

Shadow Wellness Platform - Requirements Specification

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1. Executive Summary

Shadow is a privacy-first, open-source wellness platform designed for solo professionals who demand complete control over their personal data. The system unifies data streams from Linux laptops, Android devices, and wearables through a decentralized, peer-to-peer architecture that processes all data locally without cloud dependencies.

Core Principles:

- **Privacy by Design:** All data processing occurs locally on user devices
 - **Offline-First Architecture:** Full functionality without internet dependency
 - **User Sovereignty:** Complete control over data collection, storage, and sharing
 - **Open Source Foundation:** Community-driven development and transparency
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2. Privacy & Security Requirements

2.1 Data Privacy & Control

FR-001: The system **MUST** process all user data locally on each device ("edge processing") unless explicit user consent is provided otherwise.

FR-002: The user **MUST** have explicit control over what data is collected, stored, shared, and deleted.

FR-003: The system **MUST** allow granular opt-in/opt-out for each data source and sensor.

FR-004: The system **MUST** provide the ability for users to export or purge personal data upon request.

2.2 Data Security & Encryption

NFR-001: All data at rest and in transit between devices **MUST** be encrypted using industry-standard encryption (AES-256 minimum).

NFR-002: Only authenticated and authorized devices **MAY** participate in data synchronization.

NFR-003: The system **MUST** log all access to sensitive data and configuration changes for auditability.

NFR-029: The system **MUST** implement secure device pairing and authentication mechanisms.

NFR-030: The system **MUST** support security auditing and vulnerability scanning capabilities.

NFR-031: All network communications **MUST** use TLS 1.3 or higher encryption standards.

NFR-032: The system **MUST** implement secure key management and rotation for device authentication.

2.3 Compliance & Privacy Standards

NFR-004: The system **MUST** comply with relevant data privacy regulations (GDPR, CCPA) where applicable.

NFR-033: All privacy policies and data handling practices **MUST** be transparent and easily accessible to users.

NFR-034: The system **MUST** provide mechanisms for users to understand and control automated decision-making processes.

3. System Architecture Requirements

3.1 Offline-First Architecture

FR-005: The system **MUST** function fully offline for all core features.

FR-006: The system **MUST** handle device connection/disconnection gracefully without data loss.

FR-007: The system **MUST** store all collected data reliably with support for automatic recovery.

NFR-005: All core features **MUST** be available offline; cloud services are optional and not required for operation.

NFR-006: The system **MUST** support automatic recovery and resumption after crashes or interruptions.

3.2 Peer-to-Peer Communication

FR-029: The system **MUST** support automatic device discovery and direct peer-to-peer synchronization.

FR-030: The system **MUST** dynamically pool processing and storage resources across connected devices.

FR-031: The system **MUST** ensure synchronization transmits only new or changed data to optimize bandwidth and battery usage.

NFR-014: Data synchronization between devices **SHOULD** complete within 3 seconds for typical daily data volumes.

3.3 Extensibility & Integration Framework

FR-032: The system **MUST** support a plugin-based architecture for sensors and analytics modules.

FR-033: The system **MUST** provide well-documented APIs for third-party device and application integration.

FR-034: The system **MUST** allow community contributions for new device agents, analytics modules, and UI components.

NFR-015: The system **MUST** support addition of new data sources, devices, and sensors without requiring major architectural changes.

NFR-016: APIs and integration points **MUST** remain stable and backward-compatible across minor releases.

4. Device Integration Requirements

4.1 Linux Laptop Integration

FR-008: The system **MUST** track active applications, window focus, and productivity workflows.

FR-009: The system **MUST** monitor typing speed, mouse activity, idle times, and work session patterns.

FR-010: The system **MUST** gather system health data (CPU, memory, battery, resource utilization).

FR-011: The system **MUST** detect work/break cycles and context switching patterns.

FR-012: The system **MUST** collect ambient light and sound level data when hardware is available.

FR-013: The system **MUST** integrate with popular calendars and task management applications.

4.2 Android Mobile Integration

FR-014: The system **MUST** collect app usage statistics, screen time, and notification interaction patterns.

FR-015: The system **MUST** gather physical context data including step counting, movement recognition, and location-based insights.

FR-016: The system **MUST** collect environmental context data including ambient light, sound levels, and temperature when available.

FR-017: The system **MUST** synchronize health data with compatible mobile health and wellness applications.

4.3 Wearable Device Integration

FR-018: The system **MUST** collect physiological data including heart rate, HRV, SpO2, skin conductance, and skin temperature from supported wearables.

FR-019: The system **MUST** detect and analyze sleep architecture including deep sleep, REM sleep, light sleep phases, and sleep interruptions.

FR-020: The system **MUST** track physical activity including steps, activity types, and posture monitoring.

FR-021: The system **MUST** provide biometric feedback, stress detection, and deliver smart interventions (vibration alerts, breathing reminders).

5. Intelligence & Analytics Requirements

5.1 Data Fusion & Correlation

FR-022: The system **MUST** correlate and fuse data from multiple devices to generate advanced contextual insights.

FR-023: The system **MUST** provide adaptive and personalized recommendations based on individual user patterns and behaviors.

5.2 Predictive Analytics & Interventions

FR-024: The system **MUST** support predictive analytics for stress levels, sleep quality optimization, and optimal break timing.

FR-025: The system **MUST** deliver contextual interventions and notifications across all connected devices.

5.3 Performance Standards for Analytics

NFR-007: The system **SHOULD** process and display real-time data and insights with minimal latency (<500ms for user interactions).

NFR-008: The system **SHOULD** support concurrent data collection and processing from multiple devices without noticeable performance degradation.

