Naming Convention

Level Editor

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NOTE: <u>Not all entities need to follow the naming convention</u>. In case of art assets and background elements, it is not mandatory. Object that have a gameplay role or that are called through script, though, should follow the naming convention.

Туре	Style	Example	Info
Prop	[Name]{_Description}{_#}	Throne Pillar_Left Pot_Blue_12	
Item	ltem_[Description]{_#}	Item_MagicSword	Item that the player can pick up (ends in Inventory)
Readable	Readable_[Description]{_#}	Readable_DeathNote	Item that the player can read (ends in Notes)
Actor	[Type]_[Description]{_#}	Monster_DarkCorridor Flesher_Patrol_2	

Entities

Areas

Туре	Style	Example	Info
Start Position	Start{_DS}_[Location]	Start_Begin Start_Corridor Start_DS_MonsterNest	The first StartPos is always called Start_Begin Use DS for Death Scenarios
Trigger	Trigger_[Verb][Object]	Trigger_OpenPortcullis Trigger_ActivateMonster Trigger_StartSeq1	Triggers are only considered as areas that trigger functions OnCollide and OnLookAt
Fog	FogArea_[#]	FogArea_14	
Death	DeathArea_[Location]{_#}	DeathArea_Chambers_1 DeathArea_Corridor	
Sound Area	SoundArea_[Description]	SoundArea_RockFalls	Area (empty Trigger) used to position a sound created through script
Soundscape	Soundscape_[Description]{_#}	Soundscape_MedRoom_2	

Туре	Style	Example	Info
Path Node	PathNode{_Description}_[#]	PathNode_MonsterTarget_1 PathNode_ChamberRoute_13	
Player Path	PlayerPath_[Location]_[#]	PlayerPath_Corridor_14	Area (empty Trigger, not actual PathNodes) used to define a sequence of player's positions
Other Types	[AreaType]{_Description}_[#]	GhoulHole_Chambers_1 SpawnArea_4 PosArea_TargetPosition_2	

Sounds

Туре	Style	Example
Sound	Sound_[Description]	Sound_RockFalls

Lights

Туре	Name	Example	Info
Any	Light_[Description]{_Type}{_#}	Light_MonsterAppears_Point_2 Light_Sunshine	Allows for good use of wildcards

Particle Systems

Туре	Style	Example	
Any	PS_[Description]{_#}	PS_CeilingCrumble	

Script

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Objects

Туре	Style	Example	Info
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			name is
Timer	Timer Timer_[Description]	<pre>Map_AddTimer("Timer_MonsterLeaves",3,"OnTimer_MonsterLeaves");</pre>	used as
			OnTimer
			argument
Sound	Sound_[Description]	<pre>Sound_CreateAtEntity("Sound_MonsterScream",);</pre>	

Туре	Style	Example	Info
Particle System	<pre>PS_[Description]{_#}</pre>	<pre>ParticleSystem_CreateAtEntity("PS_CeilingCrumble",);</pre>	

Methods

Туре	Style	Example	Info
Main Callbacks	On[Verb]_[Subject]_[Description]	OnLookAt_Player_ChangeCorpsePose(){} OnCollide_Monster_MakeLoudSound(){} OnCollide_RingBell(){}	[Description] can be omitted if stating the subject hinders the clarity of the method name
Interact	OnInteract_[Description]	<pre>OnInteract_CallElevator(){}</pre>	
Death	OnDeath_[Cause]	OnDeath_MonsterCorridor(){}	
Change State	OnConnectionStateChange_[Object]	OnConnectionStateChange_PortcullisLever(){}	
End Of Track	OnEndOfTrack_[MonsterName]	OnEndOfTrack_MonsterCorridor(){}	
Timer	OnTimer_[TimerDescription]	<pre>OnTimer_MonsterLeaves(){}</pre>	
Sequence	Seq_[Description]	<pre>Seq_CallElevator(){}</pre>	
Other	[Object]_[Verb]	Corridor_SetupAfterDeath(){} Corpse_Reset(){} LeftPillar_Move(){} Monster_ClimbWindow(){}	

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