


SOaC Framework - Railway Deployment Package Summary



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Package Overview

This comprehensive Railway deployment package enables **plug-and-play deployment** of the SOaC Framework to Railway.app in under 10 minutes. All necessary configuration files, documentation, and automation scripts are included.

Deliverables Checklist

Railway Configuration Files

File	Location	Purpose	Status
railway.json	Root	Railway project configuration (JSON format)	 Created
railway.toml	Root	Railway project configuration (TOML format)	 Created

✓ Production-Optimized Docker Setup

File	Location	Purpose	Status
backend/Docker-file.railway	Backend	Production Dockerfile with Gunicorn + health checks	✓ Created
frontend/Docker-file.railway	Frontend	Multi-stage build with Nginx + health checks	✓ Created
backend/entrypoint.railway.sh	Backend	Railway startup script with DB initialization	✓ Created
frontend/nginx.conf	Frontend	Production Nginx configuration	✓ Created

✓ Environment Configuration

File	Location	Purpose	Status
.env.production.example	Root	Complete environment variables template	✓ Created
backend/app/config.py	Backend	Enhanced configuration with Railway support	✓ Updated

✓ Database Setup

File	Location	Purpose	Status
backend/app/init_db.py	Backend	Database initialization with sample data	✓ Verified
backend/app/migrations/	Backend	Database migration scripts	✓ Verified

✓ Deployment Documentation

File	Location	Purpose	Status
<code>RAIL-WAY_DEPLOYMENT.md</code>	Root	Comprehensive step-by-step guide (20KB)	✓ Created
<code>RAIL-WAY_CHECKLIST.md</code>	Root	Deployment verification checklist	✓ Created
<code>README.md</code>	Root	Updated with Railway deployment section	✓ Updated

✓ Deployment Automation

File	Location	Purpose	Status
<code>deploy-to-railway.sh</code>	Root	CLI-based deployment automation script	✓ Created
<code>verify-railway-setup.sh</code>	Root	Setup verification script	✓ Created

✓ GitHub Integration

File	Location	Purpose	Status
<code>.github/workflows/railway-deploy.yml</code>	GitHub	Auto-deploy workflow with tests	✓ Created

✓ Production Readiness Features

Feature	Location	Description	Status
CORS Configuration	backend/app/config.py	Dynamic CORS origins for Railway	✓ Implemented
Security Headers	backend/app/main.py	X-Frame-Options, CSP, HSTS, etc.	✓ Implemented
Health Checks	backend/app/main.py	Enhanced health endpoint with DB check	✓ Implemented
Logging	backend/app/config.py	Configurable log levels	✓ Implemented
Rate Limiting	backend/app/config.py	Configurable rate limits	✓ Configured

Documentation Overview

1. RAILWAY_DEPLOYMENT.md (Comprehensive Guide)

Size: 20KB | **Lines:** ~700

Contents:







- ✓ Why Railway.app?
- ✓ Prerequisites and setup
- ✓ Quick start (3 steps)
- ✓ Detailed step-by-step guide with 5 parts:
 - Part 1: Prepare Repository
 - Part 2: Create Railway Project
 - Part 3: Add PostgreSQL Database
 - Part 4: Configure Environment Variables
 - Part 5: Deploy and Access
- ✓ Complete environment variables reference
- ✓ Post-deployment verification steps
- ✓ Comprehensive troubleshooting section (8 common issues)
- ✓ Cost and resource management guide
- ✓ Advanced configuration (custom domains, auto-deploy)
- ✓ Deployment checklist

2. RAILWAY_CHECKLIST.md (Verification Checklist)

Purpose: Step-by-step verification for successful deployment

Sections:





- ✓ Pre-deployment checklist
- ✓ Railway configuration checklist
- ✓ Backend service configuration

-  Frontend service configuration
-  Post-deployment verification
-  Security verification
-  Optional enhancements
-  Production readiness
-  Troubleshooting checklist

3. README.md (Updated)

New Section: “ Quick Deploy to Railway”

Contents:

-  Quick deploy steps (6 steps)
-  Railway deployment guide link
-  Railway deployment files list
-  Default login credentials



Quick Start Guide

For End Users (Deploy via UI):

1. **Fork the repository** to your GitHub account
2. **Follow the guide:** Open [RAILWAY_DEPLOYMENT.md](#) (./RAILWAY_DEPLOYMENT.md)
3. **Deploy in 3 clicks:**
 - Sign up at railway.app (<https://railway.app>)
 - Click “Deploy from GitHub repo”
 - Select your forked repository
4. **Configure environment variables** (guided in documentation)
5. **Access your deployed application!**

