Application Validation for Successful "Play Protect" Approval During Installation

This guide is based on Google's official guidelines.

- 1. Remove all permissions from the game except those necessary for its operation.
- 2. Assign the application a unique bundle ID (one not used on Google Play).
- 3. Sign your application with a new self-signed key (be sure to save the password for releasing future versions).
- 4. Check the compiled APK on <u>Virus Total</u>. Upload the APK, pass the check successfully, and obtain the "SHA256 hash" of your application.
- 5. Upload your application to Dropbox or another cloud service that can create publicly accessible download links. Ensure the download link works without any password or access restrictions (this is crucial).
- 6. Open Google's official Play Protect <u>appeal form</u>, fill it out, and include the download link for your APK in the additional information field.
- 7. If everything is done correctly, Play Protect should stop flagging your application within 30 days.