

CONFIGURATION

CONFIGURATION FILES

The DocPad configuration file sits within the root of your DocPad project and is named as one of the following. Each name provides a special meaning. Here are the valid names:

- `docpad.js` a Node JavaScript file, will generally look like:
`module.exports = { /*the configuration*/ }`
- `docpad.json` a JSON file, does not allow functions, will generally look like: `{ /*the configuration*/ }`
- `docpad.coffee` a Node CoffeeScript file, will generally look like:
`module.exports = /*the configuration*/`
- `docpad.cson` a [cson](#) file, will generally look like:
`/*the configuration*/`

The advantage of `docpad.js` and `docpad.coffee` over `docpad.json` and `docpad.cson` is that they allow us to declare functions, as well as call functions. However, for instances where we cannot trust the contents of the configuration files you would want to use the `docpad.json` or `docpad.cson` as they can't do anything naughty.

The advantage of `docpad.coffee` and `docpad.cson` over `docpad.js` and `docpad.json` is that they allow us to use the CoffeeScript syntax which is a lot more lenient.

Generally, you'll usually find either a `docpad.coffee` file or a `docpad.cson` file.

AVAILABLE CONFIGURATION

The following code is of a `docpad.coffee` file that contains every single configurable DocPad options - in reality you should only include the options that you have actually customised - using the following example for reference only.

