

Levels and checkpoints

The levels for *Tool integration* are typified as follows:

- Forming: Tools facilitate import/export and integration of reporting
- **Norming**: Tools log defects with details in defect management system
- **Performing**: Tools manage the lifecycle of defects

Please find the checkpoints below.

Forming

- 1. Reporting facilities support integration with surrounding management and reporting tools
- 2. Import from external sources into the automation architecture is possible.
- 3. Export from the automation architecture to external targets is possible.

Norming

- 1. Test automation and manual testing use the same defect management tool.
- 2. Defects found during automated test runs are logged externally automatically.
- 3. Test results can be linked to environment and component.
- 4. Configuration management includes test automation.

Performing

- 1. Defects linked to automated tests are updated and closed automatically when automated tests are rerun.
- 2. Integration with surrounding tools is automated.
- 3. Defects that are "ready for retest" lead to automatic scheduling of the related test scripts after installation of the updated version of the test object

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