

Fetching the Notary Log

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I regularly help developers with notarisation and trusted execution problems. The notary log is a critical tool for debugging such problems, and so I figured I should post instructions on how to fetch it.

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Fetching the Notary Log

The notary log is a key tool for debugging notarisation and trusted execution issues. Review the log:

- When notarisation fails, for information as to what’s wrong
- When notarisation succeeds, to check for warnings
- If you encounter a trusted execution problem, to confirm that all your code was included in the notarised ticket

The way to fetch the log depends on how you notarised your product.

Reveal the Notary Log in Xcode

If you notarised your app with Xcode, reveal the notary log as follows:

- Go to the Xcode organiser.
- Select the archive that you notarised.
- Click Show Status Log.
- Find the “Ready to distribute” or “Package Invalid” item and click the small arrow next to it.
- That reveals the notary log, a file called `audit.log`, in the Finder.

Fetch the Notary Log with notarytool

If you notarise your product from the command-line using `notarytool`, use the `log` subcommand to fetch the notary log:

```
% xcrun notarytool log CREDENTIALS REQUEST_UUID
```

where:

- `CREDENTIALS` is your notary service credentials, the same credentials you used to submit your request
- `REQUEST_UUID` is the UUID printed by `notarytool` when you submitted your request.

Fetch the Notary Log with altool

If you notarise your product from the command-line using `altool`, first run the `--notarization-info` subcommand to get the notary log URL:

```
% xcrun altool CREDENTIALS --notarization-info REQUEST_UUID
...
LogFileURL: https://osxapps-ssl.itunes.apple.com/itunes-assets/Enigma...
...
```

where:

- `CREDENTIALS` is your notary service credentials, the same credentials you used to submit your request
- `REQUEST_UUID` is the UUID printed by `notarytool` when you submitted your request.

In the output the URL next to `LogFileURL` is the notary log URL. Use your HTTP client of choice to fetch that URL. For example:

```
% curl "https://osxapps-ssl.itunes.apple.com/itunes-assets/Enigma..."
```

The notary log URL has a limited lifetime, so fetch the log immediately after getting the URL. If the URL is too old, more than a day or so, use `--notarization-info` to fetch a new URL.

IMPORTANT `altool` has been deprecated for the purposes of notarisation. Switch to `notarytool`; it's better, stronger, and faster. For the details, see WWDC 2021 Session 10261 [Faster and simpler notarization for Mac apps](#).

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