
Lab Guide: Jenkins CI/CD Pipeline for Java App Deployment on Tomcat

Objective

Set up a Jenkins pipeline that:

1. Clones a Java project from GitHub
2. Builds it using Maven
3. Scans code quality using SonarQube
4. Deploys the built artifact (.war) to Apache Tomcat

Prerequisites

Component	Description
OS	Ubuntu 22.04 (or similar Linux)
Jenkins	Installed and running on port 8080
Maven	Installed and configured in Jenkins
Java (JDK 11+)	Installed on Jenkins server
Git	Installed
SonarQube	Running locally or remotely (with access token)

Tomcat Installed and running on port 8081 or 8080

Step 1: Install and Configure Jenkins

Update system

```
sudo apt update -y
```

Install Java

```
sudo apt install openjdk-17-jdk -y
```

Add Jenkins repository key and install Jenkins

```
curl -fsSL https://pkg.jenkins.io/debian/jenkins.io.key | sudo tee \
  /usr/share/keyrings/jenkins-keyring.asc > /dev/null
```

```
echo deb [signed-by=/usr/share/keyrings/jenkins-keyring.asc] \
  https://pkg.jenkins.io/debian binary/ | sudo tee \
  /etc/apt/sources.list.d/jenkins.list > /dev/null
```

```
sudo apt update -y
```

```
sudo apt install jenkins -y
```

```
sudo systemctl enable jenkins
```

```
sudo systemctl start jenkins
```

Then open Jenkins in your browser:

 **http://:8080**

Retrieve the initial admin password:

```
sudo cat /var/lib/jenkins/secrets/initialAdminPassword
```

Install suggested plugins and create an admin user.

⚙️ Step 2: Configure Jenkins Tools

In Jenkins Dashboard → **Manage Jenkins** → **Tools Configuration**

Tool	Configuration
JDK	Name: <code>jdk17</code> → <code>/usr/lib/jvm/java-17-openjdk-amd64</code>
Maven	Name: <code>maven3</code> → Install automatically
Git	Use system Git
SonarQube Scanner	Install automatically

🧩 Step 3: Integrate SonarQube

1. Go to **Manage Jenkins** → **System** → **SonarQube Servers**
2. Add:
 - Name: `SonarQube`
 - Server URL: `http://<sonarqube-server>:9000`
 - Authentication Token: (generate from SonarQube UI → My Account → Security)
3. Add Sonar Scanner:
 - **Manage Jenkins** → **Tools** → **SonarQube Scanner**

- Name: **sonar-scanner**
- Install automatically

Verify with:

```
sonar-scanner -v
```

4.

Step 4: Install Deploy to Container Plugin

In Jenkins:

- Go to **Manage Jenkins** → **Plugins** → **Available**
 - Search and install **Deploy to container** plugin
 - Restart Jenkins
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Step 5: Create a New Jenkins Job

1. **New Item** → **Maven Project**
2. Name: **JavaApp-CI-CD**
3. Click **OK**

General Configuration

- ✓ Check: "Discard Old Builds"
- ✓ GitHub Project (optional)

Source Code Management

- Git → Repository URL:
<https://github.com/<username>/<repo>.git>
 - Branch: [*/main](#)
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Step 6: Build Configuration

Add Build Steps

Step 1: Clean and Build with Maven

Goals: clean package

POM: pom.xml

Step 2: SonarQube Analysis

Add a **Build Step** → **Execute SonarQube Scanner**

Example properties:

```
sonar.projectKey=my-java-app
sonar.projectName=My Java App
sonar.sources=src
sonar.java.binaries=target
sonar.host.url=http://<sonarqube-server>:9000
sonar.login=<your-token>
```

Step 3: Deploy WAR to Tomcat

Add **Post-build Action** → **Deploy war/ear to a container**

- WAR/EAR files: `**/target/*.war`
 - Context path: `/myapp`
 - Containers:
 - Tomcat 9.x Remote
 - Credentials → Add (username/password of Tomcat user)
 - URL: `http://<tomcat-server>:8080`
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Step 7: Configure Tomcat for Remote Deployment

On Tomcat server, edit:

```
sudo nano /opt/tomcat/conf/tomcat-users.xml
```

Add this inside `<tomcat-users>`:

```
<role rolename="manager-script"/>
<user username="admin" password="admin123" roles="manager-script"/>
```

Then restart Tomcat:

```
sudo systemctl restart tomcat
```

Verify deployment access:

👉 <http://:8080/manager/html>

▶ Step 8: Run the Pipeline

Click **Build Now** in Jenkins.

Monitor the console output — you should see:

Cloning repository...

Building project with Maven...

SonarQube analysis completed...

Deploying to Tomcat...

BUILD SUCCESS

Visit:

➡ <http://:8080/myapp>

You'll see your deployed application 🎉

✅ Step 9: Verify SonarQube Dashboard

Open SonarQube UI → Projects → *My Java App*

You'll see:


- Code coverage
- Bugs/Vulnerabilities
- Code smells

- Security issues

Optional Enhancements

Enhancement	Description
Email Notifications	Add post-build action → "Email Notification"
Quality Gates	Fail build if SonarQube quality gate fails
Parameterized Builds	Allow dynamic branch selection
Blue Ocean View	Install “Blue Ocean” plugin for visual pipelines



Summary

 Jenkins automates:

1. **Code Fetching** from GitHub
2. **Building** via Maven
3. **Testing/Analysis** via SonarQube
4. **Deployment** to Tomcat

This forms a **complete standalone CI/CD workflow** 🧠

Would you like me to:

-  Format this into a **downloadable lab PDF** (with screenshots placeholders),
or
-  Convert it into a **Jenkinsfile-based pipeline (Declarative Pipeline)** version?

That way, you can choose between GUI-based setup or code-driven automation.