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# **Snapshot API**

### **Create new snapshot**

POST /api/snapshots

### **Example Request:**

```
POST /api/snapshots HTTP/1.1
Accept: application/json
Content-Type: application/json
Authorization: Bearer eyJrIjoiTOtTcG1pUlY2RnVKZTFVaDFsNFZXdE9ZWmNrMkZYbk
  "dashboard": {
   "editable":false,
   "hideControls":true,
    "nav":[
      "enable":false,
    "type":"timepicker"
    ],
    "rows": [
     {
    "style":"dark",
    "tags":[],
    "templating":{
     "list":[
    },
    "time":{
    "timezone": "browser",
    "title": "Home",
    "version":5
   },
  "expires": 3600
}
```

### JSON Body schema:

- dashboard Required. The complete dashboard model.
- name Optional. snapshot name

- **expires** Optional. When the snapshot should expire in seconds. 3600 is 1 hour, 86400 is 1 day. Default is never to expire.
- external Optional. Save the snapshot on an external server rather than locally. Default is false.
- key Optional. Define the unique key. Required if external is true.
- **deleteKey** Optional. Unique key used to delete the snapshot. It is different from the **key** so that only the creator can delete the snapshot. Required if **external** is true.

**Note:** When creating a snapshot using the API, you have to provide the full dashboard payload including the snapshot data. This endpoint is designed for the Grafana UI.

### **Example Response:**

```
HTTP/1.1 200
Content-Type: application/json
{
    "deleteKey":"XXXXXXX",
    "deleteUrl":"myurl/api/snapshots-delete/XXXXXXXX",
    "key":"YYYYYYY",
    "url":"myurl/dashboard/snapshot/YYYYYYY",
    "id": 1
}
```

### Keys:

- **deleteKey** Key generated to delete the snapshot
- key Key generated to share the dashboard

### **Get list of Snapshots**

GET /api/dashboard/snapshots

### Query parameters:

- query Search Query
- limit Limit the number of returned results

### **Example Request:**

```
GET /api/dashboard/snapshots HTTP/1.1
Accept: application/json
Authorization: Bearer eyJrIjoiT0tTcG1pUlY2RnVKZTFVaDFsNFZXdE9ZWmNrMkZYbk
```

### **Example Response:**

```
"orgId":1,
    "userId":1,
    "external":false,
    "externalUrl":"",
    "expires":"2200-13-32T25:23:23+02:00",
    "created":"2200-13-32T28:24:23+02:00",
    "updated":"2200-13-32T28:24:23+02:00"
}
```

# **Get Snapshot by Key**

GET /api/snapshots/:key

### **Example Request:**

```
GET /api/snapshots/YYYYYYY HTTP/1.1
Accept: application/json
Authorization: Bearer eyJrIjoiT0tTcG1pUlY2RnVKZTFVaDFsNFZXdE9ZWmNrMkZYbk
```

### **Example Response:**

```
HTTP/1.1 200
Content-Type: application/json
  "meta":{
   "isSnapshot":true,
   "type": "snapshot",
   "canSave": false,
   "canEdit":false,
   "canStar":false,
   "slug":"",
   "expires":"2200-13-32T25:23:23+02:00",
   "created":"2200-13-32T28:24:23+02:00"
  },
  "dashboard": {
   "editable": false,
   "hideControls":true,
   "nav": [
        "enable":false,
       "type":"timepicker"
     }
    "rows": [
     {
   ],
```

```
"style":"dark",
  "tags":[],
  "templating":{
      "list":[
      ]
    },
    "time":{
    },
    "timezone":"browser",
    "title":"Home",
    "version":5
}
```

## **Delete Snapshot by Key**

DELETE /api/snapshots/:key

#### **Example Request:**

```
DELETE /api/snapshots/YYYYYYY HTTP/1.1

Accept: application/json

Authorization: Bearer eyJrIjoiT0tTcG1pUlY2RnVKZTFVaDFsNFZXdE9ZWmNrMkZYbk
```

### **Example Response:**

```
HTTP/1.1 200
Content-Type: application/json

{"message":"Snapshot deleted. It might take an hour before it's cleared from any CDN caches.", "id": 1}
```

# **Delete Snapshot by deleteKey**

This API call can be used without authentication by using the secret delete key for the snapshot.

```
GET /api/snapshots-delete/:deleteKey
```

### **Example Request:**

```
GET /api/snapshots-delete/XXXXXXX HTTP/1.1
Accept: application/json
```

### **Example Response**:

```
HTTP/1.1 200
Content-Type: application/json

{"message":"Snapshot deleted. It might take an hour before it's cleared from any CDN caches.", "id": 1}
```