

Entity Framework / Validation Model

```
namespace MyApp.Model {
    public class Employee {
        {
            [Key]
            [DatabaseGeneratedAttribute(
                DatabaseGeneratedOption.Identity)]
            public int EmployeeId { get; set; }

            [Required]
            public string FirstName { get; set; }

            [Required]
            public string FamilyName { get; set; }

            [EmailAddress]
            public string Email { get; set; }

            [RegularExpression(@"^\d+\.\d+\.\d+\.\d+$",
                ErrorMessage = "Invalid IP address format")]
            public string IPAddress { get; set; }

            public virtual Department Department { get; set; }

            [InverseProperty("Author")]
            public virtual ICollection<Message> Messages { get; set; }

            public bool IsFullTime { get; set; }

            [Range(1, 12)]
            public int BirthMonth { get; set; }

            [Timestamp]
            public byte[] RowVersion { get; set; }

            [NotMapped]
            public string FullName
            {
                get { return FirstName + " " + FamilyName; }
            }
        }
    }
}
```

[Key] → Database primary key

[DatabaseGeneratedAttribute(DatabaseGeneratedOption.Identity)] → Key is automatically generated by incrementing a counter

[Required] → Property value cannot be null / empty

[Required] → Property value must be formatted as an email address

[EmailAddress] → Property value must match the supplied regular expression

[RegularExpression(@"^\d+\.\d+\.\d+\.\d+\$", ErrorMessage = "Invalid IP address format")] → Declare navigation properties to be virtual if you want lazy loading

[InverseProperty("Author")] → This list contains all Messages with an Author property that is this Employee

[Range(1, 12)] → Property value must be between 1 and 12 (inclusive)

[Timestamp] → This property is a timestamp used for optimistic concurrency control

[NotMapped] → This property is to be ignored by Entity Framework

Razor View

```
@using MyApp.Models  
@model Employee  
  
{@  
    Layout = "~/Views/_Base.cshtml";  
    ViewBag.Title = "Employee Information";  
}  
  
<h2>Employee Information</h2>  
<p>These are the details of @Model.FullName:</p>  
@using (Html.BeginForm())  
{  
    @Html.AntiForgeryToken()  
    @Html.ValidationSummary()  
    <div>  
        First Name: @Html.TextBoxFor(x => x.FirstName)  
    </div>  
    <div>  
        Family Name: @Html.TextBoxFor(x => x.FamilyName)  
    </div>  
    <div>  
        Birth Month: @Html.TextBoxFor(x => x.BirthMonth)  
    </div>  
    <div>  
        IP Address: @Html.TextBoxFor(x => x.IpAddress)  
    </div>  
    <div>  
        Full Time:  
        @Html.DropDownListFor(  
            x => x.IsFullTime,  
            new [] {  
                new SelectListItem {  
                    Text = "Full Time",  
                    Value = "true",  
                    Selected = Model.IsFullTime  
                },  
                new SelectListItem {  
                    Text = "Part Time",  
                    Value = "false",  
                    Selected = !Model.IsFullTime  
                }  
            })  
    </div>  
    <input type="submit" value="Save Changes" />
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}

@* Don't show the messages section if there are no messages *@

@if (Model.Messages != null && Model.Messages.Count() > 0)
{
    <p>Messages for @Model.FullName:</p>
    <ul>
        @foreach (var message in Model.Messages)
        {
            <li>@message.MessageId</li>
        }
    </ul>
}

```

Razor comments

```

<a href="@Url.Action("Index")">List All Employees</a>
@Html.ActionLink("List All Employees", "Index")
@Html.ActionLink("Go to Home", "Index", "Home")
@Html.ActionLink("View Employee 1", "Details", new { id = 1 }, null)
@Html.Raw(" ")

```

Create a link referring to the Index action of the same controller

Create a link referring to the Index action of the HomeController

Create a link referring to the Details action with route/model parameters

Output a string directly as raw HTML, without any escaping

Template

```

<html>
    <title>@ViewBag.Title</title>
    <body>
        <h1>My App</h1>
        <div>
            @RenderBody()
        </div>
        <div>
            @if (IsSectionDefined("Author"))
            {
                @: Author Information:
                @RenderSection("Author")
            }
        </div>
    </body>
</html>

```

Render the main content of the file that is using this template

Switch back to plain HTML text when in a section of C# code

Render a section that was defined using @section

Controller

```
...  
using System.Data.Entity;  
  
namespace MyApp.Controllers  
{  
    [Authorize]  
    public class EmployeeController : Controller  
    {  
  
        [AllowAnonymous]  
        public ActionResult Index()  
        {  
            using (var context = new MyApplicationContext())  
            {  
                var emps = context.Employees  
                    .Include(x => x.Messages).Include(x => x.Department)  
                    .ToList();  
                return View(emps);  
            }  
        }  
  
        [AcceptVerbs(HttpVerbs.Get | HttpVerbs.Post)]  
        [Authorize(Roles = "Administrator")]  
        public ActionResult Delete(int id)  
        {  
            using (var context = new MyApplicationContext())  
            {  
                var employee = new Employee { EmployeeId = id };  
                context.Employees.Attach(employee);  
                context.Employees.Remove(employee);  
                context.SaveChanges();  
                return RedirectToAction("Index");  
            }  
        }  
    }  
}
```

Contains the `.Includes(...)` extension method used for Eager loading

A user must be logged in to use the Actions on this controller

An exception to the need for authorization (no need to login)

Eager loading for view rendering (when there is no DbContext)

Show the strongly typed View matching this Action (Index.cshtml)

Accept HTTP verbs GET and POST

Require the user to belong to the Administrator Role

Redirect the user to the Index action

```

[HttpGet]
public ActionResult Edit(int id)
{
    using (var context = new MyApplicationContext())
    {
        var emp = context.Employees
            .Include(x => x.Messages).Include(x => x.Department)
            .Where(x => x.EmployeeId == id).Single();
        return View(emp);
    }
}

[HttpPost]
[ValidateAntiForgeryToken]
public ActionResult Edit(int id, Employee employee)
{
    if (ModelState.IsValid)
    {
        if (employeeIpAddress == "127.0.0.1")
        {
            ModelState.AddModelError("", "Do not use 127.0.0.1");
            return View(employee);
        }
        else
        {
            using (var context = new MyApplicationContext())
            {
                var oldEmployee = Context.Employees.Find(id);
                UpdateModel(oldEmployee);
                context.SaveChanges();
                return View("Details", employee);
            }
        }
    }
    else
    {
        return View(employee);
    }
}

```

The diagram illustrates the flow of logic from specific code annotations to corresponding explanatory callout boxes:

- [HttpGet]** points to the first callout: "Use this action for GET requests (i.e., to retrieve an empty/current form)".
- [HttpPost]** points to the second callout: "Use this action when the user POSTs back a form (i.e., saves changes)".
- [ValidateAntiForgeryToken]** points to the third callout: "Check for the token created by @Html.AntiForgeryToken()".
- employeeIpAddress** points to the fourth callout: "Were there any validation errors when creating the Employee object?".
- UpdateModel** points to the fifth callout: "Add a custom validation error for @Html.ValidationSummary()".
- employee** points to the sixth callout: "Use HTML Get/Post parameters to update the Employee object".
- return View("Details", employee);** points to the seventh callout: "Return the Details strongly typed view (Details.cshtml)".