

# Deployment Preparation and Staging Environment Setup

## Overview

This document outlines the process of preparing the Car Rental eCommerce Marketplace for deployment and setting up a staging environment.

## Steps Taken

### 1. Repository Preparation

- i) Ensured all code was pushed to the main branch of our GitHub repository.
- ii) Verified the presence of essential files: ``next.config.js``, ``package.json``, and ``tsconfig.json``.

### 2. Vercel Setup

- i) Created a new project on Vercel, linking it to our GitHub repository.
- ii) Configured the build settings:
  - 1. Framework: Next.js
  - 2. Build Command: ``next build``
  - 3. Output Directory: ``.next``

### 3. Environment Variables

1. Set up the following environment variables in Vercel:

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NEXT_PUBLIC_SANITY_PROJECT_ID= Project ID
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NEXT_PUBLIC_SANITY_DATASET= Data Set
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SANITY_API_TOKEN= API Token
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### 4. Deployment

1. Triggered the initial deployment to the staging environment.
2. Monitored the build logs for any errors or warnings.

### 5. Staging Environment Testing

1. Conducted functional tests:
2. Performed basic performance checks using browser developer tools.
3. Ensured responsiveness on different screen sizes.

### 6. Security Checks

1. Verified API keys are not exposed in the frontend code.