

# JavaScript Library Streaming Tag Implementation Guide

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#### 1 Introduction



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The JavaScript library Streaming Tag provides accurate and comprehensive streaming media analytics functionality. This enables comScore to receive measurement insights critical to answering questions about streaming media usage, including advertising messages.

The JavaScript library Streaming Tag is implemented next to — or into — a streaming media player. In response to media change and playback state change activity in your player you will implement calls to the comScore library. A similar solution is available for other popular platforms from which Comscore reports streaming media usage.

If you have any questions or concerns about the instructions in this document, or about elements of the JavaScript library, then please contact your Comscore account team or implementation support team.

# 1.1 Intended use of JavaScript library

The instructions in this document are intended to be used with **version 7.3.0 and subsequent 7.x.y releases** of the JavaScript library for implementation using JavaScript code in or next to a streaming media player in a web site or web application intended for PC and Mobile web browsers like Chrome, Safari or Microsoft Edge as well as any of the other application environments mentioned in the *JavaScript Library Implementation Guide*.



This documentation refers to the JavaScript code for all supported environments as "application" even though you might not consider your web page environment to be an application.

If you are using a different kind of environment or if your application is developed in another programming language then please contact your Comscore account team to ask for guidance.

# 1.2 Preparation

Please complete the following checklist before adding the Streaming Tag implementation to your streaming media player:

- 1. The Streaming Tag implementation uses elements of the JavaScript library. Confirm you have implemented the library for tagging of the application itself.
- 2. Familiarize yourself with the instructions in this document.
- 3. If you are updating an existing implementation, then please refer to Appendix D: Update an existing implementation on page 20 to see if there are any relevant steps mentioned for your situation.
- 4. Clarify with your comScore account team what type of media you should be implementing the Streaming Tag for (video and/ or audio). Please do not implement this tag onto media types other than those you have been instructed to by your



- comScore account team.
- 5. Determine the media asset metadata values that need to be collected.
- 6. Make sure you are using a player that has an API which allows you to detect the player state and allows you to access details like the current playback position and relevant media asset metadata.
- 7. Ensure you have a reference to the library API. The code examples and object references in this document assume you have created a library API reference called analytics.

# 1.3 Implementation overview and general instructions

The implementation for a streaming media player involves the following steps:

- 1. Ensure the library is included in the application project with code statements to configure and start the library.
- 2. Create a analytics. Streaming Analytics instance.
- 3. Specify media metadata values using analytics. StreamingAnalytics. ContentMetadata and analytics. StreamingAnalytics. AdvertisementMetadata instances.
- 4. Instrument the analytics. Streaming Analytics instance so it is aware of media asset changes.
- 5. Instrument the analytics. Streaming Analytics instance to make it aware of player playback state changes.

#### 1.3.1 Intended use of library elements

As you work with the library you might see classes, methods or properties which do not appear in this documentation. Those library elements are exposed either because the solution requires it or because they are needed for custom solution implementations for which Comscore provides additional instructions.



Please ensure you do not use any library elements which do not appear in this documentation unless you have received explicit instructions for their use from Comscore.

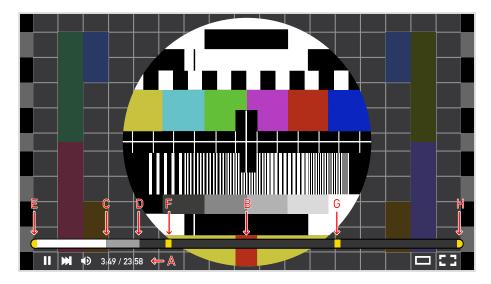


# 2 Implementation instructions

For optimal tagging of your player's streaming playback scenarios it is important to understand how the Streaming Tag collects data. This data collection model can be summarized as follows:

- A Playback Session represents the collection of a discrete content and its related advertisements.
- Each discrete content is represented by exactly one Asset, specified through Metadata values.
- Each individual advertisement is represented by exactly one Asset, specified through Metadata values.
- Media changes in the player are indicated through an API method call to specify the metadata of the current Asset.
- The player's playback state changes play, pause, buffer, etc. are indicated through API method calls.

Please consider the following example player:



Example player with Time Line showing content and ad breaks

- A indicates the current *Playback Position* relative to the length of the content. The player is at position 3m49s of the content, which has a length of 23m58s.
- B is a visual representation of the *Time Line* for the content. It represents the content in its entirety and shows a number of relevant details
  which give an indication of what the player can be expected to do next.
- C visually represents the current Playback Position on the Time Line.
- D visually represents the amount of content data downloaded by the player. The player has not yet downloaded the entire content, so seeking
  to a position further into the content will likely cause buffering to occur. Or, seeking to a further position might not be possible altogether
  depending on how the player has been programmed to behave in such scenarios.
- E, F, G and H are cue point markers for ad breaks. At these positions relative to the content the player is potentially going to halt playback of the content to load and play advertisements.
  - E represents a pre-roll ad break.
  - F and G represent mid-roll ad breaks.
  - H represents a post-roll ad break.

If we assume the pre-roll, post-roll and first mid-roll ad break each contain a single individual advertisement and the second mid-roll ad break contains two individual advertisements, then this *Playback Session* has a total of 6 *Assets*:

- 1 content
- 1 pre-roll advertisement



- 3 mid-roll advertisements
- 1 post-roll advertisement

The following sections explain the implementation of the Streaming Tag in your player, illustrated with this example player.

# 2.1 Create analytics. Streaming Analytics instance

To start, please create an instance of the analytics. Streaming Analytics class from the comScore library:

```
11. var sa = new StreamingAnalytics();
```

You can reuse this instance throughout your implementation, even if your player changes from one content to another.

# 2.2 Set implementation details (optional)

To help with implementation validation and reporting Comscore may have provided you with additional instructions to identify your implementation and/or player.

