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| **Criteria** | **Does Not Meet Specifications** | **Meets Specifications** |
| **Standard Design** |  |  |
| App does not redefine the expected function of a system icon (such as the Back button). |  | X |
| App does not replace a system icon with a completely different icon if it triggers the standard UI behavior. |  | X |
| App does not redefine or misuse Android UI patterns, such that icons or behaviors could be misleading or confusing to users. |  | X |
| App includes a tablet layout which takes advantage of the additional space (if possible). |  | X |
| App includes at least two distinct views and uses intents properly to move between these views. |  | X |
| **Navigation** |  |  |
| App supports standard system Back button navigation and does not make use of any custom, on-screen "Back button" prompts. |  | X |
| All dialogs are dismissible using the Back button. |  | X |
| Pressing the Home button at any point navigates to the Home screen of the device. |  | X |
| **Permissions** |  |  |
| App requests only the absolute minimum permissions that it needs to support core functionality. |  | X |
| App does not request permissions to access sensitive data or services that can cost the user money, unless related to a core capability of the app. |  | X |
| **Performance and Stability** |  |  |
| App does not crash, force close, freeze, or otherwise function abnormally on any targeted device. |  | X |
| **ContentProvider** |  |  |
| App implements a ContentProvider to access locally stored data. |  | X |
| If it regularly pulls or sends data to/from a web service or API, app updates data in its cache at regular intervals using a SyncAdapter.  If it needs to pull or send data to/from a web service or API only once, or on a per request basis (such as a search application), app uses an IntentService to do so. |  | X |
| App uses a Loader to move its data to its views. |  | X |
| **User/App State** |  |  |
| App correctly preserves and restores user or app state. |  | X |
| When the app is resumed after the device wakes from sleep (locked) state, the app returns the user to the exact state in which it was last used. |  | X |
| When the app is relaunched from Home or All Apps, the app restores the app state as closely as possible to the previous state. |  | X |

**Optional Components**

To receive “exceeds specifications”, your app must fully implement all of the criteria listed under at least two of the four categories below (e.g. Notifications, ShareActionProvider, Broadcast Events, and Custom Views).

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| **Criteria** | **Does Not Exceed Specifications** | **Exceeds Specifications** |
| **Notifications** |  |  |
| Notifications do not contain advertising or content unrelated to the core function of the app. | X |  |
| Notifications are persistent only if related to ongoing events (such as music playback or a phone call). | X |  |
| Multiple notifications are stacked into a single notification object, where possible. | X |  |
| App uses notifications only to indicate a context change relating to the user personally (such as an incoming message). | X |  |
| App uses notifications only to expose information/controls relating to an ongoing event (such as music playback or a phone call). | X |  |
| **ShareActionProvider** |  |  |
| Uses ShareActionProvider to share content with an outside application. |  | X |
| Makes use of Intent Extras to send rich content (i.e. a paragraph of content-specific text, a link and description, an image, etc). |  | X |
| **Broadcast Events** |  |  |
| App intercepts broadcast events. | X |  |
| App responds to Broadcast events in a meaningful way. | X |  |
| **Custom Views** |  |  |
| App creates and uses a custom View. | X |  |
| App uses a novel View that couldn’t sufficiently be satisfied by the core Views in Android. | X |  |