warn( 9262, "Do NOT declare friend classes." );
        }
}

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// ----- Rule 2.7.1 -----
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if ( keyword("class") )
    {
        detect_virtual_base = TRUE;
    }

if ( keyword("virtual") )
    {
        if ( detect_virtual_base )
            {

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        warn( 9271, "Do NOT use virtual base classes." );
    }
}

if ( dcl_base == CLASS_TYPE )
{
    detect_virtual_base = FALSE;
}

// ----- Rule 2.8.1 -----

if ( dcl_member )
{
    if ( dcl_variable && dcl_base != DEFINED_TYPE )
    {
        warn( 9281, "Declare %s using a typedef name, not a basic C type.",
            dcl_name() );
    }
}

// ----- Rule 2.8.2 -----

if ( dcl_typedef )
{
    if ( dcl_member == 0 )
    {
        warn( 9282, "Define typedef name %s in a base class.",
            dcl_name() );
    }
}

// ----- Rule 2.9.1 -----

//      This rule is not currently enforceable with CodeCheck.

// ----- Rule 2.9.2 -----

//      This rule is redundant (covered by 3.1.2).

// ----- Rule 2.9.3 -----

if ( tag_kind == ENUM_TAG )
{
    if ( tag_global )
    {
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warn( 9293, "Define enum %s in a base class.", tag_name() );
}

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}

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// ----- Rule 3.1.1 -----

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if ( dcl_parameter )
{
is_object = ((dcl_base == CLASS_TYPE) || (dcl_base == STRUCT_TYPE));
if ( is_object )
{
if ( (dcl_levels == 0) || ((dcl_levels == 1) && (dcl_level(0) ==
POINTER)) )
{
if ( dcl_axyztract )
{
warn( 9311, "Declare parameter #%d to be a reference
to %s.",
dcl_parameter, dcl_base_name() );
}
else
{
warn( 9311, "Declare parameter %s to be a reference
to %s",
dcl_name(), dcl_base_name() );
}
}
}
}
}

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// ----- Rules 3.1.2 and 3.1.4 -----

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if ( dcl_function )
{
is_object = ((dcl_base == CLASS_TYPE) || (dcl_base == STRUCT_TYPE));
if ( dcl_member && is_object )
{
if ( (dcl_levels == 1) || ((dcl_levels == 2) && (dcl_level(1) ==
REFERENCE)) )
{
if ( prefix("operator") )
{
if ( strequiv(root(), "=") )
;
else if ( strequiv(root(), "+") )
;
else if ( strequiv(root(), "-") )
;
else if ( strequiv(root(), "*") )
;
else if ( strequiv(root(), "/" ) )
;
}
}
}
}

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;
else if ( strequiv(root(), "%") )
;
else if ( strequiv(root(), "" ) )
;
else if ( strequiv(root(), "<<") )
;
else
{
warn( 9312, "%s::%s() should not return an
object.",
class_name(), dcl_name() );
}
}
else
{
warn( 9314, "Function %s::%s() should not return an
object.",
class_name(), dcl_name() );
}
}
}
}

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// ----- Rule 3.1.3 -----
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// This rule cannot be enforced with this version of CodeCheck
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// ----- Rule 3.1.5 -----
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if ( dcl_parameter )
{
if ( dcl_parameter == 1 )
{
non_ref_parm_found = FALSE;
}

if ( dcl_level(0) == REFERENCE )
{
if ( non_ref_parm_found )
{
warn( 9315, "Reference parameters must come first." );
}
}
else // a non-reference fcn parameter has been found
{
non_ref_parm_found = TRUE;
}
}
}

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// ----- Rule 3.1.6 -----
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```
if ( dcl_function )
    {
    is_constant = (dcl_level_flags(0) & CONST_FLAG);
    if ( dcl_member && is_constant )
        {
        warn( 9316, "Constant member functions should be avoided." );
        }
    }
}
```

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// ----- Rule 3.1.7 -----
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```
if ( dcl_parameter )
    {
    is_object = ((dcl_base == CLASS_TYPE) || (dcl_base == STRUCT_TYPE));
    if ( is_object && (dcl_levels == 1) )
        {
        is_constant = (dcl_level_flags(1) & CONST_FLAG);
        level = dcl_level( 0 );
        if ( is_constant && ((level == POINTER) || (level == REFERENCE)) )
            {
            if ( dcl_axyztract )
                {
                warn( 9317, "Parameter #d should not be const.",
                    dcl_parameter );
                }
            else
                {
                warn( 9317, "Parameter %s should not be const.",
dcl_name() );
                }
            }
        }
    }
}
```

```
// ----- Rule 4.1.1 -----
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```
if ( lex_c_comment )
    {
    warn( 9411, "Use /\ / comments, not \\ \*...*\ / comments." );
    }
}
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// ----- Rule 4.2.1 -----
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```
if ( pp_const )
    {
    if ( lin_header && ! define_needed )
        {
        }
    }
}
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```
        {
        warn( 9421, "Declare %s as a const, not a macro.", pp_name() );
        }
}
```

// ----- Rule 4.2.2 -----

```
if ( tag_anonymous )
{
    if ( tag_global && tag_kind == ENUM_TAG )
        {
            warn( 9422, "This enumeration needs an enum type name." );
        }
}
```

// ----- Rule 4.3.1 -----

```
if ( dcl_variable )
{
    is_constant = (dcl_level_flags(dcl_levels) & CONST_FLAG);
    if ( dcl_global && is_constant )
        {
            warn( 9431, "Global constant %s should be a class member.",
                  dcl_name() );
        }
}
```

// ----- Rule 4.4.1 -----

```
if ( dcl_no_specifier )
{
    if ( dcl_function )
        {
            warn( 9441, "Function %s needs an explicit return type.",
                  dcl_name() );
        }
}
```

// ----- Rule 4.4.2 -----

// This rule cannot be enforced with this version of CodeCheck.