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Twilio's ConversationRelay extends voice interactions by integrating real-time speech recognition and synthesis into your applications. You can use this service to create flexible and responsive conversational experiences.

This guide walks you through the process of integrating your Twilio application with the ConversationRelay service.

Prerequisites Ø

Complete these prerequisite steps before starting the integration process:

Set up your Twilio account ∅

Ensure you have a Twilio account set up and log into the Twilio Console [4].

Configure WebSocket server ∅

Set up a WebSocket server to handle communication with ConversationRelay.

You can set up a WebSocket server using various frameworks and programming languages, such as Node.js with Fastify [2], Python with FastAPI . or others that support WebSocket protocols.

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Note: Ensure your WebSocket server is accessible via a wss:// URL.

WebSocket security with signature validation @

following the same verification mechanism used for standard Twilio webhooks.

To validate this signature:

- 1. Extract the [X-Twilio-Signature] header from the incoming WebSocket connection request.
- 2. Use your Twilio auth token and the request URL to validate this signature.
- 3. Only accept connections with valid signatures to prevent spoofed requests.

For detailed implementation guidance, refer to <u>Twilio's webhook</u> security documentation.

Integrate Twilio with ConversationRelay Ø

Once you've completed the prerequisites, follow these steps to integrate your Twilio application with ConversationRelay.

Configuration steps in the Twilio Console 🔗

1. Log in to your <u>Twilio Console</u> [2].

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- 2. Navigate to the **Voice** section, select **General** under **Settings**, and turn on the **Predictive and Generative AI/ML Features Addendum** in order to use ConversationRelay.
- 3. Navigate to the **Voice** section and select **TwiML Apps** under Manage.

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5. In the TwiML App settings, configure the Voice URL to point to your application's endpoint (for example,

https://yourserver.com/voice) where Twilio can

Configure ConversationRelay in your application 🛷

Warning

Ensure your WebSocket server is properly configured to handle incoming messages from ConversationRelay. If not, you may encounter connection errors.

After configuring your TwiML App, update your application to handle ConversationRelay interactions:

- Use the <ConversationRelay> TwiML noun to route calls to the ConversationRelay service.
- Specify the WebSocket URL and any <u>additional attributes</u> needed for your use case.

Example TwiML:

```
1 <?xml version="1.0" encoding="UTF-8"?>
2 <Response>
    <Connect action="https://myhttpserver.com/co
      <ConversationRelay url="wss://mywebsockets
    </Connect>
6 </Response>
```



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Develop your application with ConversationRelay \varnothing

Real-time speech recognition Ø

Use ConversationRelay's real-time speech recognition to process caller input and respond dynamically.

Text-to-speech synthesis ∅

Use ConversationRelay to convert text responses into naturalsounding speech, providing a seamless conversational experience.

For optimal speech quality, apply proper text normalization techniques (such as writing out numbers as words or spelling out abbreviations). See the ConversationRelay documentation for detailed text normalization best practices.

Custom parameters \varnothing

Pass <u>custom parameters</u> to ConversationRelay to tailor interactions based on specific use cases.

Next steps ∅

Learn more about building applications with ConversationRelay by exploring the following tutorials:

- Integrate OpenAI with Twilio Voice Using ConversationRelay

 [2]
- Building Voice Bots with Twilio's ConversationRelay [2]
- ConversationRelay Application and Architecture for Voice Al Applications Built on AWS [2]



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