

# Getting started with Microsoft Graph Presence API and Adaptive Card Extensions


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# Introduction to Microsoft Graph Presence API

Microsoft Graph Presence API (beta for this demo) contains information about a user's presence, including their **availability** **and activity** with capabilities like:

- ✓ Get user's presence information
- ✓ Set user's presence information
- ✓ Clear user's presence information
- ✓ Set user's status message
- ✓ Track user's presence changes information
- ✓ And more...

# Available API methods

Method	Description
Get presence	Get a user's presence information.
Get presence of multiple users	Get the presence information for multiple users.
Set presence	Set the availability and activity status in a presence <b>session of an application</b> for a user.
Clear presence	Clear a presence <b>session of an application</b> for a user.
Set user preferred presence	Set the preferred availability and activity status for a user.
Clear user preferred presence	Clear the preferred availability and activity status for a user.
Set user status message	Set a presence status message for a user.

# Presence sessions

In the previous table, some methods from the API mention the notion of **presence session** in order to be used properly.

Multiple presence sessions can be active **simultaneously** for the following reasons:

- Usage of multiple Teams clients (web, desktop and mobile)
- Applications like ACE, Web Parts or any LOB that interacts with the API

Each session may **timeout and expire**, so the application needs to call the API before the expiration in order to keep the session alive.

# Presence sessions with SPFx

When developing an ACE or a Web Part with SPFx (v1.16.1), we use the **MSGraphClientV3** that simplifies connecting to Microsoft Graph API.

Behind the scene, the MSGraphClientV3 implements Azure AD OAuth flow through the **SharePoint Online Client Extensibility service principal** to obtain a valid access token like with the AadHttpClient.

In the context of Microsoft Graph Presence API, the **sessionId** parameter required to call some API methods is nothing other than the service principal ID aka **Application (client) ID** in Azure AD.

# Example: setPresence method

Request:

*POST /users/{**userId**}/presence/setPresence*

Body:

```
{  
  "sessionId": "{servicePrincipalId}",  
  "availability": "Busy", (availability and activity parameters have fixed list of combinations)  
  "activity": "InACall",  
  "expirationDuration": "PT2H30M" (ISO 8601 format, default is 5 minutes – PT5M)  
}
```

# Graph Explorer

The screenshot displays the Microsoft Graph Explorer web application. The interface is divided into several sections:

- Header:** Includes the "Graph Explorer" title, a tenant identifier "Tenant yhabersaat", and user profile information.
- Left Sidebar:** Contains navigation links for "Sample queries", "Resources", and "History". A search bar with the text "presence" is present. Below it, a link points to "Microsoft Graph API Reference docs". A section titled "Users (2)" lists two sample queries: "get my presence" and "get a user's presence", each with a "GET" button.
- Request Section:** Shows the HTTP method "GET", the environment "beta", and the URL "https://graph.microsoft.com/beta/me/presence". It includes tabs for "Request body", "Request headers", "Modify permissions", and "Access token".
- Response Section:** Displays a status bar indicating "OK - 200 - 218ms". Below it, the "Response preview" tab is active, showing a JSON object representing the user's presence data. Other tabs include "Response headers", "Code snippets", "Toolkit component", and "Adaptive cards". An "Expand" button is located at the bottom right of the response area.

The JSON response is as follows:

```
{
  "@odata.context": "https://graph.microsoft.com/beta/$metadata#users('92a498a3-44d1-4fc5-b249-3860c30c4d45')/presence/$entity",
  "id": "92a498a3-44d1-4fc5-b249-3860c30c4d45",
  "availability": "Offline",
  "activity": "Offline",
  "statusMessage": null,
  "outOfOfficeSettings": {
    "message": null,
    "isOutOfOffice": false
  }
}
```





**Demo time!**