

Class: WebRequest

Intercept and modify the contents of a request at various stages of its lifetime.

Process: [Main](#)

This class is not exported from the `'electron'` module. It is only available as a return value of other methods in the Electron API.

Instances of the `WebRequest` class are accessed by using the `webRequest` property of a `Session`.

The methods of `WebRequest` accept an optional `filter` and a `listener`. The `listener` will be called with `listener(details)` when the API's event has happened. The `details` object describes the request.

⚠ Only the last attached `listener` will be used. Passing `null` as `listener` will unsubscribe from the event.

The `filter` object has a `urls` property which is an Array of URL patterns that will be used to filter out the requests that do not match the URL patterns. If the `filter` is omitted then all requests will be matched.

For certain events the `listener` is passed with a `callback`, which should be called with a `response` object when `listener` has done its work.

An example of adding `User-Agent` header for requests:

```
const { session } = require('electron')

// Modify the user agent for all requests to the following urls.
const filter = {
  urls: ['https://*.github.com/*', '*/://electron.github.io']
}

session.defaultSession.webRequest.onBeforeSendHeaders(filter, (details, callback) => {
  details.requestHeaders['User-Agent'] = 'MyAgent'
  callback({ requestHeaders: details.requestHeaders })
})
```

Instance Methods

The following methods are available on instances of `WebRequest`:

`webRequest.onBeforeRequest([filter,]listener)`

- `filter` [WebRequestFilter](#) (optional)
- `listener` Function | null
 - `details` Object
 - `id` Integer
 - `url` string
 - `method` string
 - `webContentsId` Integer (optional)
 - `webContents` `WebContents` (optional)
 - `frame` `WebFrameMain` (optional)

- `resourceType` `string` - Can be `mainFrame`, `subFrame`, `stylesheet`, `script`, `image`, `font`, `object`, `xhr`, `ping`, `cspReport`, `media`, `webSocket` or `other`.
- `referrer` `string`
- `timestamp` `Double`
- `uploadData` [UploadData\[\]](#)
- `callback` `Function`
 - `response` `Object`
 - `cancel` `boolean` (optional)
 - `redirectURL` `string` (optional) - The original request is prevented from being sent or completed and is instead redirected to the given URL.

The `listener` will be called with `listener(details, callback)` when a request is about to occur.

The `uploadData` is an array of `UploadData` objects.

The `callback` has to be called with an `response` object.

Some examples of valid `urls` :

```
'http://foo:1234/'
'http://foo.com/'
'http://foo:1234/bar'
'*://*/*'
'*://example.com/*'
'*://example.com/foo/*'
'http://*.foo:1234/'
'file://foo:1234/bar'
'http://foo:*/'
'*://www.foo.com/'
```

`webRequest.onBeforeSendHeaders([filter,]listener)`

- `filter` [WebRequestFilter](#) (optional)
- `listener` `Function` | `null`
 - `details` `Object`
 - `id` `Integer`
 - `url` `string`
 - `method` `string`
 - `webContentsId` `Integer` (optional)
 - `webContents` `WebContents` (optional)
 - `frame` `WebFrameMain` (optional)
 - `resourceType` `string` - Can be `mainFrame`, `subFrame`, `stylesheet`, `script`, `image`, `font`, `object`, `xhr`, `ping`, `cspReport`, `media`, `webSocket` or `other`.
 - `referrer` `string`
 - `timestamp` `Double`
 - `uploadData` [UploadData\[\]](#) (optional)

- `requestHeaders` `Record<string, string>`
- `callback` `Function`
 - `beforeSendResponse` `Object`
 - `cancel` `boolean` (optional)
 - `requestHeaders` `Record<string, string | string[]>` (optional) - When provided, request will be made with these headers.

The `listener` will be called with `listener(details, callback)` before sending an HTTP request, once the request headers are available. This may occur after a TCP connection is made to the server, but before any http data is sent.

The `callback` has to be called with a `response` object.

`webRequest.onSendHeaders([filter,]listener)`

- `filter` [WebRequestFilter](#) (optional)
- `listener` `Function` | `null`
 - `details` `Object`
 - `id` `Integer`
 - `url` `string`
 - `method` `string`
 - `webContentsId` `Integer` (optional)
 - `webContents` `WebContents` (optional)
 - `frame` `WebFrameMain` (optional)
 - `resourceType` `string` - Can be `mainFrame`, `subFrame`, `stylesheet`, `script`, `image`, `font`, `object`, `xhr`, `ping`, `cspReport`, `media`, `websocket` or `other`.
 - `referrer` `string`
 - `timestamp` `Double`
 - `requestHeaders` `Record<string, string>`

The `listener` will be called with `listener(details)` just before a request is going to be sent to the server, modifications of previous `onBeforeSendHeaders` response are visible by the time this listener is fired.

