

User Guide

# **MediaConvert**



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# What is AWS Elemental MediaConvert?

AWS Elemental MediaConvert is a file-based video processing service that provides scalable video processing for content owners and distributors with media libraries of any size. MediaConvert offers advanced features that enable premium content experiences, including:

- Professional broadcast codecs that support increased bit depth and HDR content creation
- Still graphic overlays
- Advanced audio
- Digital rights management (DRM)
- Closed captioning support

MediaConvert offers support for various input formats and adaptive bitrate (ABR) packaging output formats for delivering high-quality content from a range of sources onto primary and multiscreen devices.

For simple use cases, you can set up a MediaConvert transcoding job in a few steps. For instructions, see <u>Getting started with MediaConvert</u>.

MediaConvert has the following components:

#### Jobs

A *job* does the work of transcoding. Each job converts an input file into an output file or files. Inputs and outputs can contain one or more of video, audio, and captions, either together or in separate files. Before you begin creating jobs, make sure that you know what your input files are and what they contain. Also make sure that you know what files you would like to create as outputs and what format you would like them in.

When you create a job, you specify the name of the file that you want to transcode, the names that you want MediaConvert to give to the finished output files, and several other settings. For more information, see <u>Working with jobs</u>.

#### Presets

A *preset* is a saved group of encoding settings for a single output. You can create many common outputs by simply selecting a system preset. You can also create your own custom presets, either by duplicating and modifying an existing preset or by creating one from scratch.

When you create a job, you can specify a preset that you want to use, or you can individually specify your encoding settings. For more information, see <u>Working with output presets</u>.

#### Job templates

A *job template* specifies all the settings for a complete job, except for your IAM role and those settings that are likely to change for each job, such as the input file location and name, and user metadata that you might tag the job with. You create a job template by specifying all input settings other than input location and file name, and then specifying all the outputs that the job will generate. You can specify the settings for each output by choosing a preset for the output or by specifying each output setting individually. For more information, see <u>Working with job templates</u>.

#### Queues

Use *queues* to manage the resources that are available to your account for parallel processing of jobs. For more information, see <u>Working with queues in AWS Elemental MediaConvert</u>.

## Prerequisites to start using MediaConvert

Before you start using MediaConvert, you need an AWS account, at least one input file stored in Amazon S3 or on an HTTP/HTTPS server, an Amazon S3 bucket for your output files, and an IAM role with the correct permissions.

For information on how to upload files to Amazon S3, see <u>Uploading objects in the Amazon S3 User</u> *Guide*.

For information about creating an Amazon S3 bucket for your output destination, see <u>Creating a</u> bucket in the *Amazon S3 User Guide*.

The following topics describe how to sign up for an AWS account and then how to configure your IAM role.

#### Topics

• Setting up IAM permissions

## Setting up IAM permissions

To run transcoding jobs with AWS Elemental MediaConvert, you need an IAM service role to allow MediaConvert access to your resources. Resources include things like your input files and the locations where your output files are stored.

Regardless of how you initially create your IAM service role, you can refine this role at any time using IAM. For more information, see <u>Adding and removing IAM identity permissions</u> in the *IAM User Guide*.

You can create your IAM service role in one of the following ways:

 In the MediaConvert console, with some restrictions on the permissions that you grant. For instructions, see Creating the IAM role within MediaConvert.

From the MediaConvert console, by configuring your role to allow MediaConvert access to only some of your Amazon S3 buckets. You can also choose whether to grant invoke access to your API Gateway endpoints.

In the IAM console. For instructions, see <u>Creating a role in IAM</u>.

You can exercise fine control over exactly what access you grant to MediaConvert when you set up your IAM role in the IAM console. You can also use IAM through the AWS Command Line Interface (AWS CLI), or an API or SDK.

#### Note

If you enable Amazon S3 default encryption on your Amazon S3 buckets, and you and specify your own key managed by AWS Key Management Service, you must grant additional permissions. For more information, see <u>Granting permissions for MediaConvert</u> to access encrypted Amazon S3 buckets.

## Using the default MediaConvert role

If you use the name MediaConvert\_Default\_Role, then the MediaConvert console uses it by default when you create jobs in the future. This happens regardless of how you create the IAM service role for MediaConvert to use.

## Creating the IAM role within MediaConvert

When you create the AWS Identity and Access Management (IAM) role in MediaConvert with configured permissions, you can restrict MediaConvert access to only specific Amazon S3 buckets. You can also specify whether to grant invoke access to your Amazon API Gateway endpoints.

#### To set up the IAM role in MediaConvert with configured permissions

- 1. Open the Jobs page in the MediaConvert console.
- 2. Choose Create job.
- 3. Under Job settings, choose AWS integration.
- 4. In the Service access section, for Service role control, choose Create a new service role, configure permissions.
- For New role name, we suggest that you keep the default value MediaConvert\_Default\_Role. When you do, MediaConvert uses this role by default for your future jobs.
- 6. For **Input S3 locations** and **Output S3 locations**, choose **Add location**. Select the Amazon S3 buckets that you will use for input or output locations.

7. (Optional) For **API Gateway endpoint invocation**, if you use features that require it, choose allow.

MediaConvert requires this access for the following features:

- Digital rights management with SPEKE
- Nielsen non-linear watermarking

To allow MediaConvert invoke access to a specific endpoint only, modify these permissions in the role policy after you create it by using the AWS Identity and Access Management (IAM) service. For more information, see <u>Editing IAM policies</u> in the AWS Identity and Access Management User Guide.

## Creating a role with the IAM console

Working directly with AWS Identity and Access Management (IAM), you can do actions that aren't available in the MediaConvert console. You can either do this when you create your role in IAM, or you can create your role in MediaConvert and then use IAM to refine it later.

The following procedure explains how to create a role with the IAM console. For information about accessing IAM programmatically, see the appropriate document in the IAM documentation set.

#### To create the service role for MediaConvert (IAM console)

- 1. Sign in to the AWS Management Console and open the IAM console at <a href="https://console.aws.amazon.com/iam/">https://console.aws.amazon.com/iam/</a>.
- 2. In the navigation pane of the IAM console, choose **Roles**, and then choose **Create role**.
- 3. For **Trusted entity type**, choose **AWS service**.
- 4. For Service or use case, choose MediaConvert, and then choose the MediaConvert use case.
- 5. Choose Next.
- 6. Select the box next to the MediaConvert policy that you created in the previous procedure.
- 7. (Optional) Set a <u>permissions boundary</u>. This is an advanced feature that is available for service roles, but not service-linked roles.
  - a. Open the **Set permissions boundary** section, and then choose **Use a permissions boundary to control the maximum role permissions**.

IAM includes a list of the AWS managed and customer-managed policies in your account.

- b. Select the policy to use for the permissions boundary.
- 8. Choose Next.
- 9. Enter a role name or a role name suffix to help you identify the purpose of the role.