#### 2.2.1 Implementation ID

If Comscore provided you with an Implementation ID for your implementation, then please specify this ID as a String value:

```
12. sa.setImplementationId( "1234567890" ); // Use the provided ID
```

#### 2.2.2 Project ID

If Comscore provided you with an Project ID for your implementation, then please specify this ID as a String value:

```
13. sa.setProjectId( "1234567890" ); // Use the provided ID
```

#### 2.2.3 Player name and version

If Comscore instructed you to identify your players by name and version, then please specify these as String values:

```
sa.setMediaPlayerName( "My Player" ); // Use a suitable name to distinguish your playersa.setMediaPlayerVersion( "1.2.3-a5f72c" ); // Use the version of your player
```

# 2.3 Create Playback Session

When your player loads content for playback — or the first time your player loads an advertisement related to that content — please instruct the analytics. StreamingAnalytics instance to create a new *Playback Session*:

```
21. sa.createPlaybackSession();
```

Advertisements that are played in relation to content should be in the same *Playback Session* as their related content. When advertisements are involved you would typically change the current *Playback Session* after any post-rolls and before any pre-rolls so that content and its related advertisements end up in the same *Playback Session*.



# 2.4 Specify Asset metadata

Each Asset is represented by metadata values. These metadata values are specified on

analytics.StreamingAnalytics.ContentMetadata and analytics.StreamingAnalytics.AdvertisementMetadata object instances.



#### How to decide if the asset is content or advertisement...

In cases where defining a stream as advertisement or content is ambiguous, streams should be classified as content if they can be monetized. A stream can be monetized if it could (or did) have advertisements run against it. Conversely, a stream should be classified as advertisement if it is not in a position to have advertisements run against it due to the promotional nature of its subject matter.

The following types of video streams should **not** be tagged using the Streaming Tag unless otherwise directed by your Comscore account team.

#### In-banner video advertisements

In-banner video advertisements are the same as standard image/flash banner advertisements prevalent on the Internet, except they have a streamed video associated within them, (or consist entirely of a video). They leverage the banner space to deliver a video experience as opposed to another static or rich media format. The format relies on the existence of display advertisement inventory on the page for its delivery. Video banner advertisements can also have interactive rich media elements within them and can pop out of their banners to display larger video advertisements.

#### Overlay advertisements

Overlay advertisements are non-linear video advertisements that are delivered as text, graphical banners/buttons, or as video and are placed within the media player window, either over the video content itself or directly on the top edge or bottom edge of the video content during the content play.

#### In-Text video advertisements

In-text video advertisements are delivered as a pop over when a user chooses to mouse-over relevant, apparently hyperlinked words within a block of text.

#### 2.4.1 Specify content metadata

Once the analytics. StreamingAnalytics. ContentMetadata instance is created, metadata values are specified using its API methods. The full list of available content metadata is provided in Appendix A: Content metadata list on page 12.

The following code example creates an instance of analytics. StreamingAnalytics. ContentMetadata and specifies those metadata values *required for Video Metrix tagging* to represent the content from our example:

```
31.
      var cm = new analytics.StreamingAnalytics.ContentMetadata();
32.
      cm.setMediaType( analytics.StreamingAnalytics.ContentMetadata.ContentType.LONG_FORM_ON_DEMAND );
      cm.setUniqueId( "13784" );
33.
      cm.setLength( 1418000 ); // 23m58s in milliseconds
34.
35
      cm.setDictionaryClassificationC3( "*null" );
36
      cm.setDictionaryClassificationC4( "*null" );
37.
      cm.setDictionaryClassificationC6( "*null" );
38
      cm.setStationTitle( "Hulu" );
39
      cm.setPublisherName( "ABC" );
      cm.setProgramTitle( "Modern Family" );
     cm.setGenreName( "Comedy" );
```



#### 2.4.2 Specify advertisement metadata

Once the analytics. StreamingAnalytics. AdvertisementMetadata instance is created, metadata values are specified using its API methods. The full list of available content metadata is provided in Appendix B: Advertisement metadata list on page 17.

The following code creates an instance of analytics. StreamingAnalytics. AdvertisementMetadata and specifies metadata values to represent the pre-roll advertisement from our example:

```
    var am = new analytics.StreamingAnalytics.AdvertisementMetadata();
    am.setMediaType( analytics.StreamingAnalytics.AdvertisementMetadata.AdvertisementType.ON_DEMAND_PRE_ROLL );
    am.setRelatedContentMetadata( cm );
```

### 2.5 Add media change notifications

When your player loads content or advertisements for playback, you need to indicate which of the media metadata reflects what is currently loaded. For example, to indicate the player has currently loaded the pre-roll advertisement from our example:

```
51. sa.setMetadata( am );
```

Likewise, to indicate the player has currently loaded the content from our example:

```
61. sa.setMetadata( cm );
```

The setMetadata method accepts AdvertisementMetadata and ContentMetadata objects as its argument.

# 2.6 Add playback state change notifications

As your player plays content and advertisements, it will go through one or more of the playback state changes listed below. Please implement calls the associated notification methods on the analytics.StreamingAnalytics instance for the playback state changes of your player.

Playback state change notification methods

Playback state change	Method	Comments
buffering starts	notifyBufferStart()	Indicates the player has started <i>buffering streaming data and the player is currently not playing</i> . You can call this method when buffering occurs prior to the start of playback as well as when buffering occurs during playback.
bulleting starts	noch yburrer start()	It is important to call this method when buffering occurs to ensure time spent buffering is not reported as playing time.
buffering ends	notifyBufferStop()	Indicates the player has finished buffering streaming data. You can call this method whenever you have previously called notifyBufferStart() to indicate buffering has finished.  If you called notifyBufferStart() prior to the start of playback then the analytics. StreamingAnalytics instance will assume the player is now idle and waiting to start playback. Otherwise, If you called notifyBufferStart() during playback then the analytics. StreamingAnalytics instance will resume the collection of playing time.
playback activates	notifyPlay()	Indicates playback has started / resumed after pausing or continued after seeking.
playback pauses	notifyPause()	Indicates playback is paused and the player is currently not playing.



