CLI

message

Single outbound command for sending messages and channel actions (Discord/Google Chat/Slack/Mattermost (plugin)/Telegram/WhatsApp/Signal/iMessage/MS Teams).

Usage

```
openclaw message <subcommand> [flags]
```

Channel selection:

   `--channel` required if more than one channel is configured.

   If exactly one channel is configured, it becomes the default.

   Values:
   whatsapp|telegram|discord|googlechat|slack|mattermost|signal|imessage|msteams (Mattermost requires plugin)

Target formats (`--target`):

   WhatsApp: E.164 or group JID

   Telegram: chat id or @username

   Discord: `channel:<id>` or `user:<id>` (or `<@id>` mention; raw numeric ids are treated as channels)

   Google Chat: `spaces/<spaceId>` or `users/<userId>`

   Slack: `channel:<id>` or `user:<id>` (raw channel id is accepted)

Mattermost (plugin): `channel:<id>` , `user:<id>` , or `@username` (bare ids are treated as channels)

Signal: `+E.164` , `group:<id>` , `signal:+E.164` , `signal:group:<id>` , or `username:<name>` / `u:<name>`

iMessage: handle, `chat_id:<id>` , `chat_guid:<guid>` , or `chat_identifier:<id>`

MS Teams: conversation id (`19:...@thread.tacv2`) or `conversation:<id>` or `user:<aad-object-id>`

Name lookup:

For supported providers (Discord/Slack/etc), channel names like `Help` or `#help` are resolved via the directory cache.

On cache miss, OpenClaw will attempt a live directory lookup when the provider supports it.

Common flags

`--channel <name>`

`--account <id>`

`--target <dest>` (target channel or user for send/poll/read/etc)

`--targets <name>` (repeat; broadcast only)

`--json`

`--dry-run`

`--verbose`

Actions

Core

`send`

   Channels: WhatsApp/Telegram/Discord/Google Chat/Slack/Mattermost (plugin)/Signal/iMessage/MS Teams

   Required: `--target` , plus `--message` or `--media`

Optional: `--media` , `--reply-to` , `--thread-id` , `--gif-playback`

Telegram only: `--buttons` (requires
`channels.telegram.capabilities.inlineButtons` to allow it)

Telegram only: `--thread-id` (forum topic id)

Slack only: `--thread-id` (thread timestamp; `--reply-to` uses the same field)

WhatsApp only: `--gif-playback`

poll

Channels: WhatsApp/Discord/MS Teams

Required: `--target` , `--poll-question` , `--poll-option` (repeat)

Optional: `--poll-multi`

Discord only: `--poll-duration-hours` , `--message`

react

Channels: Discord/Google Chat/Slack/Telegram/WhatsApp/Signal

Required: `--message-id` , `--target`

Optional: `--emoji` , `--remove` , `--participant` , `--from-me` , `--target-author` , `--target-author-uuid`

Note: `--remove` requires `--emoji` (omit `--emoji` to clear own reactions where supported; see /tools/reactions)

WhatsApp only: `--participant` , `--from-me`

Signal group reactions: `--target-author` or `--target-author-uuid` required

reactions

Channels: Discord/Google Chat/Slack

Required: `--message-id` , `--target`

Optional: `--limit`

read

Channels: Discord/Slack

Required: `--target`

    Optional: `--limit` , `--before` , `--after`

    Discord only: `--around`

  ### edit

    Channels: Discord/Slack

    Required: `--message-id` , `--message` , `--target`

  ### delete

    Channels: Discord/Slack/Telegram

    Required: `--message-id` , `--target`

  ### pin / unpin

    Channels: Discord/Slack

    Required: `--message-id` , `--target`

  ### pins (list)

    Channels: Discord/Slack

    Required: `--target`

  ### permissions

    Channels: Discord

    Required: `--target`

  ### search

    Channels: Discord

    Required: `--guild-id` , `--query`

    Optional: `--channel-id` , `--channel-ids` (repeat), `--author-id` , `--author-ids` (repeat), `--limit`

Threads

    `thread create`

    Channels: Discord

    Required: `--thread-name` , `--target` (channel id)

    Optional: `--message-id` , `--auto-archive-min`

```
thread list

    Channels: Discord

    Required:  --guild-id

    Optional: --channel-id ,  --include-archived ,  --before ,  --limit

thread reply

    Channels: Discord

    Required:  --target  (thread id),  --message

    Optional: --media ,  --reply-to
```

Emojis

```
emoji list

    Discord:  --guild-id

    Slack: no extra flags

emoji upload

    Channels: Discord

    Required:  --guild-id ,  --emoji-name ,  --media

    Optional: --role-ids  (repeat)
```

Stickers

```
sticker send

    Channels: Discord

    Required:  --target ,  --sticker-id  (repeat)

    Optional: --message

sticker upload

    Channels: Discord

    Required: --guild-id ,  --sticker-name ,  --sticker-desc ,  --sticker-
     tags ,  --media
```

Roles / Channels / Members / Voice

```
role info  (Discord):  --guild-id

role add  /  role remove  (Discord): --guild-id ,  --user-id ,  --role-id

channel info  (Discord):  --target

channel list  (Discord):  --guild-id

member info  (Discord/Slack): --user-id  (+  --guild-id  for Discord)

voice status  (Discord):  --guild-id ,  --user-id
```

Events

```
event list  (Discord):  --guild-id

event create  (Discord): --guild-id ,  --event-name ,  --start-time

   Optional: --end-time ,  --desc ,  --channel-id ,  --location ,  --
     event-type
```

Moderation (Discord)

```
timeout :  --guild-id ,  --user-id (optional  --duration-min  or  --
until ; omit both to clear timeout)

kick :  --guild-id ,  --user-id  (+  --reason )

ban :  --guild-id ,  --user-id  (+  --delete-days ,  --reason )

    timeout  also supports  --reason
```

Broadcast

```
broadcast

   Channels: any configured channel; use  --channel all  to target all
     providers

   Required:  --targets  (repeat)

   Optional: --message ,  --media ,  --dry-run
```

Examples

Send a Discord reply:

```
openclaw message send --channel discord \
   --target channel:123 --message "hi" --reply-to 456
```

Create a Discord poll:

```
openclaw message poll --channel discord \
   --target channel:123 \
   --poll-question "Snack?" \
   --poll-option Pizza --poll-option Sushi \
   --poll-multi --poll-duration-hours 48
```

Send a Teams proactive message:

```
openclaw message send --channel msteams \
   --target conversation:19:abc@thread.tacv2 --message "hi"
```

Create a Teams poll:

```
openclaw message poll --channel msteams \
   --target conversation:19:abc@thread.tacv2 \
   --poll-question "Lunch?" \
   --poll-option Pizza --poll-option Sushi
```

React in Slack:

```
openclaw message react --channel slack \
   --target C123 --message-id 456 --emoji "✅"
```

React in a Signal group:

```
openclaw message react --channel signal \
    --target signal:group:abc123 --message-id 1737630212345 \
    --emoji "✅" --target-author-uuid 123e4567-e89b-12d3-a456-426614174000
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```

Send Telegram inline buttons:

```
openclaw message send --channel telegram --target @mychat --message
    --buttons '[ [{"text":"Yes","callback_data":"cmd:yes"}], [{"text":"No","callb
```

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