
How to port Python 2 Code to Python 3

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Python 2 reached its official end-of-life at the start of 2020. This means that no new bug reports, fixes, or changes will be made to Python 2 - it's no longer supported: see [PEP 373](#) and [status of Python versions](#).

If you are looking to port an extension module instead of pure Python code, please see [cporting-howto](#).

The archived [python-porting](#) mailing list may contain some useful guidance.

Since Python 3.11 the original porting guide was discontinued. You can find the old guide in the [archive](#).

1 Third-party guides

There are also multiple third-party guides that might be useful:

- [Guide by Fedora](#)
- [PyCon 2020 tutorial](#)
- [Guide by DigitalOcean](#)
- [Guide by ActiveState](#)

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