

# Git You have some suspicious patch lines

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So, I've run into this a few times now and it seems like bizarre behaviour to me. While committing, git complains about files which have trailing white space, or spaces followed by a tab. While this may not be the nicest formatting, enforcing this to be fixed before committing a file seems odd.

It turns out this is being caused by a pre-commit hook. There are two options you can go with to circumvent the issue:

```
git commit --no-verify .
```

The `--no-verify` will bypass the pre-commit hooks. This only works on the current commit though, so you have to add the flag each time you want to commit.

I've found that if you:

```
cd .git/hooks/  
chmod -x pre-commit
```

will disable the pre-commit hooks permanently by removing the executable rights on the file.

Apparently they are disabled by default in newer releases.

Hope this helps someone else out as well.