

# DevPipeline Getting Started Guide

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## Welcome to DevPipeline

DevPipeline is NovaTech's continuous integration and delivery platform. Build, test, and deploy your applications with confidence using powerful automation, built-in security scanning, and seamless integrations.

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## Quick Start Checklist

- Create or connect your NovaTech account
  - Connect your Git repository
  - Create your first pipeline
  - Run your first build
  - Set up notifications
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## Step 1: Account Setup

### New Users

1. Visit [devpipeline.novatech.com](https://devpipeline.novatech.com)
2. Click **Start Free Trial**
3. Create account or sign in with Google/GitHub
4. Complete profile setup
5. Enable two-factor authentication

### Existing NovaTech Users

If you have a NovaTech account (CloudForge, SecureVault, DataLens):

1. Visit [devpipeline.novatech.com](https://devpipeline.novatech.com)
2. Click **Sign In**

3. Use existing credentials
  4. DevPipeline appears in your product dashboard
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## Step 2: Connect Your Repository

### Supported Providers

- GitHub (Cloud & Enterprise)
- GitLab (Cloud & Self-Hosted)
- Bitbucket (Cloud & Server)
- Azure DevOps

### GitHub Connection

1. Go to **Settings** → **Integrations** → **Git Providers**
2. Click **Connect GitHub**
3. Authorize DevPipeline app
4. Select repositories to connect (all or specific)
5. Click **Save**

### GitLab Connection

1. Go to **Settings** → **Integrations** → **Git Providers**
2. Click **Connect GitLab**
3. Enter GitLab URL (for self-hosted)
4. Create Personal Access Token with `api` scope
5. Enter token in DevPipeline
6. Select repositories
7. Click **Save**

### Repository Permissions

DevPipeline needs:

- Read repository contents
- Read/write commit status
- Create webhooks
- Read pull requests

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## Step 3: Create Your First Pipeline

### Option 1: Auto-Detection

1. Click **New Pipeline**
2. Select your repository
3. DevPipeline analyzes your code
4. Accept suggested pipeline configuration
5. Click **Create Pipeline**

DevPipeline auto-detects: - Node.js (package.json) - Python (requirements.txt, pyproject.toml) - Go (go.mod) - Java (pom.xml, build.gradle) - Docker (Dockerfile) - And more...

### Option 2: Manual Configuration

1. Click **New Pipeline**
2. Select your repository
3. Click **Manual Configuration**
4. Add a `.devpipeline.yaml` file to your repo:

```
# .devpipeline.yaml
name: my-app-pipeline

trigger:
  branches:
    - main
    - develop
  pull_request: true

stages:
  - name: build
    steps:
      - name: Install dependencies
        run: npm install

      - name: Run tests
        run: npm test

      - name: Build
        run: npm run build

  - name: deploy
    when:
```

```
branch: main
steps:
- name: Deploy to production
  run: npm run deploy
```

5. Commit and push the file
  6. DevPipeline automatically creates the pipeline
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## Step 4: Run Your First Build

### Manual Trigger

1. Go to your pipeline
2. Click **Run Pipeline**
3. Select branch
4. Click **Start**

### Automatic Trigger

Pipelines run automatically on:

- Push to configured branches
- Pull request creation/update
- Scheduled triggers (if configured)

### View Build Progress

1. Click on the running build
2. Watch real-time logs
3. View stage progress
4. See test results

### Build Status

Status	Description
Running	Build in progress
Passed	All steps completed successfully
Failed	One or more steps failed
Pending	Waiting for approval or resources
Cancelled	Manually cancelled

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## Step 5: Set Up Notifications

### Email Notifications

1. Go to **Settings** → **Notifications**
2. Enable **Email**
3. Configure triggers:
  - Build failed
  - Build recovered
  - Deployment completed

### Slack Integration

1. Go to **Settings** → **Integrations** → **Slack**
2. Click **Add to Slack**
3. Select channel
4. Configure notification preferences

### Example Slack Message

```
Pipeline Failed: my-app-pipeline
Branch: main
Commit: abc1234 - "Fix login bug"
Author: john@example.com
Failed stage: test
View: https://devpipeline.novatech.com/builds/12345
```

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## Pipeline Configuration

### Basic Structure

```
name: pipeline-name

# When to run
trigger:
  branches: [main, develop]
  pull_request: true
  schedule:
    - cron: "0 0 * * *" # Daily at midnight

# Environment variables
```

```

env:
  NODE_ENV: production

# Global settings
settings:
  timeout: 30 # minutes

# Pipeline stages
stages:
  - name: stage-name
    steps:
      - name: step-name
        run: command

