

# Avoids Requesting The Geolocation Permission On Page Load

## Overview

Users are mistrustful of or confused by pages that automatically request their location on page load. Rather than automatically requesting a user's location on page load, tie the request to a user's gesture, such as a tapping a "Find Stores Near Me" button. Make sure that the gesture clearly and explicitly expresses the need for the user's location.

## Recommendations

Under **URLs**, Lighthouse reports the line and column numbers where your code is requesting the user's location. Remove these calls, and tie the requests to user gestures instead.

See [Ask permission responsibly](#) for a list of best practices when requesting a user's location.

## More information

If geolocation permission was already granted to a page before Lighthouse's audit, Lighthouse cannot determine if the page requests the user's location on page load. Reset the permissions and run Lighthouse again. See [Change website permissions](#) for more help.

Lighthouse collects the JavaScript that was executed on page load. If this code contains calls to `geolocation.getCurrentPosition()` or `geolocation.watchPosition()`, and geolocation permission was not already granted, then the user's location was requested.

## Feedback

Was this page helpful?

YES

NO

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