

4 Requirements

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The term requirement first appeared in software engineering in the 1960s.¹⁾

The Business Analysis Body of Knowledge® version 2 from IIBA (BABOK),²⁾ defines a requirement as having one or more of the following characteristics:

1. *A condition or capability needed by a stakeholder to solve a problem or achieve an objective.*
2. *A condition or capability that must be met or possessed by a solution or solution component to satisfy a contract, standard, specification, or other formally imposed documents.*
3. *A documented representation of a condition or capability as in (1) or (2).*³⁾

This definition is based on IEEE Standardized vocabulary.⁴⁾

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[Wikipedia Requirement](#)

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