# Getting Started with VALORANT

**RIOT API BOOTCAMP** 

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### WHY IS VALORANT DIFFERENT?

### **Valorant Game Policy**

**Note:** Personal Key Applications are currently not supported.

#### **Use Cases**

Riot analyzes two main factors when evaluating applications:

- Is the use case good and approved?
- · Does the developer show they will deliver on that use case?

To demonstrate that your app meets the use case, you should have one or more of the following:

- · Be an established brand that wants to add Riot Games to its portfolio.
- · New app that is fully functional and testable by Riot.
- · Prototype that is mostly testable by Riot.
- . Mockups where Riot can clearly express your intent and the user flow.
- . A deck that shows your ambition and intent and some of the user flow.

Riot needs to see the user flow to understand what your intended player experience is, such as account creation process, login pipeline, or queuing up for match pipeline.

You must also send a link to a working site, mockup, prototype, or rendering where it is easy to understand the user flows of the tool.

**Note:** All apps must include functionality requiring a player to opt-in to sharing their data. This is done via RSO integration, as well as a disclaimer within your app that account linking makes player data public.

**Disclaimer:** All third-party Valorant sites approved for RSO must include a disclaimer for Opt-in policies, where all players must first sign up for their service to display their stats/gameplay data. If players have not opted into data sharing in their ecosystem, their information should not be made available to other players through their website, applications, or game overlays.

## HOW DOES THIS COMPARE WITH OTHER RIOT GAMES PRODUCTS?

### • League of Legends

- Riot API was originally designed for LoL
- Variety of endpoints
- Supports tournament game creation

### Legends of Runeterra

- Gets card info, game state
- Mostly interacts with client

### Teamfight Tactics

- Similar end points to LoL
- Specific data is limited (item names, but not effects)





