What is a ops doc?

Ops doc is a manual. It tells you how you have to implement everything on your system. With this document, you help yourself but also the others. This is so, because you don't forget how you implemented everything. If others read this document, they can solve some problems.

Goals

If the infrastructure keeps growing, it's very important to address well and manage well.

When to write?

You best always write an ops doc. You never know if your system have to grow. How more your system grows, how more difficult it is.

What's in it?

It's very important to have structure, you do this best as next:

- Title and persons
- Overview
- Context
- Design consideration
- Architecture strategy
- System architecture
- Policies and tactics
- Detailed system design
- Wordlist
- Bibliography

Some tips for to write a good ops doc:

- Write so simple as it can
- Add some pictures

Process

Everyone that work on the project, have to work on the ops doc. This because everyone have to know on the end, how your system works.

You make this document during you build your system. Every time when there is a piece made, you add this too the document how you did do it.

In the end, this is read again and the spelling errors get removed.

This way you become a good result!

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