Agile Training Requirements for DOD T&E Workforce Professionals

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What Agile Means for the Testing Community



- Agile integrates software testing into the development process as much as possible in order to:
 - Reduce the amount of costly rework
 - Remove inefficient within the team (costly hand offs, heavy documentation, big bang testing)
 - Deliver "production capable" software on a more frequent basis
 - Build quality into software
- Agile testing encompasses:
 - Using tests to specify and drive development (TDD, ATDD)
 - Day-to-day collaboration between developers and testers
 - Expecting developers to do their fair share of testing
 - Heavily leveraging appropriate test automation
 - Integrating automated tests with continuous integration / deployment
 - Moving portions of release and non-func testing into development

Learning Objectives for Test Professionals



1. Understand agile fundamentals

- Why?
- Agile is a set of principles, <u>not</u> a methodology
- The fundamentals provide the foundation for how to tailor / customize agile testing approaches to a specific situation

2. Understand agile testing fundamentals

- Why?
- Agile testing is different and must be understood within the context of agile to be successful
- A significant cultural shift is often needed / necessary to work in an agile way while testing
- New concepts and skills must be learned

3. Understand specific agile testing skills

- Automation
- Testing non-functional requirements
- Release testing

Agile Fundamentals



- Agile History and Mindset
 - Where agile came from
 - The principles that drive it
 - Agile culture
- Roles and Interactions
 - What, when, and with whom agile team members work
- Agile Planning and Adaption
 - How initial planning and on-going planning are performed (introduce approaches)
 - How requirements are gathered and managed
 - How much planning is enough / too much
- Agile Development and Testing
 - How development and testing are performed (introduce approaches)
 - Agile development methods
 - Agile testing methods
- Customer and End-user Involvement
 - During planning
 - During development
 - During release

Agile Testing Fundamentals



- Agile Testing Mindset
 - History
 - Applying agile principles to testing
 - Mindset and culture
- Agile Testing Techniques
 - Categories of testing
 - Levels of testing (subsystem through operational)
 - Driving development using testing
- Agile Testing Process
 - Roles and responsibilities
 - Test strategy and planning
 - Testing during iterations
 - Testing during releases
 - Test environments
- Test Automation (Intro to tools, approaches, etc.)
- Beyond the Team (Org structure, integrating with others, policy)

Agile Testing Specifics



Testing Non-functional Requirements

- Load and performance
- Security testing
- Operational effectiveness
- Availability
- Reliability

Test Automation Skills

- Agile test automation strategy
- Scripting skills
- Agile test tool usage
- Integration with continuous integration environments

Release Testing

- Certification & release readiness testing
- Operational testing



Q&A

Thank You!

