**Software Requirements Specification**

**for**

E-Voting System

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# **Introduction**

## **Purpose**

*The purpose of this document is to make the functional and non-functional requirements of the Online National Election Voting System easy to comprehend. It also serves the purpose of making the functionality clear to end users.*

## **Document Conventions**

## **Intended Audience and Reading Suggestions**

*The intended audience of this document is the potential end user. The document may also*

*serve as a reference guide to the developers of the system.*

## **Product Scope**

*This SRS document applies to the initial version (release 1.0) of the “Online National Election System” software package. This document describes the modeling and the requirement analysis of the system. The main aim of the system is to provide a set of protocols that allow voters to cast ballots while a group of authorities collect votes and output final results.*

## **References**

*<List any other documents or Web addresses to which this SRS refers. These may include user interface style guides, contracts, standards, system requirements specifications, use case documents, or a vision and scope document. Provide enough information so that the reader could access a copy of each reference, including title, author, version number, date, and source or location.>*

# **Overall Description**

## **Product Perspective**

*The software product is a standalone system and not apart of a larger system. The system*

*will be made up of two parts, one running visible directly to the administrator on the server*

*machine and the other visible to the end users, in this case the voters, through web pages.*

*The two users of the system, namely the voters and the election authority(EA) interact*

*with the system in different ways. The election authority configures the whole system*

*according to its needs on the server where the system is running.*

*The voters cast their votes using the web interface provided. These votes are accepted by*

*the system on the server.*

## **Product Functions**

*On the EA side, the system can be used to create/update/delete the election details (*

*posts, candidates, electoral rolls etc ). The EA should be able to specify the different*

*attributes it wants for posts/candidates of a particular election instance and voters. For*

*example, one EA may want the candidate’s photograph as an attribute, where as another*

*EA may not find it necessary. Similarly, they may want one set of attributes for voters*

*in one setting and a different one in another. For Example, in a university, the EA might*

*be happy with just the roll numbers of each voter while an election in an association may*

*require voters’ name, phone number, address etc. After the election is set up, passwords*

*must be generated and mailed to voters on request.*

*The system should also be able to run seperate election instances at the same time.*

*From the voters perspective, the system is used to help them cast their votes and after the*

*elections are over, allow them to view the results, which are automatically posted on the*

*same site after the election duration is over.*

**User Classes and Characteristics**

*<Identify the various user classes that you anticipate will use this product. User classes may be differentiated based on frequency of use, subset of product functions used, technical expertise, security or privilege levels, educational level, or experience. Describe the pertinent characteristics of each user class. Certain requirements may pertain only to certain user classes. Distinguish the most important user classes for this product from those who are less important to satisfy.>*

## **Operating Environment**

*<Describe the environment in which the software will operate, including the hardware platform, operating system and versions, and any other software components or applications with which it must peacefully coexist.>*

## **Design and Implementation Constraints**

*<Describe any items or issues that will limit the options available to the developers. These might include: corporate or regulatory policies; hardware limitations (timing requirements, memory requirements); interfaces to other applications; specific technologies, tools, and databases to be used; parallel operations; language requirements; communications protocols; security considerations; design conventions or programming standards (for example, if the customer’s organization will be responsible for maintaining the delivered software).>*

## **User Documentation**

*<List the user documentation components (such as user manuals, on-line help, and tutorials) that will be delivered along with the software. Identify any known user documentation delivery formats or standards.>*

## **Assumptions and Dependencies**

*<List any assumed factors (as opposed to known facts) that could affect the requirements stated in the SRS. These could include third-party or commercial components that you plan to use, issues around the development or operating environment, or constraints. The project could be affected if these assumptions are incorrect, are not shared, or change. Also identify any dependencies the project has on external factors, such as software components that you intend to reuse from another project, unless they are already documented elsewhere (for example, in the vision and scope document or the project plan).>*

# **External Interface Requirements**

## **User Interfaces**

*<Describe the logical characteristics of each interface between the software product and the users. This may include sample screen images, any GUI standards or product family style guides that are to be followed, screen layout constraints, standard buttons and functions (e.g., help) that will appear on every screen, keyboard shortcuts, error message display standards, and so on. Define the software components for which a user interface is needed. Details of the user interface design should be documented in a separate user interface specification.>*

## **Hardware Interfaces**

*<Describe the logical and physical characteristics of each interface between the software product and the hardware components of the system. This may include the supported device types, the nature of the data and control interactions between the software and the hardware, and communication protocols to be used.>*