For Developers (Deploy via CLI):

```
# 1. Verify setup
./verify-railway-setup.sh

# 2. Run deployment script
./deploy-to-railway.sh

# 3. Follow prompts and configure environment variables

# 4. Access your deployed application!
```

For CI/CD (Auto-Deploy):

1. Add `RAILWAY_TOKEN` to GitHub Secrets
 2. Push to `main` branch
 3. GitHub Actions automatically deploys to Railway
 4. Monitor deployment in Railway dashboard
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Configuration Files

Railway Configuration (`railway.json`)

```
{
  "$schema": "https://railway.app/railway.schema.json",
  "build": {
    "builder": "DOCKERFILE",
    "dockerfilePath": "Dockerfile"
  },
  "deploy": {
    "healthcheckPath": "/health",
    "healthcheckTimeout": 300,
    "restartPolicyType": "ON_FAILURE"
  }
}
```

Backend Docker Configuration

- **Base Image:** `python:3.11-slim`
- **Web Server:** Gunicorn with Uvicorn workers
- **Workers:** 2 (configurable)
- **Health Check:** `/health` endpoint with 30s interval
- **Port:** Dynamic (Railway's `PORT` environment variable)

Frontend Docker Configuration

- **Build Stage:** `node:18-alpine` (build React app)
- **Serve Stage:** `nginx:alpine` (serve static files)
- **Port:** Dynamic (Railway's `PORT` environment variable)
- **Health Check:** Root endpoint with 30s interval
- **Features:** Gzip compression, security headers, React Router support

Key Features

Zero Configuration






- ☒ All configuration files pre-configured
- ☒ Automatic database connection
- ☒ Auto-provision SSL certificates
- ☒ Dynamic port binding

Production Ready





- ☒ Gunicorn WSGI server for backend
- ☒ Nginx for frontend static serving
- ☒ Multi-stage Docker builds (smaller images)
- ☒ Health checks configured
- ☒ Security headers enabled
- ☒ CORS properly configured
- ☒ Database connection pooling

-  Error handling and logging

Developer Friendly

-  Comprehensive documentation
-  Verification scripts included
-  Automation scripts provided
-  CI/CD workflow ready
-  Mock mode for testing

Cost Effective

-  Fits within Railway free tier (\$5/month)
-  Estimated cost: \$4-7/month
-  No credit card required initially
-  Scales when needed



Environment Variables

Required Backend Variables

```
SECRET_KEY=<64-character-random-string>
ALGORITHM=HS256
ACCESS_TOKEN_EXPIRE_MINUTES=1440
ENVIRONMENT=production
FRONTEND_URL=<your-frontend-railway-url>
```

Required Frontend Variables

```
VITE_API_BASE_URL=<your-backend-railway-url>
```

Auto-Provided by Railway

```
DATABASE_URL=<auto-generated-postgresql-url>
PORT=<auto-assigned-port>
```

Optional Variables

- `MOCK_MODE=true` - Use mock device data
- `ENABLE_BACKGROUND_COLLECTION=true` - Auto-collect events
- `EVENT_COLLECTION_INTERVAL=300` - Collection interval (seconds)
- `LOG_LEVEL=INFO` - Logging level
- Device integration credentials (Palo Alto, Entra ID, SIEM)






Full reference: See `.env.production.example` (5.7KB, comprehensive)

Verification

Pre-Deployment Verification

```
./verify-railway-setup.sh
```

Checks:

-  All Railway files present
-  Docker configurations valid
-  Scripts executable
-  Documentation complete
-  Environment variables documented

Post-Deployment Verification









```
# Backend health check
curl https://your-backend.railway.app/health

# Expected response:
{
  "status": "healthy",
  "timestamp": "2025-11-14T...",
  "environment": "production",
  "version": "3.0.0",
  "database": "connected"
}

# Frontend check
curl https://your-frontend.railway.app/
# Should return React app HTML
```

Troubleshooting

Common issues and solutions documented in **RAILWAY_DEPLOYMENT.md**:

1.  Database connection failed → Check DATABASE_URL
2.  CORS errors → Verify FRONTEND_URL and VITE_API_BASE_URL
3.  401 Unauthorized → Check SECRET_KEY configuration
4.  Build errors → Verify Dockerfile paths
5.  Health check failed → Check service logs
6.  API connection errors → Verify URLs and CORS
7.  Database initialization errors → Check init_db logs
8.  Out of memory → Adjust workers or upgrade plan

Full troubleshooting guide: See RAILWAY_DEPLOYMENT.md, Section “Troubleshooting”

Success Criteria

Deployment Success

- ☒ Both services deployed successfully
- ☒ No errors in Railway logs
- ☒ Health checks passing
- ☒ Frontend accessible via HTTPS
- ☒ Backend API accessible via HTTPS
- ☒ Database connected and initialized
- ☒ Sample data loaded
- ☒ Login works with default credentials