#### 🛕 Important

When you name a role, note the following:

• Role names must be unique within your AWS account, and can't be made unique by case.

For example, don't create roles named both **PRODROLE** and **prodrole**. When a role name is used in a policy or as part of an ARN, the role name is case sensitive, however when a role name appears to customers in the console, such as during the sign-in process, the role name is case insensitive.

- You can't edit the name of the role after it's created because other entities might reference the role.
- 10. (Optional) For **Description**, enter a description for the role.
- 11. (Optional) To edit the use cases and permissions for the role, in the **Step 1: Select trusted entities** or **Step 2: Add permissions** sections, choose **Edit**.
- 12. (Optional) To help identify, organize, or search for the role, add tags as key-value pairs. For more information about using tags in IAM, see <u>Tags for AWS Identity and Access Management</u> resources in the *IAM User Guide*.
- 13. Review the role, and then choose **Create role**.

#### 1 Note

For **New role name**, we suggest that you enter **MediaConvert\_Default\_Role**. When you do, MediaConvert uses this role by default for your future jobs.

# Granting permissions for MediaConvert to access encrypted Amazon S3 buckets

When you <u>enable Amazon S3 default encryption</u>, Amazon S3 automatically encrypts your objects as you upload them. You can optionally choose to use AWS Key Management Service (AWS KMS) to manage the key. This is called SSE-KMS encryption.

If you enable SSE-KMS default encryption on the buckets that hold your AWS Elemental MediaConvert input or output files, you must <u>add inline policies</u> to your IAM service role. If you don't add inline policies, MediaConvert can't read your input files or write your output files.

Grant these permissions in the following use cases:

- If your input bucket has SSE-KMS default encryption, grant kms:Decrypt.
- If your output bucket has SSE-KMS default encryption, grant kms:GenerateDataKey.

The following example inline policy grants both permissions.

#### Example inline policy with kms:Decrypt and kms:GenerateDataKey

This policy grants permissions for both kms:Decrypt and kms:GenerateDataKey.

```
{
  "Version": "2012-10-17",
  "Statement": [
    {
      "Effect": "Allow",
      "Action": [
        "kms:Decrypt",
        "kms:GenerateDataKey"
      ],
      "Resource": "*",
      "Condition": {
        "StringLike":
{
             "kms:ViaService": "s3.*.amazonaws.com"
                                                               }
      }
    }
  ]
}
```

# **Getting started with MediaConvert**

MediaConvert takes in an input file and turns it into one or more output files, based on the instructions and transcoding settings that you provide.

To get started using the MediaConvert console, this tutorial shows how to create a job to transcode media files. To access MediaConvert programmatically, see the following topics in the API Reference:

- If you are using one of the AWS SDKs, see Getting started with the SDKs.
- If you are using the MediaConvert API directly, see Getting started with the API.

#### 🚺 Note

If you aren't familiar with MediaConvert basics like jobs, queues, presets, and job templates, read <u>What is AWS Elemental MediaConvert?</u>.

#### Topics

- Prerequisites
- Creating a job

## Prerequisites

Follow the steps in the <u>Prerequisites to start using MediaConvert</u> chapter so that your input files are accessible and MediaConvert has permissions to run your job.

Start by noting the location of your input files. This will be a URI like *s3://amzn-s3-demo-bucket/ input.mp4* or a URL like *https://example.amazon.com/input.mp4*. Then, note the location of your Amazon S3 destination for your output files. You will use this input and output information when you create your job.

For more information about which input and output formats MediaConvert supports, see <u>Supported inputs and outputs</u>.

# Creating a job

A job does the work of transcoding one or more media files. When you create a job, you specify the input files and settings, the output files and settings, and any other related job settings.

MediaConvert gets the input from the Amazon S3, HTTP, or HTTPS location that you specify. Then MediaConvert transcodes and writes to the output location that you specify in the job's output group settings.

#### To create a job

- 1. Go to the <u>Jobs</u> page in the MediaConvert console.
- 2. Choose **Create job**.
- 3. On the **Create job** page, specify your job settings. Include at least one input file and at least one output group. For detailed information, see <u>Tutorial: Configuring job settings</u>.

Note: Make sure that you select the same AWS Region for your job and your file storage.

- 4. Specify your IAM role that you created as part of the <u>Setting up IAM permissions</u> process earlier under **Job settings**, **AWS integration**.
- 5. Choose Create.

For information about tracking the status of your job, see <u>Using EventBridge with AWS</u> <u>Elemental MediaConvert</u>.

For information about the file names and paths for your job outputs, see <u>Output file names</u> and paths.

 Optionally, if you don't want to keep the transcoded files that you generate during this tutorial, delete them from Amazon S3 to avoid incurring storage charges. For more information, see <u>Deleting objects Amazon S3 User Guide</u>.

# Supported inputs and outputs

This chapter provides reference tables and detailed information for input and output formats that AWS Elemental MediaConvert supports. It covers supported input and output containers, codecs, and captions.

To find information about a specific container or codec, search <u>Supported containers and codecs</u> reference tables.

#### Topics

- <u>Supported input formats</u>
- Supported output formats
- Supported containers and codecs reference tables
- <u>Captions reference tables</u>

## Supported input formats

This page provides a detailed reference table listing all of the input containers, and their corresponding video and audio codecs, that AWS Elemental MediaConvert supports.

Some containers and codecs have additional restrictions. For more information about the video container, video codec, or audio codec, choose its link in the following reference table, or see <u>Supported containers and codecs reference tables</u>.

Container	Supported video codecs	Supported audio codecs
<u>3G2, 3GP</u>	<u>AVC (H.264)</u>	AAC
	<u>H.263</u>	AMR-NB
	MPEG-4 Part 2	AMR-WB
ASF, WMV (Advanced Systems	<u>VC-1</u>	WMA
<u>Format)</u>		WMA2
		WMA Pro

Container	Supported video codecs	Supported audio codecs
AVI (Audio Video Interleave)	<u>Canopus HQ</u>	Dolby Digital (AC3)
	DivX/Xvid	Dolby Digital Plus (EAC3)
	DV/DVCPRO	Dolby E
	MJPEG	<u>MP3</u>
	Uncompressed	MPEG Audio
		<u>PCM</u>
F4V, FLV (MPEG-4 Flash)	<u>AVC (H.264)</u>	AAC
	<u>H.263</u>	
GIF	GIF	Not applicable
HLS (Apple HTTP Live	<u>AVC (H.264)</u>	AAC
<u>Streaming)</u>	<u>HEVC (H.265)</u>	Dolby Digital (AC3)
With MPEG-TS segments	MPEG-2	Dolby Digital Plus (EAC3)
IMF (Interoperable Master	Apple ProRes	<u>PCM</u>
<u>Format)</u>	JPEG 2000 (J2K)	

Container	Supported video codecs	Supported audio codecs
Matroska	<u>AVC (H.264)</u>	AAC
	MPEG-2	Dolby Digital (AC3)
	MPEG-4 Part 2	Dolby Digital Plus (EAC3)
	<u>VC-1</u>	Opus
		WMA
		WMA2
		<u>PCM</u>
		FLAC

