

## **EXPLORE JAVA ANNOTATIONS VS XML CONFIGURATION**

<b>HEADING</b>	<b>ANNOTATIONS</b>	<b>XML CONFIGURATION</b>
<b>Ease of use</b>	Very Easy (defined close to source - class, method and/or variable)	Cumbersome
<b>Short and concise</b>	Yes	No
<b>Clean POJOs</b>	No. POJOs are polluted with Spring Annotations	Yes. No change in Java code.
<b>Easy to Maintain</b>	Yes	No
<b>Usage Frequency</b>	Almost all recent projects	Rarely
<b>Recommendation</b>	Either of them is fine BUT be consistent	Do not mix both
<b>Debugging difficulty</b>	Hard	Medium