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## Home Assistant Driver

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The Home Assistant driver enables VOLTTRON to read any data point from any Home Assistant controlled device.

Control (write access) is now supported for:

- Lights (state, brightness)
- Thermostats (state, temperature)
- **\*\*Smart Locks (NEW)\*\***
- **\*\*Fans (state, percentage) (NEW)\*\***
- **\*\*Motorized Curtains / Covers (state, position) (NEW)\*\***

The following diagram shows interaction between platform driver agent and Home Assistant driver.

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sequenceDiagram

HomeAssistant Driver->>HomeAssistant: Retrieve Entity Data (REST API)

HomeAssistant-->>HomeAssistant Driver: Entity Data (Status Code: 200)

HomeAssistant Driver->>PlatformDriverAgent: Publish Entity Data

PlatformDriverAgent->>Controller Agent: Publish Entity Data

Controller Agent->>HomeAssistant Driver: Instruct to Turn Off Light

HomeAssistant Driver->>HomeAssistant: Send Turn Off Light Command (REST API)

HomeAssistant-->>HomeAssistant Driver: Command Acknowledgement (Status Code: 200)

## Pre-requisites

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Before proceeding, find your Home Assistant IP address and long-lived access token from [here](https://developers.home-assistant.io/docs/auth_api/#long-lived-access-token) `<https://developers.home-assistant.io/docs/auth_api/#long-lived-access-token>` `\_  
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Clone the repository, start volttron, install the listener agent, and the platform driver agent.

- ``Listener` agent

`<https://volttron.readthedocs.io/en/main/introduction/platform-install.html#installing-and-running-agents>` `\_  
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- ``Platform` driver agent

`<https://volttron.readthedocs.io/en/main/agent-framework/core-service-agents/platform-driver`

/platform-driver-agent.html#configuring-the-platform-driver>`\_

## Configuration

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Each Home Assistant device requires:

1. A **device configuration file**
2. A **registry file**

Ensure that the `registry_config` parameter in the device configuration links to the correct registry file stored in VOLTTRON's configuration store.

## Device configuration

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.. code-block:: json

```
{
  "driver_config": {
    "ip_address": "Your Home Assistant IP",
    "access_token": "Your Home Assistant Access Token",
    "port": "Your Port"
  },
  "driver_type": "home_assistant",
  "registry_config": "config://light.example.json",
  "interval": 30,
  "timezone": "UTC"
}
```

## Registry Configuration

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A registry file can contain one or more Home Assistant entities.

Each entry includes:

- **Entity ID** (e.g., `light.example`, `fan.living_room`, `cover.my_shade`)
- **Entity Point** - the state or attribute (e.g., `state`, `brightness`, `percentage`, `position`)
- **Volttron Point Name** - unique name inside VOLTTRON

- **Writable** - whether the point supports `set_point`
- **Type** - int, float, boolean, string...

Attributes can be viewed in Home Assistant under:

**Developer Tools → States**

### Example Light Registry

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.. code-block:: json

```
[
  {
    "Entity ID": "light.example",
    "Entity Point": "state",
    "Volttron Point Name": "light_state",
    "Units": "On / Off",
    "Units Details": "on/off",
    "Writable": true,
    "Starting Value": true,
    "Type": "boolean",
    "Notes": "lights hallway"
  },
  {
    "Entity ID": "light.example",
    "Entity Point": "brightness",
    "Volttron Point Name": "light_brightness",
    "Units": "int",
    "Units Details": "light level",
    "Writable": true,
    "Starting Value": 0,
    "Type": "int",
    "Notes": "brightness control, 0 - 255"
  }
]
```

### Example Thermostat Registry

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```
[
  {
    "Entity ID": "climate.my_thermostat",
    "Entity Point": "state",
    "Volttron Point Name": "thermostat_state",
    "Units": "Enumeration",
    "Units Details": "0: Off, 2: Heat, 3: Cool, 4: Auto",
    "Writable": true,
    "Starting Value": 1,
    "Type": "int"
  },
  {
    "Entity ID": "climate.my_thermostat",
    "Entity Point": "current_temperature",
    "Volttron Point Name": "volttron_current_temperature",
    "Units": "F",
    "Writable": true,
    "Type": "float"
  },
  {
    "Entity ID": "climate.my_thermostat",
    "Entity Point": "temperature",
    "Volttron Point Name": "set_temperature",
    "Units": "F",
    "Writable": true,
    "Type": "float"
  }
]
```

#### Example Smart Lock Registry (NEW)

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```
[
  {
    "Entity ID": "lock.front_door",
    "Entity Point": "state",
    "Volttron Point Name": "front_door_lock_state",
    "Units": "0 = unlocked, 1 = locked",
    "Writable": true,
    "Type": "int",
    "Notes": "Front door smart lock"
```

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}  
]
```

### Example Fan Registry (NEW)

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Fans in Home Assistant use ``fan.\*`` entity IDs.

Supported:

- ``state`` → on/off
- ``percentage`` → 0 – 100 speed

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```
[  
  {  
    "Entity ID": "fan.living_room",  
    "Entity Point": "state",  
    "Volttron Point Name": "living_room_fan_state",  
    "Units": "On/Off",  
    "Writable": true,  
    "Type": "int"  
  },  
  {  
    "Entity ID": "fan.living_room",  
    "Entity Point": "percentage",  
    "Volttron Point Name": "living_room_fan_percentage",  
    "Units": "%",  
    "Writable": true,  
    "Type": "int"  
  }  
]
```

### Example Motorized Curtain / Cover Registry (NEW)

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Covers in Home Assistant include:

- Electric curtains
- Window blinds
- Roller shades

- Garage doors

Supported:

- ``state`` → open/closed (mapped to 1/0)
- ``position`` → 0 – 100%

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```
[
  {
    "Entity ID": "cover.living_room_curtain",
    "Entity Point": "state",
    "Volttron Point Name": "curtain_state",
    "Units": "Open/Closed",
    "Writable": true,
    "Type": "int"
  },
  {
    "Entity ID": "cover.living_room_curtain",
    "Entity Point": "position",
    "Volttron Point Name": "curtain_position",
    "Units": "%",
    "Writable": true,
    "Type": "int"
  }
]
```

Transfer registry and configuration files into the VOLTTRON config store:

.. code-block:: bash

```
vctl config store platform.driver light.example.json HomeAssistant_Driver/light.example.json
vctl config store platform.driver devices/BUILDING/ROOM/light.example
HomeAssistant_Driver/light.example.config
```

Running Tests

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To run tests for the Home Assistant driver:

1. Create a toggle helper named ``volttrontest`` in Home Assistant:

**\*\*Settings → Devices & Services → Helpers → Create Helper → Toggle\*\***

2. Run pytest from the VOLTTRON root:

.. code-block:: bash

```
pytest volttron/services/core/PlatformDriverAgent/tests/test_home_assistant.py
```

If everything works, you will see all tests passed, including:

- Light tests
- Thermostat tests
- **\*\*Lock tests\*\***
- **\*\*Fan tests\*\***
- **\*\*Cover tests\*\***