

# Exporting data to SCV file using API script

Quick guide

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## Overview

This document details how to use a Proofpoint Meta API script for exporting data to a CSV file.

## Before you begin

Verify that you have the following:

- Shell environment for running scripts
- Installed JSON processor, such as [jq](#).
- Proofpoint Meta account with an administrator account

## Using the script

Follow these steps to use the Proofpoint Meta API script for data export:

1. Generate an API key and API ID.
2. Create a file with the generated API secret.
3. Create a file with the generated API ID.
4. If using Managed Security Service Provider (MSSP) mode, create a file with the required organization name.

**Note:** The files can be saved in a TXT or SCV formats, the script will process only the first line of the file to looking for the required data.

## Generating API key and ID

1. Log into Meta Console as administrator.
2. Navigate to **Administration > API Keys**.
3. At the top right-hand corner, click on the Plus (+) sign to add a new key.
4. Enter the key name and description.
5. Enable the relevant Read (read-only) and Write (read/write) privileges for the key.  
The Org Write privilege allows the user to create sub-organizations. This option is grayed-out by default. To enable it, contact your Proofpoint Meta sales engineer.
6. At the top right-hand corner, click **Save** to finish.  
The API key information is displayed. It includes API ID and API secret.
7. Copy and store the API ID and secret for use in the next steps.

## Creating the files

Create the TXT or CSV files to be used by the Proofpoint Meta API script

1. Create a file with the generated API secret (API\_KEY).

2. Create a file with the generated API ID (API\_ID).
3. If using Managed Security Service Provider (MSSP) mode, create a file with the required organization name (Sub\_ORG).

#### Editing the script

1. Open the script file.
2. Edit the path for the API\_KEY, API\_ID and for SUB\_ORG (if exists) in lines 3 to 7 and paste the path to the previously-created files. See the script sample below:

```
#Please fill the path to the API before running the  
script (only csv or txt file)
```

```
API_KEY="Path/to/the/API/Key/file"
```

```
API_ID="Path/to/the/API/ID/file"
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```
#Sub_Org is Optional, not optional for MSSP
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```
Sub_ORG="Path/to/the/Sub/ORG/file"
```

#### Running the script

Please run the -h or --help command to get information how to run each script