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# **django-telegrambot Documentation**

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# CHAPTER 1

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## django-telegrambot

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A simple app to develop Telegram bots with Django

### Documentation

The full documentation is at <https://django-telegrambot.readthedocs.org>.

### Changelog

- **IMPORTANT ver 1.0.0** : If you upgrade from a previous version, you **MUST** change how to include `django_telegrambot.urls` and modify your `settings.py`.

### Quickstart

Install django-telegrambot:

```
pip install django-telegrambot
```

### Configure your installation

Add `django_telegrambot` in `INSTALLED_APPS`

```
#settings.py
INSTALLED_APPS = (
    ...
    'django_telegrambot',
)
```

```
)
...
)
```

And set your bots:

```
#settings.py
#Django Telegram Bot settings

DJANGO_TELEGRAMBOT = {

    'MODE' : 'WEBHOOK', # (Optional [str]) # The default value is WEBHOOK,
                        # otherwise you may use 'POLLING'
                        # NB: if use polling you must provide to run
                        # a management command that starts a worker

    'WEBHOOK_SITE' : 'https://mywebsite.com',
    'WEBHOOK_PREFIX' : '/prefix', # (Optional[str]) # If this value is specified,
                                # a prefix is added to webhook url

    #'WEBHOOK_CERTIFICATE' : 'cert.pem', # If your site use self-signed
    #certificate, must be set with location of your public key
    #certificate. (More info at https://core.telegram.org/bots/
    ↪ self-signed )

    'BOTS' : [
        {
            'TOKEN': '123456:ABC-DEF1234ghIkl-zyx57W2vlu123ew11', #Your bot token.

            #'ALLOWED_UPDATES': (Optional[list[str]]), # List the types of
            #updates you want your bot to
            ↪ receive. For example, specify
            #`["message", "edited_channel_post
            ↪ ", "callback_query"]` to
            #only receive updates of these
            ↪ types. See ``telegram.Update``
            #for a complete list of available
            ↪ update types.
            #Specify an empty list to receive
            ↪ all updates regardless of type
            # (default). If not specified, the
            ↪ previous setting will be used.
            #Please note that this parameter
            ↪ doesn't affect updates created
            #before the call to the setWebhook,
            ↪ so unwanted updates may be
            #received for a short period of
            ↪ time.

            #'TIMEOUT': (Optional[int|float]), # If this value is specified,
            #use it as the read timeout from the server

            #'WEBHOOK_MAX_CONNECTIONS': (Optional[int]), # Maximum allowed number of
            #simultaneous HTTPS connections to the webhook for
            ↪ update
            #delivery, 1-100. Defaults to 40. Use lower values
            ↪ to limit the
            #load on your bot's server, and higher values to
            ↪ increase your
```



```

                                #bot's throughput.

    # 'POLL_INTERVAL' : (Optional[float]), # Time to wait between polling_
↳ updates from Telegram in
                                #seconds. Default is 0.0

    # 'POLL_CLEAN':(Optional[bool]), # Whether to clean any pending updates on_
↳ Telegram servers before
                                #actually starting to poll. Default is False.

    # 'POLL_BOOTSTRAP_RETRIES':(Optional[int]), # Whether the bootstrapping_
↳ phase of the `Updater`
                                #will retry on failures on the Telegram server.
                                #| < 0 - retry indefinitely
                                #| 0 - no retries (default)
                                #| > 0 - retry up to X times

    # 'POLL_READ_LATENCY':(Optional[float|int]), # Grace time in seconds for_
↳ receiving the reply from
                                #server. Will be added to the `timeout` value and_
↳ used as the read timeout from
                                #server (Default: 2).
    },
    #Other bots here with same structure.
],
}

```

Include in your `urls.py` the `django_telegrambot.urls` (NB: If you upgrade from a previous version, you **MUST** change how to include `django_telegrambot.urls`. Never set prefix here!):

```

#urls.py
urlpatterns = [
    ...
    url(r'^$', include('django_telegrambot.urls')),
    ...
]

```

Then use it in a project creating a module `telegrambot.py` in your app

```

#myapp/telegrambot.py
# Example code for telegrambot.py module
from telegram.ext import CommandHandler, MessageHandler, Filters
from django_telegrambot.apps import DjangoTelegramBot

import logging
logger = logging.getLogger(__name__)

# Define a few command handlers. These usually take the two arguments bot and
# update. Error handlers also receive the raised TelegramError object in error.
def start(bot, update):
    bot.sendMessage(update.message.chat_id, text='Hi!')

def help(bot, update):
    bot.sendMessage(update.message.chat_id, text='Help!')

