

# C# CODING STANDARDS

## 1. Naming Conventions

- a. PascalCase : Used for class names, method names, and properties.

Eg: class MyClass

```
{  
    public string MyProperty { get; set; }  
  
    public void MyMethod() { }  
}
```

- b. camelCase : Used for local variables, method parameters, and private fields.

Eg: class MyClass

```
{  
    private int myField;  
  
    public void MyMethod(int myParameter)  
    {  
        int myLocalVariable = 0;  
    }  
}
```

- c. Uppercase: Used for constants.

Eg: const int MAX\_SIZE = 100;

## 2. Formatting

- a. Indentation : Use 4 spaces per indentation level.

Eg: if (condition)

```
{  
    DoSomething();  
}
```

- b. Braces: Braces should be on a new line for classes, methods, and statements.

```
class MyClass  
{
```

```
void MyMethod()
{
    if (condition)
    {
        DoSomething();
    }
}
```

### 3. Comments

Single-line comments: Use `//` for single-line comments.

```
// This is a single-line comment
```

Multi-line comments<sup>\*\*</sup>: Use `/* ... */` for multi-line comments.

```
/* This is a
   multi-line comment */
```

### 4. File Organization

Single Class per File<sup>\*\*</sup>: Each file should contain one class.

```
// File: MyClass.cs
public class MyClass
{
}
```

### 5. Namespace: Use namespaces to organize code.

```
namespace MyNamespace
{
    public class MyClass
    {
    }
}
```

## 6. Error Handling

Exception Handling: Use try-catch blocks for exception handling.

```
try
{
    //Code that might throw an exception
}

catch (Exception ex)
{
    // Handle exception
}
```

## 7. Avoid the use of underscore while naming identifiers

```
// Correct
public DateTime fromDate;
public String firstName;

// Avoid
public DateTime from_Date ;
public String first_Name ;
```

## 8. Avoid the use of System data types and prefer using the Predefined data types.

```
// Correct
int employeeId;
string employeeName;
bool isActive;

// Avoid
Int32 employeeId;
String employeeName;
Boolean isActive;
```

## 9. Always prefix an interface with letter I.

```
// Correct
public interface IAnimal
{
}
public interface ICar
{
}
// Avoid
public interface Animal
{
}
public interface Car
{
}
```

10. Always use the using keyword when working with disposable types. It automatically disposes the object when program flow leaves the scope.

```
using(var conn = new SqlConnection(connectionString))
{
    // use the connection and the stream
    using (var dr = cmd.ExecuteReader())
    {
        //
    }
}
```

11. Always declare the variables as close as possible to their use.

```
// Correct
String firstName = "Shubham";
Console.WriteLine(firstName);
//-----

// Avoid
String firstName = "Shubham";
//-----
//-----
//-----
```

```
Console.WriteLine(firstName);
```

12. Always declare the properties as private so as to achieve Encapsulation and ensure data hiding.

```
// Correct  
private int employeeId { get; set; }
```

```
// Avoid  
public int employeeId { get; set; }
```

13. Always convert type 'string' to 'int' when using Console.ReadLine method for reading integer. Because The Console.ReadLine() method returns a string.

```
//correct  
Console.WriteLine("Enter your age:");  
int age = Convert.ToInt32(Console.ReadLine());  
Console.WriteLine("Your age is: " + age);
```

```
//avoid  
Console.WriteLine("Enter your age:");  
int age = Console.ReadLine();  
Console.WriteLine("Your age is: " + age);
```

14. Avoid using Abbreviations.

```
// Correct  
UserGroup userGroup;  
Assignment employeeAssignment;
```

```
// Avoid  
UserGroup usrGrp;  
Assignment empAssignment;
```

15. Declare all member variables at the top of a class, with static variables at the very top.

```
// Correct  
public class Account  
{
```

```

public static string BankName;
public static decimal Reserves;

public string Number {get; set;}
public DateTime DateOpened {get; set;}
public DateTime DateClosed {get; set;}
public decimal Balance {get; set;}

// Constructor
public Account()
{
    // ...
}
}

```

#### 16. Use singular names for enums.

```

// Correct
public enum Color
{
    Red,
    Green,
    Blue,
    Yellow,
    Magenta,
    Cyan
}

```

#### 17. Do not explicitly specify a type of an enum or values of enums (except bit fields)

```

// Don't
public enum Direction : long
{
    North = 1,
    East = 2,
    South = 3,
    West = 4
}

```

```
// Correct
public enum Direction
{
    North,
    East,
    South,
    West
}
```

## 18. Do not suffix enum names with Enum

```
// Don't
public enum CoinEnum
{
    Penny,
    Nickel,
    Dime,
    Quarter,
    Dollar
}
```

```
// Correct
public enum Coin
{
    Penny,
    Nickel,
    Dime,
    Quarter,
    Dollar
}
```