

API Methods: createCheck Endpoint



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The CheckCentral API provides an endpoint for programmatically creating Checks.

To create a new Check through the API, an API token with Read/Write access is required.

Organization administrators can create tokens through the API portal on your dashboard.

The screenshot displays the CheckCentral dashboard interface. At the top, there is a navigation bar with menu items: Dashboards, Checks, Notifications, Activities, Organization, and Help. The 'Organization' menu is expanded, showing options: API, Ignore Rules, Settings, Stats, Subscription, Users, and User Groups. The 'API' option is highlighted with a green box. Below the navigation bar, the main content area features the Binary Fortress logo and the text 'API Tokens' followed by a '+ Add Token' button (highlighted with a green box) and a 'Documentation' link. Below this, there is a large grey box containing the text 'no api tokens found'. A second section, 'User API Tokens', also includes a '+ Add Token' button and a 'Documentation' link, with a similar 'no api tokens found' message below it.

"User API Tokens" will only return data available to the user based on their granted permissions and user groups. Regular "API Tokens" have the Access Level given upon creation.

The endpoint is located at `https://api.checkcentral.cc/createCheck/?apiToken=APITOKEN` where the APITOKEN placeholder is replaced with your valid token.

The request must be made with the `Content-Type` header set to `application/json`. The body of the request should contain as many of the properties below to properly define the Check. Any properties not passed will be set to their default value.

For example, we want to create a new Check that:

- Receives messages at the address `demo+apicheck@mycheckcentral.cc`.
- Expects messages every two hours.
- Expects messages only on weekdays.
- Is set to `Failure` unless the message subject is `Message Success` or the message body has the text `No Errors Reported`.

To achieve this, we send the following json in the body of the request:

```
{
  "name": "An API Check",
  "email_alias": "apicheck",
  "interval_type": "hour",
  "interval_value": 2,
  "active_days": [
    "mon",
    "tue",
    "wed",
    "thu",
    "fri"
  ],
  "success_conditions": {
    "required_conditions": "any",
    "conditions": [
      {
        "message_field": "subject",
        "matches": "exactly",
        "value": "Message Success"
      },
      {
        "message_field": "body",
        "matches": "contains",
        "value": "No Errors Reported"
      }
    ]
  }
}
```

The check data must include a `name` property, as well as at least one `email_alias` and `matching_conditions` to match the Check against incoming messages.

The complete list of possible properties for check configuration are as follows:

Check Structure

| Parameter | Type/Allowed Values | Default |
|--|---------------------|-----------------|
| <p><code>name</code></p> <p>The name for the new check.</p> <p>This parameter is required.</p> | String | |
| <p><code>email_alias</code></p> <p>The 'plus alias' for the check. This will be used to generate the custom email address for the Check along with your organization account name (account_name+email_alias@mycheckcentral.cc).</p> <p>At least one <code>email_alias</code> or <code>matching_conditions</code> parameter must be specified.</p> | String | |
| <p><code>matching_conditions</code></p> <p>The rules that will be used to match incoming messages. (See the ConditionGroup table below.)</p> <p>At least one <code>email_alias</code> or <code>matching_conditions</code> parameter must be specified.</p> | ConditionGroup | <code>{}</code> |
| <p><code>group_id</code></p> <p>The ID of the group to assign this check. (IDs may be retrieved from the getGroups API endpoint.)</p> | String | |
| <p><code>description</code></p> <p>A text description for the check.</p> | String | |

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|--|--|--------------------|
| <code>interval_type</code> | One of: <ul style="list-style-type: none">minutehourdayweekmonth | <code>day</code> |
| The interval unit CheckCentral will use to calculate the expected arrival time of incoming messages. | | |
| <code>interval_value</code> | Integer | <code>1</code> |
| The number of interval units (see <code>interval_type</code> above) used when calculating the expected arrival of incoming messages. | | |
| <code>overdue_minutes</code> | Integer | <code>30</code> |
| How many minutes after the interval has elapsed CheckCentral will wait before flagging the check as failed. | | |
| <code>window_start</code> | String | <code>00:00</code> |
| An optional time of day when messages will begin to be received. | | |
| <code>window_end</code> | String | <code>00:00</code> |
| An optional time of day when messages will cease to be received. | | |

`active_days`

Pass an array of days to indicate which days the check should expect to receive messages.

