

Product Backlog

A product backlog is a list of ideas and potential work items for a product ordered by the product owner.

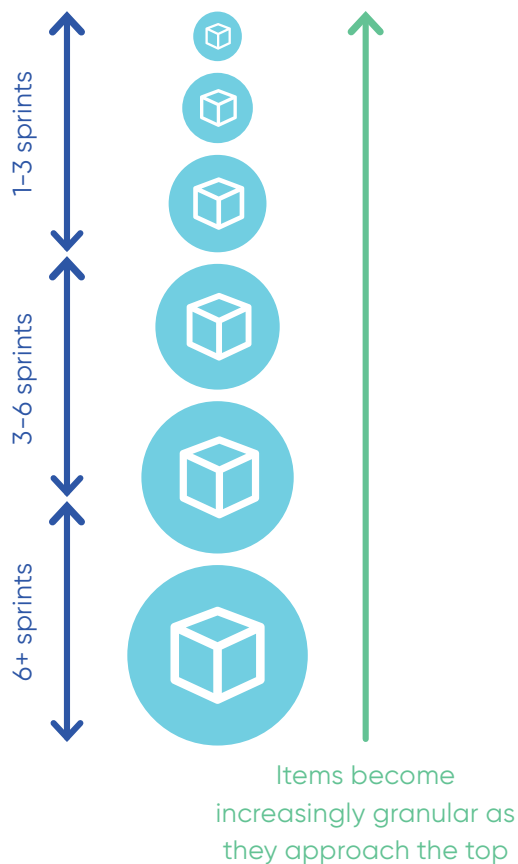
It is the single source of requirements for any changes to be made to the product. The product owner is responsible for the product backlog, including content, availability and ordering.

Contents

Items on the product backlog can take several forms:

- User stories
- Features
- Functions
- Use cases
- Requirements
- Enhancements
- Technical fixes
- Team process improvements
- Technical debt
- Bugs & defects
- Non-functional requirements

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Check List

- ✓ Managed and owned by the product owner
- ✓ Single source of requirements for a product
- ✓ Visible and transparent to all
- ✓ Constantly evolving
- ✓ Ordered based on a combination of return on investment, value, dependencies, and risk
- ✓ Aligns to the product goal

Usage

- Product backlog refinement can be used to add detail, estimates and order to items on the backlog
- Product backlogs should be updated during the sprint review based on new insights
- Product or release burn-down or burn-up charts may be used by the product owner to track work remaining (a complementary practice to Scrum)

