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Library Element API

Identifier (id) vs unique identifier (uid)

The identifier (ID) of a library element is an auto-incrementing numeric value that is unique per Grafana install.

The unique identifier (UID) of a library element uniquely identifies library elements between multiple Grafana installs. It's automatically generated unless you specify it during library element creation. The UID provides consistent URLs for accessing library elements and when syncing library elements between multiple Grafana installs.

The maximum length of a UID is 40 characters.

Get all library elements

GET /api/library-elements

Returns a list of all library elements the authenticated user has permission to view. Use the perPage query parameter to control the maximum number of library elements returned; the default limit is 100. You can also use the page query parameter to fetch library elements from any page other than the first one.

Query parameters:

- searchString Part of the name or description searched for.
- kind Kind of element to search for. Use 1 for library panels or 2 for library variables.
- sortDirection Sort order of elements. Use alpha-asc for ascending and alpha-desc for descending sort order.
- typeFilter A comma separated list of types to filter the elements by.
- excludeUid Element UID to exclude from search results.
- folderFilter A comma separated list of folder ID(s) to filter the elements by.
- perPage The number of results per page; default is 100.
- **page** The page for a set of records, given that only **perPage** records are returned at a time. Numbering starts at 1.

Example Request:

GET /api/library-elements?perPage=10 HTTP/1.1
Accept: application/json

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Authorization: Bearer eyJrIjoiTOtTcG1pUlY2RnVKZTFVaDFsNFZXdE9ZWmNrMkZYbk
Example Response:
HTTP/1.1 200
Content-Type: application/json
{
  "result": {
     "totalCount": 15,
     "page": 1,
     "perPage": 10
     "elements": [
        {
            "id": 25,
            "orgId": 1,
            "folderId": 0,
            "uid": "V--OrYHnz",
            "name": "API docs Example",
            "kind": 1,
            "type": "text",
            "description": "",
            "model": {...},
            "version": 1,
            "meta": {
                "folderName": "General",
                "folderUid": "",
                "connectedDashboards": 1,
                "created": "2021-09-27T09:56:17+02:00",
                "updated": "2021-09-27T09:56:17+02:00",
                "createdBy": {
                    "id": 1,
                    "name": "admin",
                    "avatarUrl": "/avatar/46d229b033af06a191ff2267bca9ae56"
                },
                "updatedBy": {
                    "id": 1,
                    "name": "admin",
                    "avatarUrl": "/avatar/46d229b033af06a191ff2267bca9ae56"
                }
            }
        },
        {...}
        {...}
     ],
```

Content-Type: application/json

}

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}
Status Codes:
  • 200 – Found
  • 401 – Unauthorized
Get library element by uid
GET /api/library-elements/:uid
Returns a library element with the given UID.
Example Request:
GET /api/library-elements/V--OrYHnz HTTP/1.1
Accept: application/json
Content-Type: application/json
Authorization: Bearer eyJrIjoiTOtTcG1pUlY2RnVKZTFVaDFsNFZXdE9ZWmNrMkZYbk
Example Response:
HTTP/1.1 200
Content-Type: application/json
{
    "result": {
      "id": 25,
      "orgId": 1,
      "folderId": 0,
      "uid": "V--OrYHnz",
      "name": "API docs Example",
      "kind": 1,
      "type": "text",
      "description": "",
      "model": {...},
      "version": 1,
      "meta": {
          "folderName": "General",
          "folderUid": "",
          "connectedDashboards": 1,
          "created": "2021-09-27T09:56:17+02:00",
          "updated": "2021-09-27T09:56:17+02:00",
          "createdBy": {
              "id": 1,
              "name": "admin",
```

},

"updatedBy": {

"avatarUrl": "/avatar/46d229b033af06a191ff2267bca9ae56"

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"id": 1,
              "name": "admin",
              "avatarUrl": "/avatar/46d229b033af06a191ff2267bca9ae56"
          }
     }
   }
}
Status Codes:
  • 200 – Found
  • 401 – Unauthorized
  • 404 – Library element not found
Get library element by name
GET /api/library-elements/name/:name
Returns a library element with the given name
Example Request:
GET /api/library-elements/name/API docs Example HTTP/1.1
Accept: application/json
Content-Type: application/json
Authorization: Bearer eyJrIjoiTOtTcG1pUlY2RnVKZTFVaDFsNFZXdE9ZWmNrMkZYbk
Example Response:
HTTP/1.1 200
Content-Type: application/json
{
    "result": [
        {
            "id": 25,
            "orgId": 1,
            "folderId": 0,
            "uid": "V--OrYHnz",
            "name": "API docs Example",
            "kind": 1,
            "type": "text",
            "description": "",
            "model": {...},
            "version": 1,
            "meta": {
                "folderName": "General",
                "folderUid": "",
                "connectedDashboards": 1,
```

```
"created": "2021-09-27T09:56:17+02:00",
                "updated": "2021-09-27T09:56:17+02:00",
                "createdBy": {
                    "id": 1,
                    "name": "admin",
                    "avatarUrl": "/avatar/46d229b033af06a191ff2267bca9ae56"
                },
                "updatedBy": {
                    "id": 1,
                    "name": "admin",
                     "avatarUrl": "/avatar/46d229b033af06a191ff2267bca9ae56"
                }
            }
        }
    ]
}
Status Codes:
  • 200 – Found
```

- 401 Unauthorized
- 404 Library element not found

Get library element connections

GET /api/library-elements/:uid/connections

Returns a list of connections for a library element based on the UID specified.

