

Docker and AWS ECS Deployment Guide

Prerequisites

- Docker installed on your local machine
- AWS CLI configured with appropriate permissions
- AWS account with ECS permissions

Part 1: Docker Setup and Local Testing

Step 1: Create Project Structure

```
Shell
mkdir my-web-app
cd my-web-app
```

Step 2: Create the index.html file

Save the HTML content provided in the artifact as `index.html`

Step 3: Create the Dockerfile

Save the Dockerfile content provided in the artifact as `Dockerfile`

Step 4: Build the Docker Image

```
Shell
docker build -t my-web-app .
```

Step 5: Run the Container Locally

```
Shell
docker run -d -p 8080:80 --name my-web-app-container my-web-app
```

Step 6: Test Locally

Open your browser and navigate to <http://localhost:8080>

Take a screenshot of your application running on localhost:8080

Step 7: Stop the Container (when done testing)

Shell

```
docker stop my-web-app-container
docker rm my-web-app-container
```

Part 2: AWS ECS Deployment (Using AWS Console)

Step 1: Create ECR Repository

1. Go to AWS Console → **Elastic Container Registry (ECR)**
2. Click **"Create repository"**
3. Set repository name: `my-web-app`
4. Leave other settings as default
5. Click **"Create repository"**
6. Click on your repository name and then **"View push commands"**
7. Follow the commands to push your Docker image:

Shell

```
# Get login token (from push commands)
aws ecr get-login-password --region us-east-1 | docker login
--username AWS --password-stdin
YOUR_ACCOUNT_ID.dkr.ecr.us-east-1.amazonaws.com

# Tag the image
docker tag my-web-app:latest
YOUR_ACCOUNT_ID.dkr.ecr.us-east-1.amazonaws.com/my-web-app:latest

# Push the image
docker push
YOUR_ACCOUNT_ID.dkr.ecr.us-east-1.amazonaws.com/my-web-app:latest
```

Step 2: Create Security Group

1. Go to **EC2 Console** → **Security Groups**
2. Click **"Create security group"**
3. Name: `my-web-app-sg`
4. Description: `Security group for my web app`
5. VPC: Select default VPC
6. **Inbound Rules:** Click **"Add rule"**
 - Type: `HTTP`
 - Protocol: `TCP`
 - Port: `80`
 - Source: `Anywhere-IPv4` (0.0.0.0/0)
7. Click **"Create security group"**

Step 3: Create ECS Cluster

1. Go to **ECS Console**
2. Click **"Clusters"** → **"Create Cluster"**
3. Cluster name: `my-web-app-cluster`
4. Infrastructure: Select **"AWS Fargate (serverless)"**
5. Leave other settings as default
6. Click **"Create"**

Step 4: Create Task Definition

1. In ECS Console, click **"Task definitions"** → **"Create new Task Definition"**
2. Task definition family: `my-web-app-task`
3. Launch type: **"AWS Fargate"**
4. Operating system: **"Linux/X86_64"**
5. CPU: `0.25 vCPU`
6. Memory: `0.5 GB`
7. Task execution role: Select `ecsTaskExecutionRole` (if it doesn't exist, it will be created automatically)

Step 5: Add Container Definition

1. In the same task definition creation page, scroll to **"Container definitions"**
2. Click **"Add container"**
3. Container details:
 - **Name:** `web-app-container`
 - **Image URI:** Your ECR image URI (e.g., `YOUR_ACCOUNT_ID.dkr.ecr.us-east-1.amazonaws.com/my-web-app:latest`)
 - **Port mappings:**

- Container port: 80
 - Protocol: TCP
 - Port name: web-80-tcp
 - App protocol: HTTP
4. **Logging** (optional but recommended):
 - Log driver: awslogs
 - awslogs-group: /ecs/my-web-app (will be created automatically)
 - awslogs-region: us-east-1
 - awslogs-stream-prefix: ecs
 5. Click **"Create"**

Step 6: Create ECS Service

1. Go to your cluster (my-web-app-cluster)
2. In the **Services** tab, click **"Create"**
3. **Compute configuration:**
 - Launch type: **"Fargate"**
 - Platform version: LATEST
4. **Deployment configuration:**
 - Application type: **"Service"**
 - Task definition: Select my-web-app-task (latest revision)
 - Service name: my-web-app-service
 - Desired tasks: 1
5. **Networking:**
 - VPC: Select your default VPC
 - Subnets: Select at least 2 public subnets
 - Security group: Select the my-web-app-sg you created
 - **Public IP: "Enabled"** (Very important!)
6. Click **"Create"**

Step 7: Wait for Deployment

1. The service will take a few minutes to deploy
2. Go to the **Tasks** tab in your service
3. Wait until the task status shows **"RUNNING"**

Step 8: Get Public IP Address

1. Click on the running task
2. In the task details, find the **"Configuration"** section
3. Look for **"Public IP"** - this is your application's public IP address
4. Copy this IP address

Step 9: Access Your Application

1. Open your browser
2. Navigate to http://YOUR_PUBLIC_IP (the IP from step 8)
3. **Take a screenshot of your application running on the public IP address**

Alternative: Using Application Load Balancer (Optional)

If you want a permanent domain name instead of changing IP addresses:

1. **Create Application Load Balancer:**
 - Go to **EC2 Console** → **Load Balancers** → **Create Load Balancer**
 - Choose **"Application Load Balancer"**
 - Name: [my-web-app-alb](#)
 - Scheme: **"Internet-facing"**
 - IP address type: **"IPv4"**
 - VPC: Select your default VPC
 - Mappings: Select at least 2 public subnets
 - Security groups: Select the same security group you created
2. **Create Target Group:**
 - Target type: **"IP addresses"**
 - Target group name: [my-web-app-targets](#)
 - Protocol: [HTTP](#), Port: [80](#)
 - VPC: Select your default VPC
 - Health check path: [/](#)
3. **Update ECS Service:**
 - Edit your ECS service
 - In **Load balancing**, choose **"Application Load Balancer"**
 - Select your load balancer and target group
 - Update the service

Cleanup (Using Console)

1. **ECS Service:** Go to your cluster → Services → Select service → **"Update"** → Set desired tasks to 0 → **"Update"** → Then **"Delete"**
2. **ECS Cluster:** Delete cluster after service is removed
3. **Task Definition:** Deregister all revisions
4. **ECR Repository:** Delete repository and images
5. **Security Group:** Delete the security group

6. **Load Balancer** (if created): Delete ALB and target group

Important Notes

1. **Replace Placeholders:** Make sure to replace `YOUR_ACCOUNT_ID` with your actual AWS account ID in all commands and configuration files.
2. **Region:** This guide uses `us-east-1`. Change the region if you prefer a different one.
3. **Costs:** Running ECS Fargate tasks incurs costs. Make sure to clean up resources when done.
4. **Screenshots:** Take screenshots at the specified steps:
 - Local application running on localhost:8080
 - Application running on the public IP address from ECS
5. **Permissions:** Ensure your AWS CLI is configured with sufficient permissions for ECS, ECR, EC2, IAM, and CloudWatch operations.