

Roxygen Quick Reference

roxygen2 is an R package that allows you to write in-source documentation for your package functions and objects.

Write documentation above your package functions with the `#'` comment prefix.

Documenting Functions

Example

```
#' This is the title.
#
#' This is the description.
#
#' These are further details.
#
#' @section A Custom Section:
#
#' Text accompanying the custom section.
#
#' @param x A description of the parameter 'x'. The
#'   description can span multiple lines.
#' @param y A description of the parameter 'y'.
#
#' @export
#
#' @examples
#' add_numbers(1, 2) ## returns 3
#
#' ## don't run this in calls to 'example(add_numbers)'
#' \dontrun{
#'   add_numbers(2, 3)
#' }
#
#' ## don't test this during 'R CMD check'
#' \donttest{
#'   add_numbers(4, 5)
#' }
add_numbers <- function(x, y) {
  x + y
}
```

Common Tags

@param <name> <description>	Document a function parameter.
@export	Make this function available to users of your package.
@examples <r-code>	Inline R code showing how the function is used. Wrap code blocks in <code>\dontrun{}</code> to prevent them from running on calls to <code>example()</code> . Use <code>\donttest{}</code> to disable running this code in <code>R CMD check</code> .
@return	Describe what this function returns.
@family <family-name>	Automatically generate links to other functions within this family in the documentation's See Also section.
@seealso	Provide links to other resources that could help users understand how to use your

	function.
@inheritParams <function>	Re-use parameter documentation from another function. Use @inheritParams <package::function> to re-use documentation from a function in a separate package.
@section <name>:	Provide a custom section with the name <name> . The line must end with a colon (:).

In addition, you can use **@keywords internal** to ensure that documentation for a particular function is generated, but not added to the package index.

Documenting Packages

By convention, package documentation is usually included in a file `R/<package-name>-package.R`. The roxygen block providing package documentation should contain the `@docType package` declaration, and should end with `NULL`.

Example

```
#' Package Name
#
#' Package description.
#
#' @docType package
#' @name <package-name>
#' @import assertthat
#' @importFrom utils head tail
#' @useDynLib <package-name>
NULL
```

Common Tags

@import <pkg>	Import all symbols from a package, for use in your own package's functions.
@importFrom <pkg> <symbols...>	Selectively import symbols from a package, for use in your own package's functions.
@useDynLib <own-pkg>	Include this if your package contains C / C++ code.

Rd Markup

Use R Documentation LaTeX-style markup to further style your documentation.

\emph{}	For <i>italicized</i> text.
\strong{}	For bold text.
\code{}	For code or otherwise pre-formatted text.
\link{object} \link[=class]{object} \linkS4class{S4Class}	Used to link to other R documentation. For example, use \code{\link{rnorm}} to link to the documentation associated with the rnorm function.
\url{URL} \href{URL}{text}	Link to content on the internet; for example, external documentation. Use \href{URL}{text} if you want the displayed text to differ from the linked URL.

<pre>\enumerate{<items...>} \itemize{<items...>} \describe{<items...>}</pre>	<p>Provide a list of items. <code>\enumerate{}</code> delimits entries with sequential numbers, while <code>\itemize{}</code> delimits entries with bullets.</p> <pre>\enumerate{ \item Item 1. \item Item 2. \item Item 3. }</pre> <p><code>\describe{}</code> differs in that items are specified with labels as well as text, e.g.</p> <pre>\describe{ \item{label-1}{text-1} \item{label-2}{text-2} }</pre>
<pre>\tabular{alignment}{text}</pre>	<p>Provide a table of text.</p> <p>Separate fields with <code>\tab</code>, and rows with <code>\cr</code>. alignment is a string of <code>l / c / r</code>, indicating left, center, and right alignment respectively. There should be one letter for each column in the table.</p> <pre>\tabular{rl}{ Entry 1 \tab Entry 2 \cr Entry 3 \tab Entry 4 \cr }</pre>

Learning More

Read Hadley Wickham's guide in [R Packages](#) to learn more about how to use roxygen2 and devtools to produce documentation for your R packages.

Read the [roxygen](#) vignettes: start with the introductory vignette with `vignette("roxygen2")`, and view other available vignettes with `vignette(package = "roxygen2")`.

Read [R-exts](#) for a comprehensive guide to .Rd documentation and the set of available tags (which are understood by roxygen as well).