Container	Supported video codecs	Supported audio codecs
MOV (Apple QuickTime)	Apple ProRes	AAC
	<u>AVC (H.264)</u>	<u>MP3</u>
	AVC-Intra	<u>PCM</u>
	DivX/Xvid	
	DV/DVCPRO	
	<u>H.261</u>	
	<u>H.262</u>	
	<u>H.263</u>	
	<u>HEVC (H.265)</u>	
	JPEG 2000 (J2K)	
	MJPEG	
	MPEG-2	
	MPEG-4 Part 2	
	QuickTime Animation (RLE)	
	Uncompressed	

Container	Supported video codecs	Supported audio codecs
MP4 (MPEG-4)	<u>AV1</u>	AAC
	<u>AVC (H.264)</u>	Dolby Digital (AC3)
	AVC-Intra	Dolby Digital Plus (EAC3)
	DivX/Xvid	<u>FLAC</u>
	<u>H.261</u>	<u>PCM</u>
	<u>H.262</u>	WMA
	<u>H.263</u>	WMA2
	<u>HEVC (H.265)</u>	
	JPEG 2000 (J2K)	
	MPEG-2	
	MPEG-4 Part 2	
	<u>VC-1</u>	
	<u>VP9</u>	
	Uncompressed	
MPEG-1 (MPEG-1 System	MPEG-1	AAC
<u>Stream)</u>	MPEG-2	AIFF
		Dolby Digital (AC3)
		Dolby Digital Plus (EAC3)
		MPEG Audio
		<u>PCM</u>

Container	Supported video codecs	Supported audio codecs
MPEG-PS (MPEG Program Stream)	MPEG-2	MPEG Audio
MPEG-TS (MPEG-2 Transport	<u>AVC (H.264)</u>	AAC
<u>Stream</u> )	<u>HEVC (H.265)</u>	AIFF
	MPEG-2	Dolby Digital (AC3)
	<u>VC-1</u>	Dolby Digital Plus (EAC3)
		Dolby E
		MPEG Audio
		<u>PCM</u>
		WMA
		WMA2

Container	Supported video codecs	Supported audio codecs
<u>MXF (Material Exchange</u> <u>Format)</u>	Apple ProRes	AAC
	<u>AVC (H.264)</u>	AIFF
	AVC-Intra	Dolby E
	DV/DVCPRO	MPEG Audio
	<u>DV25</u>	<u>PCM</u>
	<u>DV50</u>	
	DVCPro HD	
	JPEG 2000 (J2K)	
	MPEG-2	
	Panasonic P2	
	Sony XDCAM	
	Sony XDCAM MPEG-4 Proxy	
	<u>VC-3</u>	
	Uncompressed	
WebM	<u>VP8</u>	Opus
	<u>VP9</u>	Vorbis
No container	<u>AVC (H.264)</u>	FLAC
	DV/DVCPRO	GSM
	<u>HEVC (H.265)</u>	<u>PCM</u>
	MPEG-1	
	MPEG-2	

## **HLS input requirements**

When you specify an HLS package as an input for your MediaConvert job, you need to specify the correct input file URL and ensure that the HLS input package conforms to the requirements listed on this page.

You can specify either a multivariant or variant playlist. If the manifest is a parent that lists multiple child manifests, MediaConvert uses the variant playlist with the highest bandwidth as the input source.

#### **HLS input requirements**

Your HLS input must conform to the following requirements:

Input requirement	Details
Video container	MediaConvert supports MPEG-2 Transport Stream (MPEG-TS) files for input HLS media segments.
HLS manifest EXT-X-VERSION	MediaConvert supports EXT-X-VERSION values of <b>4 or lower</b> within input HLS manifests.
HLS manifest EXT-X-ENDLIST	Include EXT-X-ENDLIST or EXT-X-PLA YLIST-TYPE: VOD in your input manifest. Manifest files must not change after you submit your job.
HLS manifest EXT-X-PLAYLIST-TYPE: VOD	Include EXT-X-ENDLIST or EXT-X-PLA YLIST-TYPE: VOD in your input manifest. Manifest files must not change after you submit your job.
HLS manifest EXT-X-BYTERANGE	If present, the start of the first subrange must be 0 and the following subrange segments must continue the former one.

HLS manifest EXT-X-KEY	If present, EXT-X-KEY: METHOD must be set to NONE.
	MediaConvert does not support HLS encrypted inputs.
HLS manifest ignored tags	<ul> <li>MediaConvert ignores the following tags:</li> <li>EXT-X-PROGRAM-DATE-TIME</li> <li>EXT-X-DATERANGE</li> <li>EXT-X-I-FRAMES-ONLY</li> <li>EXT-X-I-FRAME-STREAM-INF</li> <li>EXT-X-SESSION-DATA</li> <li>EXT-X-SESSION-KEY</li> <li>EXT-X-INDEPENDENT-SEGMENTS</li> <li>EXT-X-START</li> </ul>
Discontinuities	If present, any discontinuities must start at the beginning of a segment. MediaConvertdoes not support input discontin uites in the subrange of a segment.
Accelerated transcoding requirements	EXTINF duration must be specified using a decimal floating-point, with enough accuracy to avoid perceptible errors when segment durations are accumulated.

### MediaConvert features compatible with HLS inputs

With HLS inputs, you can use the following input features:

- Input clipping
- Input stitching
- Image insertion
- Embedded input captions selectors

#### **HLS input feature restrictions**

When your input is an HLS package, your job is restricted in these ways:

- Your input package must conform to the requirements listed in HLS input requirements.
- Your input segments can't be encrypted with DRM. For example, your inputs can't be encrypted with Apple FairPlay DRM.
- You can use only embedded input captions.

#### **Alternate HLS audio rendition requirements**

With HLS rendition groups, you can use the audio selector settings to indicate which alternate audio rendition you want MediaConvert to use. To be eligible for selection, your alternate audio renditions must conform to the following requirements:

- The renditions must be included in EXT-X-MEDIA tags in the input multivariant playlist.
- The EXT-X-MEDIA tags must contain a unique combination of GROUP-ID, NAME, and LANGUAGE values..
- Audio must be in one of the following supported audio codecs: AAC, Dolby Digital (AC3), Dolby Digital Plus (EAC3), or MP3.
- The variant playlist for your alternate audio rendition must be included in the multivariant playlist that you used for your Input file URL (FileInput)

When you specify audio selector settings to identify an alternate audio rendition, the audio selector looks for a matching EXT-X-MEDIA tag in the multivariant playlist.