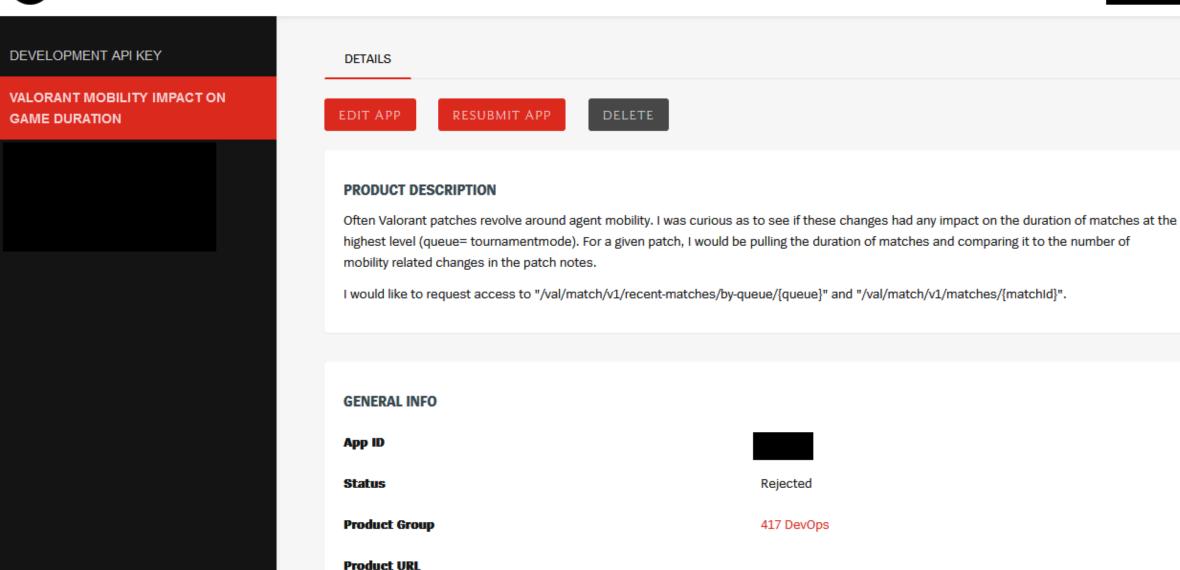




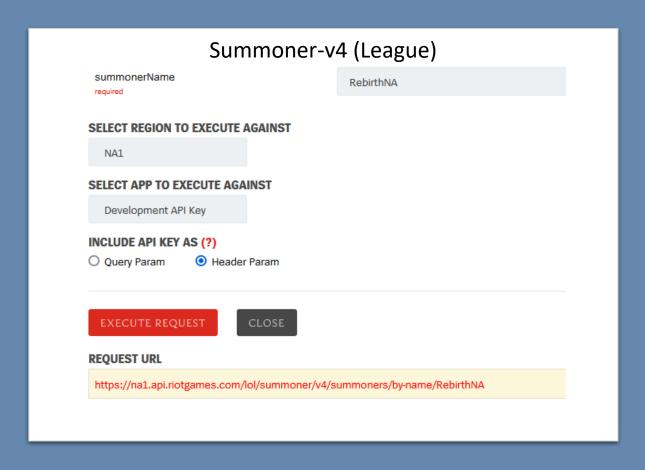


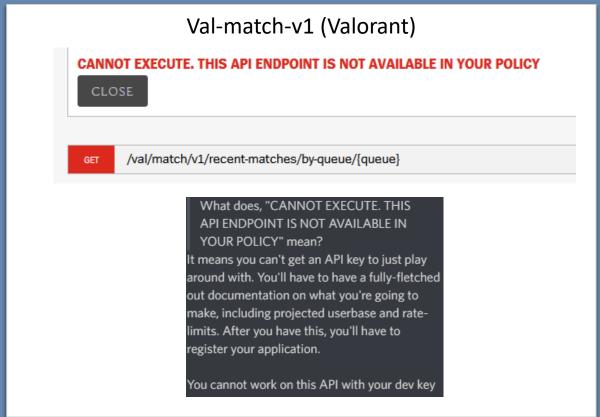
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## API METHODS COMPARISON





# So how can I build an app without any access?

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## FINDING DOCUMENTATION

- There is no official documentation for the Valorant API
- Often information is in multiple places
- Riot API recommendations: https://developer.riotgames.com/docs/valorant
- Python library specific:
   Riot Watcher (<a href="https://riot-watcher.readthedocs.io/en/latest/index.html">https://riot-watcher.readthedocs.io/en/latest/index.html</a>)
- Community documentation: Hextechdocs (https://hextechdocs.dev/)

### **VALORANT**

#### **Developer API Policy**

Before you begin, read through the Terms of Use and Legal Notices. Developers must adhere to policy changes as they

#### **Game Policy**

#### **RiotWatcher**

#### Navigation

League of Legends

Watcher

Legends Of Runeterra

Watcher Riot Watcher Team Fight Tactics

Watcher

Valorant Watcher Handlers

Testing

## Welcome to RiotWatcher's documentation!

RiotWatcher is a thin wrapper on top of the Riot Games API for League of Legends. All public methods as of 6/28/2022 are supported in full.

RiotWatcher by default supports a naive rate limiter. This rate limiter will try to stop you from making too many requests, and in a single threaded test environment does this rather well. In a multithreaded environment, you may still get some 429 errors. 429 errors are currently NOT retried for you.

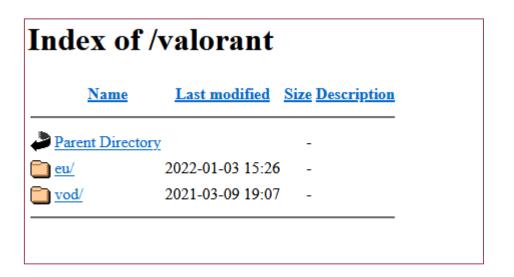
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### **Hextechdocs**

Community maintained developer documentation for games made by Riot Games

## SAMPLE DATA

- Occasionally posted in the Riot Games Developer discord
- Raw data: https://stelar7.no/valorant/
- Or just scrape people's GitHub projects