Playback state change	Method	Comments
playback ends	notifyEnd()	<ul> <li>Indicates playback has ended. You typically call this method in the following cases:</li> <li>Playback naturally reaches the end of the content or advertisement.</li> <li>The user interacts with the player, causing the player to go to an idle state. This does not necessarily mean the player was playing: <ul> <li>Playback could have been paused.</li> <li>The player could have been seeking or buffering.</li> </ul> </li> <li>Playback of the current asset ends because the player needs to change media, for example to load an advertisement for a mid-roll ad break or go back to the content after a mid-roll ad break.</li> <li>The player encountered a fatal error during playback, pausing, seeking or buffering and playback cannot continue.</li> </ul>
seeking starts	notifySeekStart()	Indicates the player has started seeking. You typically call this method when the user interacts with the player to make playback resume from a different position on the player Time Line.  After seeking has finished playback will typically resume from a different position. Please make sure to call the appropriate API method to make this new position known to the analytics. StreamingAnalytics instance as instructed in   *Dupdate current Playback Position on page 10.

# 2.7 Additional change notifications

Depending on your player's capabilities, the kind of media your player supports and possible playback scenarios, there can also be other changes in the environment which you need to make the analytics. StreamingAnalytics instance aware of.

Relevant situations are described in this section.

# 2.7.1 Specify DVR Window Length for Live+DVR streams

In Streaming Tag terminology *Live* refers to the transmission method rather than the media being live recorded. Typically these are multicast, unicast or simulcast deliveries where the player offers the live streams in a way where the user cannot choose what to play: the player will play whatever is being streamed by the media server.

Some players offer DVR ('Digital Video Recorder') capabilities for live streams. In this case the user can seek back and forth in the live stream, typically up to a certain amount of time (for example, 30 minutes or 2 hours back). When the user performs this action, the player will stream what was served on the live stream at that point in time. In Streaming Tag terminology this called *Live+DVR*. These actions by the user can impact metrics collection and need to be addressed in your implementation.

The following definitions are relevant for tagging Live+DVR streams:

#### Live Edge

The outer edge of the player *Time Line*, typically where a player would start playing a live stream. The user cannot change the *Playback Position forward* when the player is playing from the *Live Edge*. If a player does **not** offer *Live+DVR* capabilities then by definition playback is always at the live edge for any live streams.

#### **DVR Window Length**

The maximum amount of time the user can go back in time on the live stream. For example: if the player allows the user to go back to what was live streamed at most 30 minutes ago, then the DVR Window Length is 30 minutes.

#### **DVR Window Offset**

The amount of time the current playback position is behind the *Live Edge*. As an example, assume the player has a *DVR Window Length* of 30 minutes and is at the *Live Edge* when this scenario occurs:

- 1. At the Live Edge the DVR Window Offset is 0.
- 2. The user moves the *Playback Position* 12 minutes *backwards* (i.e., the user seeks). When playback continues, the *DVR Window Offset* is now 12 minutes.



- 3. As playback progresses, the *DVR Window Offset* continues to be 12 minutes.
- 4. The user moves the *Playback Position forward* by 4 minutes and playback continues, causing the *DVR Window Offset* to now be 8 minutes.

For *Live+DVR* use cases please use the following notification method on the analytics. StreamingAnalytics instance to inform it of *DVR Window Length* changes.



The analytics. StreamingAnalytics instance uses this calls to this notification method to identify the current asset as a Live+DVR stream to ensure accurate metrics reporting. Please make sure **not** to call this notification method for any live streams where the player does not offer DVR capabilities.

Live+DVR change notification methods

Change	Method	Comments
DVR Live Window Length changes	<pre>setDvrWindowLength( int length )</pre>	Indicates the current <i>DVR Window Length</i> is known or has changed. It is expected for this method to be called <b>before</b> playback of the live stream starts or resumes — e.g., after pausing, seeking and/or changing to other media such as advertisements — as well as when the <i>DVR Window Length</i> changes during playback.  The method expects one argument with a <b>positive</b> integer Number value representing the length in <b>milliseconds</b> . For example:  A DVR window length of 30 minutes is represented as 1800000.  A DVR window length of 2 hours is represented as 7200000.



Changes to the DVR Window Offset are considered playback position changes, for which specific instructions are provided in

Update current Playback Position on this page

#### 2.7.2 Update current Playback Position

The analytics. StreamingAnalytics instance internally automatically calculates the current *Playback Position* from media changes, playback state changes and the progress of natural time while the player is *playing*. For example, when content media playback is interrupted for mid-roll ad breaks, the analytics. StreamingAnalytics instance automatically uses the content media its last-known position when playback of the content media resumes after the mid-roll ad break.

Although the analytics. StreamingAnalytics instance can deal with most common use cases, when the following things occur it might be necessary to inform the analytics. StreamingAnalytics instance where playback will start (or resume) to ensure accurate metrics reporting as the analytics. StreamingAnalytics instance cannot predict the seeked-to position:

- 1. When seeking occurs.
- 2. When the player starts media playback from a non-zero position, or from a position other than the *Live Edge* in case of *Live+DVR* streams.
- 3. When the player automatically changes the position, for example as the result of playback errors or live streaming behavior.



The are two mechanisms to inform the analytics. StreamingAnalytics instance of the position where playback will start (or resume), each with their own notification method on the analytics. StreamingAnalytics instance.

Please note that the two mechanisms should not both be used on the same asset to ensure accurate metrics reporting.

Playback Position change notification methods

Change	Method	Comments
		Indicates the <i>Playback Position</i> where playback will start or resume next. Calls to this method
		will take effect on the next occurrence of playback (not necessarily for the same asset), which
Any non- <i>Live+DVR</i> position	startFromPosition( int	can be the start of playback as well as resuming playback after seeking, buffering or changing
change	position )	media.
		The method expects one argument with a <b>positive</b> integer Number value representing the
		Playback Position in milliseconds. For example: 10 minutes should be provided as 600000.
		Indicates the current DVR Window Offset is known or has changed. Calls to this method will
		take effect on the next occurrence of playback (not necessarily for the same asset). Calling
		this method will cause the analytics.StreamingAnalytics instance to identify the
		current asset as a Live+DVR stream to ensure accurate metrics reporting.
DVR Window Offset change	startFromDvrWindowOffset(	The method expects one argument with a <b>positive</b> integer Number value representing the
DVII William Oliset change	int offset )	DVR Window Offset in milliseconds. For example:
		A DVR window offset or 0 seconds - i.e., playback is at the Live Edge - is represented as 0.
		A DVR window offset of 8 minutes - i.e., playback is 8 minutes in the past from the <i>Live</i>
		Edge - is represented as 480000.

