

# THE ROLLING CAPSTONES

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#### **CODING STANDARDS**



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## 1. Introduction

This document outlines the coding standards to be followed while developing a React application with a Firebase backend and MUI component library with CSS for styling. It also includes guidelines for handling API endpoints within the frontend codebase.

## 2. Folder Structure

- Organise files and folders logically based on their functionalities.
- Separate concerns by categorizing files into directories such as components, pages, utils, etc.
- Group related components or modules together within their respective directories.

## 3. Naming Conventions

## 3.1 React naming Conventions

- Use descriptive and meaningful names for React components.
- Components should be named using PascalCase convention.
- Components representing pages should be suffixed with "Page".
- Components representing reusable UI elements should be suffixed with "Component".

```
// Good
import ItineryForm from
'./ItineraryForm';
import FlightsPage from
'./FlightsPage';

// Avoid
import itin from './itin';
import Btn from './Btn';
```

Figure 2: Example of React naming convention

## 4. CSS, Styling and Component Library

## 4.1 MUI Component library

#### **4.1.1 Component Importing:**

• Import components directly from @mui/material to leverage tree-shaking.

```
import { Button, Typography, Box } from
'@mui/material';
```

Figure 4.1.1: Example of importing components from MUI component library

## **4.1.2 Component Customisation:**

- Use sx prop for inline styling whenever possible to ensure consistent theming.
- Use styled API from @mui/system for more complex component customization.

```
import { styled } from '@mui/system';

const CustomButton = styled(Button)(({ theme }) =>
  ({backgroundColor: theme.palette.primary.main,
    '&:hover': {
    backgroundColor: theme.palette.primary.dark,
    },
}));
```

Figure 4.1.2: Example of component customisation

```
import { Card } from '@mui/material';

<Card
    key={index}
    className="card-flight"
    sx={{
        backgroundColor: isDarkMode ? '#6666666':
    '#b4c5e4f; isDarkMode ? '#FFFFFF': '#000000',
        marginBottom: '1rem',
        transition: 'background-color 0.3s, color 0.3s',
    }}
>
```

4.1.2.1 Another example of component customisation.

## 4.1.3 Theming:

- Utilize the theme object for consistent styling.
- Define custom themes using createTheme and ThemeProvider.

```
const ThemeContext = createContext();
export const ThemeProviderWrapper = ({ children }) => {
 const [mode, setMode] = useState('light');
 const theme = useMemo(() => createTheme({
   palette: {
     ...(mode === 'dark' && {
       background: {
         default: '#121212', // Use a lighter shade of grey for dark mode
         primary: '#e0e0e0',
  }), [mode]);
   setMode((prevMode) => (prevMode === 'light' ? 'dark' : 'light'));
   document.documentElement.setAttribute('data-theme', mode);
   <ThemeContext.Provider value={{ mode, toggleTheme }}>
     <ThemeProvider theme={theme}>
       {children}
```

Figure 4.1.3: Example of how we used Theming from the MUI component library and React library

#### 4.1.4 Code Readability:

- Keep component usage clear and concise.
- Avoid deeply nested components.
- Break down large components into smaller, reusable components.

Figure 4.1.4 Example of code readability in the program.

## 4.1 CSS Styling

#### **4.2.1 General:**

- Use a consistent style format
- Avoid overly specific selectors.
- Use class selectors over ID selectors to promote reusability.
- Define a base font size and use relative units.
- Keep CSS files as small as possible.
- Remove unused styles.

```
body {
  background-color: var(--background-color);
  color: var(--text-color);
  font-family: var(--font-family);
  margin: 0;
  transition: background-color var(--transition-duration), color var(--transition-
}uration);
```

Figure 4.2.1 Example of general styling in CSS

#### 4.2.2 CSS Variables:

• Use CSS variables for theme colours, fonts, and other repetitive values.

```
:root {
  --background-color-light: #ffffff;
  --text-color-light: #333333;
 --primary-color-light: #3e78b2a3;
  --secondary-color-light: #6c757d;
  --heading1-color-light: #004BA8;
 --background-color-dark: rgba(0, 0, 0, 0.477);
 --text-color-dark: #e0e0e0;
  --primary-color-dark: #3e78b2a3;
  --heading1-color-dark: #3a87e5;
  --card-background-light: #b4c5e4;
  --card-background-dark: #666666;
  --border-radius: 12px;
  --font-family: 'Poppins', sans-serif;
  --font-family-body: 'Roboto', sans-serif;
```

Figure 4.2.2 Example of CSS variables

## 4.2.3 Performance:

- Minimise the use of complex selectors.
- Avoid using !important unless absolutely necessary.

# 5. Code Formatting

- Use consistent indentation (preferably 2 or 4 spaces) for improved readability. Follow JavaScript best practices for code formatting.
- Utilise ESLint for enforcing code consistency.
- Configure ESLint rules according to project requirements and coding standards.
- Regularly format and lint code to maintain code quality.

# 6. API Endpoint Handling

- Centralise API endpoint configurations and handling.
- Utilize asynchronous functions for making API requests.
- Abstract API logic into separate modules for reusability and maintainability.

Figure 6: Example of API endpoint handling

## 7. Version Control

- Utilise version control system Git for tracking changes and collaborating with team members.
- Follow branching strategies Git Flow for managing feature development and releases.
- Write meaningful commit messages that describe the purpose and scope of changes.
- Regularly push changes to remote repositories and pull updates from upstream branches.

## 8. Testing

- Implement unit tests, integration tests, and end-to-end tests to ensure code reliability and functionality.
- Use testing frameworks Jest for writing tests in React applications.
- Use Cypress for End-to-End Testing.
- Follow test-driven development (TDD) practices when applicable.
- Automate testing processes as much as possible to streamline development workflows.

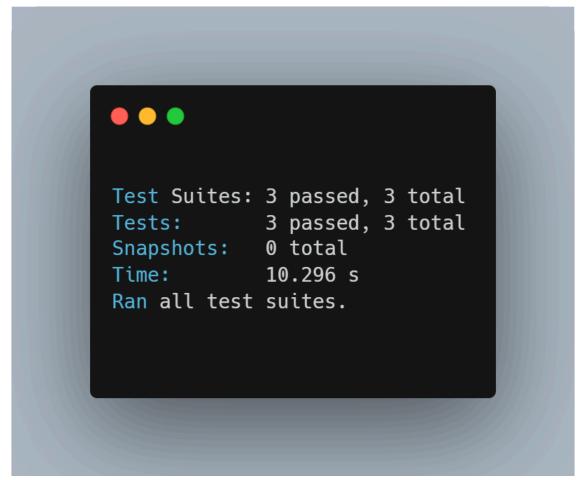


Figure 8: Tests passed