An array containing either

`all`, or any of:

- `sun`
- `mon`
- `tue`
- `wed`
- `thu`
- `fri`
- `sat`

`all``enabled_notifications`

Pass an array of personal notification services to configure the check to send alerts via those services.

An array containing any of:

- `email`
- `sms`
- `push`
- `pushbullet`
- `pushover`

`[]`

An array containing any of:

- slack
- mattermostwebhook
- discordwebhook
- googlechatwebhook
- slackwebhook
- microsoftteamswebhook
- customwebhook
- jirasoftwarewebhook
- zendeskapi
- ifttt
- webexwebhook
- zapierwebhook
- rocketchatwebhook
- zulipwebhook
- asanaapi
- externalemails
- redmineapi
- bugzillaapi
- githubapi
- gitlabapi
- microsofttodolistapi

[]

enabled_integrations

Pass an array of organization notification services to configure the check to send alerts via those services.

notify_returned_to_success

Bool

Checks with this flag will send an alert when they are restored to a success state by an incoming message.

true

notify_outside_window

Bool

Checks with this flag set to false will only send alerts during the time window and active days configured above.

true

| | | | |
|--|----------------|--|----------------------|
| <code>notify_consecutive_alerts</code> | One of: | <ul style="list-style-type: none"><code>always</code><code>first</code><code>after_n</code><code>every_nth</code> | <code>always</code> |
| <p>This parameter controls when CheckCentral will send alerts about repeated failure or warning messages.</p> | | | |
| <code>notify_consecutive_alerts_limit</code> | Integer | | <code>1</code> |
| <p>If <code>notify_consecutive_alerts</code> is set to either <code>after_n</code> or <code>every_nth</code>, this parameter configures how many consecutive failures or consecutive warnings will trigger alerts.</p> | | | |
| <code>notify_failure_grace_period</code> | Integer | | <code>0</code> |
| <p>The number of minutes this check will wait to send alerts about failures. If the check is returned to successful status before this period elapses, any pending alerts will be cancelled.</p> | | | |
| <code>default_status</code> | One of: | <ul style="list-style-type: none"><code>success</code><code>warning</code><code>failure</code> | <code>failure</code> |
| <p>The default status for incoming messages that don't match against any of the conditions below.</p> | | | |
| <code>success_conditions</code> | ConditionGroup | | <code>{}</code> |
| <p>The rules that determine whether incoming messages will be set to success. See the definition of a ConditionGroup below.</p> | | | |
| <code>warning_conditions</code> | ConditionGroup | | <code>{}</code> |
| <p>The rules that determine whether incoming messages will be set to warning. See the definition of a ConditionGroup below.</p> | | | |

`failure_conditions`

ConditionGroup

`{}`

The rules that determine whether incoming messages will be set to failure. See the definition of a [ConditionGroup](#) below.

ConditionGroup

| Parameter | Type/Allowed Values | Default |
|--|--|--------------------|
| <code>required_conditions</code> This parameter controls whether incoming messages must meet any or all of the conditions defined below to be considered a match. | One of: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <code>all</code> <code>any</code> | <code>all</code> |
| <code>condense_whitespace</code> If this flag is set, all of the conditions defined in this group will treat multiple whitespace characters as a single space. | Bool | <code>false</code> |
| <code>conditions</code> The list of conditions for this ConditionGroup to match messages against. See the definition of a Condition below. | An array containing one or more of: [Condition] | <code>{}</code> |