You can use one or more selector settings at a time. For example, given the following EXT-X-MEDIA tags, you can identify the audio rendition by the name (RenditionName) or language (RenditionLangageCode) because these are both unique values across the tags.

```
#EXT-X-MEDIA:TYPE=AUDIO,GROUP-
ID="audio",CHANNELS="2",NAME="English",LANGUAGE="eng",DEFAULT=YES,AUTOSELECT=YES
```

#EXT-X-MEDIA:TYPE=AUDIO,GROUP-ID="audio",CHANNELS="2",NAME="Japanese",LANGUAGE="jpn",DEFAULT=NO,AUTOSELECT=NO, However, because the group ID (RenditionGroupID) is the same for both tags, you can't use that alone to identify an audio rendition. You must use the group ID in combination with another value from the EXT-X-MEDIA tag to identify the audio rendition that you want MediaConvert to use.

If you don't specify audio selector settings, the audio selector looks for audio that's muxed into the video segments. If the video segments don't contain audio, the audio selector uses the first alternate audio rendition from the input parent manifest.

## **HTTP input requirements**

When your input file source is HTTP(S), you specify the URL rather than an Amazon S3 path. Requirements for using HTTP(S) for input are as follows:

- All input files must be publicly readable.
- The HTTP(S) server must not require authentication.
- The HTTP(S) server must accept both HEAD and range GET requests.
- The URL that you specify can't include parameters.

If your HTTP(S) input uses redirection, it must follow these restrictions:

- You can redirect only once from the URL that you provide as your input. You can't redirect to a URL that, in turn, contains a redirect.
- The HTTP(S) status response code from the initial server must be either 301 or 302.
- The HTTP(S) response from the initial server must use its Location headers to provide the URL that it's redirecting MediaConvert to.

## Supported input formats for audio-only workflows

When you create audio-only outputs, MediaConvert supports audio-only inputs with the following containers and codecs.

Some containers and codecs have additional restrictions. For more information about the audio container or audio codec choose its link in the following reference table. Or see <u>Supported</u> containers and codecs reference tables.

Container	Supported audio Codecs
ASF, WMA, WMV (Advanced Systems Format)	WMA
	WMA2
	WMA Pro
FLAC (Free Lossless Audio Codec)	FLAC
Matroska	FLAC
	<u>Opus</u>
MOV (Apple QuickTime)	PCM
MP3 (MPEG-1 Layer 3)	<u>MP3</u>
MP4 (MPEG-4)	AAC
	FLAC
MPEG-TS (MPEG-2 Transport Stream)	MPEG-2
	PCM
OGG, OGA	<u>FLAC</u>
	<u>Opus</u>
	Vorbis
WAV	GSM
	PCM
No container	AAC
	Dolby Digital (AC3)
	Dolby Digital Plus (EAC3)
	FLAC

Container	Supported audio Codecs
	GSM
	<u>PCM</u>

## Supported output formats

MediaConvert supports the following combinations of output containers and codecs.

For outputs that contain *only* audio inside the output container, MediaConvert supports a different set of containers and codecs. For more information, see <u>Supported output formats for audio-only</u> <u>workflows</u>.

Some containers and codecs have additional restrictions. For more information about the video container, video codec, or audio codec, choose its link in the following reference table. Or see <u>Supported containers and codecs reference tables</u>.

Container	Supported video codecs	Supported audio codecs
CMAF DASH (Common Media	<u>AV1</u>	AAC
Application Format)	<u>AVC (H.264)</u>	Dolby Digital (AC3)
	<u>HEVC (H.265)</u>	Dolby Digital Plus (EAC3)
	<u>VP9</u>	
CMAF HLS (Common Media Application Format)	<u>AV1</u>	AAC
	<u>AVC (H.264)</u>	Dolby Digital (AC3)
	<u>HEVC (H.265)</u>	Dolby Digital Plus (EAC3)
	<u>VP9</u>	
DASH (Dynamic Adaptive Streaming over HTTP)	<u>AV1</u>	AAC
	<u>AVC (H.264)</u>	Dolby Digital (AC3)
	<u>HEVC (H.265)</u>	Dolby Digital Plus (EAC3)

Container	Supported video codecs	Supported audio codecs
	<u>VP8</u>	
	<u>VP9</u>	
F4V (MPEG-4 Flash)	<u>AVC (H.264)</u>	AAC
	MPEG-2	
HLS (Apple HTTP Live	<u>AVC (H.264)</u>	AAC
<u>Streaming)</u>	<u>HEVC (H.265)</u>	Dolby Digital (AC3)
		Dolby Digital Plus (EAC3)
MOV (Apple QuickTime)	<u>AVC (H.264)</u>	AAC
	MPEG-2	Dolby Digital (AC3)
		Dolby Digital Plus (EAC3)
		WAV
	Apple ProRes	AIFF
<u>MP4 (MPEG-4)</u>	<u>AV1</u>	AAC
	<u>AVC (H.264)</u>	Dolby Digital (AC3)
	<u>HEVC (H.265)</u>	Dolby Digital Plus (EAC3)
MPEG-TS (MPEG-2 Transport Stream)	<u>AVC (H.264)</u>	AAC
	<u>HEVC (H.265)</u>	Dolby Digital (AC3)
	MPEG-2	Dolby Digital Plus (EAC3)
		MPEG-2
		PCM/WAV

Container	Supported video codecs	Supported audio codecs
MSS (Microsoft Smooth	<u>AVC (H.264)</u>	AAC
Streaming		Dolby Digital (AC3)
		Dolby Digital Plus (EAC3)
MXF (Material Exchange	<u>AVC (H.264)</u>	PCM/WAV
<u>Format)</u>	AVC-Intra	
	MPEG-2	
	<u>VC-3</u>	
	XAVC	
WebM	<u>VP8</u>	<u>Opus</u>
	<u>VP9</u>	Vorbis
<u>Y4M</u>	Uncompressed	Not supported
No container	AVC-Intra	AAC
	<u>AVC (H.264)</u>	AIFF
	GIF	Dolby Digital (AC3)
	<u>HEVC (H.265)</u>	Dolby Digital Plus (EAC3)
	MPEG-2	PCM/WAV
	<u>VC-3</u>	
	XAVC	

## Maximum supported output resolutions

The following table shows the maximum output resolution AWS Elemental MediaConvert supports for each output codec.

Codec	Maximum resolution (pixels)
AV1	4096x2160
AVC-Intra	1920x1080 or 1080x1920
AVC (H.264)	4096x2160 or 2160x4096
GIF	3840x3840
HEVC (H.265)	8192x4320 or 4320x8192
MPEG-2	1920x1152
Apple ProRes	4096x4096
VC-3	1920x1080 or 1080x1920
VP8, VP9	4096x2160 or 2160x4096
XAVC	4096x2160

#### **8K output requirements**

When your MediaConvert job has outputs with 8k (8192x4320) resolutions, your job is restricted in these ways:

- You can't create Dolby Vision outputs.
- You must send your job to an on-demand queue. Reserved queues can't run 8k jobs.