## 2.7.3 Add playback rate change notifications

If your player is capable of changing playback rate, then please use the following notification method on the analytics. StreamingAnalytics instance to indicate each playback rate change and ensure the automatic calculation of playback position and completion metrics are correct.

Playback rate change notification methods

Change	Method	Comments
	notifyChangePlaybackRate( float	The playback rate is expressed as a float Number value. Example playback rate
Playback rate changes		values are:
		• normal speed (100%): 1.0
		• half speed (50%): 0.5
		- double speed (200%): 2.0

For example, to indicate playback speed has doubled:

#### 71. sa.notifyChangePlaybackRate( 2.0 );

Please be aware that the analytics.StreamingAnalytics instance retains the current playback rate when the current *Asset* changes. If your player resets its playback rate when media changes, then please make sure to include a notification method call to indicate the reset.



# Appendix A: Content metadata list

The following table lists the analytics. Streaming Analytics. Content Metadata API methods for specifying metadata values.

#### Content metadata

Method	Required for	Optional for		Example value		
	VXC	_	ContentType.LO	NG_FORM_ON_DEMAND		
	The media type is critical for enabling Comscore to distinguish different types of streams. The values are provided with the analytics.StreamingAnalytics.ContentMetadata.ContentType object:					
		Value		Description		
	SHORT_FORM_ON_DEMAND <sup>A</sup>			PREMIUM  Content with strong brand aguity or brand recognition		
	LONG_FORM_C	ON_DEMAND**		Content with strong brand equity or brand recognition.  Premium content is usually created or produced by media and entertainment companies using professional-grade equipment, talent, and production crews that hold or maintain the rights for distribution and syndication.		
	USER_GENERA	ATED_SHORT_F	ORM_ON_DEMAND <sup>A</sup>	USER-GENERATED		
setMediaType( value )	USER_GENERA	ATED_LONG_FO	RM_ON_DEMAND <sup>A</sup>	Content with little-to-no brand equity or brand recognition.  User-generated content (UGC) has minimal production		
	USER_GENERA	ATED_LIVE		value, and is uploaded to the Internet by non-media professionals.		
	BUMPER			BUMPERS <sup>B</sup> Bumpers — also known as billboards or slates — are static promotional items which usually run before content and usually last less than 5 seconds.		
	OTHER			Used if none of the above categories apply.		
	A Long form video on demand is differentiated from short form video on demand in that long form content always has a content arc with a beginning, middle, and end which in its entirety typically lasts longer than 10 minutes.  B Bumpers (billboards, slates) do not have to be tagged. With some implementations tagging of bumpers cannot be avoided. In those cases these values can be used to identify streams as bumpers.					
	VXC	_	13784			
setUniqueId( String id )	Used in report calculations logic to identify individual content. Provide your internal unique identifier for the content.					
	Provide value "0" if your media player does not use or have access to unique content identifiers.  V X C - 1418000 (23 minutes and 58 seconds)					
setLength( int length )	A value <b>in milliseconds</b> indicating the length of the individual content (the available amount of conte					
setDictionaryClassificationC3(	✓ - *null					
String value ) setDictionaryClassificationC4( String value ) setDictionaryClassificationC6( String value )	These values determine which entity the content will credit to in the Video Metrix dictionary. The values specific pre-defined meanings. You should work with your Comscore account team to estab metadata values should be, based on your desired dictionary goals.  Provide value "*null" for any of the values you do not intend to use.					
setStationTitle( String title )	VXC	_	■ ESPN3 ■ BBC2			



Required for	Optional for	Example value				
Title of the stati	on or channel fo	or which content was recorded or where content is made available.				
_	VXC	sc132				
Code of the sta	tion or channel	for which content was recorded or where content is made available. Can be used				
for matching pu	rposes (for exar	mple when the station titles are multilingual).				
_	VXC	- ABC - GRIT - Escape - MeTV				
Code to identify	station affiliatio	on in cases where the same local TV station call sign is affiliated with multiple				
national TV networks. Expected to be used alongside setStationTitle( String title ) or						
setStationCo	ode( String	code ).				
X C	V	- ABC - ESPN - CNN				
Collect the cons	sumer-facing bra	and name of the media publisher that owns the content.				
VXC	_	<ul><li>Modern Family</li><li>Harry Potter 7</li><li>Game 16: Eagles vs Patriots</li></ul>				
Top level conte	nt title (i.e., the	name of the overall program, show, or content series). Can be used with				
setEpisodeT	itle( String	title ) to tag TV shows on program and episode level.				
_	VC	53617155				
Top level conte	nt ID to be used	I for matching and grouping purposes (for example when the program title				
appears with multiple variations for the same program). Can be used with setEpisodeId( String id ) to						
tag TV shows on program and episode level.						
This should not be confused with setUniqueId( String id ) which identifies an individual asset.						
VXC	_	Rash Decisions     Season 2 Teaser				
Sub level conte	nt title (i.e., the	title of the specific episode). Can be used with setProgramTitle(String				
title ) to tag	TV shows on p	program and episode level.				
_	X C	846252126				
Sub level conte	nt ID to be used	I for matching and grouping purposes (for example when the episode title				
appears with multiple variations for the same episode of a specific program). Can be used with						
setProgramId( String id ) to tag TV shows on program and episode level.						
(This should no	t be confused w	vith setUniqueId( String id ) which identifies an individual asset.)				
X C	_	05				
		ontent. It is recommended to use values with 2 digits, left-padded with 0. Omit or an episodic content.				
X C	_	- 08 - 008				
Episode numbe	r for episodic co	ontent. It is recommended to use values with 2 digits — or 3 digits for episodic				
	•	odes in a season — left-padded with 0.				
		• Comedy				
VXC	_	• Sports • Fantasy,Drama				
Genre descripti	on. Multiple valu	ues can be provided as a comma-separated string.				
_	VXC	<ul><li>243</li><li>e5a5c</li><li>165,73</li></ul>				
Genre ID to be used for matching and grouping purposes (for example when the genres are multilingual).						
Multiple values	can be provided	d as a comma-separated string.				
×	_	true				
	Title of the stati  Code of the stati for matching put  Code to identify national TV net setStationCo  Collect the conse  Collect the conse  Top level conte setEpisodeT  Top level conte appears with m tag TV shows of This should not to the conte appears with m setProgramIo (This should not to the content with mose content with mose content with mose the content with mose	Title of the station or channel for				