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# DocPad ConfigurationdocpadConfig = { # =====
===== # Paths Configuration # Root Path # The root path
of our our project rootPath: process.cwd() # default # Packa
ge Path # The project's package.json path # If it is a relativ
e path, it will have the resolved `rootPath` prepended to it pack
agePath: 'package.json' # default # Config Paths # An array o
f paths that we try to extract our docpad configuration from conf
igPaths: [ # default 'docpad.js' 'docpad.coffee'
'docpad.json' 'docpad.cson' ] # Plugin Paths # An
array of special paths which to load single plugins from # (e.g.
, ['/a/path/to/a/docpad-plugin-special']) pluginPaths: [] # defa
ult # Plugins Paths # An array of paths which to load multiple
plugins from pluginsPaths: [ # default 'node_modules'
'plugins' ] # Reload Paths # An array of special paths
that when changes occur in, we reload our configuration reloadPa
ths: [] # default # Regenerate Paths # An array of special pa
ths that when changes occur in, we regenerate our website regener
atePaths: [] # default # Regenerate Delay # The time (in mill
iseconds) to wait after a source file has # changed before using
it to regenerate. Updating over the # network (e.g., via FTP) can
cause a page to be partially # rendered as the page is regenerat
ed *before* the source file # has completed updating: in this cas
e increase this value. regenerateDelay: 100 # default # Out
Path # Where should we put our generated website files? # If
it is a relative path, it will have the resolved `rootPath` prepene
d to it outputPath: 'out' # default # Src Path # Where can we
find our source website files? # If it is a relative path, it wi
ll have the resolved `rootPath` prepended to it srcPath: 'src' #
default # Documents Paths # An array of paths which contents
will be treated as documents # If it is a relative path, it will
have the resolved `srcPath` prepended to it documentsPaths: [ #
default 'render' 'documents' ] # Files Paths
# An array of paths which contents will be treated as files # If
it is a relative path, it will have the resolved `srcPath` prepene
d to it filesPaths: [ # default 'static' 'files'
'public' ] # Layouts Paths # An array of paths which c
ontents will be treated as layouts # If it is a relative path, it
will have the resolved `srcPath` prepended to it layoutsPaths: [
# default 'layouts' ] # Ignore Paths # Can be set
to an array of absolute paths that we should ignore from the scannin
g process ignorePaths: false # default # Ignore Hidden Files
# Whether or not we should ignore files that start with a dot fro
m the scanning process ignoreHiddenFiles: false # default # I
gnore Common Patterns # Whether or not we should ignore commonly
undesired files from the scanning process # (e.g., .DStore, thumb
s.db, .git, files that start with a tilde, etc.) ignoreCommonPatt
erns: true # default # Ignore Custom Patterns # Can be set to
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ignoreCustomPatterns: false # default # =====
===== # Server Configuration # Port # Use to change the
port that DocPad listens to # By default we will detect the appro
appropriate port number for our environment # if no environment port n
number is detected we will use 9778 as the port number # Checked e
nvironment variables are: # - PORT - Heroku, Nodejitsu, Custom
# - VCAP_APP_PORT - AppFog # - VMC_APP_PORT - CloudFoundry po
rt: null # default # Max Age # The default caching time limit
that is sent with the response to the client # Can be set to `fa
lse` to disable caching maxAge: 86400000 # default # Server
Express # The Express.js instance that we want DocPad to use #
If not set, we will create our own serverExpress: null # defaul
t # Server HTTP # The Node.js HTTP server instance that we wan
t DocPad to use # If not set, we will create our own serverHtt
p: null # default # ===== # Middl
eaware Configuration # Which middlewares would you like us to acti
vate # Setting `extendServer` to `false` will set all of these to
`false` automatically # Extend Server # Whether or not we sho
uld extend the server with our custom middleware extendServer: tr
ue # default # The standard middlewares (bodyParser, methodOverr
ide, Express router) middlewareStandard: true # default # The
standard bodyParser middleware middlewareBodyParser: true # def
ault # The standard methodOverride middleware middlewareMethod
Override: true # default # The standard Express router middlewar
e middlewareExpressRouter: true # default # Our own 404 middl
eaware middleware404: true # default # Our own 500 middleware
middleware500: true # default # =====
===== # Logging Configuration # Log Level # Up to which leve
l of logging should we output logLevel: (if ('-d' in process.argv
) then 7 else 6) # default # Logger # The caterpillar instan
ce that we want to use # If not set, we will create our own lo
gger: null # default # Growl # Whether or not we should displ
ay system notifications as things progress within DocPad growl: t
rue # default # Catch Exceptions # Whether or not DocPad shou
ld catch uncaught exceptions catchExceptions: true # default
# Report Errors # Whether or not we should report errors back to
the DocPad Team reportErrors: process.argv.join('').indexOf('test
') is -1 # default (don't enable if we are running inside a test)
# Report Statistics # Whether or not we should report statistic
s back to the DocPad Team reportStatistics: process.argv.join('')
.indexOf('test') is -1 # default (don't enable if we are running in
side a test) # Airbrake Token # The airbrake token we should u
se for reporting errors # By default, uses the DocPad Team's toke
n airbrakeToken: null # default # MixPanel Token # The mix
panel token we should use for reporting statistics # By default,
uses the DocPad Team's token mixpanelToken: null # default #
===== # Other Configuration # Dete
ct Encoding # Should we attempt to auto detect the encoding of ou
r files? # Useful when you are using foreign encoding (e.g., GBK)
for your files # Only works on unix systems currently (limit of
iconv module) detectEncoding: false # Render Single Extensions
# Whether or not we should render single extensions by default
renderSingleExtensions: false # default # Render Passes # H
ow many times should we render documents that reference other docume
nts? renderPasses: 1 # default # Check Version # Whether o

