

## 3. Note Types

As previously discussed, the structured approach to notetaking encompasses *four distinct types of notes*:

- Cheatsheets
- Documentation
- Techniques
- Write-Ups

Each type has a tailored layout to facilitate efficiency and organization. Below is a brief exploration of each note type and the role of the note generator script in creating new notes.

### 3.1. Cheatsheet Notes

**Cheatsheet notes** are practical and concise, primarily containing commands and brief instructions to execute various tasks. These notes are designed for *quick reference, avoiding the use of detailed theoretical explanations*. They can be personal compilations or adaptations from resources found online, such as a "Windows Privilege Escalation Cheatsheet".

### 3.2. Documentation Notes

**Documentation notes** are *comprehensive records* that include tool documentation, theoretical concepts (like understanding what Active Directory is), and programming languages' syntax and usage. These notes serve as a knowledge base, offering *in-depth explanations and details*.

### 3.3. Techniques Notes

**Technique notes** document *specific methodologies* related to penetration testing, red team, or purple team operations. They are structured to include a dedicated MITRE classification table and detailed steps for reproduction, among other critical sections. These notes are invaluable for methodical practice and training.

If you're a security professional working in a different area than mine, I recommend customizing the "Technique Note" template to include a classification table that suits your specific requirements.

### 3.4. Write-Ups Notes

**Write-ups notes** document the *process and findings from hacking activities*, such as CTFs and exams.

### 3.5. Naming Convention

When it comes to naming notes, *practices vary widely*. Some people prefer to start their note names with the date<sup>[1]</sup>, while others adopt a more relaxed approach<sup>[2]</sup>; I fall into the second group.

For organizing folders, however, I prefer to prefix their names with a number for better organization and accessibility. As for naming individual notes, I generally don't adhere to a strict convention, with a few exceptions. Specifically, for *topics, types, and templates* (which I'll discuss in the following section), I do use a prefix before the note name. This helps in *quickly identifying these as special notes* with specific purposes.

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1. [Introduction - Templater](#) ↩

2. [Importance of naming with zettelkasten IDs? - Knowledge management - Obsidian Forum](#) ↩