

MediaWiki API help

This is an auto-generated MediaWiki API documentation page.

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

action=delete

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

- This module requires read rights.
- This module requires write rights.
- This module only accepts POST requests.
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Delete a page.

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

Parameters:

title

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

pageid

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

Type: integer

reason

Reason for the deletion. If not set, an automatically generated reason will be used.

tags

Change tags to apply to the entry in the deletion log.

Values (separate with |):

watch

Deprecated.

Add the page to 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

unwatch

Deprecated.

Remove the page from the current user's watchlist.

Type: boolean ([details](#))

oldimage

The name of the old image to delete as provided by [action=query&prop=imageinfo&iiprop=archivename](#).

token

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

This parameter is required.

Examples:

Delete Main Page.

[api.php?action=delete&title=Main%20Page&token=123ABC](#) [\[open in sandbox\]](#)

Delete Main Page with the reason Preparing for move.

[api.php?action=delete&title=Main%20Page&token=123ABC&reason=Preparing%20for%20move](#) [\[open in sandbox\]](#)

