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# Voice Wake

OpenClaw treats **wake words as a single global list** owned by the Gateway.

There are **no per-node custom wake words**.

**Any node/app UI may edit** the list; changes are persisted by the Gateway and broadcast to everyone.

Each device still keeps its own **Voice Wake enabled/disabled** toggle (local UX + permissions differ).

## Storage (Gateway host)

Wake words are stored on the gateway machine at:

```
~/.openclaw/settings/voicewake.json
```


Shape:

```
{ "triggers": ["openclaw", "claudio", "computer"], "updatedAtMs": 17306
```

## Protocol

### Methods

```
voicewake.get → { triggers: string[] }
```

 `voicewake.set` with params `{ triggers: string[] }` → `{ triggers: string[] }`

Notes: >

Triggers are normalized (trimmed, empties dropped). Empty lists fall back to defaults.

Limits are enforced for safety (count/length caps).

## Events

`voicewake.changed` payload `{ triggers: string[] }`

Who receives it:

All WebSocket clients (macOS app, WebChat, etc.)

All connected nodes (iOS/Android), and also on node connect as an initial “current state” push.

## Client behavior

### macOS app

Uses the global list to gate `VoiceWakeRuntime` triggers.

Editing “Trigger words” in Voice Wake settings calls `voicewake.set` and then relies on the broadcast to keep other clients in sync.

### iOS node

Uses the global list for `VoiceWakeManager` trigger detection.

Editing Wake Words in Settings calls `voicewake.set` (over the Gateway WS) and also keeps local wake-word detection responsive.

### Android node



Exposes a Wake Words editor in Settings.

Calls `voicewake.set` over the Gateway WS so edits sync everywhere.

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