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# **yamllint**

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A linter for YAML files.

yamllint does not only check for syntax validity, but for weirdnesses like key repetition and cosmetic problems such as lines length, trailing spaces, indentation, etc.



# CHAPTER 1

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## Screenshot

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```
> ~ > yamllint file.yml other-file.yml
file.yml
 1:4      error    trailing spaces (trailing-spaces)
 4:4      error    wrong indentation: expected 4 but found 3 (indentation)
 5:4      error    duplication of key "id-00042" in mapping (key-duplicates)
 6:6      warning   comment not indented like content (comments-indentation)
12:6      error    too many spaces after hyphen (hyphens)
15:12     error    too many spaces before comma (commas)

other-file.yml
 1:1      warning  missing document start "---" (document-start)
 6:81     error    line too long (87 > 80 characters) (line-length)
10:1      error    too many blank lines (4 > 2) (empty-lines)
11:4      error    too many spaces inside braces (braces)
```

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**Note:** The default output format is inspired by [eslint](#), a great linting tool for Javascript.

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## Quickstart

### Installing yamllint

On Fedora / CentOS:

```
sudo dnf install yamllint
```

On Debian 8+ / Ubuntu 16.04+:

```
sudo apt-get install yamllint
```

On older Debian / Ubuntu versions:

```
sudo add-apt-repository -y ppa:adrienverge/ppa && sudo apt-get update  
sudo apt-get install yamllint
```

Alternatively using pip, the Python package manager:

```
sudo pip install yamllint
```

If you prefer installing from source, you can run, from the source directory:

```
python setup.py sdist  
sudo pip install dist/yamllint-*.tar.gz
```

### Running yamllint

Basic usage:

```
yamllint file.yml other-file.yaml
```

You can also lint all YAML files in a whole directory:

```
yamllint .
```

The output will look like (colors are not displayed here):

```
file.yml
 1:4      error    trailing spaces (trailing-spaces)
 4:4      error    wrong indentation: expected 4 but found 3 (indentation)
 5:4      error    duplication of key "id-00042" in mapping (key-duplicates)
 6:6      warning   comment not indented like content (comments-indentation)
12:6      error    too many spaces after hyphen (hyphens)
15:12     error    too many spaces before comma (commas)

other-file.yaml
 1:1      warning  missing document start "---" (document-start)
 6:81     error    line too long (87 > 80 characters) (line-length)
10:1      error    too many blank lines (4 > 2) (empty-lines)
11:4      error    too many spaces inside braces (braces)
```

Add the `-f` parsable arguments if you need an output format parsable by a machine (for instance for *syntax highlighting in text editors*). The output will then look like:

```
file.yml:6:2: [warning] missing starting space in comment (comments)
file.yml:57:1: [error] trailing spaces (trailing-spaces)
file.yml:60:3: [error] wrong indentation: expected 4 but found 2 (indentation)
```

If you have a custom linting configuration file (see *how to configure yamllint*), it can be passed to yamllint using the `-c` option:

```
yamllint -c ~/myconfig file.yaml
```

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**Note:** If you have a `.yamllint` file in your working directory, it will be automatically loaded as configuration by yamllint.

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## Configuration

yamllint uses a set of *rules* to check source files for problems. Each rule is independent from the others, and can be enabled, disabled or tweaked. All these settings can be gathered in a configuration file.

To use a custom configuration file, use the `-c` option:

```
yamllint -c /path/to/myconfig file-to-lint.yaml
```

If `-c` is not provided, yamllint will look for a configuration file in the following locations (by order of preference):

- `.yamllint` in the current working directory
- `$XDG_CONFIG_HOME/yamllint/config`
- `~/.config/yamllint/config`

Finally if no config file is found, the default configuration is applied.

## Default configuration

Unless told otherwise, yamllint uses its default configuration:

