

# Status macro

## Overview

A workflow can be configured to automatically update the Status macro caption to be the current workflow state name when a state transition occurs.

Note: This is primarily for older templates. Where possible, use the [Page Status Macro](#) instead.

## Workflow setup

Use the `updatestatus=true` parameter on the `{workflow}` macro:

```
{workflow:name=Update status|updatestatus=true}
  {state:First}
  {state}
  {state:Second}
  {state}
{workflow}
```

## Adding the macro

To add the macro to a page:

1. In the editor, choose **Insert**  **Status**
2. Set the **Title**, **Color** and **Outline Style** to whatever you want
3. Choose **Insert**

Here's how the macro looks on your page:



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Whenever the workflow state changes, the status macro will be updated to reflect the current workflow state.

## See also

User Guide:

- [Workflow Status Bar](#)

Reporting Guide:

- [Report on states](#)

Workflow Authoring Guide:

- [States](#)
- [pagestatus macro](#)