**Git branching practices and guidelines**

**Naming Standards**

master - Write locked default branch used for higher environment deployments

develop - Branch representing code version in development.

dev\_feat\_wrk - Developer branches can follow naming conventions which should help identify details.

<dev> This prefix would tell which developer the branch belongs to

<feat> This prefix would tell what is the story or work item associated with the branch

<wrk> This prefix would tell it is a development, bug fix, proof of concept branch.

**Merging Standards**

1. All developer would clone from develop branch and work on their changes and merge back into develop once changes are successfully tested.

2. Changes which are not tested would not be merged into develop to avoid impacting other developers.

3. All merge requests into master branch would have to happen through develop branch only.

4. Merges requests into develop would only need one level of approval.

5. Merge requests into master would need 2 levels of approvals.