```

---
rules:
  braces:
    min-spaces-inside: 0
    max-spaces-inside: 0
    min-spaces-inside-empty: -1
    max-spaces-inside-empty: -1
  brackets:
    min-spaces-inside: 0
    max-spaces-inside: 0
    min-spaces-inside-empty: -1
    max-spaces-inside-empty: -1
  colons:
    max-spaces-before: 0
    max-spaces-after: 1
  commas:
    max-spaces-before: 0
    min-spaces-after: 1
    max-spaces-after: 1
  comments:
    level: warning
    require-starting-space: true
    min-spaces-from-content: 2
  comments-indentation:
    level: warning
  document-end: disable
  document-start:
    level: warning
    present: true
  empty-lines:
    max: 2
    max-start: 0
    max-end: 0
  hyphens:
    max-spaces-after: 1
  indentation:
    spaces: consistent
    indent-sequences: true
    check-multi-line-strings: false
  key-duplicates: enable
  line-length:
    max: 80
    allow-non-breakable-words: true
    allow-non-breakable-inline-mappings: false
  new-line-at-end-of-file: enable
  new-lines:
    type: unix
  trailing-spaces: enable
  truthy:
    level: warning

```

Details on rules can be found on [the rules page](#).

There is another pre-defined configuration named `relaxed`. As its name suggests, it is more tolerant:

```
---
extends: default

rules:
  braces:
    level: warning
    max-spaces-inside: 1
  brackets:
    level: warning
    max-spaces-inside: 1
  colons:
    level: warning
  commas:
    level: warning
  comments: disable
  comments-indentation: disable
  document-start: disable
  empty-lines:
    level: warning
  hyphens:
    level: warning
  indentation:
    level: warning
    indent-sequences: consistent
  line-length:
    level: warning
    allow-non-breakable-inline-mappings: true
  truthy: disable
```

It can be chosen using:

```
yamllint -d relaxed file.yml
```

## Extending the default configuration

When writing a custom configuration file, you don't need to redefine every rule. Just extend the default configuration (or any already-existing configuration file).

For instance, if you just want to disable the `comments-indentation` rule, your file could look like this:

```
# This is my first, very own configuration file for yamllint!
# It extends the default conf by adjusting some options.

extends: default

rules:
  comments-indentation: disable # don't bother me with this rule
```

Similarly, if you want to set the `line-length` rule as a warning and be less strict on block sequences indentation:

```
extends: default

rules:
  # 80 chars should be enough, but don't fail if a line is longer
  line-length:
```

```

max: 80
level: warning

# accept both      key:
#                  - item
#
# and              key:
#                  - item
indentation:
  indent-sequences: whatever

```

## Custom configuration without a config file

It is possible – although not recommended – to pass custom configuration options to yamllint with the `-d` (short for `--config-data`) option.

Its content can either be the name of a pre-defined conf (example: `default` or `relaxed`) or a serialized YAML object describing the configuration.

For instance:

```
yamllint -d "{extends: relaxed, rules: {line-length: {max: 120}}}" file.yaml
```

## Errors and warnings

Problems detected by yamllint can be raised either as errors or as warnings. The CLI will output them (with different colors when using the `standard` output format).

By default the script will exit with a return code `1` *only when* there is one or more error(s).

However if strict mode is enabled with the `-s` (or `--strict`) option, the return code will be:

- 0 if no errors or warnings occur
- 1 if one or more errors occur
- 2 if no errors occur, but one or more warnings occur

## Rules

When linting a document with yamllint, a series of rules (such as `line-length`, `trailing-spaces`, etc.) are checked against.

A *configuration file* can be used to enable or disable these rules, to set their level (*error* or *warning*), but also to tweak their options.

This page describes the rules and their options.

### List of rules

- *braces*
- *brackets*

- *colons*
- *commas*
- *comments*
- *comments-indentation*
- *document-end*
- *document-start*
- *empty-lines*
- *hyphens*
- *indentation*
- *key-duplicates*
- *line-length*
- *new-line-at-end-of-file*
- *new-lines*
- *trailing-spaces*
- *truthy*

## braces

Use this rule to control the number of spaces inside braces (`{` and `}`).

### Options

- `min-spaces-inside` defines the minimal number of spaces required inside braces.
- `max-spaces-inside` defines the maximal number of spaces allowed inside braces.
- `min-spaces-inside-empty` defines the minimal number of spaces required inside empty braces.
- `max-spaces-inside-empty` defines the maximal number of spaces allowed inside empty braces.

### Examples

1. With `braces: {min-spaces-inside: 0, max-spaces-inside: 0}`

the following code snippet would **PASS**:

