

HostTycoon Development Process

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The trend is to move toward development processes that help the customer achieve his/her business objectives. This may involve prioritizing features with the customer's budget in mind. And it may involve the evolution of an application as the business model is discovered.

We are flexible yet process centric, willing to adapt our process to serve our customers. The process below is a simple example to help some understand a simple process. And this process will help you understand in advance what would be involved in outsourcing a project to us.

PHASE I - Define

In this phase, the objective is to understand clearly the voice of the prospective customer. When doing business on the Internet, we realize the importance of being clearly understood, to provide the best solutions to our customers.

- **First Contact.** HostTycoon gets an email inquiry from a prospective client. The request is examined. To understand the requirements better, some questions are emailed back to the prospective client. The client is advised to fill in the Web Development Questionnaire.
- **The clarifications are given.** The client questionnaire is duly filled and forwarded. The request is now re-examined for any further details required at this stage. If not, then a rough estimate of the time and costs involved in the project is made. In the case of large web applications or database driven website, a proposal for doing a detailed analysis can be done for a flat fee. The deliverables might be as follows.
 - Requirements Document
 - Level 1 Work Breakdown Structure and Project Schedule
 - Payment schedule
 - Draft of the contract of Agreement.
- **The client seeks any clarifications (if any) on the terms and conditions and approves the documents and the contract of agreement.** The client gives a go-ahead for the project. The amount to be advanced and the mode of payment are specified.
- **Confirmation on the payment is intimated to HostTycoon.** HostTycoon confirms initial payment.

PHASE II - Design and Develop

Methodology - The evolving iterative approach. We often use the evolving iterative approach to web development. In this methodology, once the preliminary requirements are clarified, the next step is to quickly build the prototype of the website/web application. From then on, it is the continuing evolution of this prototype until it becomes the final product, exact to specifications.

Visibility - The key Advantage. This is a revolutionary, new approach to software development and extremely suited

to out sources services. When you outsource your requirement of web solutions to us, we are sensitive to the fact that you require high visibility of the WIP (work in progress). This is the reason why we have adapted this methodology to our web development process. At each stage along the development, the website/web

application evolves before your own eyes. We would create an account for each and every project at <http://www.HostTycoon.com/project> and you can see the progress of the project at any time and the people working

on the project and their contribution. Please ask us for a demo. Here are the broad milestones in this process:

1. **Prototype:** The first and crucial phase. The prototype shows you the shape of things to come. This is much more than just a visual representation. It represents all the screen elements in the final solution. This is the mould into which we start to breathe the breath of life! Feedback from the client is taken and required modifications are incorporated.

2. **Functional Specifications Document:** Before starting to actually develop the functionalities, we document all the functional specifications. The client reviews it and gives feedback again and with this, the requirements specifications are fully captured.

3. **The Proof of concept.** The prototype evolves to its more complex level of existence. Many parts of the prototype spring to life. We have this intermediate delivery before the final delivery to establish the proof of concept. The client can now almost feel the solution that he/she had entrusted us to develop. What remains now is just formality. Our production engine hauls the project to completion.

4. **Final Delivery:** The final product is delivered after testing. There are no surprises, and no tense expectations on the date of delivery. For, you had seen it evolve!

PHASE III - Deploy

Performance of the site is monitored for a period of one month if there is no site maintenance agreement.

Any problems found during this period will be solved, without any additional cost to the customer.

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