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# Applications

Spring Security: Taglib

# Taglib

```
<%@ taglib prefix="sec" uri="http://www.springframework.org/security/tags" %>
```

Tag	Use
<code>&lt;sec:authorize access="expression"&gt;</code>	Show content if expression is true
<code>&lt;sec:authorize url="/location"&gt;</code>	Show content if allowed to access location
<code>&lt;sec:authentication&gt;</code>	Access properties of logged in person
<code>&lt;sec:csrfInput /&gt;</code>	Add csrf tags into a form
<code>&lt;sec:csrfMetaTags /&gt;</code>	Add csrf meta tags (to access with JS)

# CSRF

- Cross Site Request Forgery
  - Tricks user into making a request
  - Accidentally submitting a form to a site they're (hopefully) already logged into
- Mitigated by having a token on the real form
  - If random token value is present, request is real

# Spring Security CSRF

- Spring Security includes CSRF protection
  - Always on by default
  - Spring Tags `<form:form>` automatically includes token
- Any `<form>` submitted without `csrf_token` not accepted
  - Common mistake made by beginners
  - They forget to include token on their `<form>`
    - Spring Security give 403 Forbidden on submit

# Examples

```
<sec:authorize access="hasRole('ADMIN')" >  
  <a href="addContact"> Add a Contact</a>  
</sec:authorize>
```

```
<sec:authorize url="/addContact" >  
  <a href="addContact"> Add a Contact</a>  
</sec:authorize>
```

```
<sec:authorize access="!isAuthenticated()">  
  <p><a href="login">Login</a></p>  
</sec:authorize>  
<sec:authorize access="isAuthenticated()">  
  <p>Welcome Back, <sec:authentication property="name"/></p>  
  <p><a href="logout">Logout</a></p>  
</sec:authorize>
```

# CSRF

```
<%@taglib prefix="sec" uri="http://www.springframework.org/security/tags" %>
<%@taglib prefix="c" uri="http://java.sun.com/jsp/jstl/core" %>
<%@page contentType="text/html" pageEncoding="UTF-8"%>
<!DOCTYPE HTML>
<html>
  <head>
    <meta http-equiv="Content-Type" content="text/html; charset=UTF-8">
    <title>JSP Page</title>
    <sec:csrfMetaTags />
    <script type="text/javascript" language="javascript">
      var csrfParameter = $("meta[name='_csrf_parameter']").attr("content");
      var csrfHeader = $("meta[name='_csrf_header']").attr("content");
      var csrfToken = $("meta[name='_csrf']").attr("content");
    </script>
  </head>
  <body>
    <h1>Login Page!</h1>
    <c:if test="${error eq true}">
      <p>${sessionScope["SPRING_SECURITY_LAST_EXCEPTION"].message}</p>
    </c:if>
    <form method="post" action="<c:url value='/login' />">
      User: <input name="username"
value='<c:if test="${not empty param.login_error}"><c:out value="${SPRING_SECURITY_LAST_USERNAME}"/></c:if>' />
      <br />
      Pass: <input type="password" name='password' /> <br />
      <input type="hidden" name="${_csrf.parameterName}" value="${_csrf.token}" />
      <sec:csrfInput />
      <input type="submit" />
    </form>
  </body>
</html>
```

If CSRF needed in JS

Clean replacement