## **Creating MXF outputs**

MXF is an output container format that carries video content for editing, archiving, and exchange. The MXF format is governed by a set of specifications, some of which define *MXF profiles*, also called shims. These MXF profiles lay out constraints on encoding settings including video codec, resolution, and bitrate.

To make sure that your outputs comply with these specifications, you can use the MediaConvert automatic profile selection. When you do that, MediaConvert automatically encodes the correct profile, based on the values you choose for your codec, resolution, and bitrate. For more information, see Working with default MXF profiles.

You can also explicitly choose your MXF profile. When you do so in the MediaConvert console, MediaConvert automatically populates the dropdown list for **Video codec** with only valid codecs. When you aren't using automatic profile selection, refer to the relevant specifications for constraints on your resolution and bitrate.

### Note

When you manually specify your MXF profile, you must set up your output in a way that is compatible with that specification. You can submit jobs with incompatible MXF profiles and encoding settings, but those jobs will fail.

### Topics

- List of codecs supported within each MXF profile
- Job settings to create an MXF output
- Working with default MXF profiles
- MXF output requirements
- XDCAM RDD9 output requirements
- Audio settings requirements for different MXF profiles

# List of codecs supported within each MXF profile

This table shows the codecs that AWS Elemental MediaConvert supports with each MXF profile.

MXF profile	Supported video codecs
Generic OP1a	VC-3 (SD, HD)
	AVC Intra (SD, HD)

MXF profile	Supported video codecs
	AVC (H.264) (SD, HD, 4K)
	MPEG-2 (all resolutions)
D10 (SMPTE-386)	MPEG-2 (SD)
Sony XDCAM	MPEG-2 (HD)
Sony XAVC (RDD32)	XAVC (HD, 4K)
XDCAM RDD9	MPEG-2 (HD)

## Job settings to create an MXF output

To set up a job with an MXF output, you create the output in the **File group** output group. Then specify MXF as the output's container.

#### To set up your transcoding job with an MXF output (console)

- Set up your job inputs and outputs as described in <u>Tutorial: Configuring job settings</u>. Put your MXF output in the **File group** output group.
- 2. On the **Create job** page, in the **Job** pane on the left, choose your output.
- 3. In the **Output settings** section, for **Container**, choose **MXF container**.
- 4. Optionally, specify values for the settings under MXF container settings:
  - **MXF profile**: To manually specify your MXF profile, choose it from the list. If you keep the default value, **Auto**, MediaConvert chooses your MXF profile based on your video codec and resolution. For more information, see Working with default MXF profiles.
  - Copy AFD to MXF: Ignore this setting unless you have AFD signaling set up in your output video stream. If you do, and you want that information in both your video stream and the MXF wrapper, choose Copy from video stream. If you want your AFD signaling only in your video stream, keep the default value Don't copy.
- 5. In the **Encoding settings** section, choose a video codec.

Your available choices in this list depend on what you choose for **MXF profile** in the previous step of this procedure:

- When you keep the default value, **Auto**, for **MXF profile** then you can choose any video codec that is compatible with your output container.
- When you choose a specific profile for **MXF profile**, then your choices for **Video codec** include only the codecs that are valid with that profile.
- 6. Optionally, specify your output video resolution for **Resolution (w x h)**. This is the other setting that MediaConvert uses when automatically determining your MXF profile.

When you don't specify values for **Resolution (w x h)**, your output resolution is the same as your input resolution.

7. Specify your other encoding settings as usual. For information about each setting, choose the **Info** link next to the setting label.

## To set up your transcoding job with an MXF output (API, CLI, or SDK)

If you use the API, CLI, or an SDK, specify the relevant settings in your JSON job specification and then submit it programmatically with your job. For more information about submitting your job programmatically, see one of the introductory topics of the *AWS Elemental MediaConvert API Reference*:

- Getting started with AWS Elemental MediaConvert using the AWS SDKs or the AWS CLI
- Getting started with AWS Elemental MediaConvert using the API
- Use the MediaConvert console to generate your JSON job specification. We recommend this approach, because the console functions as an interactive validator against the MediaConvert job schema. Follow these steps to generate your JSON job specification using the console:
  - a. Follow the previous procedure for the console.
  - b. In the **Job** pane on the left, under **Job settings**, choose **Show job JSON**.

Find additional information, including where each setting belongs in the job settings structure, in the *AWS Elemental MediaConvert API Reference*. Links in this list go to information about the setting in that document:

#### **Output settings**

- Container (container)
- MXF profile (mxfSettings, profile)

For automatic profile selection, omit this setting from your JSON job specification.

• Copy AFD to MXF (mxfSettings, afdSignaling)

#### **Encoding settings**

• Video codec (<u>codec</u>)

This setting is a child of outputs, videoDescription, codecSettings.

Resolution, w (width)

This setting is a child of outputs, videoDescription.

• Resolution, h (height)

This setting is a child of outputs, videoDescription.

In the MediaConvert console, **Auto** is the default value for **MXF profile**. When you set up your job by directly editing your JSON job specification, for automatic profile selection, don't include profile under MxfSettings.

# Working with default MXF profiles

When you choose MXF as your output video container and keep **MXF profile** out of your job settings, MediaConvert automatically chooses your MXF profile for you and creates your output accordingly. How MediaConvert makes the MXF profile selection depends on your output video codec.

#### Note

MediaConvert supports more MXF profiles through automatic profile selection than it does with manual selection.

#### AVC (H.264), AVC Intra, and VC-3

For AVC (H.264), AVC Intra, and VC-3, MediaConvert selects the Generic OP1a profile, without regard for your output encoding settings.

### XAVC

For XAVC, MediaConvert selects the XAVC profile, without regard for your output encode settings.

## MPEG-2

For MPEG-2, MediaConvert chooses SMPTE-386 D10 when your output encoding characteristics conform to the D10 specification. Otherwise, MediaConvert selects the XDCAM RDD9 profile. The following table details the relevant encoding settings and the values that you must set to have MediaConvert automatically select the D10 profile.

### i Note

For your output resolution and frame rate, you can specify an allowed value explicitly with the settings **Resolution** and **Frame rate**, or you can choose the value **Follow source** and use an input that has an allowed value.

