

Getting Reddit Credentials for Use in the Reddit Scraping Tool

In order to use the Reddit Scraping Tool 4 pieces of information are required, collectively called the Reddit Credentials. These are:

1. Username
2. Password
3. Client ID
4. Secret Key

This information is gathered in two steps. First signing up for a reddit account, and second registering an App. The following document details how to complete both these components.

Before signing up and using the Reddit Scraper be sure to read the Data API terms of service:

<https://www.redditinc.com/policies/data-api-terms>

Signing up for a Reddit Account

First you must sign up for a Reddit account. Follow the instructions at the following link:

<https://www.reddit.com/account/register/>

First enter a valid email address, then select a username and password. (These are part of the credentials you will need to use the Reddit Scraper.)

After signing up and before registering for an API key you must verify your e-mail address. Shortly after sign-up a verification e-mail will be sent. Follow these verification steps.

The image shows a two-step sign-up process for a Reddit account. The first step, 'Sign up', includes a checkbox for email notifications, social login options for Google and Apple, an email input field with the example '1234appleabanaanana1234@gmail.cor', and a 'CONTINUE' button. The second step, 'Choose your username', includes a username input field with '1234appleabanaanana1234', a password input field, and a reCAPTCHA 'I'm not a robot' verification. A 'LOG IN' link is provided at the bottom for existing users.

Sign up

By continuing, you are setting up a Reddit account and agree to our [User Agreement](#) and [Privacy Policy](#).

☐ I agree to get emails about cool stuff on Reddit

Continue with Google

Continue with Apple

OR

EMAIL
1234appleabanaanana1234@gmail.cor ✓

CONTINUE

Already a redditor? [LOG IN](#)

Choose your username

Your username is how other community members will see you.

CHOOSE A USERNAME
1234appleabanaanana1234 ✓

PASSWORD
..... ✓

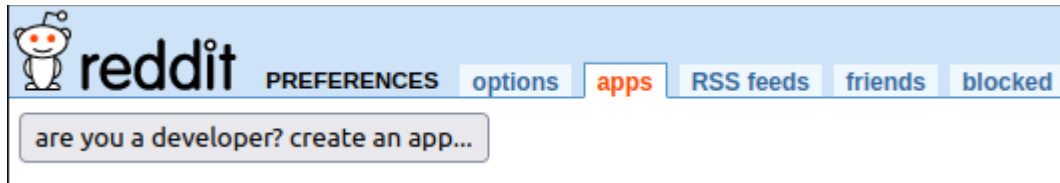
✓ I'm not a robot reCAPTCHA
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Registering an App

Second, click the following link to register an App and get access to the API:

<https://www.reddit.com/prefs/apps>

Start by clicking the “are you a developer? Create an app...” button in the top left of the screen.



This will bring you to the application creation screen. There you will need to fill in the “name” and “redirect uri” fields, as well as selecting the “script” radio button. The “name” field can be anything, however the “redirect uri” must be . Then complete the CAPTCHA, and click the “create app” button.

A screenshot of the 'create application' form on the Reddit website. The form is titled 'create application' and includes a disclaimer: 'By creating an app, you agree to Reddit's Developer Terms and Data Api Terms. You must also register to use the API.' The form contains several fields and options: a 'name' field with the value 'SampleAppName' (indicated by a red arrow); three radio buttons for 'web app', 'installed app', and 'script' (the 'script' option is selected, indicated by a red arrow); a 'description' text area; an 'about url' field; a 'redirect uri' field with the value 'http://localhost:8080' (indicated by a red arrow); a reCAPTCHA section with a green checkmark and the text 'I'm not a robot'; and a 'create app' button at the bottom (indicated by a red arrow). The top of the page shows the Reddit navigation bar with links like 'GET NEW REDDIT', 'MY SUBREDDITS', 'HOME', 'POPULAR', 'ALL', 'RANDOM', 'USERS', 'ANNOUNCEMENTS', 'VANCOUVER/CANADA', and 'ASKREDDIT'.

This will complete the application creation process and the “Client ID” and “Secret Key” will be displayed as shown in the image below. The “Client ID” is a string of 22 character located in the first redacted box, and the “Secret Key” is a string of 30 characters in the second.

developed applications

**SampleAppName**
personal use script

change icon

secret 

name

description

about url

redirect uri

update app delete app

developers 1234applebanana1234 (that's you!) remove

add developer:

create application

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name

☐ web app A web based application

☐ installed app An app intended for installation, such as on a mobile phone


☒ script Script for personal use. Will only have access to the developers accounts

description

about url

redirect uri

☒ I'm not a robot


reCAPTCHA
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