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# **django-siteflags Documentation**

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<https://github.com/idlesign/django-siteflags>



# CHAPTER 1

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## Description

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*Reusable application for Django allowing users to flag/bookmark site objects*

So you want a user to be able to put some flags on certain site entities.

Let's say you need a kind of bookmark powered service, or a site where content is flagged and moderated, or a simplified rating system or something similar.





## CHAPTER 2

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### Requirements

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1. Python 2.7+, 3.4+
2. Django 1.7+
3. Django Auth contrib enabled
4. Django Admin contrib enabled (optional)



## 3.1 Quickstart

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**Note:** Add the `**siteflags*` application to `INSTALLED_APPS` in your settings file (usually `'settings.py'`).

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Let's suppose we want our users to report fake articles.

Inherit your model from `siteflags.models.ModelWithFlag` and you're almost done.

**myapp/models.py:**

```
from siteflags.models import ModelWithFlag

class Article(ModelWithFlag):

    FLAG_FAKE = 10

    ... # Some model fields here.
```

**myapp/views.py:**

```
from django.shortcuts import get_object_or_404
from .models import Article

def article_details(request, id):

    article = get_object_or_404(Article, pk=id)

    ...

    # Now a user reports this article as a fake.
    article.set_flag(request.user, note='Hi, I found this article a fake!',
status=Article.FLAG_FAKE)
```

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```
...
```

And that's how it's done.

## 3.2 ModelWithFlag Model

`siteflags.models.ModelWithFlag` is practically all that's needed for flagging.

### 3.2.1 Methods

**`get_flags_for_types(md1_classes, [user=None[, status=None[, allow_empty=False]])`:**

Returns a dictionary with flag objects associated with the given model classes (types). The dictionary is indexed by model classes. Each dict entry contains a list of associated flag objects.

#### Parameters

- **`mdl_classes`** (*list*) – Classes objects (types) list to get flags for.
- **`user`** (*User*) – Optional user filter
- **`status`** (*int*) – Optional status filter
- **`allow_empty`** (*bool*) – Include results for all given types, even those without associated flags.

**`get_flags_for_objects(objects_list, [user=None[, status=None]])`:**

Returns a dictionary with flag objects associated with the given objects. The dictionary is indexed by objects IDs. Each dict entry contains a list of associated flag objects.

#### Parameters

- **`QuerySet objects_list`** (*list,*) – Homogeneous objects list to get flags for.
- **`user`** (*User*) – Optional user filter
- **`status`** (*int*) – Optional status filter

**`get_flags([user=None[, status=None]])`:**

Returns flags for the object optionally filtered by user and/or status.

#### Parameters

- **`user`** (*User*) – Optional user filter
- **`status`** (*int*) – Optional status filter

**`set_flag(user[, note=None[, status=None]])`:**

Flags the object.

#### Parameters

- **`user`** (*User*) –
- **`note`** (*str*) – User-defined note for this flag.
- **`status`** (*int*) – Optional status integer (the meaning is defined by a developer).

**`remove_flag([user=None[, status=None]])`:**

Removes flag(s) from the object.

**Parameters**

- **user** (*User*) – Optional user filter
- **status** (*int*) – Optional status filter

**is\_flagged([user=None[, status=None]]):**

Returns boolean whether the objects is flagged by a user.

**Parameters**

- **user** (*User*) –
- **status** (*int*) – Optional status filter

### 3.2.2 Customization

SiteFlags allows you to customize Flags model.

1. Define your own *flag* model inherited from *FlagBase*.
2. Now when *models.py* in your application has the definition of a custom flags model, you need to instruct Django to use it for your project instead of a built-in one:

```
# Somewhere in your settings.py do the following.
# Here `myapp` is the name of your application, `MyFlag` is the names of your
↳ customized model.

SITEFLAGS_FLAG_MODEL = 'myapp.MyFlag'
```

3. Run *manage.py syncdb* to install your customized models into DB.



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### Get involved into django-siteflags

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**Submit issues.** If you spotted something weird in application behavior or want to propose a feature you can do that at <https://github.com/idlesign/django-siteflags/issues>

**Write code.** If you are eager to participate in application development, fork it at <https://github.com/idlesign/django-siteflags>, write your code, whether it should be a bugfix or a feature implementation, and make a pull request right from the forked project page.

**Translate.** If want to translate the application into your native language use Transifex: <https://www.transifex.com/projects/p/django-siteflags/>.

**Spread the word.** If you have some tips and tricks or any other words in mind that you think might be of interest for the others — publish them.





## CHAPTER 5

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Also

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If the application is not what you want for content flagging/bookmarking, you might be interested in considering other choices — <https://www.djangopackages.com/grids/g/bookmarking/>