```
"createdBy": {
        "id": 1,
        "name": "admin",
        "avatarUrl": "/avatar/46d229b033af06a191ff2267bca9ae56"
    }
}
```

Status Codes:

- 200 Found
- 401 Unauthorized
- 404 Library element not found

Create library element

POST /api/library-elements

Creates a new library element.

JSON Body schema:

- folderId Optional, the ID of the folder where the library element is stored.
- name Optional, the name of the library element.
- model The JSON model for the library element.
- \mathbf{kind} Kind of element to create, Use 1 for library panels or 2 for library variables.
- **uid** Optional, the unique identifier.

Content-Type: application/json

```
POST /api/library-elements HTTP/1.1
Accept: application/json
Content-Type: application/json
Authorization: Bearer eyJrIjoiTOtTcG1pUlY2RnVKZTFVaDFsNFZXdE9ZWmNrMkZYbk

{
    "uid": "nErXDvCkzz",
    "folderId": 0,
    "name": "Example library panel",
    "model": {...},
    "kind": 1
}

Example Response:
HTTP/1.1 200
```

```
{
    "result": {
        "id": 28,
        "orgId": 1,
        "folderId": 0,
        "uid": "nErXDvCkzz",
        "name": "Example library panel",
        "kind": 1,
        "type": "",
        "description": "",
        "model": {...},
        "version": 1,
        "meta": {
            "folderName": "General",
            "folderUid": "",
            "connectedDashboards": 0,
            "created": "2021-09-30T09:14:22.378307+02:00",
            "updated": "2021-09-30T09:14:22.378307+02:00",
             "createdBy": {
                "id": 1,
                 "name": "admin",
                 "avatarUrl": "/avatar/46d229b033af06a191ff2267bca9ae56"
            },
             "updatedBy": {
                "id": 1,
                 "name": "admin",
                 "avatarUrl": "/avatar/46d229b033af06a191ff2267bca9ae56"
            }
        }
    }
}
Status Codes:
  • 200 - Created
  • 400 - Errors (for example, name or UID already exists, invalid JSON,
     missing or invalid fields, and so on).
  • 401 - Unauthorized
  • 403 - Access denied
```

Update library element

PATCH /api/library-elements/:uid

Updates an existing library element identified by uid.

JSON Body schema:

- **folderId** ID of the folder where the library element is stored.
- name Name of the library element.
- model The JSON model for the library element.
- kind Kind of element to create. Use 1 for library panels or 2 for library variables.
- version Version of the library element you are updating.
- **uid** Optional, the unique identifier.

```
PATCH /api/library-elements/nErXDvCkzz HTTP/1.1
Accept: application/json
Content-Type: application/json
Authorization: Bearer eyJrIjoiTOtTcG1pUlY2RnVKZTFVaDFsNFZXdE9ZWmNrMkZYbk
{
  "name": "Renamed library panel",
  "kind": 1,
  "version": 1
}
Example Response:
HTTP/1.1 200
Content-Type: application/json
{
    "result": {
        "id": 28,
        "orgId": 1,
        "folderId": 0,
        "uid": "nErXDvCkzz",
        "name": "Renamed library panel",
        "kind": 1,
        "type": "",
        "description": "",
        "model": {
            "description": "",
            "type": ""
        },
        "version": 2,
        "meta": {
            "folderName": "General",
            "folderUid": "",
            "connectedDashboards": 0,
            "created": "2021-09-30T09:14:22+02:00",
            "updated": "2021-09-30T09:25:57.697214+02:00",
            "createdBy": {
```

Status Codes:

- 200 Updated
- 400 Errors (for example, name or UID already exists, invalid JSON, missing or invalid fields, and so on).
- 401 Unauthorized
- 403 Access denied
- 404 Library element not found
- 412 Version mismatch

Delete library element

```
DELETE /api/library-elements/:uid
```

Deletes an existing library element as specified by the UID. This operation cannot be reverted.

Note: You cannot delete a library element that is connected. This operation cannot be reverted.

```
DELETE /api/library-elements/nErXDvCkzz HTTP/1.1
Accept: application/json
Content-Type: application/json
Authorization: Bearer eyJrIjoiTOtTcG1pUlY2RnVKZTFVaDFsNFZXdE9ZWmNrMkZYbk
Example Response:
HTTP/1.1 200
Content-Type: application/json

{
    "message": "Library element deleted",
    "id": 28
}
```

Status Codes:

- **200** Deleted
- $\bullet \quad \mathbf{401} \mathbf{Unauthorized}$
- **400** Bad request
- \bullet 403 Access denied
- 404 Library element not found