Method	Required for	Optional for	Example value					
			d content carries the same advertisement load that was used during the TV airing					
	Otherwise omit or use value false.							
			e differentiate if the stream is carrying the same ad load as TV. Often digital video					
	· -	_	with TV inventory and is served with the same ad load. The CPM $^{(1)}$ for digital					
	inventory with TV ad load is different from the CPM for any other ad load.  If for any reason your backend or workflow requires all media metadata to have values for the same set of metadata, then please make sure you use value false for any streamed content which did not carry the							
	advertisement I	oad as during th	ne TV airing.					
	X	_	true					
	Use value true	eif the content n	nedia is a full episode, rather than an excerpt. Otherwise omit or use value					
	false.							
classifyAsCompleteEpisode( Boolean		•	e identify if the streaming content is episodic, long-form, or premium in nature. It					
value )	also indicates v	hether the show	w or episode will be explicitly broken out in the dictionary.					
	If for any reaso	n your backend	or workflow requires all media metadata to have values for the same set of					
	metadata, then	please make su	ure you use value false for any streamed media which is <b>not</b> a full content					
	episode.							
setDateOfProduction( int year, int	_	C	2019, 5, 14 (May 14, 2019)					
month, int day )	The date on wh	ich the content	l was produced or created.					
setTimeOfProduction( int hours, int	_	C	17, 24 (17:24)					
minutes )	The time at which the content was produced or created.							
	X C	_	2019, 5, 22 (May 22, 2019)					
setDateOfTvAiring( int year, int								
month, int day )	The date on which the content aired on TV. This metadata helps Comscore establish monetization windows (live, day +1, day +3, etc.) for any given episode or show. The monetization windows are used to calculate							
•	(live, day +1, day +3, etc.) for any given episode or snow. The monetization windows are used to calculate commercial and program ratings.							
setTimeOfTvAiring( int hours, int	_	XC	20, 30 (20:30)					
minutes )	The time at whi	ch the content a						
	X C	_	2019, 5, 25 (May 25, 2019)					
<pre>setDateOfDigitalAiring( int year,</pre>		ich the content						
int month, int day )	The date on which the content was made available for streaming consumption. This metadata helps Comscore establish monetization windows (live, day +1, day +3, etc.) for any given episode or show. The monetization							
•	windows are used to calculate commercial and program ratings.							
setTimeOfDigitalAiring( int hours,	_	X C	11, 15 (11:15)					
int minutes )	The time of whi		was made available for streaming consumption.					
	_	Cir the content v						
	×	_	ContentFeedType.EAST_HD					
	' ' ' '		ed on the live stream. Intended to be used on live streams using the same feed as					
	was used for the live TV broadcast. Currently only used for implementations in the US. The values are provided							
	with the analy	tics.Streami	ingAnalytics.ContentMetadata.ContentFeedType object:					
setFeedType( value )	Value		Description					
	EAST_HD Live stream is using the high definition feed used for US eastern live TV broadcast							
	WEST_HD Live stream is using the high definition feed used for US western live TV broadcast							
	EAST SD Live stream is using the standard definition feed used for US eastern live TV broadcast							
	WEST_S	D Live stream	is using the standard definition feed used for US western live TV broadcast					
classifyAsAudioStream( Boolean value								

<sup>(1)</sup>  ${\sf CPM-short}$  for 'Cost Per Mille' — is the advertising cost per 1000 impressions.



Method		uired or	Optional for			Example value	
	Use va	alue true	if the conten	t is audio-	only, rather th	nan video (with or without audio). Otherwise omit or use	
	value false.						
	This metadata helps Comscore identify if the streaming content is audio-only in nature.						
	If for any reason your backend or workflow requires all media metadata to have values for the same set of						
	metadata, then please make sure you use value false for any streamed media which is video (with or without audio)						
	audio)			1			
		_				Mode.ON_DEMAND	
			•			near. The values are provided with the	
setDeliveryMode( value )	anaty	/1165.51	.reamingAn	TIYLICS.	Contentne	tadata.ContentDeliveryMode object:	
				Va		Description	
				LINE		ent delivery was linear	
				ON_DE	EMAND   Conte	ent delivery was on-demand	
		-	VXC	Conte	ntDelivery	SubscriptionType.PREMIUM	
	Identif	ies the typ	e of subscrip	tion of the	user. The va	lues are provided with the	
	analy	tics.St	reamingAn	alytics.	ContentMet	tadata.ContentDeliverySubscriptionType object:	
			Val	ıe		Description	
- AB-16		or livo (lin	ear) delivery	TRADIT	ONAL_MVPD	Traditional Multichannel video programming distributor	
<pre>setDeliverySubscriptionType( value )</pre>		or live (iii)	ear) delivery	VIRTUAL	MVPD	Virtual multichannel video programming distributor	
				SUBSCRI	IPTION	Subscription video on demand	
	l l	or on-dem	nand delivery	TRANSAC	CTIONAL	Transactional video on demand	
	For on-de		iana aciivery	ADVERT	ISING	Advertising video on demand	
				PREMIUN	1	Premium video on demand	
		-	VXC	Conte	ntDelivery	Composition.CLEAN	
	Indicat	tes wheth	er or not ads	are delive	red as part of	the content stream. The values are provided with the	
	analy	tics.St	reamingAn	alytics.	ContentMet	tadata.ContentDeliveryComposition object:	
setDeliveryComposition( value )			Value			Description	
		CLEAN Advertisements are not delivered as part of the content stream				t delivered as part of the content stream	
			EMBED	Advertise	ments are del	livered as part of the content stream	
		_	VXC	Conte	ntDelivery	vAdvertisementCapability.DYNAMIC LOAD	
	Indicat	te what ca				placements. The values are provided with the	
						tadata.ContentDeliveryAdvertisementCapability	
	object	:					
			Value			Description	
	NONE				No advertisement placement allowed		
setDeliveryAdvertisementCapability(	DVNA	MIC IOA	D		The allowed	d advertisement placement capability is dynamic	
value )	TINA	MIC_LOA	U	advertisement load			
	DYNA	DYNAMIC REPLACEMENT			The allowed advertisement placement capability is dynamic		
	1.725	AD 1541	LINEAR	A \/	advertiseme	ent replacement	
			LINEAR_2D		The allowed advertisement placement especiality is linear ad lead for a		
		LINEAR_3DAY, LINEAR_4DAY, LINEAR_5DAY, LINEAR_6DAY,			The allowed advertisement placement capability is linear ad load for a specific number of days, e.g., LINEAR 3DAY for 3 days		
		AR_7DAY	_	Specific fluitibet of days, e.g., LINLAN_SUATION 5 days			
cotModiaFormat ( volve )				Cont	n+Modi-F-	trat EULI CONTENT EDISODE	
setMediaFormat( value )		_	VXC	Conte	ntmediaFor	mat.FULL_CONTENT_EPISODE	



