

# Naming Conventions

## Prefixes

WebObjects uses three prefixes:

**NS** stands for "NextStep", a slightly historical tag, but this contains foundation classes such as arrays (NSArray), etc.

**EO** for "EnterpriseObject", data modeling layer, which was actually around before WebObjects

**WO** for WebObjects which is the view and control layer built on Enterprise Objects

## CamelCase

The naming convention for objects in WebObjects is that names are written in [CamelCase](#) (which is somewhat controversial since long names are less readable and it is somewhat ugly).

## WebObjects Directory Layout

The way in which the various development-time and deployment-time files, and collections of files, are organized, follows a convention established in history.