

Trac Logging

Trac supports logging of system messages using Python's [logging module](#).

Logging is configured in the [\[logging\]](#) section of [TracIni](#).

Supported Logging Methods

The log method is set using the [\[logging\] log_type](#) option, which accepts the following values:

none

Suppress all log messages.

file

Log messages to a file, specified with the [\[logging\] log_file](#) option. Relative paths for `log_file` are resolved relative to the environment `log` directory.

stderr

Output log entries to console ([tracd](#) only).

syslog

(UNIX) Send log messages to the local syslogd via named pipe `/dev/log`. By default, syslog will write them to the `/var/log/messages` file.

eventlog

(Windows) Use the system's NT Event Log.

Log Levels

The verbosity level of logged messages can be set using the [\[logging\] log_level](#) option. The log level defines the minimum level of urgency required for a message to be logged, and those levels are:

CRITICAL

Log only the most critical (typically fatal) errors.

ERROR

Log failures, bugs and errors.

WARN

Log warnings, non-interrupting events.

INFO

Diagnostic information, log information about all processing.

DEBUG

Trace messages, profiling, etc.

Additionally, you can enable logging of SQL statements at debug level. This is turned off by default, as it's very verbose. Set [\[trac\] debug_sql = yes](#) to activate.

Log Format

The output format for log entries can be specified in the [\[logging\] log_format](#) option. The format is a string which can contain any of the [Python logging Formatter variables](#). Additionally, the following Trac-specific variables can be used:

\$(basename)s

The environment directory name.

\$(path)s

The absolute path of the environment directory.

\$(project)s

The originating project's name.

Note that variables are identified using a dollar sign (`$(...)`) instead of percent sign (`%(...)`).

The default format is:

```
log_format = Trac[$(module)s] $(levelname)s: $(message)s
```

In a multi-project environment where all logs are sent to the same place (e.g. `syslog`), it makes sense to add the project name. In this example we use `basename` since that can generally be used to identify a project:

```
log_format = Trac[${basename}s:${module}s] ${levelname}s: ${message}s
```

See also: [TracIni](#), [TracEnvironment](#)