Test Plan • FastAPI Full Stack Template

1. Project picked and why

I chose the FastAPI Full Stack Template because it provides a complete but lean stack with a React TypeScript frontend, a FastAPI backend, SQLModel with PostgreSQL, authentication, and built-in testing scaffolds. It runs locally with Docker Compose and has clear docs and recent releases. This lets me focus on test design and automation rather than heavy setup. (GitHub, FastAPI)

2. Scope and objectives

- Validate core user journeys end to end through the UI
- Confirm auth and session behavior
- Verify CRUD flows on at least one entity in the sample app
- Exercise client to server integration and API error surfacing
- Produce a small but maintainable TypeScript automation suite

Out of scope

- Performance and load
- Security pen tests
- Multi locale and visual regression beyond basic checks

3. Test approach

Manual

- Short exploratory passes to map flows, states, and edge cases
- Targeted checks for input validation and navigation

Automated

- Tooling: Playwright with TypeScript
- Strategy: page object light helpers, data builders, fixtures for auth
- Coverage: three critical flows with positive and negative paths
- CI ready: headless run and concise HTML report

4. Environment

- Local Docker Compose as provided by the template
- Frontend on localhost, backend on localhost with interactive docs at docs and redoc, database via Adminer, email testing via MailCatcher, reverse proxy via Traefik

 Test user seeded from environment variables for first superuser Reference. (GitHub)

Assumptions

- Fresh containers and volumes before runs when needed
- Stable ports and default seed data available

5. Test data

- One admin user created from env values
- One regular user created via UI during tests
- Synthetic records for CRUD flows created and cleaned per test

6. Entry and exit criteria

Entry

- App builds and all services report healthy
- Test user credentials available

Exit

- Planned scenarios executed
- Zero open critical or high blockers in covered areas
- Automation green in headless mode

7. Risks and mitigations

- Flaky selectors due to dynamic UI. Mitigation: role based and text based locators and explicit waits
- Data coupling across tests. Mitigation: isolated users and id based cleanup
- Auth state leakage between tests. Mitigation: per test context and storage state reset

8. Prioritization

High

- Sign up, login, logout
- Protected route access control
- CRUD happy path on a primary entity

Medium

Validation errors and API error surfacing

Session persistence and expiry

Low

Non critical UI details and layout

9. Test cases for critical flows

TC-01Login with valid credentials

Precondition: first superuser exists

Steps: open login, enter valid email and password, submit

Expected: redirected to dashboard and user name visible

Priority: High

TC-02 Login with invalid password

Steps: valid email, wrong password, submit

Expected: clear error message, no session created

Priority: High

TC-03 Sign up new user

Steps: open sign up, enter unique email and strong password, submit, then login

Expected: account created and login succeeds

Priority: High

TC-04 Access protected page without auth

Steps: open a protected route in a fresh context

Expected: redirected to login or see access denied

Priority: High

TC-05 Logout clears session

Steps: login, trigger logout, navigate back to protected route

Expected: redirected to login

Priority: High

TC-06 Create entity happy path

Steps: login, open create form, fill valid fields, submit

Expected: success toast, record appears in list and detail

Priority: High

TC-07 Create entity with invalid input

Steps: submit empty or invalid fields

Expected: field level errors and no record created

Priority: Medium

TC-08 Update entity

Steps: open existing record, edit a field, save

Expected: success toast and persisted change in list and detail

Priority: Medium

TC-09 Delete entity with confirm

Steps: delete existing record and confirm

Expected: record removed from list, 404 on old detail link

Priority: Medium

TC-10 API error surfaced to UI

Steps: simulate backend failure for create or update if possible or use invalid payload

Expected: friendly error state and no crash

Priority: Medium

TC-11 Navigation and deep links

Steps: use in app links and direct URL entries for main areas

Expected: consistent routing and expected guards

Priority: Low

TC-12 Password recovery path

Steps: request reset for existing email, confirm email captured in MailCatcher, complete flow if enabled

Expected: reset email visible in MailCatcher, password change effective

Priority: Low

10. Automation plan

Framework and language

Playwright with TypeScript as required by the assessment

Suite outline

- tests auth login positive and negative
- · tests entities create update delete
- tests access control and direct route guard

Design

- Reusable selectors and helpers under utils
- Storage state fixture for authenticated runs where appropriate
- Test data builders to keep inputs consistent

Reporting

Standard Playwright HTML report plus junit xml for CI

11. Defect reporting

Fields

- Title and unique id
- Environment and build
- Steps to reproduce
- Expected result and actual result
- Severity and priority with justification
- Screenshots or video and console or network logs
- Suggested area to investigate or probable cause

Severity model

• Critical: stops core flow or data loss

- High: blocks primary path without workaround
- Medium: affects secondary path or confusing behavior
- Low: minor issue or cosmetic

12. Deliverables

- Test plan document
- Separate repository with Playwright TypeScript tests and README that explains setup, how to run tests, and assumptions
- Three detailed bug reports with reproduction steps and evidence as requested in the assessment.