

# Authentication

You authenticate all requests to the Render API with an **API key**. You can create and manage API keys from your [Account Settings page](#) in the Render Dashboard:

## API Keys

Interact with Render programmatically. Refer to the [API reference](#) for more.

+ Create API Key

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Every API key provides access to both your personal account *and* any teams you belong to. Each resource object returned by the API includes an `owner_id` field that indicates which user or team owns that resource. For more details on resource ownership, see [Owners](#).

## ⚠ API keys are secret credentials!

Don't publicly post your API key, commit it to version control, or otherwise share it with anyone outside your organization.

If you believe an API key has been compromised, revoke it from the Render Dashboard and create a new one.

## Providing an API key

You include your API key in each request via the `Authorization` HTTP header:

```
Authorization: Bearer API_KEY_GOES_HERE
```

Consult your HTTP library's documentation for the recommended way to set this header.

To confirm that your API key works as expected, send your first API request with the following `curl` command (substitute your API key where indicated):

cURL

```
curl --request GET \  
  --url 'https://api.render.com/v1/services?limit=3' \  
  --header 'Accept: application/json' \  
  --header 'Authorization: Bearer API_KEY_GOES_HERE'
```

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