```
object: {key1: 4, key2: 8}
```

the following code snippet would **FAIL**:

```
object: { key1: 4, key2: 8 }
```

2. With `braces: {min-spaces-inside: 1, max-spaces-inside: 3}`

the following code snippet would **PASS**:

```
object: { key1: 4, key2: 8 }
```

the following code snippet would **PASS**:

```
object: { key1: 4, key2: 8 }
```

the following code snippet would **FAIL**:

```
object: {   key1: 4, key2: 8 }
```

the following code snippet would **FAIL**:

```
object: {key1: 4, key2: 8 }
```

3. With braces: {min-spaces-inside-empty: 0, max-spaces-inside-empty: 0}

the following code snippet would **PASS**:

```
object: {}
```

the following code snippet would **FAIL**:

```
object: { }
```

4. With braces: {min-spaces-inside-empty: 1, max-spaces-inside-empty: -1}

the following code snippet would **PASS**:

```
object: { }
```

the following code snippet would **FAIL**:

```
object: {}
```

## brackets

Use this rule to control the number of spaces inside brackets ([ and ]).

### Options

- `min-spaces-inside` defines the minimal number of spaces required inside brackets.
- `max-spaces-inside` defines the maximal number of spaces allowed inside brackets.
- `min-spaces-inside-empty` defines the minimal number of spaces required inside empty brackets.
- `max-spaces-inside-empty` defines the maximal number of spaces allowed inside empty brackets.

### Examples

1. With brackets: {min-spaces-inside: 0, max-spaces-inside: 0}

the following code snippet would **PASS**:

```
object: [1, 2, abc]
```

the following code snippet would **FAIL**:

```
object: [ 1, 2, abc ]
```

2. With brackets: {min-spaces-inside: 1, max-spaces-inside: 3}

the following code snippet would **PASS**:

```
object: [ 1, 2, abc ]
```

the following code snippet would **PASS**:

```
object: [ 1, 2, abc  ]
```

the following code snippet would **FAIL**:

```
object: [   1, 2, abc  ]
```

the following code snippet would **FAIL**:

```
object: [1, 2, abc ]
```

3. With brackets: {min-spaces-inside-empty: 0, max-spaces-inside-empty: 0}

the following code snippet would **PASS**:

```
object: []
```

the following code snippet would **FAIL**:

```
object: [ ]
```

4. With brackets: {min-spaces-inside-empty: 1, max-spaces-inside-empty: -1}

the following code snippet would **PASS**:

```
object: [      ]
```

the following code snippet would **FAIL**:

```
object: []
```

## colons

Use this rule to control the number of spaces before and after colons (:).

### Options

- `max-spaces-before` defines the maximal number of spaces allowed before colons (use `-1` to disable).
- `max-spaces-after` defines the maximal number of spaces allowed after colons (use `-1` to disable).



## Examples

1. With colons: `{max-spaces-before: 0, max-spaces-after: 1}`

the following code snippet would **PASS**:

```
object:
  - a
  - b
key: value
```

2. With colons: `{max-spaces-before: 1}`

the following code snippet would **PASS**:

```
object :
  - a
  - b
```

the following code snippet would **FAIL**:

```
object  :
  - a
  - b
```

3. With colons: `{max-spaces-after: 2}`

the following code snippet would **PASS**:

```
first:  1
second: 2
third:  3
```

the following code snippet would **FAIL**:

```
first: 1
2nd:   2
third: 3
```

## commas

Use this rule to control the number of spaces before and after commas (,).

### Options

- `max-spaces-before` defines the maximal number of spaces allowed before commas (use `-1` to disable).
- `min-spaces-after` defines the minimal number of spaces required after commas.
- `max-spaces-after` defines the maximal number of spaces allowed after commas (use `-1` to disable).

## Examples

1. With commas: `{max-spaces-before: 0}`

the following code snippet would **PASS**:

```
strange var:  
  [10, 20, 30, {x: 1, y: 2}]
```

the following code snippet would **FAIL**:

```
strange var:  
  [10, 20 , 30, {x: 1, y: 2}]
```

2. With commas: {max-spaces-before: 2}

the following code snippet would **PASS**:

```
strange var:  
  [10 , 20 , 30, {x: 1 , y: 2}]
```

3. With commas: {max-spaces-before: -1}

the following code snippet would **PASS**:

```
strange var:  
  [10,  
    20 , 30  
    , {x: 1, y: 2}]
```

4. With commas: {min-spaces-after: 1, max-spaces-after: 1}

the following code snippet would **PASS**:

```
strange var:  
  [10, 20,30, {x: 1, y: 2}]
```

the following code snippet would **FAIL**:

```
strange var:  
  [10, 20,30, {x: 1, y: 2}]
```

5. With commas: {min-spaces-after: 1, max-spaces-after: 3}

the following code snippet would **PASS**:

```
strange var:  
  [10, 20, 30, {x: 1, y: 2}]
```

6. With commas: {min-spaces-after: 0, max-spaces-after: 1}

the following code snippet would **PASS**:

```
strange var:  
  [10, 20,30, {x: 1, y: 2}]
```

## comments

Use this rule to control the position and formatting of comments.

## Options

- Use `require-starting-space` to require a space character right after the `#`. Set to `true` to enable, `false` to disable.
- `min-spaces-from-content` is used to visually separate inline comments from content. It defines the minimal required number of spaces between a comment and its preceding content.

## Examples

1. With `comments: {require-starting-space: true}`

the following code snippet would **PASS**:

```
# This sentence
# is a block comment
```

the following code snippet would **PASS**:

```
#####
## This is some documentation
```

the following code snippet would **FAIL**:

```
#This sentence
#is a block comment
```

2. With `comments: {min-spaces-from-content: 2}`

the following code snippet would **PASS**:

```
x = 2 ^ 127 - 1 # Mersenne prime number
```

the following code snippet would **FAIL**:

```
x = 2 ^ 127 - 1 # Mersenne prime number
```

## comments-indentation

Use this rule to force comments to be indented like content.

## Examples

1. With `comments-indentation: {}`

the following code snippet would **PASS**:

```
# Fibonacci
[0, 1, 1, 2, 3, 5]
```

the following code snippet would **FAIL**:

```
# Fibonacci
[0, 1, 1, 2, 3, 5]
```

the following code snippet would **PASS**:

```
list:
  - 2
  - 3
  # - 4
  - 5
```

the following code snippet would **FAIL**:

```
list:
  - 2
  - 3
#   - 4
  - 5
```

the following code snippet would **PASS**:

```
# This is the first object
obj1:
  - item A
  # - item B
# This is the second object
obj2: []
```

the following code snippet would **PASS**:

```
# This sentence
# is a block comment
```

the following code snippet would **FAIL**:

```
# This sentence
# is a block comment
```

## document-end

Use this rule to require or forbid the use of document end marker (. . .).

### Options

- Set `present` to `true` when the document end marker is required, or to `false` when it is forbidden.

### Examples

1. With `document-end: {present: true}`

the following code snippet would **PASS**:

```
---
this:
  is: [a, document]
...
---
```

```
- this
- is: another one
...
```

the following code snippet would **FAIL**:

```
---
this:
  is: [a, document]
---
- this
- is: another one
...
```

2. With `document-end: {present: false}`

the following code snippet would **PASS**:

```
---
this:
  is: [a, document]
---
- this
- is: another one
```

the following code snippet would **FAIL**:

```
---
this:
  is: [a, document]
...
---
- this
- is: another one
```

## document-start

Use this rule to require or forbid the use of document start marker (---).

### Options

- Set `present` to `true` when the document start marker is required, or to `false` when it is forbidden.

### Examples

1. With `document-start: {present: true}`

the following code snippet would **PASS**:

```
---
this:
  is: [a, document]
---
```

```
- this
- is: another one
```

the following code snippet would **FAIL**:

```
this:
  is: [a, document]
---
- this
- is: another one
```

2. With `document-start: {present: false}`

the following code snippet would **PASS**:

```
this:
  is: [a, document]
...
```

the following code snippet would **FAIL**:

```
---
this:
  is: [a, document]
...
```

## empty-lines

Use this rule to set a maximal number of allowed consecutive blank lines.

### Options

- `max` defines the maximal number of empty lines allowed in the document.
- `max-start` defines the maximal number of empty lines allowed at the beginning of the file. This option takes precedence over `max`.
- `max-end` defines the maximal number of empty lines allowed at the end of the file. This option takes precedence over `max`.

### Examples

1. With `empty-lines: {max: 1}`

the following code snippet would **PASS**:

```
- foo:
  - 1
  - 2

- bar: [3, 4]
```

the following code snippet would **FAIL**:

```
- foo:
  - 1
  - 2

- bar: [3, 4]
```

## hyphens

Use this rule to control the number of spaces after hyphens (-).

### Options

- `max-spaces-after` defines the maximal number of spaces allowed after hyphens.

### Examples

1. With `hyphens: {max-spaces-after: 1}`

the following code snippet would **PASS**:

```
- first list:
  - a
  - b
- - 1
  - 2
  - 3
```

the following code snippet would **FAIL**:

```
- first list:
  - a
  - b
```

the following code snippet would **FAIL**:

```
- - 1
  - 2
  - 3
```

2. With `hyphens: {max-spaces-after: 3}`

the following code snippet would **PASS**:

```
- key
- key2
- key42
```

the following code snippet would **FAIL**:

```
- key
- key2
- key42
```

## indentation

Use this rule to control the indentation.

### Options

- `spaces` defines the indentation width, in spaces. Set either to an integer (e.g. 2 or 4, representing the number of spaces in an indentation level) or to `consistent` to allow any number, as long as it remains the same within the file.
- `indent-sequences` defines whether block sequences should be indented or not (when in a mapping, this indentation is not mandatory – some people perceive the – as part of the indentation). Possible values: `true`, `false`, `whatever` and `consistent`. `consistent` requires either all block sequences to be indented, or none to be. `whatever` means either indenting or not indenting individual block sequences is OK.
- `check-multi-line-strings` defines whether to lint indentation in multi-line strings. Set to `true` to enable, `false` to disable.

### Examples

1. With `indentation: {spaces: 1}`

the following code snippet would **PASS**:

```
history:
- name: Unix
  date: 1969
- name: Linux
  date: 1991
nest:
  recurse:
    - haystack:
      needle
```

2. With `indentation: {spaces: 4}`

the following code snippet would **PASS**:

```
history:
- name: Unix
  date: 1969
- name: Linux
  date: 1991
nest:
  recurse:
    - haystack:
      needle
```

the following code snippet would **FAIL**:

```
history:
- name: Unix
  date: 1969
- name: Linux
  date: 1991
nest:
```



```
recurse:
  - haystack:
    needle
```

3. With indentation: {spaces: consistent}

the following code snippet would **PASS**:

```
history:
  - name: Unix
    date: 1969
  - name: Linux
    date: 1991
nest:
  recurse:
    - haystack:
      needle
```

the following code snippet would **FAIL**:

```
some:
  Russian:
    dolls
```

4. With indentation: {spaces: 2, indent-sequences: false}

the following code snippet would **PASS**:

```
list:
- flying
- spaghetti
- monster
```

the following code snippet would **FAIL**:

```
list:
  - flying
  - spaghetti
  - monster
```

5. With indentation: {spaces: 2, indent-sequences: whatever}

the following code snippet would **PASS**:

```
list:
- flying:
  - spaghetti
  - monster
- not flying:
  - spaghetti
  - sauce
```

6. With indentation: {spaces: 2, indent-sequences: consistent}

the following code snippet would **PASS**:

```
- flying:
  - spaghetti
  - monster
```

```
- not flying:  
  - spaghetti  
  - sauce
```

the following code snippet would **FAIL**:

```
- flying:  
  - spaghetti  
  - monster  
- not flying:  
  - spaghetti  
  - sauce
```

7. With indentation: {spaces: 4, check-multi-line-strings: true}

the following code snippet would **PASS**:

```
Blaise Pascal:  
  Je vous écris une longue lettre parce que  
  je n'ai pas le temps d'en écrire une courte.
```

the following code snippet would **PASS**:

```
Blaise Pascal: Je vous écris une longue lettre parce que  
                je n'ai pas le temps d'en écrire une courte.
```

the following code snippet would **FAIL**:

```
Blaise Pascal: Je vous écris une longue lettre parce que  
                je n'ai pas le temps d'en écrire une courte.
```

the following code snippet would **FAIL**:

```
C code:  
void main() {  
    printf("foo");  
}
```

the following code snippet would **PASS**:

```
C code:  
void main() {  
    printf("bar");  
}
```

## key-duplicates

Use this rule to prevent multiple entries with the same key in mappings.

### Examples

1. With key-duplicates: {}

the following code snippet would **PASS**:

```
- key 1: v
  key 2: val
  key 3: value
- {a: 1, b: 2, c: 3}
```

the following code snippet would **FAIL**:

```
- key 1: v
  key 2: val
  key 1: value
```

the following code snippet would **FAIL**:

```
- {a: 1, b: 2, b: 3}
```

the following code snippet would **FAIL**:

```
duplicated key: 1
"duplicated key": 2

other duplication: 1
? >-
  other
  duplication
: 2
```

## line-length

Use this rule to set a limit to lines length.

### Options

- `max` defines the maximal (inclusive) length of lines.
- `allow-non-breakable-words` is used to allow non breakable words (without spaces inside) to overflow the limit. This is useful for long URLs, for instance. Use `true` to allow, `false` to forbid.
- `allow-non-breakable-inline-mappings` implies `allow-non-breakable-words` and extends it to also allow non-breakable words in inline mappings.

### Examples

1. With `line-length: {max: 70}`

the following code snippet would **PASS**:

```
long sentence:
  Lorem ipsum dolor sit amet, consectetur adipiscing elit, sed do
  eiusmod tempor incididunt ut labore et dolore magna aliqua.
```

the following code snippet would **FAIL**:

```
long sentence:
  Lorem ipsum dolor sit amet, consectetur adipiscing elit, sed do eiusmod
  tempor incididunt ut labore et dolore magna aliqua.
```

2. With `line-length: {max: 60, allow-non-breakable-words: true}`

the following code snippet would **PASS**:

```
this:
  is:
    - a:
        http://localhost/very/very/very/very/very/very/very/very/long/url

# this comment is too long,
# but hard to split:
# http://localhost/another/very/very/very/very/very/very/very/very/long/url
```

the following code snippet would **FAIL**:

```
- this line is waaaaaaaaaaaaaaaaay too long but could be easily split...
```

and the following code snippet would also **FAIL**:

```
- foobar: http://localhost/very/very/very/very/very/very/very/very/long/url
```

3. With `line-length: {max: 60, allow-non-breakable-words: true, allow-non-breakable-inline-mappings: true}`

the following code snippet would **PASS**:

```
- foobar: http://localhost/very/very/very/very/very/very/very/very/long/url
```

4. With `line-length: {max: 60, allow-non-breakable-words: false}`

the following code snippet would **FAIL**:

```
this:
  is:
    - a:
        http://localhost/very/very/very/very/very/very/very/very/long/url
```

## new-line-at-end-of-file

Use this rule to require a new line character (`\n`) at the end of files.

The POSIX standard [requires the last line to end with a new line character](#). All UNIX tools expect a new line at the end of files. Most text editors use this convention too.

## new-lines

Use this rule to force the type of new line characters.

## Options

- Set `type` to `unix` to use UNIX-typed new line characters (`\n`), or `dos` to use DOS-typed new line characters (`\r\n`).

## trailing-spaces

Use this rule to forbid trailing spaces at the end of lines.

### Examples

1. With `trailing-spaces: {}`

the following code snippet would **PASS**:

```
this document doesn't contain
any trailing
spaces
```

the following code snippet would **FAIL**:

```
this document contains
trailing spaces
on lines 1 and 3
```

## truthy

Use this rule to forbid truthy values that are not quoted nor explicitly typed.

This would prevent YAML parsers from transforming `[yes, FALSE, Off]` into `[true, false, false]` or `{y: 1, yes: 2, on: 3, true: 4, True: 5}` into `{y: 1, true: 5}`.

### Examples

1. With `truthy: {}`

the following code snippet would **PASS**:

```
boolean: true

object: {"True": 1, 1: "True"}

"yes": 1
"on": 2
>true": 3
"True": 4

explicit:
  string1: !!str True
  string2: !!str yes
  string3: !!str off
  encoded: !!binary |
    True
```

```
      OFF
      pad== # this decodes as 'N»8Qii'
boolean1: !!bool true
boolean2: !!bool "false"
boolean3: !!bool FALSE
boolean4: !!bool True
boolean5: !!bool off
boolean6: !!bool NO
```

the following code snippet would **FAIL**:

```
object: {True: 1, 1: True}
```

the following code snippet would **FAIL**:

```
yes: 1
on: 2
true: 3
True: 4
```

## Disable with comments

### Disabling checks for a specific line

To prevent yamllint from reporting problems for a specific line, add a directive comment (`# yamllint disable-line ...`) on that line, or on the line above. For instance:

```
# The following mapping contains the same key twice,
# but I know what I'm doing:
key: value 1
key: value 2 # yamllint disable-line rule:key-duplicates

- This line is waaaaaaaaaay too long but yamllint will not report anything about it.
  ↪ # yamllint disable-line rule:line-length
  This line will be checked by yamllint.
```

or:

```
# The following mapping contains the same key twice,
# but I know what I'm doing:
key: value 1
# yamllint disable-line rule:key-duplicates
key: value 2

# yamllint disable-line rule:line-length
- This line is waaaaaaaaaay too long but yamllint will not report anything about it.
  This line will be checked by yamllint.
```

It is possible, although not recommend, to disabled **all** rules for a specific line:

```
# yamllint disable-line
- { all : rules ,are disabled for this line}
```

If you need to disable multiple rules, it is allowed to chain rules like this: `# yamllint disable-line rule:hyphens rule:commas rule:indentation`.

## Disabling checks for all (or part of) the file

To prevent yamllint from reporting problems for the whole file, or for a block of lines within the file, use `# yamllint disable ...` and `# yamllint enable ...` directive comments. For instance:

```
# yamllint disable rule:colons
- Lorem      : ipsum
  dolor      : sit amet,
  consectetur: adipiscing elit
# yamllint enable rule:colons

- rest of the document...
```

It is possible, although not recommend, to disabled **all** rules:

```
# yamllint disable
- Lorem      :
  ipsum:
    dolor : [ sit, amet]
-   consectetur : adipiscing elit
# yamllint enable
```

If you need to disable multiple rules, it is allowed to chain rules like this: `# yamllint disable rule:hyphens rule:commas rule:indentation`.

## Development

yamllint provides both a script and a Python module. The latter can be used to write your own linting tools:

**class** `yamllint.linter.LintProblem` (*line*, *column*, *desc*='<no description>', *rule*=None)

Represents a linting problem found by yamllint.

**column** = None

Column on which the problem was found (starting at 1)

**desc** = None

Human-readable description of the problem

**line** = None

Line on which the problem was found (starting at 1)

**rule** = None

Identifier of the rule that detected the problem

`yamllint.linter.run` (*input*, *conf*)

Lints a YAML source.

Returns a generator of `LintProblem` objects.

**Parameters**

- **input** – buffer, string or stream to read from
- **conf** – yamllint configuration object

## Integration with text editors

Most text editors support syntax checking and highlighting, to visually report syntax errors and warnings to the user. yamllint can be used to syntax-check YAML source, but a bit of configuration is required depending on your favorite text editor.

### Vim

Assuming that the [ALE](#) plugin is installed, yamllint is supported by default. It is automatically enabled when editing YAML files.

If you instead use the [syntastic](#) plugin, add this to your `.vimrc`:

```
let g:syntastic_yaml_checkers = ['yamllint']
```

### Neovim

Assuming that the [neomake](#) plugin is installed, yamllint is supported by default. It is automatically enabled when editing YAML files.

### Emacs

If you are [flycheck](#) user, you can use [flycheck-yamllint](#) integration.

### Other text editors

#### Help wanted!

Your favorite text editor is not listed here? Help us improve by adding a section (by opening a pull-request or issue on GitHub).



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