```

```
def echo(bot, update):
    bot.sendMessage(update.message.chat_id, text=update.message.text)

def error(bot, update, error):
    logger.warn('Update "%s" caused error "%s"' % (update, error))

def main():
    logger.info("Loading handlers for telegram bot")

    # Default dispatcher (this is related to the first bot in settings.DJANGO_
    ↪TELEGRAMBOT['BOTS'])
    dp = DjangoTelegramBot.dispatcher
    # To get Dispatcher related to a specific bot
    # dp = DjangoTelegramBot.getDispatcher('BOT_n_token')      #get by bot token
    # dp = DjangoTelegramBot.getDispatcher('BOT_n_username')   #get by bot username

    # on different commands - answer in Telegram
    dp.add_handler(CommandHandler("start", start))
    dp.add_handler(CommandHandler("help", help))

    # on noncommand i.e message - echo the message on Telegram
    dp.add_handler(MessageHandler([Filters.text], echo))

    # log all errors
    dp.add_error_handler(error)
```

## Features

- Multiple bots
- Admin dashboard available at /admin/django-telegrambot
- Polling mode by management command (an easy to way to run bot in local machine, not recommended in production!)

```
(myenv) $ python manage.py botpolling --username=<username_bot>
```

## Contributing

Patches and bug reports are welcome, just please keep the style consistent with the original source.

## Running Tests

Does the code actually work?

```
source <YOURVIRTUALENV>/bin/activate
(myenv) $ pip install -r requirements-test.txt
(myenv) $ python runtests.py
```

## Sample Application

There a sample application in *sampleproject* directory. Here is installation instructions:

1. Install requirements with command

```
pip install -r requirements.txt
```

2. Copy file *local\_settings.sample.py* as *local\_settings.py* and edit your bot token

```
cp sampleproject/local_settings.sample.py sampleproject/local_settings.py
```

```
nano sampleproject/local_settings.py
```

3. Run Django migrations

```
python manage.py migrate
```

4. Run server

```
python manage.py runserver
```

5. If **WEBHOOK** Mode setted go to 8

6. If **POLLING** Mode setted, open in your browser <http://localhost/>

7. Open Django-Telegram Dashboard <http://localhost/admin/django-telegrambot> and follow instruction to run worker by management command *botpolling*. Then go to 10

8. To test webhook locally install *ngrok* application and run command

```
./ngrok http 8000
```

9. Change *WEBHOOK\_SITE* and *ALLOWED\_HOSTS* in *local\_settings.py* file

10. Start a chat with your bot using telegram.me link avaible in **Django-Telegram Dashboard** at <http://localhost/admin/django-telegrambot>

## Credits

Required package:

- [Python Telegram Bot](#)

Tools used in rendering this package:

- [Cookiecutter](#)



## CHAPTER 2

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### Installation

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At the command line:

```
$ easy_install django-telegrambot
```

Or, if you have virtualenvwrapper installed:

```
$ mkvirtualenv django-telegrambot  
$ pip install django-telegrambot
```



## CHAPTER 3

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### Usage

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To use django-telegrambot in a app, create a telegrambot.py module in your app as follow:

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```



Contributions are welcome, and they are greatly appreciated! Every little bit helps, and credit will always be given. You can contribute in many ways:

### Types of Contributions

#### Report Bugs

Report bugs at <https://github.com/JungDev/django-telegrambot/issues>.

If you are reporting a bug, please include:

- Your operating system name and version.
- Any details about your local setup that might be helpful in troubleshooting.
- Detailed steps to reproduce the bug.

