Zope Foundation code contributor approval policy

Potential contributors apply for repository access using the contributor application form published on the Zope Foundation website\(^1\) and submit it to the Zope Foundation either by...

- emailing a scanned copy to contributor-admin@zope.org
- faxing a scanned copy to the Zope foundation fax number\(^2\)
- mailing a scanned copy via postal mail to the Zope Foundation mailing address\(^3\)

The Zope Foundation committer committee approves or rejects contributor applications and provides the contributor with the required repository access.

The applicant must name an existing active contributor to second his or her application.

The committer committee shall usually approve the application. Possible rejection reasons are:

- no reference committer named (the committee will get back to the applicant and ask for a reference)
- neither the applicant nor the reference committer are "known–enough" to the committee (when in doubt the committee will ask the Board of Directors for a final decision)
- serious matters speaking against the applicant (when in doubt the committee will ask the Board of Directors for a final decision)

The committer committee processes new applications within a week. Any committee member can approve a new committer. The approval shall be confirmed to the applicant and the other committee members by replying to the initial application request.

The secretary of the Zope Foundation keeps a copy of the approved contributor applications.

The Zope Foundation reserves the right to revoke contributor privileges in case of unresolvable problems such as copyright violations, import of non–ZPL code or violations of the contributor agreement. Revocation of contributor privileges shall be the last resort. The committer committee will try to resolve conflicts by mutual agreement with the contributor.

**Note to sprint organizers**

Organizers should contact the committer committee in advance if there are applications to be approved within a particular timeframe in order to make arrangements and getting a contact person for having applications approved during a sprint.

**The Zope Foundation Committer Committee**

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You can contact the committee at contributor-admin@zope.org.

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\(^1\) [http://foundation.zope.org/agreements/ZopeFoundation_Committer_Agreement](http://foundation.zope.org/agreements/ZopeFoundation_Committer_Agreement)

\(^2\) See [http://foundation.zope.org/about](http://foundation.zope.org/about) for fax and postal mail contact information

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