`webRequest.onHeadersReceived([filter,]listener)`

- `filter` [WebRequestFilter](#) (optional)
- `listener` `Function` | `null`
 - `details` `Object`
 - `id` `Integer`
 - `url` `string`
 - `method` `string`
 - `webContentsId` `Integer` (optional)
 - `webContents` `WebContents` (optional)
 - `frame` `WebFrameMain` (optional)
 - `resourceType` `string` - Can be `mainFrame`, `subFrame`, `stylesheet`, `script`, `image`, `font`, `object`, `xhr`, `ping`, `cspReport`, `media`, `websocket` or `other`.

- `referrer` `string`
- `timestamp` `Double`
- `statusLine` `string`
- `statusCode` `Integer`
- `responseHeaders` `Record<string, string[]>` (optional)
- `callback` `Function`
 - `headersReceivedResponse` `Object`
 - `cancel` `boolean` (optional)
 - `responseHeaders` `Record<string, string | string[]>` (optional) - When provided, the server is assumed to have responded with these headers.
 - `statusLine` `string` (optional) - Should be provided when overriding `responseHeaders` to change header status otherwise original response header's status will be used.

The `listener` will be called with `listener(details, callback)` when HTTP response headers of a request have been received.

The `callback` has to be called with a `response` object.

`webRequest.onResponseStarted([filter,]listener)`

- `filter` [WebRequestFilter](#) (optional)
- `listener` `Function` | `null`
 - `details` `Object`
 - `id` `Integer`
 - `url` `string`
 - `method` `string`
 - `webContentsId` `Integer` (optional)
 - `webContents` `WebContents` (optional)
 - `frame` `WebFrameMain` (optional)
 - `resourceType` `string` - Can be `mainFrame`, `subFrame`, `stylesheet`, `script`, `image`, `font`, `object`, `xhr`, `ping`, `cspReport`, `media`, `websocket` or `other`.
 - `referrer` `string`
 - `timestamp` `Double`
 - `responseHeaders` `Record<string, string[]>` (optional)
 - `fromCache` `boolean` - Indicates whether the response was fetched from disk cache.
 - `statusCode` `Integer`
 - `statusLine` `string`

The `listener` will be called with `listener(details)` when first byte of the response body is received. For HTTP requests, this means that the status line and response headers are available.

`webRequest.onBeforeRedirect([filter,]listener)`

- `filter` [WebRequestFilter](#) (optional)
- `listener` `Function` | `null`
 - `details` `Object`

- `id` `Integer`
- `url` `string`
- `method` `string`
- `webContentsId` `Integer` (optional)
- `webContents` `WebContents` (optional)
- `frame` `WebFrameMain` (optional)
- `resourceType` `string` - Can be `mainFrame`, `subFrame`, `stylesheet`, `script`, `image`, `font`, `object`, `xhr`, `ping`, `cspReport`, `media`, `websocket` or `other`.
- `referrer` `string`
- `timestamp` `Double`
- `redirectURL` `string`
- `statusCode` `Integer`
- `statusLine` `string`
- `ip` `string` (optional) - The server IP address that the request was actually sent to.
- `fromCache` `boolean`
- `responseHeaders` `Record<string, string[]>` (optional)

The `listener` will be called with `listener(details)` when a server initiated redirect is about to occur.

`webRequest.onCompleted([filter,]listener)`

- `filter` [WebRequestFilter](#) (optional)
- `listener` `Function` | `null`
 - `details` `Object`
 - `id` `Integer`
 - `url` `string`
 - `method` `string`
 - `webContentsId` `Integer` (optional)
 - `webContents` `WebContents` (optional)
 - `frame` `WebFrameMain` (optional)
 - `resourceType` `string` - Can be `mainFrame`, `subFrame`, `stylesheet`, `script`, `image`, `font`, `object`, `xhr`, `ping`, `cspReport`, `media`, `websocket` or `other`.
 - `referrer` `string`
 - `timestamp` `Double`
 - `responseHeaders` `Record<string, string[]>` (optional)
 - `fromCache` `boolean`
 - `statusCode` `Integer`
 - `statusLine` `string`
 - `error` `string`

The `listener` will be called with `listener(details)` when a request is completed.

`webRequest.onErrorOccurred([filter,]listener)`

- `filter` [WebRequestFilter](#) (optional)
- `listener` `Function` | `null`

- `details` `Object`
 - `id` `Integer`
 - `url` `string`
 - `method` `string`
 - `webContentsId` `Integer` (optional)
 - `webContents` `WebContents` (optional)
 - `frame` `WebFrameMain` (optional)
 - `resourceType` `string` - Can be `mainFrame`, `subFrame`, `stylesheet`, `script`, `image`, `font`, `object`, `xhr`, `ping`, `cspReport`, `media`, `websocket` or `other`.
 - `referrer` `string`
 - `timestamp` `Double`
 - `fromCache` `boolean`
 - `error` `string` - The error description.

The `listener` will be called with `listener(details)` when an error occurs.