

Day 1: Get your local environment running

Example 3 — New-Hire Onboarding Wiki: an internal article for a new engineer in week one, written so it can be finished without asking anyone.

Audience: New engineering hires, first week

Owner: Developer Experience, Sam O.

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Article details

AUDIENCE	New engineering hires, first week
OWNER	Developer Experience, Sam O.
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TIME TO COMPLETE	About 90 minutes
WHO TO ASK	Your onboarding buddy, listed in your welcome email

BEFORE YOU START

Laptop enrolled in MDM, GitHub access confirmed, VPN installed.

Steps

- ☐ 1. Install the toolchain with the setup script.
- ☐ 2. Clone the monorepo.
- ☐ 3. Copy env.example to .env.local and request secrets in #dx-help.
- ☐ 4. Run the seed command.

☐ 5. Start the dev server and open localhost:3000.

☐ 6. Post a screenshot of the running app in #dx-help to close out Day 1.

Common failures

FAILURE	WHAT TO DO
Node version mismatch	Run the version manager first.
Secrets request pending	Continue to Day 2 reading while you wait.

WHAT IS NEXT

Day 2: Your first pull request