#### Fix Bugs

Look through the GitHub issues for bugs. Anything tagged with “bug” is open to whoever wants to implement it.

#### Implement Features

Look through the GitHub issues for features. Anything tagged with “feature” is open to whoever wants to implement it.

## Write Documentation

django-telegrambot could always use more documentation, whether as part of the official django-telegrambot docs, in docstrings, or even on the web in blog posts, articles, and such.

## Submit Feedback

The best way to send feedback is to file an issue at <https://github.com/JungDev/django-telegrambot/issues>.

If you are proposing a feature:

- Explain in detail how it would work.
- Keep the scope as narrow as possible, to make it easier to implement.
- Remember that this is a volunteer-driven project, and that contributions are welcome :)

## Get Started!

Ready to contribute? Here's how to set up *django-telegrambot* for local development.

1. Fork the *django-telegrambot* repo on GitHub.
2. Clone your fork locally:

```
$ git clone git@github.com:your_name_here/django-telegrambot.git
```

3. Install your local copy into a virtualenv. Assuming you have virtualenvwrapper installed, this is how you set up your fork for local development:

```
$ mkvirtualenv django-telegrambot
$ cd django-telegrambot/
$ python setup.py develop
```

4. Create a branch for local development:

```
$ git checkout -b name-of-your-bugfix-or-feature
```

Now you can make your changes locally.

5. When you're done making changes, check that your changes pass flake8 and the tests, including testing other Python versions with tox:

```
$ flake8 django_telegrambot tests
$ python setup.py test
$ tox
```

To get flake8 and tox, just pip install them into your virtualenv.

6. Commit your changes and push your branch to GitHub:

```
$ git add .
$ git commit -m "Your detailed description of your changes."
$ git push origin name-of-your-bugfix-or-feature
```

7. Submit a pull request through the GitHub website.

## Pull Request Guidelines

Before you submit a pull request, check that it meets these guidelines:

1. The pull request should include tests.
2. If the pull request adds functionality, the docs should be updated. Put your new functionality into a function with a docstring, and add the feature to the list in README.rst.
3. The pull request should work for Python 2.6, 2.7, and 3.3, and for PyPy. Check [https://travis-ci.org/JungDev/django-telegrambot/pull\\_requests](https://travis-ci.org/JungDev/django-telegrambot/pull_requests) and make sure that the tests pass for all supported Python versions.

## Tips

To run a subset of tests:

```
$ python -m unittest tests.test_django_telegrambot
```



## CHAPTER 5

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### Credits

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### Development Lead

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### Contributors

None yet. Why not be the first?



#### 1.0.0 (2017-05-25)

- **IMPORTANT:** If you upgrade from a previous version, you **MUST** change how to include `django_telegrambot.urls` and `settings.py`.
- Added admin dashboard, available at `/admin/django-telegrambot`
- Added polling mode from management command (an easy to way to run bot in local machine, not recommended in production)
- More setting available
- Improved AppConfig
- Improved sample project

#### 0.2.6 (2017-04-08)

- Improved module loading
- Added sample project

#### 0.2.5 (2017-03-06)

- Fix compatibility with `python-telegram-bot 5.1`

#### 0.2.4 (2016-10-04)

- Fix compatibility with Django 1.10

### **0.2.3 (2016-07-30)**

- Fix default dispatcher and bot

### **0.2.2 (2016-07-27)**

- Fix multi workers

### **0.2.1 (2016-07-24)**

- Update for python-telegram-bot release v5.0

### **0.2.0 (2016-04-27)**

- Update for python-telegram-bot release v4.0.1

### **0.1.8 (2016-03-22)**

- Update for deprecation in python-telegram-bot release v3.4

### **0.1.5 (2016-01-28)**

- Fix compatibility.

### **0.1.4 (2016-01-28)**

- Fix compatibility.

### **0.1.3 (2016-01-28)**

- Fix setting certificate.
- Add method DjangoTelegramBot.getBot(); get bot instance by token or username.

### **0.1.2 (2016-01-26)**

- First release on PyPI.