Method	Required for	Optiona for	I	Example value				
	Specify the type of content media in more detail. The values are provided with the							
	analytics.StreamingAnalytics.ContentMetadata.ContentMediaFormat object:							
		Value		Description				
		The original	content in its entire	ty (i.e., at least 85%)				
		FULL_CONT	ENT_EPISODE	Content is a full episode				
	For full	FULL_CONT	ENT_MOVIE	Content is a full movie				
	content	FULL_CONT	ENT_PODCAST	Content is a full podcast				
		FULL_CONT	ENT_GENERIC	Full content that cannot be identified as a listed format				
		Part of the c	original content (i.e.,	less than 85%)				
		PARTIAL_C	ONTENT_EPISODE	Partial episode				
	For partial	PARTIAL_C	ONTENT_MOVIE	Partial movie				
	content	PARTIAL_C	ONTENT_PODCAST	Partial podcast				
		PARTIAL_C	ONTENT_GENERIC	Partial content that cannot be identified as a listed format				
		A preview o	r trailer for the origin	nal content				
		PREVIEW_E	PISODE	Episode preview				
	For preview	PREVIEW_M	OVIE	Movie preview				
	content	PREVIEW_G	ENERIC	Preview for content that cannot be identified as episode or movie				
		Additional co	ontent, not part of th	ne original broadcasting				
		EXTRA_EPI	SODE	Episode extra content				
	For extra	EXTRA_MOV	IE	Movie extra content				
	Content	EVEDA CEN	FRIC	Extra content is additional to original content that cannot be				
		EXTRA_GEN	EKIC	identified as episode or movie				
	_	VXC	ContentDist	ributionModel.TV_AND_ONLINE				
	Specify where	pecify where the content was distributed. The values are provided with the						
and Drive to the state of the s	analytics.S	treamingAr	nalytics.Conten	tMetadata.ContentDistributionModel object:				
setDistributionModel( value )			Value	Description				
		TV_	AND_ONLINE	Content is distributed on TV and online				
		EXC	LUSIVELY_ONLINE	Content is distributed exclusively online				
	_	C	"Modern Fam	ily Season 2"				
<pre>setPlaylistTitle( String title )</pre>	Can be used if			art of a playlist. Specify an identifier (title, etc.) for the playlist. For				
			•	contains all episodes from a specific TV show.				
	_	VC	3					
setTotalSegments( int total )				ontent, which is one more than the number of mid-roll ad breaks.				
	For example, 1 segment means no mid-roll ad breaks while 3 segments means 2 mid-roll ad breaks.							
	Provide value (		umber of segments	of the content cannot be determined.				
setClipUrl( String url )	− VC http://streaming		http://stre	aming.example.com/asset/13784				
	The URL (or path/filename) of the content stream.			m.				
setVideoDimensions( int pixelsWide,		<b>C</b> 1280, 7		280, 720				
int pixelsHigh )	Content video	width and hei	ght in pixels.					
			{					
	_	VXC		: 'value1',				
addCustomLabels( Object labels )			'name2'	: 'value2'				
	01		}	and the same finding in the				
	Can be used to	specify a co	llection of custom m	netadata name/value pairs.				



# Appendix B: Advertisement metadata list

The following table lists the analytics. Streaming Analytics. Advertisement Metadata API methods for specifying metadata values.

#### Advertisement metadata

Method	Required for	Optional for	. Example value					
	VXC	_	AdvertisementType.ON_DEMAND_PRE_ROLL					
	The media type is co	ritical for enabling	Comscore to distinguish different types of streams. The values are					
	provided with the	provided with the						
	analytics.Strea	analytics.StreamingAnalytics.AdvertisementMetadata.AdvertisementType object:						
	Val	ne	Description					
	ON_DEMAND_PRE_	ROLL	LINEAR - VIDEO ON DEMAND					
	ON_DEMAND_MID_	ROLL	Linear advertisements delivered into a media player and presented					
	ON_DEMAND_POST	_ROLL	before, in the middle of, or after video content is consumed by the user. The advertisement completely takes over the full view of the media player.					
			LINEAR - LIVE					
setMediaType( value )			Linear advertisements delivered before, in the middle of, or after a					
	LIVE		live stream of content. The advertisement completely takes over					
			the full view of the media player.					
	BRANDED_ON_DEM	AND_PRE_ROLL						
	BRANDED_ON_DEM	AND_MID_ROLL	BRANDED ENTERTAINMENT					
	BRANDED_ON_DEM	AND_POST_ROLL	Media that a user may intentionally view (like content), or it may be					
	BRANDED_AS_CON	TENT	served to a user during an ad break (like an advertisement).					
	BRANDED_DURING	LIVE						
			OTHER					
	OTHER		Used if none of the above categories apply.					
	VXC	_	cm					
setRelatedContentMetadata(	Specify the analyt	ics.Streaming/	Analytics.ContentMetadata of the content which the					
contentMetadataObject )	advertisement is ser	ved for. Omit for c	ases where player is not aware which content the advertisement is					
	playing for.							
	_	C	"332584"					
setUniqueId( String id )	Provide a unique ide	Provide a unique identifier of the advertisement. The identifier is expected to different for different						
5000quezu( 50	advertisements (i.e.	advertisements (i.e., to distinguish one creative from another).						
	Provide value "0" if	your media playe	r does not use or have access to unique content identifiers.					
	×	VC	27000 (27 seconds)					
setLength( int length )	A value in milliseco	nds indicating the	length of the individual advertisement. If your media player or					
0. (	advertisement meta	advertisement metadata reports length values in seconds then please multiply those values by 1000.						
	If the advertisement	length is unknowr	or cannot be determined then please provide value 0.					
setDeliveryType( value )	_	X C	AdvertisementDeliveryType.NATIONAL					



