
python-boxcar Documentation

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NOTE: This is no longer being actively developed but feel free to submit pull requests.

A simple Python library for the Boxcar.io API.

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Installation

```
$ pip install python-boxcar
```

Getting Started

This API is extremely simple:

```
from boxcar import Provider

p = Provider(key='vKLoSqB4vhQ4BPZ2TQ4z',
             secret='hPiCqQMURCDXBkVXYsq4zOu5AGZEZ0bGye7df15b')
p.subscribe(email='test@example.com')
p.notify(emails=['test@example.com'],
         from_screen_name='test',
         message='This is a test message.',
         source_url='https://github.com/markcaudill/boxcar',
         icon_url='http://i.imgur.com/RC220wK.png')
p.broadcast(from_screen_name='test',
            message='This is a test message.',
            source_url='https://github.com/markcaudill/boxcar',
            icon_url='http://i.imgur.com/RC220wK.png')
```

When initializing a *Provider* object, the *secret* parameter is only necessary if you plan on using the *broadcast* method.

4.1 Utilities

Included are three command line utilites to allow for easy incorporation into shell scripts:

```
boxcar-subscribe.py --key='vKLoSqB4vhQ4BPZ2TQ4z' --email='test@example.com'

boxcar-notify.py --key='vKLoSqB4vhQ4BPZ2TQ4z' --from='test' \
--message='Test Message' --source_url='https://python-boxcar.readthedocs.org/en/latest/' \
--icon_url='http://i.imgur.com/RC220wK.png' --email test@example.com

boxcar-broadcast.py --key='vKLoSqB4vhQ4BPZ2TQ4z' \
--secret='hPiCqQMURCDXBkVXYsq4zOu5AGZEZ0bGye7df15b' \
--from='test' --message='Test Message' \
--source_url='https://python-boxcar.readthedocs.org/en/latest/' \
--icon_url='http://i.imgur.com/RC220wK.png'
```

API

```
class boxcar.Provider (key=None, secret=None, base='https://boxcar.io/devices/providers/')
```

An API to Boxcar.io.

```
broadcast (from_screen_name=None, message=None, from_remote_service_id=None,  

source_url=None, icon_url=None)
```

Broadcast to all services.

Parameters

- **from_screen_name** (*str*) – the user or application sending the message
- **message** (*str*) – the message to display to the user
- **from_remote_service_id** (*int*) – a unique ID to help prevent duplicates
- **source_url** (*str*) – optional URL for user to go to for more info
- **icon_url** (*str*) – optional icon to display with message

```
notify (emails=None, from_screen_name=None, message=None, from_remote_service_id=None,  

source_url=None, icon_url=None)
```

Send a notification to one or more users.

Parameters

- **emails** (*list of str*) – the list of email addresses for users to notify
- **from_screen_name** (*str*) – the user or application sending the message
- **message** (*str*) – the message to display to the user
- **from_remote_service_id** (*int*) – a unique ID to help prevent duplicates will be randomly generated if not specified
- **source_url** (*str*) – optional URL for user to go to for more info
- **icon_url** (*str*) – optional icon to display with message

```
subscribe (email=None)
```

Subscribe a user to this service (actually sends them a request).

Parameters **email** (*str*) – the user's email address to add

```
exception boxcar.exc.BoxcarError (value=None)
```

Base Boxcar exception class.

```
exception boxcar.exc.UserAlreadySubscribed (value=None)
```

Raised when the user is already subscribed to this service.

exception `boxcar.exc.UserDoesNotExist` (*value=None*)

Raised when the user is not registered on Boxcar.io.

exception `boxcar.exc.UserNotSubscribed` (*value=None*)

Raised when the user is not currently subscribed to this service.

Changelog

6.1 python-boxcar Changelog

6.1.1 Version 0.1.2

Released 2013-03-29

Bundled command line utilities.

6.1.2 Version 0.1.1

Released 2013-03-29

Add broadcast functionality.

6.1.3 Version 0.1.0

Initial release.

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