```

## Common Patterns

### Node.js Application:

```

stages:
  - name: build
    image: node:18
    cache:
      paths:
        - node_modules/
    steps:
      - run: npm ci
      - run: npm run lint
      - run: npm test
      - run: npm run build

```

### Python Application:

```

stages:
  - name: build
    image: python:3.11
    cache:
      paths:
        - .venv/
    steps:
      - run: pip install -r requirements.txt
      - run: pytest
      - run: python -m build

```

### Docker Build:

```
stages:
  - name: build
    steps:
      - name: Build image
        run: docker build -t myapp:${{ pipeline.commit_sha }} .

      - name: Push to registry
        run: docker push myapp:${{ pipeline.commit_sha }}
```

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## Built-in Features

### Security Scanning

DevPipeline includes automatic security scanning:

```
stages:
  - name: security
    steps:
      - name: SAST scan
        uses: security/sast

      - name: Dependency scan
        uses: security/dependencies

      - name: Secret scan
        uses: security/secrets
```

### Test Reporting

Upload test results for visualization:

```
- name: Run tests
  run: npm test -- --coverage

- name: Upload results
  uses: test-results
  with:
    format: junit
    path: coverage/junit.xml
```

## Artifacts

Save build outputs:

```
- name: Build
  run: npm run build

- name: Save artifacts
  artifacts:
    - path: dist/
      name: build-output
      retention: 30 # days
```

## Caching

Speed up builds with caching:

```
cache:
- key: npm-${{ hash('package-lock.json') }}
  paths:
    - node_modules/
```

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## Environments and Deployment

### Define Environments

1. Go to **Settings → Environments**
2. Click **Add Environment**
3. Configure:
  - Name (e.g., production, staging)
  - Type (Production, Staging, Development)
  - Approvals required
  - Environment variables

### Deploy to Environment

```
stages:
- name: deploy-staging
  environment: staging
  steps:
```

```
- run: ./deploy.sh staging

- name: deploy-production
  environment: production
  approval: required
  steps:
    - run: ./deploy.sh production
```

## Approval Workflow

For production deployments: 1. Build completes staging deployment 2. Approver receives notification 3. Reviews changes in UI 4. Clicks **Approve** or **Reject** 5. Approved → deployment proceeds

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## Secrets Management

### Add Secrets

1. Go to **Settings** → **Secrets**
2. Click **Add Secret**
3. Enter name and value
4. Select scope (organization, repository, environment)
5. Click **Save**

### Use Secrets in Pipeline

```
stages:
- name: deploy
  steps:
    - name: Deploy
      env:
        AWS_ACCESS_KEY_ID: ${{ secrets.AWS_ACCESS_KEY_ID }}
        AWS_SECRET_ACCESS_KEY: ${{ secrets.AWS_SECRET_ACCESS_KEY }}
      run: aws s3 sync dist/ s3://my-bucket/
```

### SecureVault Integration

For advanced secret management:

```
stages:
  - name: deploy
    steps:
      - name: Get secrets from SecureVault
        uses: securevault/get-secrets
        with:
          path: secret/data/myapp
```

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## Runners

### Cloud Runners (Default)

DevPipeline provides managed cloud runners:

- Pre-configured environments
- Auto-scaling
- Multiple OS options (Linux, Windows, macOS)

### Self-Hosted Runners

For special requirements:

1. Go to **Settings → Runners**
2. Click **Add Self-Hosted Runner**
3. Follow installation instructions
4. Configure runner tags

```
stages:
  - name: build
    runner:
      tags: [self-hosted, gpu]
    steps:
      - run: ./train-model.sh
```

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## Getting Help

### Resources

- **Documentation:** [docs.devpipeline.novatech.com](https://docs.devpipeline.novatech.com)
- **Examples:** [github.com/novatech/devpipeline-examples](https://github.com/novatech/devpipeline-examples)
- **Community:** [community.novatech.com](https://community.novatech.com)
- **Status:** [status.novatech.com](https://status.novatech.com)

## Support

Plan	Support Level
Free	Community, docs
Team (\$15/user/mo)	Email support
Enterprise	Priority support, dedicated CSM

## Contact

- **Email:** support@novatech.com
  - **In-app:** Help → Contact Support
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## Next Steps

1. **Add more stages:** Testing, security scans, deployment
  2. **Set up environments:** Staging, production
  3. **Configure notifications:** Slack, email
  4. **Explore integrations:** CloudForge, SecureVault, Jira
  5. **Invite your team:** Share access with developers
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*Related Documents: Pipeline YAML Reference (PRD-DP-020), Runner Configuration (PRD-DP-030), CI/CD Best Practices (PRD-DP-010)*