Condition

| Parameter | Type/Allowed Values | Default |
|--|---|------------------------------|
| <p><code>message_field</code></p> <p>Which part of the incoming message will be examined for this condition.</p> | <p>One of:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <code>subject</code> • <code>body</code> • <code>to</code> • <code>cc</code> • <code>attachments</code> • <code>attachment_text</code> • <code>from</code> • <code>originally_to</code> | <p><code>subject</code></p> |
| <p><code>matches</code></p> <p>What matching rule this condition will use.</p> | <p>One of:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <code>contains</code> • <code>not_contains</code> • <code>exactly</code> • <code>empty</code> • <code>not_empty</code> • <code>has_attachments</code> • <code>has_no_attachments</code> • <code>filename_contains</code> • <code>filename_not_contains</code> • <code>filename_exact</code> • <code>text_contains</code> • <code>text_not_contains</code> • <code>complex_match</code> • <code>complex_filename_match</code> • <code>complex_text_match</code> | <p><code>contains</code></p> |

value

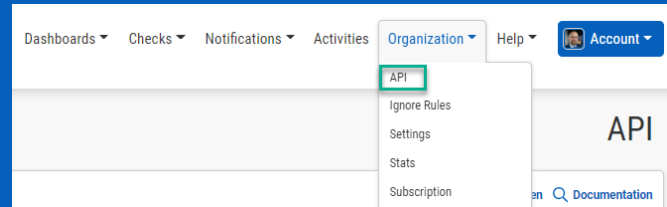
String

The value to use with the above matching rule and message component.

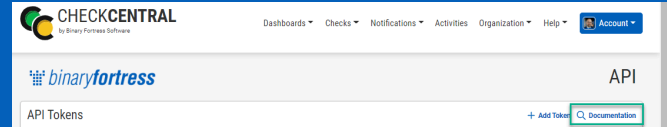
More API Documentation and Help

A full list of API Methods are available via the API page under your CheckCentral organization.

Log in to your account. Click "Organization" from the main menu, then "API."



Click "Documentation."



Here you'll see the list of Methods available, their permission requirements, their purpose, and the call limit per day.

| Method | Description | Calls Per Day |
|--------------------------------------|--|---------------|
| Read Only API Token Required | | |
| getChecks | Gets information about the checks for an organization. | 15/10000 |
| getActivities | Gets Activities. | 0/10000 |
| getCheckGroups | Gets information about the groups for an organization. | 0/10000 |
| getDashboards | Gets information about the custom dashboards for an organization. | 0/10000 |
| getIssues | Gets a list of current issues for an organization. | 0/10000 |
| getOverview | Reports on the overall status of an organization. | 0/10000 |
| getPermissions | Gets a list of permissions for a check group, user, or user group. | 0/10000 |
| generateReport | Serve the specified report data. | 0/10000 |
| getReports | Gets a list of reports for an organization. | 0/10000 |
| getUsers | Gets a list of users for an organization. | 0/10000 |
| getUserGroups | Gets a list of user groups for an organization. | 0/10000 |
| Read/Write API Token Required | | |
| createActivities | Create new activities. | 0/10000 |

Click on any of the Methods to see a testing area with parameter requirements and an example of usage. Populate the fields and click "Send Test Request" to see the JSON Response.

getChecks

| Parameter | Value | Default Value | Data Type | Description |
|-----------------|--------------------------------|---------------|-----------|--|
| apiToken | <input type="text"/> | - | string | The API token used to authenticate your organization. API token with Read Only access required. |
| checkid | <input type="text"/> | - | string | Pass a check ID to return only a single check. |
| checkName | <input type="text"/> | - | string | Pass a value to return checks with names that contain that value. This will be overridden by the checkid parameter. |
| activityCount | <input type="text" value="0"/> | 0 | int | Include the recent activities of the returned checks. The response is limited to a maximum of 30 activities per check. |
| includeSettings | <input type="checkbox"/> | false | bool | Include the configured settings of returned checks. |

[Send Test Request](#)

How to Use This API

To use this API you need to send a GET request to the endpoint shown below. This endpoint is limited to 10,000 calls per day.

Endpoint: <https://api.checkcentral.cc/getChecks/?apiToken=>

Curl Example: `curl -X GET "https://api.checkcentral.cc/getChecks/?apiToken="`

If you need any help using this API, please feel free to [contact us](#).

JSON Response

Send a test request to see what the JSON response would look like.

About CheckCentral

CheckCentral Monitoring consolidates and simplifies backup, system, and software email updates into a clean, graphical dashboard, bringing peace of mind to IT administrators of SMBs, Enterprises, and MSPs.

To learn more about CheckCentral, visit: <https://www.checkcentral.cc>

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