6. User Experience Requirements

6.1 User Interface & Dashboard

FR-026: The system **MUST** provide a unified dashboard aggregating data and insights from all connected devices.

FR-027: The system **MUST** support real-time notifications, reminders, and actionable feedback delivery.

FR-028: The system **MUST** allow users to input manual check-ins, mood tracking, and custom notes.

6.2 Usability & Interaction Design

NFR-009: The user interface **MUST** be intuitive, consistent, and user-friendly across all supported platforms.

NFR-010: The system **MUST** provide clear, immediate feedback for all user actions and system events.

NFR-011: The system **MUST** offer comprehensive onboarding experience and contextual in-app guidance.

6.3 Accessibility & Localization

NFR-012: The system **SHOULD** support localization for multiple languages and regional preferences.

NFR-013: The system **SHOULD** be accessible to users with disabilities in accordance with WCAG 2.1 AA standards.

7. Performance & Reliability Requirements

7.1 Performance Standards

NFR-017: The system **SHOULD** handle increasing numbers of users and devices in a peer-to-peer mesh with minimal performance degradation.

NFR-018: Memory usage per device **SHOULD** not exceed 512MB during normal operation.

NFR-019: Battery impact on mobile devices **SHOULD** be less than 5% of total daily battery consumption.

7.2 Reliability & Availability

NFR-020: The system **MUST** be robust against individual device failures and unexpected shutdowns, ensuring zero data loss.

NFR-021: System uptime **SHOULD** exceed 99.9% during normal operation conditions.

NFR-022: Mean time to recovery (MTTR) from system failures **SHOULD** be less than 2 minutes.

7.3 Scalability Requirements

NFR-035: The system **SHOULD** support compliance reporting and audit trail generation for regulatory requirements.

8. Development & Maintenance Requirements

8.1 Code Quality & Architecture

NFR-023: The system architecture **MUST** support modular updates and bug fixes without impacting unrelated components.

NFR-024: Source code **MUST** be well-documented and follow established software engineering best practices.

NFR-025: The system **SHOULD** include comprehensive automated tests achieving minimum 80% code coverage for critical components.

8.2 Platform Support & Portability

NFR-026: The system **SHOULD** run on major Linux distributions (Ubuntu 20.04+, Fedora 35+, Arch Linux).

NFR-027: The system **SHOULD** support Android versions 8.0 (API level 26) and above.

NFR-028: The system architecture **SHOULD** support easy adaptation to new hardware platforms and operating systems.

9. Documentation & Support Requirements

9.1 User Documentation

FR-035: The system **MUST** provide comprehensive user documentation including setup guides, feature explanations, and troubleshooting resources.

FR-037: The system **MUST** include interactive onboarding tutorials for new users.

9.2 Developer Documentation

FR-036: The system **MUST** provide complete developer documentation including API references, plugin development guides, and architectural overviews.

10. Compliance & Governance Requirements

10.1 Regulatory Compliance

NFR-004: The system **MUST** comply with relevant data privacy regulations (GDPR, CCPA) where applicable.

NFR-033: All privacy policies and data handling practices **MUST** be transparent and easily accessible to users.

10.2 Transparency & Control

NFR-034: The system **MUST** provide mechanisms for users to understand and control automated decision-making processes.

NFR-035: The system **SHOULD** support compliance reporting and audit trail generation for regulatory requirements.

11. Requirement Priority Classification

Critical (P0) - Must Have

- **Privacy & Security:** All privacy and data security requirements (FR-001 to FR-004, NFR-001 to NFR-004, NFR-029 to NFR-032)
- **Core Architecture:** Offline-first architecture (FR-005 to FR-007, NFR-005 to NFR-006)
- **Essential Integration:** Core device integration (FR-008 to FR-021)
- **Basic Interface:** Fundamental user interface (FR-026 to FR-028)

High (P1) - Should Have

- **Intelligence Engine:** Data fusion and analytics capabilities (FR-022 to FR-025)
- **P2P Communication:** Peer-to-peer synchronization (FR-029 to FR-031)
- **Performance:** Core performance requirements (NFR-007 to NFR-008, NFR-014)
- **Documentation:** Essential user and developer documentation (FR-035 to FR-037)

Medium (P2) - Could Have

- **Extensibility:** Advanced plugin and API features (FR-032 to FR-034)
- **Enhanced UX:** Accessibility and localization (NFR-012 to NFR-013)
- **Advanced Performance:** Enhanced performance and reliability metrics (NFR-017 to NFR-022)

Low (P3) - Won't Have (This Release)

- **Advanced Compliance:** Enhanced compliance and governance features (NFR-033 to NFR-035)
- **Platform Expansion:** Support beyond core Linux/Android/Wearable trio

12. Success Criteria

12.1 Privacy Achievement

- **100%** of user data processing occurs locally with zero involuntary cloud transmission
- Users can verify and audit all data collection and processing activities

12.2 Functionality Achievement

- Core wellness insights available within **48 hours** of initial device setup
- All three device types (laptop, phone, wearable) successfully integrated and communicating

12.3 Performance Achievement

- System operates smoothly with **<500ms** response times on target hardware
- Battery impact on mobile devices remains **<5%** of daily consumption

12.4 Reliability Achievement

- **Zero data loss** during normal operation and graceful degradation during device failures
- System recovery time **<2 minutes** after unexpected shutdowns

12.5 Usability Achievement

- New users can complete setup and receive first insights within **15 minutes**
- **90%** user satisfaction rate in onboarding experience surveys

This requirements specification serves as the foundation for Shadow's development, ensuring a privacy-first, user-controlled wellness platform that operates entirely under user sovereignty.