

# valtools :: CHEAT SHEET



## Validation Framework

{valtools} implements a convention for organizing information referenced during validation of R packages to generate reports. This framework is consistent for all five (5) validation modes.

Validation Modes	
separate from package	- validation/
from source code	- requirements/
at installation	- test_cases/
after installation	- test_code/
for distribution	- validation.yml
	- change_log.md
	- report.Rmd

## Getting started

**vt\_create\_package()** Start an R package with validation enabled.  
analogue to `usethis::create_package()`

**vt\_validation()** Initiate just the validation framework. Use when adding to an existing package or validating separate from package.

### USERNAMES

{valtools} tracks `Sys.getenv("USERNAME")` to quickly tag validation elements with extended details including names for authorship credit, title and role.

**vt\_add\_users\_to\_config()** Add additional username details to the configuration file.

**vt\_get\_all\_users()** See a list of usernames already present

## Validation Markdown Components

{valtools} populates each component file with some basic info in the header

```
#' @title Test_Case_002
#' @editor An Author
#' @editDate 2021-05-20
```

Filename  
username  
Current date  
don't edit!!  
{roxygen2} tags

### REQUIREMENTS

**vt\_use\_req()** initiates and opens a markdown file in the correct folder. Requirements may have additional header info regarding risk assessment.

```
#' @riskAssessment
#' 1.1:1, High Risk, High Impact
#' 1.2:2, Medium Risk, Medium Impact
```

{roxygen2} tag  
Requirement identifier  
Risk description

### TEST CASES

**vt\_use\_test\_case()** initiates and opens a markdown file in the correct folder. Test cases may have additional header info regarding coverage, which maps test cases to requirements. A single test case may span multiple requirements

```
#' @coverage
#' 2.1: 2.1
#' 2.2: 2.1, 2.2
```

{roxygen2} tag  
Test case identifier  
Requirement identifier(s)

## Validation Test Code

**vt\_use\_test\_code()** initiates and opens an R script in the correct folder. Each test is a call to `testthat::test_that()`.

```
#' @editor A Different Author
#' @editDate 2021-05-20
test_that("T2.1", {
  test_data <- data.frame(number = 1:3,
    color = c("red", "black", "blue"))

  testthat::expect_type(test_data$color, "character")
  testthat::expect_equal(test_data$number[1], 1)
})
```

Test identifier  
{roxygen2} header tags provided for first test. Add manually for any subsequent tests  
Each expectation result will be displayed individually in report

## Report Code

**vt\_use\_report(template)** Initiate a report from one of the {valtools} templates. The report references content captured in markdown components and test code.

```
template = "validation": Full validation report.
template = "requirement_adoption": Only details needed for acceptance of requirements.
```

### REPORT ELEMENTS

{valtools} include pointer functions to capture the environment, scraping {roxygen2} header information and maintaining flexibility across validation modes. Use these to customize a report.

**vt\_path()** Path to the validation/ folder. Used in place of `here::here()`.

**vt\_get\_child\_files()** list of files in markdown component and test code

**vt\_file()** – for a vector of markdown component and/or test code files, render as child document in the report. Used in place of setting {knitr} chunk option “*child*”.

**vt\_scrape\_\*** family of functions to scrape info into data.frames:

**vt\_scrape\_sig\_table()** – usernames and roles

**vt\_scrape\_val\_env()** – environment details

**vt\_scrape\_change\_log()** – changelog details

**vt\_scrape\_risk\_assessment()** – summarize all risk assessment tags in requirements files

**vt\_scrape\_coverage\_matrix()** – summarize all coverage tags in test case files

**vt\_scrape\_function\_editors()** – function editor info

**vt\_scrape\_requirement\_editors()** – requirement editor info

**vt\_scrape\_test\_case\_editors()** – test case editor info

**vt\_scrape\_test\_code\_editors()** – test code editor info

**vt\_kable\_\*** – converts the output of a **vt\_scrape\_\*** call in a kable object for embedding in report

## Validation

Running validation compiles the report code to an eye-readable report suitable for sharing, including evaluation of test code and pointers in the current environment.

separate from package

**vt\_validate\_report()**

Uses only code that has already been installed to current workspace to render report.

from source code

**vt\_validate\_source()**

Installs package code to temp location to render report. Does not alter current workspace.

at installation

**vt\_validate\_install()**

Installs package to run report. Persistent update to workspace.

after installation

**vt\_validate\_installed\_package()**

Re-run validation report for package that was built/installed under {valtools} paradigm

for distribution

**vt\_validate\_build()**

Build a R package tarball bundle suitable for distribution via CRAN. Users will be able to re-validate after installation.

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