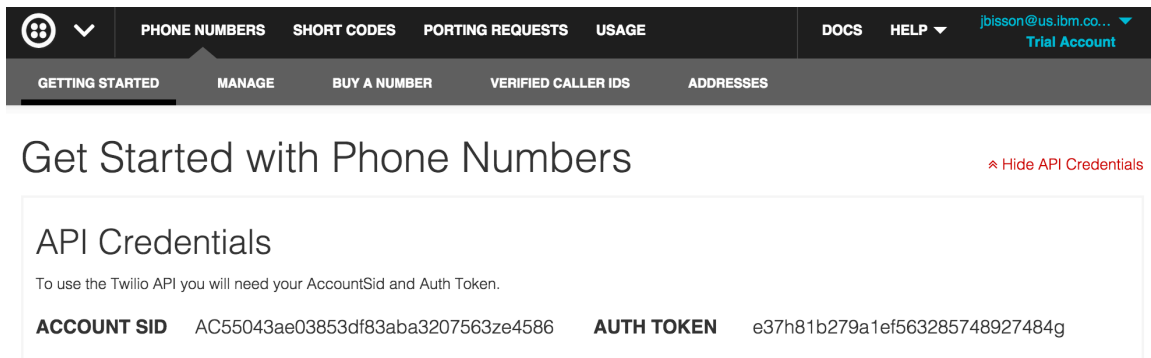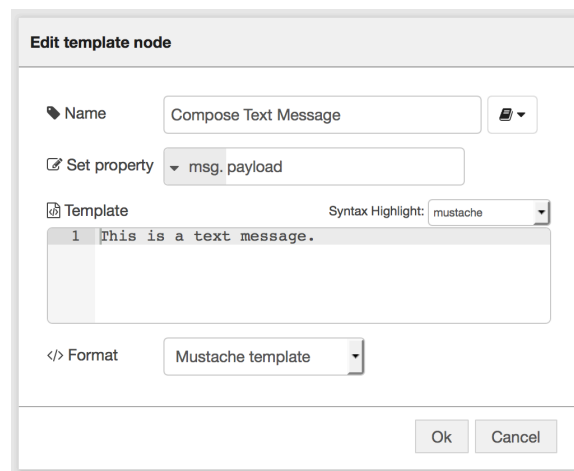# Send A Text Message with Twilio in Node-RED

Adding text messaging is easy with the Twilio node in Node-RED. This tutorial shows how to extend your Node-RED application to send text messages.
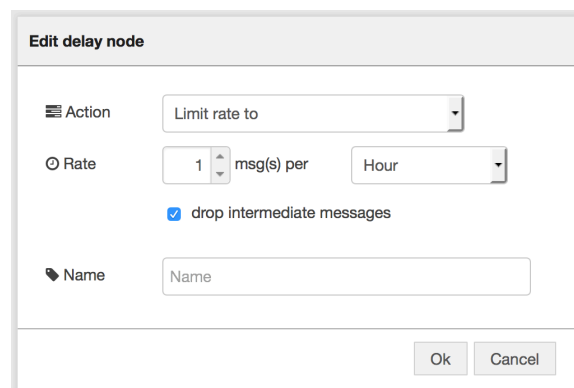
1. Sign up for a Twilio account at `http://twilio.com`. If you already have a Twilio account, sign in.

2. Go to the **Getting Started** tab, and click on **Show Credentials**. Copy these credentials for step #5.

3. Add a `template` with the message content to be sent:
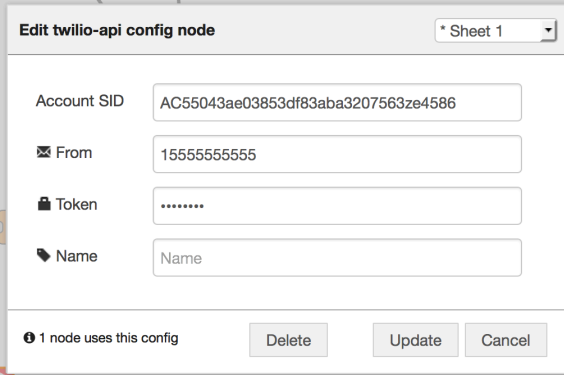

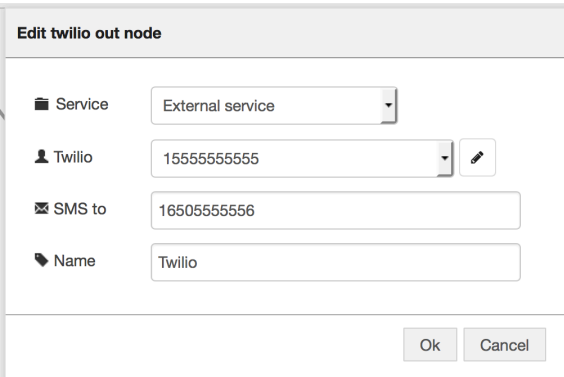4. Add a `delay` node with the following settings:

This will limit text messages to once per hour, dropping any intermediate messages.

5. Add a ▭twilio node. Double click on the node to edit the configuration. Click on the Pencil to provide your **Account SID** and **Auth Token**. Enter the Twilio phone number assigned into the **From** field.

Edit twilio-api config node   * Sheet 1

Account SID   AC55043ae03853df83aba3207563ze4586

✉ From   15555555555

🔒 Token   ••••••••

🏷 Name   Name

ℹ 1 node uses this config   Delete   Update   Cancel

6. Fill in the **SMS to** textbox with your phone number that will be texted to.

Edit twilio out node

💼 Service   External service

👤 Twilio   15555555555

✉ SMS to   16505555556

🏷 Name   Twilio

                                        Ok   Cancel

7. Connect the nodes together as follows. Connect the left grey nob of the template node to the end of an existing flow.

{ Compose Text Message — 🕐 limit 1 msg/h — twilio

8. Click on 🔀 Deploy ▾ to save and deploy the changes. You should receive a text message shortly.

This is a text message.