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# default      # Welcome      # Whether or not we should display any cus
tom welcome callbacks      welcome: false # default      # Prompts      #
Whether or not we should display any prompts      prompts: false # d
efault      # Helper Url      # Used for subscribing to newsletter, acco
unt information, and statistics, etc.      helperUrl: 'https://docpad.
org/helper/' # default      # Safe Mode      # If enabled, we will try
our best to sandbox our template rendering so that they cannot modif
y things outside of them      # Not yet implemented      safeMode: false
# default      # Collections      # A hash of functions that create co
llections      collections: {} # default      # Regenerate Every      # P
erforms a regenerate every x milliseconds, useful for always having
the latest data      regenerateEvery: false # default      # =====
=====      # Template Configuration      # Template Da
ta      # Use to define your own template data and helpers that will b
e accessible to your templates      # Complete listing of default valu
es can be found here: http://docpad.org/docs/template-data      templa
teData: # example      # Specify some site properties      site
:      # The production URL of our website      url: "ht
tp://website.com"      # The default title of our website
      title: "Your Website"      # The website description (f
or SEO)      description: ""      When your website
appears in search results in say Google, the text here will be show
n underneath your website's title.      ""      # T
he website keywords (for SEO) separated by commas      keyword
s: ""      place, your, website, keywords, here, keep, t
hem, related, to, the, content, of, your, website      ""
# -----      # Helper Functions
# Get the prepared site/document title      # Often we would
like to specify particular formatting to our page's title      # w
e can apply that formatting here      getPreparedTitle: ->
# if we have a document title, then we should use that and suffi
x the site's title onto it      if @document.title
  "#{@document.title} | #{@site.title}"      # if our docume
nt does not have its own title, then we should just use the site's t
itle      else      @site.title      # Get the pre
pared site/document description      getPreparedDescription: ->
# if we have a document description, then we should use tha
t, otherwise use the site's description      @document.descrip
tion or @site.description      # Get the prepared site/document ke
ywords      getPreparedKeywords: ->      # Merge the documen
t keywords with the site keywords      @site.keywords.concat(@
document.keywords or []).join(', ')      # =====
=====      # Plugin Configuration      # Skip Unsupported Plugins      #
Set to `false` to load all plugins whether or not they are compatibl
e with our DocPad version or not      skipUnsupportedPlugins: true #
default      # Enable Unlisted Plugins      # Set to false to only enabl
e plugins that have been explicitly set to `true` inside `enabledPlug
ins`      enabledUnlistedPlugins: true # default      # Enabled Plugins
enabledPlugins: # example      # Disable the Pokemon Plugin
  pokemon: false      # Enable the Digimon Plugin      # Unl
ess, enableUnlistedPlugins is set to false, all plugins are enabled
by default      digimon: true      # Configure Plugins      # Should c
ontain the plugin short names on the left, and the configuration to
pass the plugin on the right      plugins: # example      # Disable
NTR within the Stylus Plugin      stylus:      useNih: false

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# Events      # Allows us to bind listeners to the events that DocPad
emits        # Complete event listing can be found here: http://docpad.
org/docs/events      events: # example      # Server Extend
# Used to add our own custom routes to the server before the docpad
routes are added      serverExtend: (opts) ->      # Extract
the server from the options      {server} = opts      d
ocpad = @docpad      # =====      # Environm
ent Configuration      # Locale Code      # The code we shall use for ou
r locale (e.g., `en`, `fr`, etc.)      # If not set, we will attempt t
o detect the system's locale, if the locale can't be detected or if
our locale file is not found for it, we will revert to `en`      local
eCode: null # default      # Environment      # Which environment we sh
ould load up      # If not set, we will default the `NODE_ENV` environ
ment variable, if that isn't set, we will default to `development`
env: null # default      # Environments      # Allows us to set custo
m configuration for specific environments      environments: # defaul
t      development: # default      # Always refresh from se
rver      maxAge: false # default      # Only do these
if we are running standalone via the `docpad` executable
checkVersion: process.argv.length >= 2 and /docpad$/.test(process.ar
gv[1]) # default      welcome: process.argv.length >= 2 and /
docpad$/.test(process.argv[1]) # default      prompts: proces
s.argv.length >= 2 and /docpad$/.test(process.argv[1]) # default
      # Listen to port 9005 on the development environment
port: 9005 # example}# Export the DocPad Configurationmodule.e
xports = docpadConfig

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ENVIRONMENT CONFIGURATION FILE

We also support `.env` environment configuration file, the format works like so:

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KEY=VALUEKEY2=VALUE2
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All key-value pairs are added to the `process.env` environment variable.

This is useful for setting sensitive information, like API keys, database information, and so on.

If you're using `.env` using for this purpose, be sure to add `.env` to your `.gitignore` file!

GLOBAL CONFIGURATION FILE

DocPad will also create a global configuration file located at

`~/ .docpad.cson` (Or `~/Dropbox/ .docpad.cson` if you

have [Dropbox](#) installed). The `~` indicates your home directory (e.g.,

`/Users/balupton`), not your project directory.

This file is typically used to store information relating to your DocPad preferences, such as whether or not you have agreed to the [TOS](#) and subscribed to our newsletter or not, however it can also be used to load in configuration that you would like applied to all of your projects. Normally, we wouldn't touch this file, however it is useful to on the odd occasion.

For instance, if we wanted to set the default DocPad port to always be `9779` instead of `9778`, we can update the global configuration file to include:

```
{  port: 9779}
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