Method	Required for	Optional for	Example value					
	Specify the mecha	anism use to deliver ar	n advertisement. The values are provided with the					
	analytics.StreamingAnalytics.AdvertisementMetadata.AdvertisementDeliveryType							
	object:							
		Value	Description					
		NATIONAL T	he advertisement is delivered nationally					
		LOCAL T	he advertisement is delivered locally					
		SYNDICATION T	he advertisement is delivered for syndication					
	_	X C	AdvertisementOwner.DISTRIBUTOR					
	Specify who is monetizing the advertisement. The values are provided with the							
	analytics.StreamingAnalytics.AdvertisementMetadata.AdvertisementOwner object:							
<pre>setOwner( value )</pre>	Value Description							
		Advertisement is monetized by distributor (i.e., the party reflected by the						
	DISTRIBUTOR	setPublisherName(	( String name ) metadata)					
	,	Advertisement is mone	etized by originator (i.e., the party reflected by the					
	ORIGINATOR	setStationTitle(	String title ) or setStationCode( String code )					
	r	metadata)						
	MULTIPLE /	Advertisement is mone	etized by multiple owners					
	NONE	Advertisement is not o	wned					
	VXC	_	true					
	Use value true if	the advertisement is a	audio-only, rather than video (with or without audio). Otherwise					
	omit or use value	omit or use value false.						
classifyAsAudioStream( Boolean value )	This metadata hel	This metadata helps Comscore identify if the streaming advertisement is audio-only in nature.						
	If for any reason your backend or workflow requires all media metadata to have values for the same set of							
	metadata, then please make sure you use value false for any streamed media which is video (with or							
	without audio).							
	_	X C	"5237817254"					
setServerCampaignId( String id )	Provide an ID for	the advertisement can	L Daign being delivered.					
	_	X C	"867225"					
setPlacementId( String id )	Provide an ID for	Provide an ID for the placement the advertisement campaign is being delivered to.						
	_	X C	"3445"					
setSiteId( String id )	Provide an ID for t		nt campaign is being delivered to.					
	Trovide arrib for	X C	"Freewheel"					
setServer( String name )	Duradida a mana fa							
	Provide a name for the advertising server/provider.							
setTitle( String title )	_	X C	Summer sale 2019					
	Provide a title for	the advertisement (i.e.	, the name of the campaign or creative).					
cotCallToActionUrl(String url)	_	C	"http://example.com/landing_page"					
SetCallloActionUrl( String url )	Provide the URL which will be loaded when the advertisement is clicked on.							
SetCallIOActionUrl( String url )	Provide the URL V	villeri wili be loaded w	hen the advertisement is clicked on.					
	Provide the URL V	C	hen the advertisement is clicked on.  http://streaming.example.com/asset/13784					
	_		http://streaming.example.com/asset/13784					
setClipUrl( String url )	_	C	http://streaming.example.com/asset/13784					
setClipUrl( String url ) setVideoDimensions( int pixelsWide, int	The URL (or path/	(filename) of the adver	http://streaming.example.com/asset/13784 tisement stream.					
setClipUrl( String url ) setVideoDimensions( int pixelsWide, int	The URL (or path/	(filename) of the adver	http://streaming.example.com/asset/13784 tisement stream.					
<pre>setCallToActionUrl( String url )  setClipUrl( String url )  setVideoDimensions( int pixelsWide, int pixelsHigh )</pre>	The URL (or path/	ffilename) of the adver	http://streaming.example.com/asset/13784 tisement stream.					
<pre>setClipUrl( String url ) setVideoDimensions( int pixelsWide, int</pre>	The URL (or path/	(filename) of the adver	http://streaming.example.com/asset/13784 tisement stream.  1280, 720 pixels.  {					
<pre>setClipUrl( String url ) setVideoDimensions( int pixelsWide, int pixelsHigh )</pre>	The URL (or path/	ffilename) of the adver	http://streaming.example.com/asset/13784 tisement stream.  1280, 720 pixels.  {     'name1': 'value1',					



# **Appendix C: Content metadata example values**

There are different types of video content out there on the internet and each type has certain nuances about how it should be tagged in order to be reported correctly in Comscore's Audience measurement products. This section will guide you how to populate the video metadata parameters for the most common types of content available on the internet.

Content metadata examples per type of content

Metadata	TV Show Episode	TV Show Trailer	Live Sports Content	Sports Highlight Clip	Movie	Movie Trailer	Online News Content	Music Video
<pre>Station Title — setStationTitle( String title )</pre>	Hulu	YouTube	ESPN3	YouTube	Hulu	YouTube	Huffington Post	VEV0
Publisher Brand Name — setPublisherName( String name)	ABC	ABC	ESPN	NFL	Warner Bros.	Warner Bros.	Huffington Post	VEV0
<pre>Program Title — setProgramTitle( String title )</pre>	Modern Family	Modern Family	Game 16: Eagles vs Patriots	Game 16: Eagles vs Patriots	Harry Potter 7	Harry Potter 7	Huff Post Live	Taylor Swift
<pre>Episode Title - setEpisodeTitle( String title )</pre>	Rash Decisions	Season 2 Teaser	*null	*null	*null	Harry Potter 7 Trailer #3	All is not Well in Hillaryland	Wildest Dreams
Episode Season Number — setEpisodeSeasonNumber( String value )	1	*null	*null	*null	*null	*null	*null	*null
<pre>Episode Number — setEpisodeNumber( String value )</pre>	2	*null	*null	*null	*null	*null	*null	*null
Genre — setGenreName( String name )	Comedy	Comedy	Sports	Sports	Fantasy, Drama	Fantasy, Drama	News	Music
Complete Episode — classifyAsCompleteEpisode( Boolean value )	1	0	1	0	1	Θ	0	Θ