Setting	Allowed values for D10 profile
Combination of:	Allowed combinations:
<b>Resolution</b> (wxh), <b>Frame rate</b> , <b>Interlace mode</b>	<ul> <li>720x512, 29.97, interlaced</li> <li>720x486, 29.97, interlaced</li> <li>720x486, 29.97, interlaced</li> <li>720x608, 25, interlaced</li> <li>720x576, 25, interlaced</li> </ul>
GOP size	1 frame
Profile, for your video codec	4:2:2
<b>Syntax</b> This setting is visible on the MediaConv ert console when you choose MXF for your	D10

Setting	Allowed values for D10 profile
container, MPEG-2 for your video codec, and 4:2:2 for your codec profile.	
Number of audio tracks	• 0 (no audio)
Each output track is represented on the MediaConvert console as one <b>Audio</b> tab and in your JSON job specification as a direct child of AudioDescriptions .	• 1
Captions type	• Burn in
You specify this on the MediaConvert console with the setting <b>Destination type</b> .	• Embedded

This excerpt from a JSON job specification shows the same settings as you would submit them programmatically:

```
{
  "height": 512,
  "width": 720,
  "codecSettings": {
    "codec": "MPEG2",
    "mpeg2Settings": {
      "bitrate": 30000000,
      "syntax": "D_10",
      "framerateDenominator": 1001,
      "framerateControl": "SPECIFIED",
      "framerateNumerator": 30000,
      "numberBFramesBetweenReferenceFrames": 0,
      "gopSize": 1.0,
      "gopSizeUnits": "FRAMES",
      "codecLevel": "MAIN",
      "codecProfile": "PROFILE_422",
      "rateControlMode": "CBR",
      "interlaceMode": "TOP_FIELD"
    }
  }
```

MediaConvert restricts MXF jobs in these ways:

- You can put MXF outputs in a File group output group only.
- You must choose a video codec that is supported with your MXF profile. The following table details which codecs are supported with each profile. For more information, see <u>List of codecs</u> <u>supported within each MXF profile</u>.
- You must set up your output audio tracks according to the requirements of the MXF profile. This applies whether you specify the profile or have MediaConvert automatically select it for you. For more information, see <u>Audio settings requirements for different MXF profiles</u>.

# **XDCAM RDD9 output requirements**

MediaConvert supports the following combinations of encoding settings when your output **MXF profile** is **XDCAM RDD9**.

In this table, read down the rows to find the **Resolution** that you want. Then read across to find a valid combination of **Bitrate**, **Frame rate**, **Interlace mode**, **GOP size**, and **Codec profile**.

Resolution	Bitrate(s)	Frame rate(s)	Interlace mode	GOP size	Codec profile
1280x720	25M 35M	23.976 50	Progressive	12	Main (HD420)
	50M	59.94			
1280x720	50M	23.976 25	Progressive	12	HD422
		50 59.94			

Resolution	Bitrate(s)	Frame rate(s)	Interlace mode	GOP size	Codec profile
1280x720	50M	29.97	Progressive	15	HD422
1440x1080	17.5M 25M 35M	23.976 25	Progressive	12	Main (HD420)
1440x1080	17.5M 25M 35M	29.97	Progressive	15	Main (HD420)
1440x1080	17.5M 25M 35M	25	Interlaced	12	Main (HD420)
1440x1080	17.5M 25M 35M	29.97	Interlaced	15	Main (HD420)
1920x1080	50M	23.976 25	Progressive	12	HD422
1920x1080	50M	29.97	Progressive	15	HD422
1920x1080	50M	25	Interlaced	12	HD422
1920x1080	50M	29.97	Interlaced	15	HD422

For additional information about MXF RDD9 requirements, see the SMPTE RDD 9:2013 MXF interoperability specification.

# Audio settings requirements for different MXF profiles

This table shows the requirements for how you set up your output audio tracks in your AWS Elemental MediaConvert job. The requirements are different for each MXF profile that you choose.

## 🚯 Note

If you don't include any audio tracks in your output, then you must make sure that there is no audio at all in your job settings.

- In your JSON job specification, this means removing the AudioDescriptions object entirely.
- In the MediaConvert console, this means that you must delete the Audio 1 tab that MediaConvert inserts for you by default. Delete it by choosing it, and then choosing Remove audio in the upper right of the Encoding settings section.

MXF profile	Output audio requirements
Generic OP1a	Audio codec: Uncompressed WAV
Sony XAVC (RDD32)	Audio codec: Uncompressed WAV
	Number of channels per track 1
	Number of tracks per output: Any even number from 2 through 16
	Bit depth: 24 bits
	Sample rate: 48 kHz
Sony XDCAM	Audio codec: Uncompressed WAV
	Number of channels per track: 1
	Number of tracks per output: Any even number from 2 through 16, or no audio at all

MXF profile	Output audio requirements
	Bit depth: 16 bits or 24 bits; you must choose the same value for all audio tracks in the output
	Sample rate: 48 kHz
XDCAM RDD9	Audio codec: Uncompressed WAV
	Number of channels per track: 1
	Number of tracks per output: 2, 4, or 8
	Bit depth: 16 bits or 24 bits; you must choose the same value for all audio tracks in the output
	Sample rate: 48 kHz
D10 (SMPTE-386)	Audio codec: Uncompressed WAV
	Number of channels per track: 4 or 8
	Number of tracks per output: 1, or no audio at all
	Bit depth: 16 bits or 24 bits; you must choose the same value for all audio tracks in the output
	Sample rate: 48 kHz

# Video passthrough

MediaConvert supports video passthrough for **AVC** and **I-frame only** inputs. For AVC inputs, you can create an output with any non-fragmented container type. For I-frame only inputs, you can create MXF or QuickTime outputs. Use video passthrough to repackage one or more inputs without any video encoding.

When you use video passthrough, you can repackage your input video but you cannot re-encode or otherwise modify the video essence.

# Using video passthrough

The following sections describe how to configure your job settings with Video passthrough.

## MediaConvert console

To specify Video passthrough using the MediaConvert console:

- 1. Open the Create job page in the MediaConvert console.
- 2. On the **Create job** page, provide transcode instructions and job settings. For more information, see <u>Tutorial: Configuring job settings</u>.
- 3. Specify one or more supported inputs. If you specify multiple inputs, each of your input's encoding attributes must exactly match, including video codec, frame size, profile, frame rate, and color space.
- 4. Next to **Output groups**, select **Add** .
- 5. Keep File group selected and choose Select.
- 6. In the **Output settings**, choose a **Container**. Note: If your input has an I-frame only video codec, you must choose **QuickTime** or **MXF**.
- 7. In Encoding settings, under Video codec, choose Passthrough.

# API, SDK, or AWS Command Line Interface (AWS CLI)

The following is an excerpt of a job settings JSON that specifies Video passthrough for an Apple ProRes workflow with two inputs:

```
{
   "Settings": {
    "Inputs": [
        {
         "FileInput": "s3://amzn-s3-demo-bucket/prores.mov"
        },
        {
            "FileInput": "s3://amzn-s3-demo-bucket/prores-2.mov"
        }
    ],
    "OutputGroups": [
        {
        }
    }
}
```



# Video passthrough codec support and job settings requirements

The following table shows which combinations of input video codec and output container support video passthrough.

