

## Determining Software Requirements

Firstly, **requirements** can be defined as statements (one sentence) which define a specific action or need. Multiple requirements then make up a **specification**, which should provide the “why” and “how” for a feature. There are two distinct *types* of requirements. These are: *Functional Requirements & Business Requirements*.

**Business Requirements** Provide the “why” for a specification. They are requirements that relate to a *business*’ objectives and goals. They provide the scope in which a specification resides.

**Functional Requirements** Are the “how” for a specification. They are the specific *functionality* that should be added. They provide the list of tasks to be finished to complete the specification.

### Requirements Document

In order to effectively catalogue these requirements to create a specification, *Requirements Documents* for each type of specification should be created.