A list of suggested Genre values is provided below:

Action / Adventure

Science Fiction

Documentary

Holiday

- Adult
- Drama
- Home & Garden / Home Improvement
- News
- Soap Opera

- Animation
- Educational
- Home Shopping
- Paid Programming
- Sports

- Awards
- Fantasy
- Kids
- Politics / Public Affairs
- Talk

- Comedy
- Foreign Language
- Lifestyle
- Reality
- Thriller / Horror

- Food
- Game Show
- Movies
- Religious
- Travel



Variety

Music



# Appendix D: Update an existing implementation

Updating within the same library major version typically are drop-in replacements. When *upgrading* to a newer major version some code changes might be required as major versions usually include API changes.

It could be that some of the library classes, API methods or method arguments mentioned in this appendix do not appear in your implementation. If your implementation contains elements which are not mentioned in these migration instructions then please contact your Comscore account team or implementation support team for additional instructions.

With older library major versions, the solution for streaming media players in web sites or web applications intended for PC and Mobile web browsers only uses the Streaming Tag. Please ensure you have first followed the migration instructions mentioned in the *JavaScript Library Implementation Guide*.

Next you will need to determine the type of your current Streaming Tag implementation in order to know which migration steps to follow.

Determine type of Streaming Tag implementation

Appearance / Characteristics		Implementation Type
Your implementation uses StreamingAnalytics object instances	6	'Standard' Streaming Tag
Your implementation uses ReducedRequirementsStreamingAnalytics object instances		Reduced Requirements Streaming Tag

The code examples and object references in the migration steps assume you have created a library API reference called analytics.

# Migrate 'Standard' Streaming Tag from major version 6 to 7

1. Remove any arguments from the statement that creates the ns\_.StreamingAnalytics instance. For example:

```
11. var sa = new ns_.StreamingAnalytics( { publisherId: '1234567' } );
```

That code statement should be changed into:

```
11. var sa = new ns_.StreamingAnalytics();
```

- 2. Replace occurrences of class name ns\_.StreamingAnalytics with analytics.StreamingAnalytics. This will again change the statement where you have just removed the arguments.
- 3. Assuming you use sa to reference the analytics. StreamingAnalytics object instance, replace the following method calls to account for API changes.



Existing code	Migrated code
	111. /* Use AdvertisementMetadata if the asset is an advertisement.
	112. * You can determine if the asset is an
	advertisement from  113. * the presence and value of ns_st_ad on the
<pre>111. sa.getPlaybackSession().setAsset(metadata);</pre>	metadata argument.  114. * If ns st ad is present with a value that is
3a.geti taybacksession().sethsset(metadata),	115. * not null, empty string, "0" or 0, then the asset
	is an advertisement.
	116. */
	117. var cm = new ContentMetadata();
	118. cm.customLabels( metadata );
	119. sa.setMetadata(cm);
	121. sa.startFromPosition( position );
121. sa.notifyBufferStart( position );	122. sa.notifyBufferStart();
125. sa.notifyBufferStop( position );	125. sa.startFromPosition( position ); 126. sa.notifyBufferStop();
131. sa.notifyPlay( position );	<pre>131.</pre>
141. sa.notifyPause( position );	141. sa.notifyPause();
151. sa.notifySeekStart( position );	151. sa.notifySeekStart();
161. sa.notifyEnd( position );	161. sa.notifyEnd();
171. sa.setDVRWindowLength( length );	171. sa.setDvrWindowLength( length );
175. sa.setDVRWindowOffset( offset );	175. sa.startFromDvrWindowOffset( offset );

# Migrate Reduced Requirements Streaming Tag from major version 6 to 7

1. Remove any arguments from the statement that creates the ns\_.ReducedRequirementsStreamingAnalytics instance. For example:

```
11. var sa = new ns_.ReducedRequirementsStreamingAnalytics( { publisherId: '1234567' } );
```

That code statement should be changed into:

```
11. var sa = new ns_.ReducedRequirementsStreamingAnalytics();
```

- 2. Replace occurrences of class name ns\_.ReducedRequirementsStreamingAnalytics with analytics.StreamingAnalytics. This will again change the statement where you have just removed the arguments.
- 3. Replace occurrences of class name ns\_.ReducedRequirementsStreamingAnalytics.ContentType with analytics.StreamingAnalytics.ContentMetadata.ContentType.
- 4. Replace occurrences of class name ns\_.ReducedRequirementsStreamingAnalytics.AdType with analytics.StreamingAnalytics.AdvertisementMetadata.AdvertisementType.
- 5. Assuming you use sa to reference the analytics. Streaming Analytics object instance, replace the following method



calls to account for API changes.

Existing code	Migrated code
131. sa.playVideoContentPart( metadata, contentType );	<pre>131.     var cm = new ContentMetadata(); 132.     cm.setMediaType( contentType ); 133.     cm.addCustomLabels( metadata ); 134.     sa.setMetadata( cm ); 135.     sa.notifyPlay();</pre>
141. sa.playAudioContentPart( metadata, contentType );	<pre>141.     var cm = new ContentMetadata(); 142.     cm.setMediaType( contentType ); 143.     cm.classifyAsAudioStream( true ); 144.     cm.addCustomLabels( metadata ); 145.     sa.setMetadata( cm ); 146.     sa.notifyPlay();</pre>
sa.playVideoAdvertisement( metadata, advertisementType );	<pre>151.     var am = new AdvertisementMetadata(); 152.     am.setMediaType( advertisementType ); 153.     am.addCustomLabels( metadata ); 154.     sa.setMetadata( am ); 155.     sa.notifyPlay();</pre>
sa.playAudioAdvertisement( metadata, advertisementType );	<pre>161.</pre>
171. sa.stop();	171. sa.notifyPause();

