

# Do's and Don't in Flutter



**PART-2**

Lets hack! 🧐

*A surprisingly important part of **good code is good style**.*

Consistent naming, ordering, and formatting helps code that **is** the same **look** the same.

It takes advantage of the powerful pattern-matching hardware most of us have in our ocular systems.

If we use a consistent style across the entire Dart ecosystem, it makes it easier for all of us to learn from and contribute to each others' code.



# Identifiers

- *Identifiers come in three flavors in Dart.*

- **UpperCamelCase** names capitalize the first letter of each word, including the first.
- **lowerCamelCase** names capitalize the first letter of each word, except the first which is always lowercase, even if it's an acronym.
- **lowercase\_with\_underscores** names use only lowercase letters, even for acronyms, and separate words with \_.



## DO name types using UpperCamelCase.

Lint rule: *camel\_case\_types*

- Classes, enum types, typedefs, and type parameters should capitalize the first letter of each word [including the first word], and use no separators.

```
class SliderMenu { ... }  
  
class HttpRequest { ... }  
  
typedef Predicate<T> = bool Function(T value);
```

- This even includes classes intended to be used in metadata annotations.

```
class Foo {  
    const Foo([Object? arg]);  
}  
  
@Foo(anArg)  
class A { ... }  
  
@Foo()  
class B { ... }
```



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- If the annotation class's constructor takes no parameters, you might want to create a separate **lowerCamelCase** constant for it.

```
const foo = Foo();  
  
@foo  
class C { ... }
```

## **DO** name extensions using UpperCamelCase.

Lint rule: *camel\_case\_extensions*

- Like types, **extensions** should capitalize the first letter of each word [including the first word], and use no separators.

```
extension MyFancyList<T> on List<T> { ... }  
  
extension SmartIterable<T> on Iterable<T> { ... }
```



**DO** name packages, directories, and source files using **lowercase\_with\_underscores**.

Lint rule: *file\_names, package\_names*

- Using underscores as the separator ensures that the name is still a valid Dart identifier, which may be helpful if the language later supports symbolic imports.

**Good**

```
my_package
├── lib
│   ├── file_system.dart
│   └── slider_menu.dart
```

**Bad**

```
mypackage
├── lib
│   ├── file-system.dart
│   └── SliderMenu.dart
```



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**DO**      name      import      prefixes      using  
**lowercase\_with\_underscores.**

Lint rule: *library\_prefixes*

**Good**

```
import 'dart:math' as math;  
import 'package:angular_components/angular_components.dart' as angular_components;  
import 'package:js/js.dart' as js;
```

**Bad**

```
import 'dart:math' as Math;  
import 'package:angular_components/angular_components.dart' as angularComponents;  
import 'package:js/js.dart' as JS;
```



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## PREFER using **lowerCamelCase** for constant names.

Lint rule: *constant\_identifier\_names*

- In new code, use lowerCamelCase for constant variables, including enum values.

Good

```
const pi = 3.14;
const defaultTimeout = 1000;
final urlScheme = RegExp('^([a-z]+):');

class Dice {
  static final numberGenerator = Random();
}
```

Bad

```
const PI = 3.14;
const DefaultTimeout = 1000;
final URL_SCHEME = RegExp('^([a-z]+):');

class Dice {
  static final NUMBER_GENERATOR = Random();
}
```





## **DO** name other identifiers using **lowerCamelCase**.

Lint rule: *non\_constant\_identifier\_names*

- Class members, top-level definitions, variables, parameters, and named parameters should capitalize the first letter of each word except the first word, and use no separators.

```
var count = 3;  
  
HttpRequest httpRequest;  
  
void align(bool clearItems) {  
    // ...  
}
```

**PREFER** using `_`, `__`, etc. for unused callback parameters.

```
futureOfVoid.then((_) {  
    print('Operation complete.');
```



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