

Skill Certification, Testing, SSML

Skill Certification





Airport Info

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Disable Skill

"Alexa, ask Airport Info for delays at ATL"

"Alexa, tell Airport Info to give delay info at ATL"

"Alexa, open Airport Info"

About this Skill

Description

Airport Info allows you to get flight delay information and weather conditions at an Airport you specify by it's code. Before leaving for the airport, try asking Airport Info about the conditions to expect before arriving for your flight. Airport Info uses the FAA Airport Status API to provide the information you will be given.

Skill Details

- Invocation Name: **airport info**
- [Developer Privacy Policy](#)

Skill Certification Process - Publishing Info

- Example Phrases
- Short and Full Description
- Category
- Keywords
- Skill Icon

Skill Certification Process - Privacy & Compliance

- Does this skill allow users to make purchases or spend real money? *
- Does this Alexa skill collect users' personal information? *
- Privacy Policy URL
- Terms of Use URL
- Export Compliance

Approval Pitfalls - Required Handlers

Skills **MUST** implement intent handlers for:

- AMAZON.HelpIntent
- AMAZON.StopIntent
- AMAZON.CancelIntent

Approval Pitfalls - Closing the Stream

```
skillService.intent('delayinfo', {
  'slots': {
    'AIRPORTCODE': 'FAACODES'
  },
  'utterances': ['{|flight|airport} {|delay|status} {|info|information} {|for|at} {-|AIRPORTCODE|}']
},
function(request, response) {
  var airportCode = request.slot('AIRPORTCODE');
  var reprompt = 'Tell me an airport code to get delay information.';
  if (_.isEmpty(airportCode)) {
    var prompt = 'I didn\'t hear an airport code. Tell me an airport code.';
    response.say(prompt).reprompt(reprompt).shouldEndSession(false);
  } else {
    var faaHelper = new FAADDataHelper();
    faaHelper.requestAirportStatus(airportCode)
      .then(function(airportStatus) {
        //REJECTED!!
        response.say(faaHelper)
          .formatAirportStatus(airportStatus)
          .reprompt(reprompt)
          .shouldEndSession(false)
          .send();
        return true;
      });
    return false;
  }
}
```

Approval Pitfalls - Security Holes

- If hosting a skill on anything other than AWS Lambda an approved SSL certificate must be installed on the server
- SSL certificate needs to be an Amazon-approved certificate authority
- Service responds on Port 443
- Stores restricted data on a 3rd party server

See <https://wiki.mozilla.org/CA:IncludedCAs> for the approved list

Other Reasons for Rejection



Unit Testing a Skill

```
→ faa-info x mocha
FaaDataHelper
  #getAirportStatus
    with an invalid airport code
      ✓ returns invalid airport code (314ms)
    with a valid airport code
      ✓ returns airport code (276ms)
  success - received airport info for SF0
    ✓ returns airport code (276ms)
  #formatAirportStatus
    with a status containing no delay
      ✓ formats the status as expected
    with a status containing a delay
      ✓ formats the status as expected
```

Introducing Mocha and Chai Test libraries



Testing the FAADDataHelper

test/test_faa_data_helper.js

```
var chai = require('chai');
var FAADDataHelper = require('../faa_data_helper');
describe('FaaDataHelper', function() {
  var subject = new FAADDataHelper();
  var airport_code;
  describe('#getAirportStatus', function() {
    context('with an invalid airport code', function() {
      it('returns invalid airport code', function() {
        airport_code = 'PUNKYBREWSTER';
        return expect(subject.requestAirportStatus(airport_code))
          .to.be.rejectedWith(Error);
      });
    });
  });
});
```

Running the Test

```
→ faa-info x mocha
  FaaDataHelper
    #getAirportStatus
      with an invalid airport code
        ✓ returns invalid airport code (314ms)
```

Testing the FAADDataHelper

```
var chaiAsPromised = require('chai-as-promised');
chai.use(chaiAsPromised);

describe('FaaDataHelper', function() {
  ...
  context('with a valid airport code', function() {
    it('returns airport code', function() {
      airport_code = 'SFO';
      var value = subject.requestAirportStatus(airport_code).then(function(obj) {
        return obj.IATA;
      });
      return expect(value).to.eventually.eq(airport_code);
    });
  });
});
```

Testing the FAADataHelper

Tests Example:

<https://github.com/bignerdranch/alexa-airportinfo>

Speech Synthesis Markup Language

```
"outputSpeech": {  
  "type": "SSML",  
  "ssml": "< speak> you say  
<phoneme alphabet='ipa' ph='tə'meɪtəʊ'>  
  tomato  
</phoneme>,  
  i say  
<phoneme alphabet='ipa' ph='tə'mɑtəʊ'>  
  tomato  
  </phoneme>!  
</speak>"  
}
```


Embedding Audio

```
"outputSpeech": {  
  "type": "SSML",  
  "ssml": "<say> you say  
<audio src='https://s3.amazonaws.com/bucket/OceanWaves.mp3'>  
</say>"  
}
```