

title: Creating Logs Alerts description: Step-by-step alert creation instructions for Logs

In a Logs App, *saved queries* are used to save search queries that you want to reuse.

For example, let's say you used *include/exclude filters* to search for *Elasticsearch slowlogs warnings*.

Elasticsearch slowlogs warnings search

Clicking on the bell icon creates a new *saved query*, where filters are transformed into **Query string**.

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You can save this query as is and use it in future searches.

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Clicking on the *alert view* icon opens the view where you can edit *saved queries*.

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The bell icon here means that *saved query* has *alert rule* attached to it.

Let's attach an *alert rule* to the *saved query* we've just created - click on **Edit**.

Enable Alerts

By turning on **Enable alert** toggle *saved query* is expanded into *alert rule*.

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Let's say we want to get notified if the number of *slowlog warnings* reaches 10 in any 10 minutes. Notice that *Chart Preview* shows the threshold line to help you visualize the threshold value in context.

The field next to threshold value allows you to easily multiply the threshold and thus has a default value of 1, which is neutral for multiplication.

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Although less applicable in the case of our *slowlog warnings*, **Ignore regularly occurring spikes and dips** tells the algorithm to ignore regular outliers that are not really anomalies, but are caused by regular spikes/dips.

If you wanted to avoid using a specific threshold value and instead get notified when the number of *slowlog warnings* deviates from a continuously computed baseline, you'd change **Alert type** to **Anomaly alert**.

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Notice that the chart changed to help you get a sense of what would constitute an anomalous value in your case (dots outside the gray *confidence interval*).

The *confidence interval* is an approximation of Sematext Cloud's anomaly detection algorithm, so don't expect each and every red dot on the chart to have triggered the alert.