

# 1 The Estonian language

The file `estonian.dtx`<sup>1</sup> defines the language definition macro's for the Estonian language.

This file was written as part of the TWGML project, and borrows heavily from the `babel` German and Spanish language files `germanb.ldf` and `spanish.ldf`.

Estonian has the same umlauts as German (ä, ö, ü), but in addition to this, we have also õ, and two recent characters š and ž, so we need at least two active characters. We shall use " and ~ to type Estonian accents on ASCII keyboards (in the 7-bit character world). Their use is given in table 1. These active accent

~o	\~o, (and uppercase);
"a	\"a, (and uppercase);
"o	\"o, (and uppercase);
"u	\"u, (and uppercase);
~s	\v s, (and uppercase);
~z	\v z, (and uppercase);
"	disable ligature at this position;
"-	like \-, but allowing hyphenation in the rest of the word;
"‘	for Estonian low left double quotes (same as German);
"’	for Estonian right double quotes;
"<	for French left double quotes (also rather popular)
">	for French right double quotes.

Table 1: The extra definitions made by `estonian.ldf`

characters behave according to their original definitions if not followed by one of the characters indicated in that table; the original quote character can be typed using the macro `\dq`.

We support also the T1 output encoding (and Cork-encoded text input). You can choose the T1 encoding by the command `\usepackage[T1]{fontenc}`. This package must be loaded before `babel`. As the standard Estonian hyphenation file `eehyph.tex` is in the Cork encoding, choosing this encoding will give you better hyphenation.

As mentioned in the Spanish style file, it may happen that some packages fail (usually in a `\message`). In this case you should change the order of the `\usepackage` declarations or the order of the style options in `\documentclass`.

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## 1.1 Implementation

The macro `\LdfInit` takes care of preventing that this file is loaded more than once, checking the category code of the `@` sign, etc.

```
1 ⟨*code⟩
2 \LdfInit{estonian}\captionsestonian
```

If Estonian is not included in the format file (does not have hyphenation patterns), we shall use English hyphenation.

```
3 \ifx\l@estonian\@undefined
4 \nopatterns{Estonian}
5 \addialect\l@estonian0
6 \fi
```

Now come the commands to switch to (and from) Estonian.

`\captionsestonian` The macro `\captionsestonian` defines all strings used in the four standard documentclasses provided with L<sup>A</sup>T<sub>E</sub>X.

```
7 \addto\captionsestonian{%
8 \def\prefacename{Sissejuhatus}%
9 \def\refname{Viited}%
10 \def\bibName{Kirjandus}%
11 \def\appendixname{Lisa}%
12 \def\contentsname{Sisukord}%
13 \def\listfigurename{Joonised}%
14 \def\listtablename{Tabelid}%
15 \def\indexname{Indeks}%
16 \def\figurename{Joonis}%
17 \def\tablename{Tabel}%
18 \def\partname{Osa}%
19 \def\enclname{Lisa(d)}%
20 \def\ccname{Koopia(d)}%
21 \def\headtoname{}%
22 \def\pagename{Lk.}%
23 \def\seename{vt.}%
24 \def\alsoname{vt. ka}%
25 }
```

These captions contain accented characters.

```
26 \begingroup \catcode'\\"active
27 \def\x{\endgroup
28 \addto\captionsestonian{%
29 \def\abstractname{Kokkuvõte}%
30 \def\chaptername{Peat"ukk}%
31 \def\proofname{Tõestus}%
32 \def\glossaryname{Sõnastik}%
33 }}\x
```

`\dateestonian` The macro `\dateestonian` redefines the command `\today` to produce Estonian dates.

```

34 \begingroup \catcode'\active
35 \def\x{\endgroup
36 \def\month@estonian{\ifcase\month\or
37   jaanuar\or veebruar\or m"arts\or aprill\or mai\or juuni\or
38   juuli\or august\or september\or oktoober\or november\or
39   detsember\fi}}
40 \x
41 \def\dateestonian{%
42 \def\today{\number\day.\space\month@estonian
43 \space\number\year.\space a.}}

```

Some useful macros, copied from the spanish package (and renamed `es@...` to `et@...`).

```

44 \def\et@sdef#1{\babel@save#1\def#1}
45
46 \@ifundefined{documentclass}
47 {\let\ifet@latex\iffalse}
48 {\let\ifet@latex\iftrue}

```

`\extrasestonian` The macro `\extrasestonian` will perform all the extra definitions needed for Estonian. The macro `\noextrasestonian` is used to cancel the actions of `\extrasestonian`. For Estonian, " is made active and has to be treated as 'special' (~ is active already).

```

49 \initiate@active@char{"}
50 \initiate@active@char{~}
51 \addto\extrasestonian{\languageshorthands{estonian}}
52 \addto\extrasestonian{\bbl@activate{"}\bbl@activate{~}}

```

Estonian does not use extra spaces after sentences.

```

53 \addto\extrasestonian{\bbl@frenchspacing}
54 \addto\noextrasestonian{\bbl@nonfrenchspacing}

```

`\estonianhyphenmins` For Estonian, `\lefthyphenmin` and `\righthyphenmin` are both 2.

```

55 \providehyphenmins{\CurrentOption}{\tw@\tw@}

```

The standard  $\TeX$  accents are too high for Estonian typography, we have to lower them (following the `babel` German style). For umlauts, we can use `\umlautlow` in `babel.1df`.

```

56 \addto\extrasestonian{\umlautlow}
57 \addto\noextrasestonian{\umlauthigh}

