

Global Settings: Test Types

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As an Xray administrator, you can create and manage globally available Test Types.

A Test Type characterizes the Test in terms of its nature, so it can be clearly distinguished from other Tests.

An Xray Test Type can be one of three kinds:

- **Steps:** structured; composed of multiple steps
- **Unstructured:** it has only one Definition field that can be used to define the Test case
- **Gherkin:** a test composed of Gherkin statements.

By default, upon installation, Xray will create the following Test Types:

Rank	Test Type	Kind
1	Manual (default)	Steps
2	Generic	Unstructured
3	Cucumber	Gherkin

The rank is used as sorting criteria when showing the options for the values of the Test Type of some Test case. The default Test Type will be used when a Test issue is created.

Manage Test Types

Position	Option	Kind	Order	Action
1.	Manual	Manual	↓↕	Delete DEFAULT
2.	Generic	Generic	↕↑↓↕	Delete Set Default
3.	Cucumber	Gherkin	↕↑	Delete Set Default

Add New Test Type Option

Option	Kind	
<input type="text" value="Please Type the Option Name"/>	<div>Manual ▾</div>	<div>Add</div>

Create a Test Type

To create a new Test Type, go to the **Add New Test Type** section at the bottom of the page, fill out the following fields, and then press **Add**:

- **Option:** the name for the Test Type option
- **Kind:** the nature of the Test Type (e.g., Steps, Unstructured, Gherkin)

Add New Test Type Option

Option

Kind

Gherkin ▼

Add

Deleting a Test Type

Custom test types can also be deleted from Xray. To delete an existing test type:

1. Click **Delete** on the table entry corresponding to the test type.

Manage Test Types

Position	Option	Kind	Order	Action	
1.	Manual	Manual	↓↕	Delete	DEFAULT
2.	Generic	Generic	↕↑↓↕	Delete	Set Default
3.	Cucumber	Gherkin	↕↑↓↕	Delete	Set Default
4.	E2E	Gherkin	↕↑	Delete	Set Default

2. Click **Confirm**.

Delete Test Type Option

Confirm that you want to delete the Test Type **E2E**.

Note: Deleting a test type option removes all matching values from all tests.

Confirm

Cancel

Note: When deleting a global Test Type, all Tests in projects using that Test Type will be affected.

Changing the order of a Test Type

The order by which the Test Type options appear in the Test Type selection dropdown in a Test issue can be modified by using the arrows available in the **Order** column.

Manage Test Types

Position	Option	Kind	Order	Action	
1.	Manual	Manual	↓ ↓	Delete	DEFAULT
2.	Generic	Generic	↶ ↷ ↶ ↷	Delete	Set Default
3.	Cucumber	Gherkin	↶ ↷ ↶ ↷	Delete	Set Default
4.	E2E	Gherkin	↶ ↷	Delete	Set Default

One Test Type must be set as the default and will be used whenever Test issues are created.