

During the LHCb Core Software meeting of the 12/12/2018 (<https://indico.cern.ch/event/779237/>), in view of the upcoming deployment of the new environment configuration tool **LbEnv**, the following policy was decided:

- **bash** is the officially supported shell
  - ◆ It should be used for production jobs
  - ◆ It will be used in all environment tools integration/regression tests
  
- **tcsch** support of the existing code will be done on a best effort basis, i.e. when time allows and not critical
  - ◆ New features will not be ported
  - ◆ Deprecation warnings will be added to LbEnv when sourcing from **tcsch**
  
- Support for bourne compatible shells such as **zsh** will be done on a best effort basis
  - ◆ We will avoid using really bash-specific constructs
  - ◆ we will rely on users to come to us with merge requests as we will not investigate all shells

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