

## 1. Step-by-Step Guide: Installing Your Local Python Module (Option 2)

Goal

Install your own Python module into your projects without publishing it to PyPI, using .

Step 1 — Create your module structure

Example:

Your inner folder () is the actual package.

Step 2 — Create a file

Inside the top-level folder:

Step 3 — Install your module locally

Navigate to the folder containing :

Install in editable mode:

Editable mode means:

- You can edit the module's code
- All projects using it see updates instantly
- No reinstall needed

Step 4 — Import it in any project

Now you can use it anywhere:

Step 5 — Update your module anytime

Just edit the files inside your module folder.

No reinstall needed because of .

Step 6 — Optional: Version control

Put your module under Git:

This keeps your reusable code clean and trackable.

## 2. Full Documentation-Style Version

Below is a polished, professional documentation page suitable for a PDF or internal developer handbook.

Using a Local Python Module Across Multiple Projects (Without Publishing to PyPI)

Overview

This document describes how to install and reuse a private Python module across multiple projects using a local installation method. This approach avoids publishing to PyPI while still providing a clean, maintainable workflow.

## 1. Directory Structure

A typical module layout:

Key points

- The outer folder is the project root.
- The inner folder is the actual importable package.
- defines how the module is installed.

## 2. Creating the File

A minimal but complete :

Fields

- name: The import name used by Python.
- version: Helps track updates.
- packages: Automatically includes all subpackages.

## 3. Installing the Module Locally

Navigate to the module's root directory:

Install using pip:

Why (editable mode)?

- The module is linked, not copied.
- Any code changes are immediately reflected in all projects.
- Ideal for active development and internal libraries.

## 4. Using the Module in Your Projects

Once installed, import it normally:

Your module behaves exactly like a PyPI package — without being published.

## 5. Updating the Module

Because editable mode is used:

- Modify the source files directly
- No reinstall required
- All dependent projects automatically see updates

This makes the workflow extremely efficient for internal tools and shared utilities.

## 6. Optional: Version Control

To maintain history and collaborate:

You may later push this to a private Git server if desired.

## 7. Summary

Using `provides`:

- A clean installation method
- No need for PyPI
- Automatic updates across projects
- Professional packaging structure
- Compatibility with all Python tooling

This is the recommended approach for internal modules, automation libraries, and reusable codebases.

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- A PDF-ready cover page
- A table of contents
- A multi-module architecture guide
- A best practices section for internal Python libraries

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