

MediaWiki API help

This is an auto-generated MediaWiki API documentation page.

Documentation and examples: <https://www.mediawiki.org/wiki/API>

action=edit

([main](#) | **edit**)

- This module requires read rights.
- This module requires write rights.
- This module only accepts POST requests.
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Create and edit pages.

- <https://www.mediawiki.org/wiki/API/Edit>

Parameters:

title

Title of the page to edit. Cannot be used together with *pageid*.

pageid

Page ID of the page to edit. Cannot be used together with *title*.

Type: integer

section

Section number. 0 for the top section, new for a new section.

sectiontitle

The title for a new section.

text

Page content.

summary

Edit summary. Also section title when section=new and sectiontitle is not set.

tags

Change tags to apply to the revision.

Values (separate with |):

minor

Minor edit.

Type: boolean ([details](#))

notminor

Non-minor edit.

Type: boolean ([details](#))

bot

Mark this edit as bot.

Type: boolean ([details](#))

basetimestamp

Timestamp of the base revision, used to detect edit conflicts. May be obtained through [action=query&prop=revisions&rvprop=timestamp](#).

Type: timestamp ([allowed formats](#))

starttimestamp

Timestamp when the editing process began, used to detect edit conflicts. An appropriate value may be obtained

using [curtimestamp](#) when beginning the edit process (e.g. when loading the page content to edit).

Type: timestamp ([allowed formats](#))

recreate

Override any errors about the page having been deleted in the meantime.

Type: boolean ([details](#))

createonly

Don't edit the page if it exists already.

Type: boolean ([details](#))

nocreate

Throw an error if the page doesn't exist.

Type: boolean ([details](#))

watch

Deprecated.

Add the page to the current user's watchlist.

Type: boolean ([details](#))

unwatch

Deprecated.

Remove the page from the current user's watchlist.

Type: boolean ([details](#))

watchlist

Unconditionally add or remove the page from the current user's watchlist, use preferences or do not change watch.

One of the following values: watch, unwatch, preferences, nochange

Default: preferences

md5

The MD5 hash of the text parameter, or the prependtext and appendtext parameters concatenated. If set, the edit won't be done unless the hash is correct.

prependtext

Add this text to the beginning of the page. Overrides text.

appendtext

Add this text to the end of the page. Overrides text.

Use section=new to append a new section, rather than this parameter.

undo

Undo this revision. Overrides text, prependtext and appendtext.

Type: integer

undoafter

Undo all revisions from undo to this one. If not set, just undo one revision.

Type: integer

redirect

Automatically resolve redirects.

Type: boolean ([details](#))

contentformat

Content serialization format used for the input text.

One of the following values: text/x-wiki, text/javascript, application/json, text/css, text/plain

contentmodel

Content model of the new content.

One of the following values: wikitext, javascript, json, css, text

token

A "csrf" token retrieved from [action=query&meta=tokens](#)

The token should always be sent as the last parameter, or at least after the text parameter.

This parameter is required.

Examples:

Edit a page.

[api.php?action=edit&title=Test&summary=test%20summary&text=article%20content&basetimestamp=2007-08-24T12:34:54Z&token=123ABC](#) [\[open in sandbox\]](#)

Prepend `__NOTOC__` to a page.

[api.php?action=edit&title=Test&summary=NOTOC&minor=&prependtext=__NOTOC__%0A&basetimestamp=2007-08-24T12:34:54Z&token=123ABC](#) [\[open in sandbox\]](#)

Undo revisions 13579 through 13585 with autosummary.

[api.php?action=edit&title=Test&undo=13585&undoafter=13579&basetimestamp=2007-08-24T12:34:54Z&token=123ABC](#) [\[open in sandbox\]](#)

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