

Quick Reference Guide

# Ayla API Browser

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# 1. Introduction

The Ayla API Browser provides developers with an interactive environment to learn and test Ayla's APIs in real time. The API Browser contains a subset of core Ayla APIs selected based on feedback from our developer community.

## 1.1 About this Document

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This document provides basic information to review before using the Ayla API Browser.

## 1.2 Intended Audience

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This quick reference guide is for developers with an Ayla Developer account who plan to use the Ayla API Browser to learn and test Ayla APIs.

## 1.3 Related Documentation

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You may want to refer to the following documents available on [support.aylanetworks.com](https://support.aylanetworks.com):

- *Ayla Service API Specification, AY006USA3*
- *Ayla Developer Portal User's Guide, AY006UDP3*

## 2. What is the Ayla API Browser?

As stated, the Ayla API Browser is a live, interactive environment for developers to exercise Ayla APIs and broaden their knowledge of the Ayla platform. The browser is intended to complement the complete set of APIs detailed in the [Ayla Service API Specification](#).

In addition to the opportunity to learn and test APIs, the API Browser can serve as an option to isolate issues, like those that may arise naturally during an iterative development process.

This section provides information you should know before using the Ayla API Browser.

### 2.1 Accessing the API Browser

Developers with an Ayla Developer Account can access and use the Ayla API Browser. We also recommend that developers have a device with a template associated to get full use of the complete set of APIs, but this is not required.

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**NOTE** Refer to the [Ayla Developer Portal User's Guide](#) for information on setting up an Ayla Developer's account and template association.

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To access the API Browser, follow these steps:

1. Log in to the Ayla Developer's Portal on <https://developer.aylanetworks.com/>. Refer to the note above if you do not have an account.
2. Click the link or icon for the API Browser, as shown in Figure 1.



Figure 1: Accessing the API Browser

## 2.2 When Using the API Browser

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Since the API Browser is a live instance of our APIs, they should be exercised as they would from any other endpoint. The APIs in the browser require the same mandatory input(s) as when making a request from a mobile device or an external web portal. Each API request results in a live response that corresponds with the given inputs. As a live environment, all changes applied to either the user or device result in an immediate and irrevocable change.

During each API Browser session, an `auth_token` must be generated through the Sign-In API (`/users/sign_in`). This `auth_token` controls all API behavior within the API Browser, but does not affect the user's developer log-in credentials. A developer may therefore sign in with multiple test accounts and varying roles without having to log out of the Ayla Developer Center.

In the API Browser, developers can exercise APIs with the confidence of communicating directly with the Ayla system as if exercising the APIs from their own applications and devices. Each API request results in a Request URL, Response Body, Response Code, and Response Headers.

## 2.3 Current Limitations

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The API Browser does not contain all of Ayla's APIs. Additionally, there are some APIs that require users to have an Admin role to exercise as intended.

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**NOTE** If you have questions about your role, contact your [Ayla Support Representative](#).

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