



JWTUtil Class

Contains methods for validating a JSON Web Token (JWT) from an external identity provider as part of the OAuth 2.0 token exchange flow. Use these methods as part of the `validateIncomingToken` method in the `Auth.Oauth2TokenExchangeHandler` class.

Namespace

[Auth](#)

Usage

See [Token Exchange Handler Validation and Subject Mapping](#).

If the methods in this class fail, Salesforce returns an `Auth.JWTValidationException` exception.

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JWTUtil Methods

The following are methods for `JWTUtil`.

- [parseJWTFromStringWithoutValidation\(incomingJWT\)](#)
Parses a JWT from an encoded string into a header, payload, and signature. Use this method to decode the JWT without validating it.
- [validateJWTWithCert\(incomingJWT, certDeveloperName\)](#)
Parses and validates the JWT using a certificate saved in Salesforce. The certificate can be self-signed or signed by a certificate authority.
- [validateJWTWithKey\(incomingJWT, publicKey\)](#)
Parses and validates the JWT using a public key from the external identity provider.
- [validateJWTWithKeysEndpoint\(incomingJWT, keysEndpoint, shouldUseCache\)](#)
Parses and validates the JWT using a remote JSON Web Key Set (JWKS) endpoint on your external identity provider.

parseJWTFromStringWithoutValidation(incomingJWT)

Parses a JWT from an encoded string into a header, payload, and signature. Use this method to decode the JWT without validating it.

Signature

```
public static Auth.JWT parseJWTFromStringWithoutValidation(String incomingJWT)
```

Parameters

incomingJWT

Type: [String](#)

The JWT from your identity provider.

Return Value

Type: [Auth.JWT](#)



Signature

```
public static Auth.JWT validateJWTWithCert(String incomingJWT, String certDeveloperName)
```

Parameters

incomingJWT

Type: [String](#)

The JWT from your identity provider.

certDeveloperName

Type: [String](#)

A certificate saved in the Certificate and Key Management page in Setup.

Return Value

Type: [Auth.JWT](#)

validateJWTWithKey(incomingJWT, publicKey)

Parses and validates the JWT using a public key from the external identity provider.

Signature

```
public static Auth.JWT validateJWTWithKey(String incomingJWT, String publicKey)
```

Parameters

incomingJWT

Type: [String](#)

The JWT from your identity provider.

publicKey

Type: [String](#)

The public key from your identity provider.

Return Value

Type: [Auth.JWT](#)

validateJWTWithKeysEndpoint(incomingJWT, keysEndpoint, shouldUseCache)

Parses and validates the JWT using a remote JSON Web Key Set (JWKS) endpoint on your external identity provider.

Signature

```
public static Auth.JWT validateJWTWithKeysEndpoint(String incomingJWT, String keysEndpoint, Boolean shouldUseCache)
```

Parameters

incomingJWT

Type: [String](#)

The JWT from your identity provider.



Endpoint must conform to the specification defined in [RFC 7517, JSON Web Key \(JWK\)](#).

To test HTTP callouts to the JWKS endpoint, use the `Auth.HttpCalloutMockUtil` class.

shouldUseCache

Type: [Boolean](#)

Indicates whether the certificate from the keys endpoint is cached.

Return Value

Type: [Auth.JWT](#)

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