

# How to add claims in ASP.NET Identity



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I am trying to find a document or example of how you would add custom claims to the user identity in MVC 5 using ASP.NET Identity. The example should show where to insert the claims in the OWIN security pipeline and how to persist them in a cookie using forms authentication.



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## 4 Answers



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Perhaps the [following article](#) can help:



```
var claims = new List<Claim>();
claims.Add(new Claim(ClaimTypes.Name, "Brock"));
claims.Add(new Claim(ClaimTypes.Email, "brockallen@gmail.com"));
var id = new ClaimsIdentity(claims, DefaultAuthenticationTypes.ApplicationCookie);
```



```
var ctx = Request.GetOwinContext();
var authenticationManager = ctx.Authentication;
authenticationManager.SignIn(id);
```

answered Dec 5 '13 at 13:10



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The correct place to add claims, assuming you are using the ASP.NET MVC 5 project template is in `ApplicationUser.cs`. Just search for `Add custom user claims here`. This will lead you to the `GenerateUserIdentityAsync` method. This is the method that is called when the ASP.NET Identity system has retrieved an `ApplicationUser` object and needs to turn that into a `ClaimsIdentity`. You will see this line of code:

```
// Note the authenticationType must match the one defined in
CookieAuthenticationOptions.AuthenticationType
var userIdentity = await manager.CreateIdentityAsync(this,
DefaultAuthenticationTypes.ApplicationCookie);
```

After that is the comment:

```
// Add custom user claims here
```

And finally, it returns the identity:

```
return userIdentity;
```

So if you wanted to add a custom claim, your `GenerateUserIdentityAsync` might look something like:

```
// Note the authenticationType must match the one defined in
CookieAuthenticationOptions.AuthenticationType
var userIdentity = await manager.CreateIdentityAsync(this,
DefaultAuthenticationTypes.ApplicationCookie);

// Add custom user claims here
userIdentity.AddClaim(new Claim("myCustomClaim", "value of claim"));

return userIdentity;
```

answered Mar 2 '15 at 16:32



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Model or the ViewBag. But technically, it will work directly in the Razor view as I've written it here. – [dprothero](#) Apr 5 '15 at 3:53 

- 4 In VS2015 you will find the `GenerateUserIdentityAsync()` method in the `IdentityModels.cs` file within the `App_Start` directory. – [MATT BAKER](#) Jul 22 '15 at 14:52
- 3 @MatthewT.Baker: I think you mean that `IdentityModels.cs` is in the `Models` directory, not `App_Start`? Also, I think this solution is incomplete. The documentation from Microsoft on adding custom claims (and I think the comments so far) do not explain the different effects of using `userIdentity.AddClaim` (which adds the claim to the cookies, but doesn't seem to change the `AspNetUserClaims` table), and `manager.AddClaim(userId, claim)`, which adds the claim to the `AspNetUserClaims` table (NB it adds a new record even if an existing record with the same values exists), but not the cookies. – [patrickjlee](#) May 21 '16 at 22:39

If you want to add custom claims at the time of registration then this code will work:

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```
var user = new ApplicationUser
{
    UserName = model.UserName,
    Email = model.Email
};
var result = await UserManager.CreateAsync(user, model.Password);
// Associate the role with the new user
await UserManager.AddToRoleAsync(user.Id, model.UserRole);
// Create customized claim
await UserManager.AddClaimAsync(user.Id, new Claim("newCustomClaim",
"claimValue"));
if (result.Succeeded)
{...etc
```

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you can do the following in WEB API C #

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```
identity.AddClaim(new Claim(ClaimTypes.MobilePhone, user.Celular));  
identity.AddClaim(new Claim("FullName", user.FullName));  
identity.AddClaim(new Claim("Empresa", user.Empresa));  
identity.AddClaim(new Claim("ConnectionStringsName",  
user.ConnectionStringsName));
```

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answered Apr 2 at 17:13



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