```

Redefine tilde (as in `spanish.1df`). In case of  $\LaTeX$ , we redefine the internal macro for the OT1 encoding because in case of T1, the display and hyphenation of words containing `\~o` works better without redefining it (e. g. words containing `\et@gentilde` are not hyphenated unless `\allowhyphens` is used; when copied from Acrobat Reader, pasting an `õ` generated using `\et@gentilde{o}` gives `~o` rather than `õ`; when the `times` package is used with T1 encoding, `\et@gentilde` places the tilde through the letter o). In plain  $\TeX$  there is no encoding infrastructure, so we just redefine `\~`.

```

58 \ifet@latex
59   \addto\extrasestonian{%
60     \expandafter\et@sdef\csname OT1\string\~\endcsname{\et@gentilde}}
61 \else
62   \addto\extrasestonian{\et@sdef\~{\et@gentilde}}
63 \fi

```

`\et@gentilde`

```

64 \def\et@gentilde#1{%
65   \if#1s\v{#1}\else\if#1S\v{#1}\else%
66   \if#1z\v{#1}\else\if#1Z\v{#1}\else%
67   \et@newtilde{#1}%
68   \fi\fi\fi\fi}

```

`\et@newtilde` For a detailed explanation of the following code see the definition of `\lower@umlaut` in `babel.dtx`.

```

69 \def\et@newtilde#1{%
70   \leavevmode\bggroup\U@D 1ex%
71   {\setbox\z@\hbox{\char126}\dimen@ -.45ex\advance\dimen@\ht\z@
72     \ifdim 1ex<\dimen@ \fontdimen5\font\dimen@ \fi}%
73   \accent126\fontdimen5\font\U@D #1%
74   \egroup}

```

We save the double quote character in `\dq`, and tilde in `\til`.

```

75 \begingroup \catcode'\ "12
76 \edef\x{\endgroup
77   \def\noexpand\dq{"}
78   \def\noexpand\til{~}}
79 \x

```

If the encoding is T1, we have to tell T<sub>E</sub>X about our redefined accents.

```

80 \ifx\fontencoding\bl@t@one
81   \DeclareTextComposite{\~}{T1}{s}{178}
82   \DeclareTextComposite{\~}{T1}{S}{146}
83   \DeclareTextComposite{\~}{T1}{z}{186}
84   \DeclareTextComposite{\~}{T1}{Z}{154}
85   \DeclareTextComposite{\~}{T1}{'}{17}
86   \DeclareTextComposite{\~}{T1}{'}{18}
87   \DeclareTextComposite{\~}{T1}{<}{19}
88   \DeclareTextComposite{\~}{T1}{>}{20}

```

If the encoding differs from T1, we expand the accents, enabling hyphenation beyond the accent. In this case T<sub>E</sub>X will not find all possible breaks, and we have to warn people.

```

89 \else
90   \wlog{Warning: Hyphenation would work better for the T1 encoding.}
91 \fi

```

Now we define the shorthands: umlauts,

```

92 \declare@shorthand{estonian}{"a"}{\textormath{"a\allowhyphens}{\ddot a}}
93 \declare@shorthand{estonian}{"A"}{\textormath{"A\allowhyphens}{\ddot A}}
94 \declare@shorthand{estonian}{"o"}{\textormath{"o\allowhyphens}{\ddot o}}
95 \declare@shorthand{estonian}{"O"}{\textormath{"O\allowhyphens}{\ddot O}}
96 \declare@shorthand{estonian}{"u"}{\textormath{"u\allowhyphens}{\ddot u}}
97 \declare@shorthand{estonian}{"U"}{\textormath{"U\allowhyphens}{\ddot U}}

```

German and French quotes,

```

98 \declare@shorthand{estonian}{"‘"}{%
99   \textormath{\quotedblbase}{\mbox{\quotedblbase}}}
100 \declare@shorthand{estonian}{"’"}{%
101   \textormath{\textquotedblleft}{\mbox{\textquotedblleft}}}
102 \declare@shorthand{estonian}{"<"}{%
103   \textormath{\guillemotleft}{\mbox{\guillemotleft}}}
104 \declare@shorthand{estonian}{">"}{%
105   \textormath{\guillemotright}{\mbox{\guillemotright}}}

```

tildes and carons

```

106 \declare@shorthand{estonian}{~o}{\textormath{\~{o}\allowhyphens}{\tilde o}}
107 \declare@shorthand{estonian}{~O}{\textormath{\~{O}\allowhyphens}{\tilde O}}
108 \declare@shorthand{estonian}{~s}{\textormath{\v{s}\allowhyphens}{\check s}}
109 \declare@shorthand{estonian}{~S}{\textormath{\v{S}\allowhyphens}{\check S}}
110 \declare@shorthand{estonian}{~z}{\textormath{\v{z}\allowhyphens}{\check z}}
111 \declare@shorthand{estonian}{~Z}{\textormath{\v{Z}\allowhyphens}{\check Z}}

```

and some additional commands:

```

112 \declare@shorthand{estonian}{"-"}{\nobreak\-\bbl@allowhyphens}
113 \declare@shorthand{estonian}{"}|"}{%
114   \textormath{\nobreak\discretionary{-}{-}{\kern.03em}%
115     \allowhyphens}{}}
116 \declare@shorthand{estonian}{""}{\dq}
117 \declare@shorthand{estonian}{~}{\til}

```

The macro `\ldf@finish` takes care of looking for a configuration file, setting the main language to be switched on at `\begin{document}` and resetting the category code of `@` to its original value.

```

118 \ldf@finish{estonian}
119 \endcode

```