

**don't be scared
of code reviews**

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What is a code review?

**you let other people
examine and criticise
your code
(HTML, CSS, JS, PHP...)**

this sounds scary

**...but there is no reason
that it has to be**

Reducing the scary

first
(and most important)
point

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**code review reports are
not escalated to
management**

**furthermore, there is no
formal output of code
reviews whatsoever**

(except where there is a security problem in the code – then bugs will be filed in bugzilla)

**so why bother to
run code reviews
in the first place?**

1.

verification

**to ensure internal
standards are adhered to**

2.

training

**to serve as informal
education of expectations
to new hires**

3.

collective wisdom

**to raise the level of work
produced by individuals
to the highest level of the
entire team**

**so how do code reviews
actually work?**

1.

“Quiet Time”

**the reviewers are given
dedicated time away from
meetings, IM, email, etc.
to examine and review
the code**

2.

Code Review meeting

**the reviewers, reviewee
and moderator meet for
an hour (or so) and all
concerns about the code
are aired**

**the moderator's job is to
keep things on track**

**the moderator's job is
also to identify and file
any code and/or patterns
that are potentially
reusable**

3.

Follow-up

**the moderator checks
that the suggested
improvements have been
integrated into the code**

“One last thing...”

Code Preliminary

**before any code is
written, team members
get together to discuss
how to approach it**

**this can dramatically
reduce the output of
Code Reviews**

