

CHOCOLATINE

IMPROVE INTEGRATION AND TESTING WITH GIT-HUB ACTIONS



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Whatever your opinions might be, this is a chocolatine.

But what purpose does it serve? It allows you to go through the day and through your work better. In other words, it facilitate your work and allows you to focus on things that matter (discussing its name does not pertain to this category).

Your repositories are hosted on GitHub, and GitHub has an intuitive way of automating the launch of predefined actions, triggered by events of your choice. It is, in the same way as chocolatines, a great way to facilitate and enhance your development and your workflow.

In this project, you will setup a GitHub Actions workflow to enforce good practices and diverse rules in a repository.



GitHub Actions are free and unlimited for public repositories, and free up to 2,000 minutes per month for personnal private repositories, which is quite generous!



Technical details

You will have to turn in a single YAML workflow file named chocolatine.yml, placed either:

- ✓ at the root of your repository;
- ✓ or in the .github/workflows folder.

Your workflow must be usable with your different Epitech projects and their respective technologies and associated tools.



For this project, the **only** external actions allowed are actions/checkout and pixta-dev/repository -mirroring-action.

All other external actions (which you can find on the GitHub marketplace for example) are strictly **forbidden**.



If particular settings or elements are not specified or addressed in the subject, you are free to do as you please with them.

Evaluation

Your workflow will be tested by copying your chocolatine.yml file, and only this file, into a test repository's .github/workflows directory.

Make then sure that the workflow is **self-contained** and does **not need any external files**.

Secrets

You might need to use secured data or values to make your workflow successfully run.

In this case, you **must** use secrets.



If any hardcoded sensitive value is found in your workflow file, your entire project will fail. You have been warned.



Features

Using a GitHub Actions workflow, you will need to implement a set of features.

The workflow must be run on every **push** and on every **pull request** creation, **unless**:

- ✓ the branch name starts with ga-ignore-;
- ✓ or the current repository is the same as the mirror repository.

In any of these two cases, no job must not be run at all.



The "not being in the mirror repository" requirement is important, as it will prevent the mirroring from being triggered in the target repository itself.



Have a look at the default environment variables available in the GitHub Actions environment, you might find something useful.;)

Furthermore, each job must:

- ✓ start by checking out the repository to the relevant branch;
- ✓ only be run if the **previous job has succeeded**.



The order in which the jobs are expected to be run is the order in which they are defined below in the subject.



Environment variables

You need to define several environment variables, available at the workflow level.

- ✓ MIRROR_URL: the URL of the Epitech repository which will act as a mirror;
- ✓ EXECUTABLES: a comma-separated list of the paths of the executables expected to be produced (it can have a single executable, like "mysh" or "directory1/subdirectory2/my_hunter", or several, like "directory1/executableA, directory2/executableB").



All environment variables' values will be strings.





Jobs

Checking the coding style

Create a job with a check_coding_style ID that runs in a ghcr.io/epitech/coding-style-checker:latest Docker container, and that in order:

✓ runs the coding style checker script with the following command:



This command will create the well-known coding-style-reports.log file.

- ✓ if any, displays each coding style error as an error annotation;
- ✓ makes the job fail if there are any coding style errors.

The output of the job must be similar to this:



By using the appropriate error annotation parameters, you will be able to click on it and be taken to the precise line of the offending file.



Checking that the program compiles correctly

Create a job with a check_program_compilation ID that, in order:

- ✓ launches make at the root of the repository (this step must have a 2 minutes timeout);
- ✓ launches (on a separate step) make clean at the root of the repository;
- ✓ verifies that each file specified in the EXECUTABLES environment variable exists and is executable (the job must fail if any of the executables is not there, or not executable).

This job must must be run in an epitechcontent/epitest-docker Docker container.

Running tests (because that's what heroes do)

Create a job with a run_tests ID that launches make tests_run at the root of the repository (this step must have a 2 minutes timeout).

This job must must be run in an epitechcontent/epitest-docker Docker container.

Pushing to the mirror repository

Create a job with a push_to_mirror ID that runs a mirroring to the repository specified in the MIRROR_URL environment variable.

It must use a secret named GIT_SSH_PRIVATE_KEY to specify the SSH private key to use.

This job must only be executed when a push is made to the repository.



Good practices

You can do things in lots of different ways with GitHub Actions, but some are better than others.

Here are some examples of good practices to follow:

- ✓ give **meaningful names** to your jobs and steps;
- ✓ use as much **GitHub Actions features** as possible before falling back to custom shell commands;
- ✓ use the latest actions' versions;
- ✓ when checking out, only fetch what is necessary.