Supported input video codec	Supported output container
No supported input video codecs	CMAF DASH (Common Media Application Format)
No supported input video codecs	CMAF HLS (Common Media Application Format)
No supported input video codecs	DASH (Dynamic Adaptive Streaming over HTTP)
No supported input video codecs	F4V (MPEG-4 Flash)

Supported input video codec	Supported output container
AVC (H.264)	HLS (Apple HTTP Live Streaming)
Apple ProRes	MOV (Apple QuickTime)
AVC (H.264)	
AVC-Intra	
DV/DVCPRO	
JPEG 2000 (J2K)	
VC-3	
No supported input video codecs	MP4 (MPEG-4)
AVC (H.264)	MPEG-TS (MPEG-2 Transport Stream)
No supported input video codecs	MSS (Microsoft Smooth Streaming
Apple ProRes	MXF (Material Exchange Format)
AVC-Intra	
DV/DVCPRO	
JPEG 2000 (J2K)	
VC-3	
No supported input video codecs	WebM
No supported input video codecs	Y4M
AVC (H.264)	No container

Additionally, jobs you create with video passthrough have the following requirements.

#### Inputs

If you specify multiple inputs, each of your input's encoding attributes must exactly match, including video codec, frame size, profile, frame rate, and color space.

### Input clips

(Optional) MediaConvert supports input clipping for I-frame only video codecs when you use video passthrough. These include Apple ProRes, AVC-Intra, DV/DVCPRO, JPEG 2000 (J2K), and VC-3.

#### **Output container**

When you create MXF outputs from I-frame only inputs, MediaConvert supports the following input frame rates: 23.976, 24, 25, 29.97, 50, 59.94, 60

#### Frame rate

You must keep the default setting, **Follow source**. You cannot specify a different output frame rate than your input.

#### Audio codec

(Optional) MediaConvert supports audio encoding when you use video passthrough.

### **Dolby Digital passthrough**

(Optional) MediaConvert supports **Dolby Digital passthrough** when you use video passthrough.

If you specify multiple inputs, each of your input's Dolby Digital streams must have identical encoding attributes.

#### Captions

(Optional) MediaConvert supports sidecar formats when you use video passthrough.

# **AAC output reference tables**

This topic covers AAC audio codec support and lists the supported combinations of coding mode, profile, sampling rate, and bitrate.

This section explains how to set the following four properties of the AAC audio codec:

#### Profile

AAC output reference tables

- Coding mode
- Sample rate
- Bitrate

The settings that you choose for **Profile**, **Coding mode**, **Sample rate**, and **Bitrate** are limited by the AAC codec. The following procedure shows how to configure a supported combination of settings.

#### **Choosing AAC audio codec settings**

- 1. Choose a **Profile**.
- 2. Choose a **Coding mode** that is valid with that profile. The **Coding mode** determines the number of audio channels and the audio channel layout metadata.
- 3. Choose a **Sample rate** that is valid for that combination of profile and coding mode.
- 4. Choose a **Bitrate** that falls within the range that is supported for that sample rate.

## **CBR Bitrate control mode**

AWS Elemental MediaConvert supports the following combinations of AAC settings when your output **Bitrate control mode** is **CBR**.

To use this table, choose a profile from the **Profile** column. Then read across to find a valid combination of **Coding mode**, **Sample rate**, and **Bitrate**:

Profile	Coding mode(s)	Sample rate(s) (Hz)	Bitrate(s) (bit/s)
LC	1.0	8000, 12000	8000, 10000, 12000, 14000
LC	1.0	16000	8000, 10000, 12000, 14000, 16000, 20000, 24000, 28000
LC	1.0	22050, 24000	24000, 28000
LC	1.0	32000	32000, 40000, 48000, 56000, 64000, 80000, 96000, 112000,

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Profile	Coding mode(s)	Sample rate(s) (Hz)	Bitrate(s) (bit/s)
			128000, 160000, 192000
LC	1.0	44100	56000, 64000, 80000, 96000, 112000, 128000, 160000, 192000, 224000, 256000
LC	1.0	48000	56000, 64000, 80000, 96000, 112000, 128000, 160000, 192000, 224000, 256000, 288000
LC	1.0	88200	288000
LC	1.0	96000	128000, 160000, 192000, 224000, 256000, 288000
LC	2.0	8000, 12000	16000, 20000
LC	2.0	16000	16000, 20000, 24000, 28000, 32000
LC	2.0	22050, 24000	32000
LC	2.0	32000	40000, 48000, 56000, 64000, 80000, 96000, 112000, 128000, 160000, 192000, 224000, 256000, 288000, 320000, 384000

Profile	Coding mode(s)	Sample rate(s) (Hz)	Bitrate(s) (bit/s)
LC	2.0	44100	64000, 80000, 96000, 112000, 128000, 160000, 192000, 224000, 256000, 288000, 320000, 384000, 448000, 512000
LC	2.0	48000	64000, 80000, 96000, 112000, 128000, 160000, 192000, 224000, 256000, 288000, 320000, 384000, 448000, 512000, 576000
LC	2.0	88200	576000
LC	2.0	96000	256000, 288000, 320000, 384000, 448000, 512000, 576000
LC	5.1	32000	160000, 192000, 224000, 256000, 288000, 320000, 384000, 448000, 512000, 576000, 640000, 768000
LC	5.1	44100	256000, 288000, 320000, 384000, 448000, 512000, 576000, 640000

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Profile	Coding mode(s)	Sample rate(s) (Hz)	Bitrate(s) (bit/s)
LC	5.1	48000	256000, 288000, 320000, 384000, 448000, 512000, 576000, 640000, 768000
LC	5.1	96000	640000, 768000
HEV1	1.0	22050, 24000	8000, 10000
HEV1	1.0	32000	12000, 14000, 16000, 20000, 24000, 28000, 32000, 40000, 48000, 56000, 64000
HEV1	1.0	44100, 48000	20000, 24000, 28000, 32000, 40000, 48000, 56000, 64000
HEV1	2.0	32000	16000, 20000, 24000, 28000, 32000, 40000, 48000, 56000, 64000, 80000, 96000, 112000, 128000
HEV1	2.0	44100	16000, 20000, 24000, 28000, 32000, 40000, 48000, 56000, 64000, 80000, 96000
HEV1	2.0	48000	16000, 20000, 24000, 28000, 32000, 40000, 48000, 56000, 64000, 80000, 96000, 112000, 128000

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Profile	Coding mode(s)	Sample rate(s) (Hz)	Bitrate(s) (bit/s)
HEV1	2.0	96000	96000, 112000, 128000
HEV1	5.1	32000	64000, 80000, 96000, 112000, 128000, 160000, 192000, 224000, 256000, 288000, 320000
HEV1	5.1	44100	64000, 80000, 96000, 112000, 128000, 160000, 192000, 224000
HEV1	5.1	48000	64000, 80000, 96000, 112000, 128000, 160000, 192000, 224000, 256000, 288000, 320000
HEV1	5.1	96000	256000, 288000, 320000
HEV2	2.0	22050, 24000	8000, 10000
HEV2	2.0	32000	12000, 14000, 16000, 20000, 24000, 28000, 32000, 40000, 48000, 56000, 64000
HEV2	2.0	44100, 48000	20000, 24000, 28000, 32000, 40000, 48000, 56000, 64000

# VBR Bitrate control mode

When your output **Bitrate control mode** is **VBR**, AWS Elemental MediaConvert creates AAC outputs with the following approximate bitrates:

Profile	Coding mode(s)	Bitrate quality	Approximate bitrate per channel (bits/s)
LC	1.0	Low	52000
LC	2.0, 5.1	Low	48000
LC	1.0	Medium low	68000
LC	2.0, 5.1	Medium low	64000
LC	1.0	Medium high	100000
LC	2.0, 5.1	Medium high	96000
LC	1.0	High	132000
LC	2.0, 5.1	High	128000

# **Creating audio-only outputs**

You can use AWS Elemental MediaConvert to create outputs that contain only audio, without video. With audio-only outputs, MediaConvert supports a more limited number of codec and container combinations for input and output files.