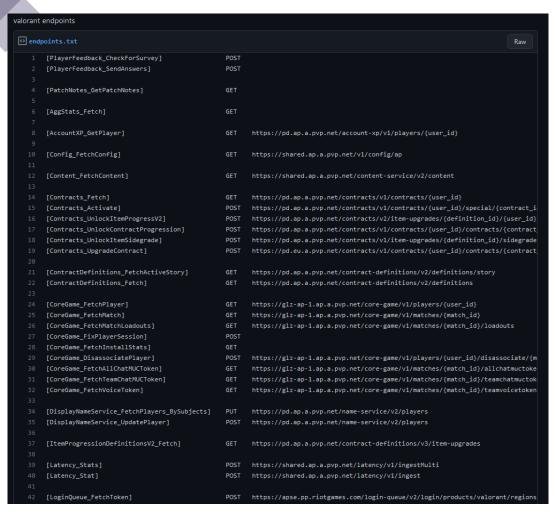


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### VALORANT API ENDPOINTS

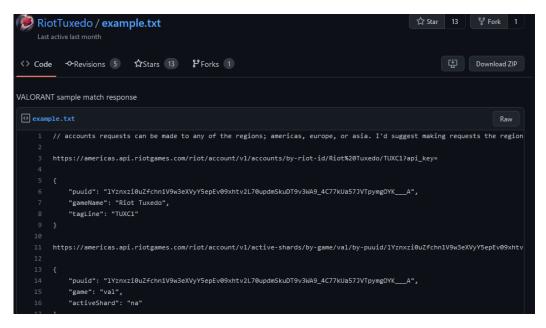


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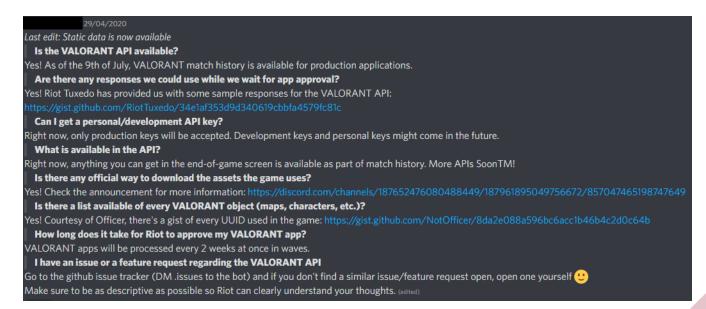
- The community has figured it out mostly by trial and error
- https://techchrism.github.io/valorant-apidocs/
- These aren't "official" so don't do anything that would get you banned
- Riot has their servers split up between regions, so each region has their own URL.

Region	URL
North America	https://pd.NA.a.pvp.net/
Europe	https://pd.EU.a.pvp.net/
Asia Pacific	https://pd.AP.a.pvp.net/
Korea	https://pd.KO.a.pvp.net/

### RIOT PROVIDED SAMPLE API RESPONSES



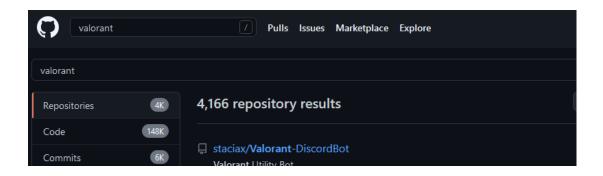
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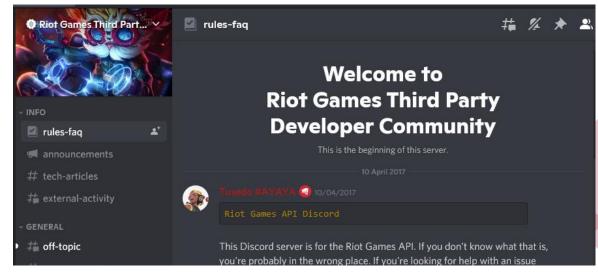
Riot FAQs on the VALORANT API from the Riot Developers Discord

## **GETTING HELP**

- Check past projects!
  - This is not an endorsement of these projects, and you should double-check their usage/validity.
  - https://github.com/HeyM1ke/ValorantClientAPI
  - https://github.com/staciax/Valorant-DiscordBot
  - https://github.com/HeyM1ke/ValorantStreamOverlay
  - https://github.com/zayKenyon/VALORANT-rank-yoinker
  - https://github.com/Soneliem/WAIUA



- Ask in Discord servers!
  - Valorant App developers https://discord.gg/a9yzrw3KAm
  - Riot Games Developer community https://discord.gg/riotgamesdevrel
  - Always check the pinned messages first, then use discord's search, then ask





### QUESTIONS?

### Contact me



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It is my hope that this course is easy to understand and follow

Have a question or want additional details? Just reach out!

If you want to know more or have questions about something you're building, LMK!