Software Development Lifecycle (SDLC) Process BPMN Specification

Overview:

The Software Development Lifecycle (SDLC) process modeled in this BPMN represents the typical phases of software development, starting from requirements analysis to project closure. It includes feedback loops, decision gateways, and escalations to handle issues at various stages.

Process Details:

1. Start Event:

- o **Element ID:** StartEvent 1
- o Name: Start
- **Description:** The process begins with the initiation of the software development project.
- Outgoing Flow: Flow 1

2. Requirements Analysis:

- o Element ID: Task RequirementsAnalysis
- o Name: Requirements Analysis
- Description: A business analyst gathers user stories and requirements from stakeholders.
- o Outgoing Flow: Flow 181xx95

3. Requirements Clarification Decision:

- o **Element ID:** Gateway RequirementsClear
- o Name: Requirements Clear?
- o **Type:** Exclusive Gateway
- o **Description:** A decision point to check if the requirements are clear.
- Outgoing Flows:
 - Yes (Clear): Moves to System Design (Flow 3)
 - No (Unclear): Moves to Clarify Requirements (Flow 4)

4. Clarify Requirements (if required):

- o **Element ID:** Task ClarifyRequirements
- o Name: Clarify Requirements
- o **Description:** Feedback loop to clarify unclear requirements with stakeholders.
- o Outgoing Flow: Returns to Requirements Analysis (Flow 5)

5. System Design:

- o Element ID: Task SystemDesign
- o Name: System Design
- o **Description:** System architects develop a detailed system architecture and design.
- o **Outgoing Flow:** Moves to Technical Lead Approval (Flow 6)

6. Technical Lead Approval:

- o Element ID: Task Approval
- o Name: Technical Lead Approval
- o **Description:** The system design is reviewed and approved by the technical lead.
- o **Outgoing Flow:** Moves to Implementation (Flow 7)

7. Implementation:

- o **Element ID:** Task Implementation
- o Name: Implementation
- Description: The development team writes the code based on the approved design.
- Outgoing Flow: Proceeds to coding delay check (Flow_8)

8. Coding Delay Decision:

- o **Element ID:** Gateway CodingDelayed
- o Name: Coding Delayed?
- o **Type:** Exclusive Gateway
- o **Description:** A decision point to check if there are any coding delays.
- Outgoing Flows:
 - No (On Time): Moves to Testing (Flow 9)
 - Yes (Delayed): Moves to Manage Delays (Flow 10)

9. Manage Delays (if coding is delayed):

- o Element ID: Task Escalation
- o Name: Manage Delays
- o **Description:** Escalation process to handle coding delays.
- o Outgoing Flow: Returns to Coding Delay Decision (Flow 11)

10. **Testing:**

- o **Element ID:** Task Testing
- o Name: Testing
- Description: The QA team performs unit, integration, system, and user acceptance testing.
- o Outgoing Flow: Proceeds to Defects Found decision (Flow 12)

11. Defects Found Decision:

- o Element ID: Gateway DefectsFound
- o Name: Defects Found?
- o **Type:** Exclusive Gateway
- o **Description:** A decision point to check if defects were found during testing.
- Outgoing Flows:
 - No (No Defects): Moves to Deployment (Flow 13)
 - Yes (Defects): Moves to Fix Defects (Flow 14)

12. Fix Defects (if defects are found):

- o Element ID: Task FixDefects
- o Name: Fix Defects

- o **Description:** The development team fixes any defects found during testing.
- o Outgoing Flow: Returns to Defects Found decision (Flow 15)

13. **Deployment:**

- o Element ID: Task Deployment
- o Name: Deployment
- Description: Once approved, the software is deployed to the production environment.
- o Outgoing Flow: Proceeds to Maintenance (Flow 16)

14. Maintenance:

- o Element ID: Task Maintenance
- o Name: Maintenance
- Description: Post-deployment monitoring and ongoing maintenance to ensure software stability.
- o Outgoing Flow: Proceeds to Critical Issues decision (Flow 17)

15. Critical Issues Decision:

- o **Element ID:** Gateway CriticalIssues
- o Name: Critical Issues?
- o **Type:** Exclusive Gateway
- o **Description:** A decision point to check if any critical issues are found during maintenance.
- Outgoing Flows:
 - No (No Issues): Moves to Final Review (Flow 18)
 - Yes (Issues): Moves to Develop Hotfix/Patch (Flow 19)

16. Develop Hotfix/Patch (if critical issues are found):

- o Element ID: Task Hotfix
- o Name: Develop Hotfix/Patch
- o **Description:** Development of a hotfix or patch for critical issues found during maintenance.
- o Outgoing Flow: Returns to Maintenance (Flow 20)

17. Final Review and Closure:

- o **Element ID:** Task FinalReview
- o Name: Final Review and Closure
- o **Description:** Final review of the software post-maintenance. If all major issues are resolved, the project is officially closed.
- Outgoing Flow: Moves to End (Flow 21)

18. End Event:

- o **Element ID:** EndEvent_1
- Name: End
- o **Description:** Marks the official closure of the project.

