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STEP 1: DESIGN PHASE / TEST PREPARATION



- Joint kickoff to collect all relevant information to be able to prepare and plan the test
- Collection of test requirements & creation of technical scripts for load generation
- Ideally: calibration run (short test with little load) for validating the test design

STEP 2: EXECUTION PHASE / TEST EXECUTION



- Execution of the actual load and performance test / triscon recommends: The test should be executed at a time with as little parallel activity as possible on the servers on which the tested application is running
- triscon also recommends: Perform another calibration run on the same day to check whether all scripts are still executable

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STEP 3: EVALUATION PHASE / TEST EVALUATION



- Evaluation of the test in terms of performance (response times), errors that occurred as well as resource utilization during the test
- Check if the test goals agreed in the kickoff have been achieved
- Generation and creation of a comprehensive and meaningful report on the executed load and performance test

STEP 4: DISCUSSION PHASE / RESULTS DISCUSSION



- Discussion of the test results and derivation of necessary steps to optimize the tested system
- Planning of further steps and - if desired - support from triscon in implementing them
- Execution of new test runs after optimizing the tested system

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