Application Success

- ☒ Dashboard shows sample incidents
- ☒ Devices page displays sample devices
- ☒ Rules page shows detection rules
- ☒ Events page accessible (Phase 3A)
- ☒ Operational Models page accessible (Phase 3B)
- ☒ No console errors
- ☒ API calls successful



Next Steps After Deployment

Immediate Actions

1. ☒ Change admin password from default
2. ☒ Verify all features working
3. ☒ Review sample data
4. ☒ Test API endpoints
5. ☒ Check logs for errors

Configuration

1. ☒ Set up custom domain (optional)
2. ☒ Configure real device credentials (if not using mock mode)
3. ☒ Adjust detection rules
4. ☒ Customize operational models
5. ☒ Set up monitoring alerts

Scaling

1. ☒ Monitor Railway credit usage
 2. ☒ Upgrade plan if needed
 3. ☒ Optimize resource allocation
 4. ☒ Enable auto-scaling if required
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Cost Estimation

Railway Free Tier

- **Credit:** \$5/month
- **Runtime:** ~500 hours/month for small services
- **Suitable for:** Development, testing, small production

SOaC Framework Usage

- **Backend Service:** \$2-3/month
- **Frontend Service:** \$1-2/month
- **PostgreSQL Database:** \$1-2/month
- **Total:** \$4-7/month (within free tier!)

Scaling Options

- **Hobby Plan:** \$5/month + usage
- **Pro Plan:** \$20/month + usage
- **Features:** More resources, custom domains, team collaboration



File Structure

```

soac-framework/
├── railway.json           # Railway config (JSON)
├── railway.toml          # Railway config (TOML)
├── .env.production.example # Environment variables template
├── deploy-to-railway.sh  # Deployment automation script
├── verify-railway-setup.sh # Setup verification script
├── RAILWAY_DEPLOYMENT.md # Comprehensive deployment guide
├── RAILWAY_CHECKLIST.md  # Deployment verification checklist
├── RAILWAY_PACKAGE_SUMMARY.md # This file
├── README.md             # Updated with Railway section
├──
├── backend/
│   ├── Dockerfile.railway # Production Docker config
│   ├── entrypoint.railway.sh # Railway startup script
│   ├── app/
│   │   ├── config.py      # Enhanced configuration
│   │   ├── main.py        # Updated with security headers
│   │   ├── init_db.py     # Database initialization
│   │   └── requirements.txt # Updated dependencies
│   └──
├── frontend/
│   ├── Dockerfile.railway # Production Docker config
│   ├── nginx.conf         # Nginx configuration
│   └── [React app files]
├──
└── .github/
    ├── workflows/
    │   └── railway-deploy.yml # Auto-deploy workflow

```

Summary

What's Included

- ✓ **12 new files** for Railway deployment
- ✓ **4 updated files** for production readiness
- ✓ **700+ lines** of comprehensive documentation
- ✓ **3 automation scripts** for deployment and verification
- ✓ **1 GitHub Actions workflow** for CI/CD
- ✓ **Production-optimized** Docker configurations
- ✓ **Security hardened** backend configuration
- ✓ **Zero-config deployment** experience

Time to Deploy

- **Via UI:** 10 minutes
- **Via CLI:** 5 minutes
- **Via CI/CD:** Automatic on push

Quality Assurance

- ✓ All files verified present
 - ✓ Docker configurations tested
 - ✓ Documentation comprehensive
 - ✓ Scripts executable
 - ✓ Git committed
 - ✓ Ready for deployment
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Support

Documentation

- **Railway Guide:** [RAILWAY_DEPLOYMENT.md](#) (./RAILWAY_DEPLOYMENT.md)
- **Checklist:** [RAILWAY_CHECKLIST.md](#) (./RAILWAY_CHECKLIST.md)
- **Main README:** [README.md](#) (./README.md)
- **General Deployment:** [DEPLOYMENT.md](#) (./DEPLOYMENT.md)

Resources

- **Railway Docs:** docs.railway.app (https://docs.railway.app)
 - **Railway Discord:** discord.gg/railway (https://discord.gg/railway)
 - **GitHub Issues:** Create issues for bugs or questions
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✓ Deployment Ready!

Your SOaC Framework is fully prepared for Railway deployment!

 **Start deploying:** Follow [RAILWAY_DEPLOYMENT.md](#) (./RAILWAY_DEPLOYMENT.md)

 **Verify setup:** Run `./verify-railway-setup.sh`

 **Quick deploy:** Run `./deploy-to-railway.sh`

Happy Security Operations! 

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