## **Software Interfaces**

*<Describe the connections between this product and other specific software components (name and version), including databases, operating systems, tools, libraries, and integrated commercial components. Identify the data items or messages coming into the system and going out and describe the purpose of each. Describe the services needed and the nature of communications. Refer to documents that describe detailed application programming interface protocols. Identify data that will be shared across software components. If the data sharing mechanism must be implemented in a specific way (for example, use of a global data area in a multitasking operating system), specify this as an implementation constraint.>*

## **Communications Interfaces**

*<Describe the requirements associated with any communications functions required by this product, including e-mail, web browser, network server communications protocols, electronic forms, and so on. Define any pertinent message formatting. Identify any communication standards that will be used, such as FTP or HTTP. Specify any communication security or encryption issues, data transfer rates, and synchronization mechanisms.>*

# **System Features**

*<This template illustrates organizing the functional requirements for the product by system features, the major services provided by the product. You may prefer to organize this section by use case, mode of operation, user class, object class, functional hierarchy, or combinations of these, whatever makes the most logical sense for your product.>*

## **System Feature 1**

*<Don’t really say “System Feature 1.” State the feature name in just a few words.>*

4.1.1 Description and Priority

*<Provide a short description of the feature and indicate whether it is of High, Medium, or Low priority. You could also include specific priority component ratings, such as benefit, penalty, cost, and risk (each rated on a relative scale from a low of 1 to a high of 9).>*

4.1.2 Stimulus/Response Sequences

*<List the sequences of user actions and system responses that stimulate the behavior defined for this feature. These will correspond to the dialog elements associated with use cases.>*

4.1.3 Functional Requirements

*<Itemize the detailed functional requirements associated with this feature. These are the software capabilities that must be present in order for the user to carry out the services provided by the feature, or to execute the use case. Include how the product should respond to anticipated error conditions or invalid inputs. Requirements should be concise, complete, unambiguous, verifiable, and necessary. Use “TBD” as a placeholder to indicate when necessary information is not yet available.>*

*<Each requirement should be uniquely identified with a sequence number or a meaningful tag of some kind.>*

REQ-1:

REQ-2:

## **System Feature 2 (and so on)**

# **Other Nonfunctional Requirements**

## **Performance Requirements**

*<If there are performance requirements for the product under various circumstances, state them here and explain their rationale, to help the developers understand the intent and make suitable design choices. Specify the timing relationships for real time systems. Make such requirements as specific as possible. You may need to state performance requirements for individual functional requirements or features.>*

## **Safety Requirements**

*<Specify those requirements that are concerned with possible loss, damage, or harm that could result from the use of the product. Define any safeguards or actions that must be taken, as well as actions that must be prevented. Refer to any external policies or regulations that state safety issues that affect the product’s design or use. Define any safety certifications that must be satisfied.>*

## **Security Requirements**

*<Specify any requirements regarding security or privacy issues surrounding use of the product or protection of the data used or created by the product. Define any user identity authentication requirements. Refer to any external policies or regulations containing security issues that affect the product. Define any security or privacy certifications that must be satisfied.>*

## **Software Quality Attributes**

*<Specify any additional quality characteristics for the product that will be important to either the customers or the developers. Some to consider are: adaptability, availability, correctness, flexibility, interoperability, maintainability, portability, reliability, reusability, robustness, testability, and usability. Write these to be specific, quantitative, and verifiable when possible. At the least, clarify the relative preferences for various attributes, such as ease of use over ease of learning.>*

## **Business Rules**

*<List any operating principles about the product, such as which individuals or roles can perform which functions under specific circumstances. These are not functional requirements in themselves, but they may imply certain functional requirements to enforce the rules.>*

# **Other Requirements**

*<Define any other requirements not covered elsewhere in the SRS. This might include database requirements, internationalization requirements, legal requirements, reuse objectives for the project, and so on. Add any new sections that are pertinent to the project.>*

**Appendix A: Glossary**

*<Define all the terms necessary to properly interpret the SRS, including acronyms and abbreviations. You may wish to build a separate glossary that spans multiple projects or the entire organization, and just include terms specific to a single project in each SRS.>*

**Appendix B: Analysis Models**

*<Optionally, include any pertinent analysis models, such as data flow diagrams, class diagrams, state-transition diagrams, or entity-relationship diagrams*.>

**Appendix C: To Be Determined List**

*<Collect a numbered list of the TBD (to be determined) references that remain in the SRS so they can be tracked to closure.>*