# iPad Importer REST API

## Resources

- The following tables are accessible via the REST API
  - school
  - class
  - person
  - person_membership
  - token (this resource is different from the others, as will be seen below)
  - camera
  - deployment
  - deployment_picture
  - burst
  - image
  - tag

## Authentication and Authorization

- Every person has an email and password that they use to login.
- In order to log in, a POST is sent to /token with the following raw data:
  - { "email": "a@example.com", "password": "password" }
- A successful login will return the following JSON:
  - {"token":"X6VMY94sQRzYe2gFGdp2q3PLqAICSPiN"}
- This token should be used in **all subsequent** API as an auth header. For example:
  - POST /school HTTP/1.1
    Host: trap.euclidsoftware.com
    X-Trap-Token: X6VMY94sQRzYe2gFGdp2q3PLqAICSPiN
    Cache-Control: no-cache
- As you can see in the database schema, some persons are admins. Only admins have write access to the following resources:

- school
- class
- person
- person_membership
- camera

- Admins have write access to **all** other resources, whether they own them or not.

## Creating Resources

- In order to create a resource, send it a POST with an empty body. This will return the following JSON:
  - {"id”:”2”}
- This **id** will be used to identify this resource. You can follow this POST with 1 or more PUT requests to create and update the resource. For example, to create a deployment send a PUT to /deployment/2 (where 2 is the **id** returned by the POST) with the following HTTP content:
  - ```
    {
     "deployment_date": "1/1/2014 0:0",
     "camera" : 1,
     "nominal_mark_time" : "1/1/2014 0:0",
     "actual_mark_time" : "1/1/2014 0:0"
    }
    ```
  - Note that I have only included the required fields in this put. The rest of the fields will get default values. If you don’t include a required field, you’ll get something like this:
    - {"message":"Required field deployment_date not specified"}
  - Of course, you do not need to specify required fields once you’re updating a record. You only need to send the fields you want to update. If you send all the fields, that’s okay too.
- The result of the above PUT call to create a deployment will be the following JSON:
  - ```
    {
     "deployment" : [
      {
       "deployment_date" : "2014-01-01 00:00:00",
    ```

```
      "longitude" : null,
      "short_name" : null,
      "nominal_mark_time" : "2014-01-01 00:00:00",
      "burst" : [],
      "actual_mark_time" : "2014-01-01 00:00:00",
      "camera" : 1,
      "camera_elevation_rad" : null,
      "deployment_picture" : null,
      "latitude" : null,
      "notes" : null,
      "camera_height_cm" : null,
      "id" : 2,
      "camera_azimuth_rad" : null
    }
  ]
}
```


## Updating Resources

- Send a PUT to update a resource. For example, to update the camera for deployment #2 to 2, send /deployment/2 a PUT with the following JSON:
  - 
    ```
    {
      "camera" : 2
    }
    ```
    
- This will return you the entire record:
  - 
    ```
    {
      "deployment" : [
        {
          "deployment_date" : "2014-01-01 00:00:00",
          "longitude" : null,
          "short_name" : null,
          "nominal_mark_time" : "2014-01-01 00:00:00",
          "burst" : [],
          "actual_mark_time" : "2014-01-01 00:00:00",
          "camera" : 2,
          "camera_elevation_rad" : null,
    ```
    

```
    "deployment_picture" : null,
    "latitude" : null,
    "notes" : null,
    "camera_height_cm" : null,
    "id" : 2,
    "camera_azimuth_rad" : null
   }
  ]
 }
```


## Getting Resources

- Send a resource a GET request to retrieve it. For example, to get the record for the camera with id 1, send a GET request to /camera/1. This will return the following JSON:

  - 
    ```
    {
     "camera" : [
      {
       "make" : "Trap",
       "model" : "Alpha",
       "id" : 1
      }
     ]
    }
    ```
    

- To get a list of all resources, send a GET request leaving off the I'd. For example. to retrieve all cameras, send a GET request to /camera.  This will return:

  - 
    ```
    {
     "camera" : [
      {
       "make" : "Trap",
       "model" : "Alpha",
       "id" : 1
      },
      {
       "make" : "Trap",
       "model" : "Beta",
    ```
    

```
      "id" : 2
    },
    {
      "make" : "Trap",
      "model" : "Gamma",
      "id" : 3
    }
  ]
}
```


- In this version there is no way to limit the number of resources returned. This will be added in a future version.
- The API supports cascading GETs. If you request a school, the API will also return all classes associated with that school. This is represented as school -> class. The full list of cascading GETs is:
  - school -> class
  - class -> person
  - deployment -> deployment_picture
  - deployment -> burst
  - burst -> image
  - image -> tag
- For example, GETting /deployment/1 will return the associated bursts and deployment_pictures as well:
  - 
```
{
  "deployment" : [
    {
      "deployment_date" : "2014-01-01 00:00:00",
      "longitude" : null,
      "short_name" : null,
      "nominal_mark_time" : "2014-01-01 00:00:00",
      "burst" : [],
      "actual_mark_time" : "2014-01-01 00:00:00",
      "camera" : 1,
      "camera_elevation_rad" : null,
      "deployment_picture" : [
        {
          "file_name" : "myFile",
```

```
            "caption" : null,
            "deployment_id" : 1,
            "id" : 1,
            "description" : null
          }
        ],
        "camera_height_cm" : null,
        "notes" : null,
        "latitude" : null,
        "id" : 1,
        "camera_azimuth_rad" : null
      }
    ]
  }
```


## Images

- To create a deployment_image or picture, first create a record as you normally would and then add the associated file. To add the file, send a POST to /deployment_picture/n or image/n where n is the record id. The POST should contain a file named ‘file’. Currently only JPG files are supported.
- To view an image, send a GET to /deployment_picture/n or image/n

## Deleting Resources

- Send a DELETE request to a resource to delete it. For example sending a delete request to /image/1 will delete that image.
- Deletes will also cascade per the rules for GET above. So be careful. If you delete a school you’re deleting all the deployments and images for that school.