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THE TWILIO PYTHON HELPER LIBRARY

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Python Helper Library SMS Test



```
from twilio.rest import Client

# Your Account SID from twilio.com/console
account_sid = "ACcdcce1faf7260f66ec0e58dc03728fcb"
# Your Auth Token from twilio.com/console
auth_token = "your_auth_token"

client = Client(account_sid, auth_token)

message = client.messages.create(
    to="+15558675309",
    from_="+15017250604",
    body="Hello from Python!")

print(message.sid)
```

The Twilio Python Helper Library makes it easy to interact with the Twilio API from your Python application. [The most recent version of the library can be found on PyPi](#). The Twilio Python Helper Library supports Python applications written in Python 2.7 and above. If you are interested in migrating to the newer 6.x version of the Twilio Python Helper Library from the 5.x version, [check out this guide](#).

Install the Library

The easiest way to install the library is from PyPi using [pip](#), a package manager for Python. Simply run this in the terminal:

```
1 pip install twilio
```

If you get a **pip: command not found** error, you can also use **easy_install**. Run this in your terminal:

```
1 easy_install twilio
```

Manual Installation

Or, you can [download the source code \(ZIP\)](#) for **twilio-python**, and then install the library by running:

```
1 python setup.py install
```

in the folder containing the twilio-python library.

"Permission Denied"

If the command line gives you a big long error message that says **Permission Denied** in the middle of it, try running the above commands with **sudo** (e.g. **sudo pip install twilio**).

Test Your Installation

Try sending yourself an SMS message. Save the following code in a plain text editor on your computer. Be sure to update the **account_sid**, **auth_token**, and **from_** phone number with values from your [Twilio account](#). The **to** phone number can be your own mobile phone.

Save the file as **send-sms.py**. In the terminal, **cd** to the directory containing the file you just saved then run:

```
1 python send_sms.py
```

You should receive the text message on your phone.

Using this Library

Authenticate Client

```
1 from twilio.rest import Client
2
3 account_sid = "ACcdcce1faf7260f66ec0e58dc03728fcb"
4 auth_token = "your_auth_token"
5 client = Client(account_sid, auth_token)
```

Create a New Record

```
1 from twilio.rest import Client
2
3 account_sid = "ACcdcce1faf7260f66ec0e58dc03728fcb"
4 auth_token = "your_auth_token"
5 client = Client(account_sid, auth_token)
6
7 call = client.calls.create(
8     to="+14155551212",
9     from_="+15017250604",
10    url="http://demo.twilio.com/docs/voice.xml"
11 )
12
13 print(call.sid)
```

Get Existing Record

```
1 from twilio.rest import TwilioRestClient
2
3 account_sid = "ACcdcce1faf7260f66ec0e58dc03728fcb"
4 auth_token = "your_auth_token"
5 client = TwilioRestClient(account_sid, auth_token)
6
7 call = client.calls.get("CA42ed11f93dc08b952027ffbc406d0868")
8 print(call.to)
```

Iterate Through Records

```
1 from twilio.rest import Client
2
3 account_sid = "ACcdcce1faf7260f66ec0e58dc03728fcb"
4 auth_token = "your_auth_token"
5 client = Client(account_sid, auth_token)
6
7 for sms in client.messages.list():
8     print(sms.to)
```

More Documentation

Once you're up and running with the Python helper library, you'll find code samples using the latest version in our [REST API docs](#) and in the documentation for every Twilio product. You can also find [auto-generated library docs](#) for the latest SDK [here](#).

Accessing the 5.x Version of the Helper Library

Deprecation notice

New functionality will only be added to the new library (Python Helper Library 6.x). The old library (5.x) is no longer supported: Twilio will not provide bug fixes and Support might ask you to upgrade before debugging issues. [Learn how to migrate your existing application](#).

The most recent version of the Python Helper Library is not API compatible with the previous 5.x version you may have used in previous Twilio applications. The older version will continue to work, and you will continue to find sample code for this version throughout our documentation. Should you need to install this version you can do so with the following command:

```
1 pip install twilio==5.7.0
```

Getting Help

We'd love to hear your feedback on the Twilio Python Helper Library and help you past any issues you may encounter. [Feel free to drop us a line](#), and we'll make sure to get you sorted!

Need some help?

We all do sometimes; code is hard. Get help now from our [support team](#), or lean on the wisdom of the crowd browsing the [Twilio tag](#) on Stack Overflow.

We can't wait to see what you build.

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