The restrictions and procedures in this chapter apply to outputs that don't have video in the container. This includes the following:

- Outputs in File output groups that don't have video included
- Streaming **HLS** output groups that contain only audio outputs
- Streaming DASH output groups that contain only audio outputs

When you set up streaming output packages that contain audio, video, and captions, you create separate outputs for each element inside the output package. These are not audio-only outputs as

described in this chapter. For more information about setting up streaming outputs, see <u>Creating</u> outputs in ABR streaming output groups.

You set up an audio-only output in the same way that you set up an output that contains video, except that you don't include video or captions.

MediaConvert generates the following files for audio-only outputs:

- File output groups: One separate audio-only file for each output.
- **HLS** output groups: A single rendition in the ABR stack for each output.
- **DASH ISO** output groups: A single rendition in the ABR stack for each output.

#### 🚯 Note

For AAC streaming outputs, the initial segment is longer in duration than the others. This is because, with AAC, the initial segment must contain silent AAC pre-roll samples before the audible part of the segment. MediaConvert accounts for these extra samples in the timestamps, so the audio plays back correctly.

#### To create an audio-only output (console)

- 1. To confirm that MediaConvert supports your input files, consult the input table in <u>Supported</u> <u>output formats for audio-only workflows</u>.
- 2. Set up your job as described in <u>Tutorial: Configuring job settings</u>, but with the following differences:
  - Remove the Video tab in the Encoding settings section of your output.
  - Choose a supported output container and audio codec from the output table in <u>Supported</u> output formats for audio-only workflows.
  - Include only one group of audio settings per output. That is, don't choose Add audio to create an Audio 2 tab under Encoding settings.
- 3. If your outputs are in an **HLS** output group, choose a container for the audio-only output.

Under **Output settings**, in the **Audio** section, for **Container for audio-only output**, choose **MPEG-2 Transport Stream** to create a file in an MPEG2-TS container. Keep the default value **Automatic** to create a raw audio-only file with no container.

## To create an audio-only output (API, SDK, and AWS CLI)

- 1. To confirm that MediaConvert supports your input files, consult the input table in <u>Supported</u> <u>output formats for audio-only workflows</u>.
- 2. Set up your JSON job specification. Either manually edit your JSON file, or use the console to generate it as follows:
  - a. Follow the previous procedure for the console.
  - b. In the **Job** pane on the left, under **Job settings**, choose **Show job JSON**.

The JSON job specification for audio-only jobs differs from standard jobs as follows:

- Exclude each instance of VideoDescription and its children from the Outputs portion of your job JSON.
- For each output, include only one child group of audio settings under AudioDescriptions.
- For audio-only outputs in an HLS output group, specify a container for the audioonly output. Under Outputs, OutputSettings, HlsSettings include the property HlsAudioOnlyContainer. Set it to M2TS to create a file in an MPEG2-TS container. Set it to AUTOMATIC to create a raw audio-only file with no container. AUTOMATIC is the default behavior.

## Topics

- <u>Supported output formats for audio-only workflows</u>
- Audio-only job settings limitations

# Supported output formats for audio-only workflows

MediaConvert supports the following combinations of output container and codec for creating audio-only outputs.

Some containers and codecs have additional restrictions. For more information about the audio container or audio codec choose its link in the following reference table. Or see <u>Supported</u> containers and codecs reference tables.

Container	Audio Codecs
DASH (Dynamic Adaptive Streaming over	AAC
<u>HTTP)</u>	Dolby Digital (AC3)
	Dolby Digital Plus (EAC3)
	Dolby Digital Plus JOC (Atmos)
HLS (Apple HTTP Live Streaming)	AAC
	Dolby Digital (AC3)
MP4 (MPEG-4)	AAC
	Dolby Digital (AC3)
	Dolby Digital Plus (EAC3)
MPEG-TS (MPEG-2 Transport Stream)	AAC
	Dolby Digital (AC3)
	Dolby Digital Plus (EAC3)
	MPEG-2
OGG	FLAC
	Vorbis
No container	AAC
	AIFF
	Dolby Digital (AC3)
	Dolby Digital Plus (EAC3)
	FLAC
	MPEG-2

Container	Audio Codecs
	<u>MP3</u>
	WAV

# Audio-only job settings limitations

In any job that contains audio-only outputs, you can't use these features:

• Job progress status update

In any audio-only output, you can't use these features:

- Captions
- Still or motion graphic overlay (image inserter, motion image inserter)

# Supported containers and codecs reference tables

The following sections provide reference tables for containers and codecs that MediaConvert supports.

To use these tables, first find the container or codec using the links following this introduction. For containers, the tables provide details for which video or audio codecs are supported, and whether they're supported for inputs or outputs. For codecs, the tables provide details for which containers are supported, for inputs and outputs as well. Note that inputs or outputs labeled like *Audio-only input* or *Audio-only output* refer to support for audio-only workflows. For more information, see Creating audio-only outputs.

For quick reference tables that show which input formats MediaConvert supports, see <u>Supported</u> input formats.

For quick reference tables that show which output formats MediaConvert supports, see <u>Supported</u> <u>output formats</u>.

#### Containers

3G2 | 3GP | ASF | AVI | CMAF | DASH | F4V | FLV | GIF | HLS | IMF | Matroska | MOV | MP3 | MP4 | MPEG-1 | MPEG-PS | MPEG-TS | MSS | MXF | OGG | WAV | WebM | WMA | WMV | Y4M | No container

### Codecs

AAC | AIFF | AMR-NB | AMR-WB | Apple ProRes | AV1 | AVC (H.264) | AVC-Intra | Canopus HQ | Dolby Atmos | Dolby Digital (AC3) | Dolby Digital Plus (EAC3) | Dolby E | DV/DVCPRO | DV25 | DV50 | DVCPro HD | DivX/Xvid | FLAC | GIF | GSM | H.261 | H.262 | H.263 | HEVC (H.265) | J2K | MJPEG | MP3 | MPEG-1 | MPEG-2 | MPEG-4 Part 2 | MPEG Audio | Opus | Panasonic P2 | PCM | QuickTime RLE | Sony XDCAM | Sony XDCAM MPEG-4 Proxy | VC-1 | VC-3 | Vorbis | VP8 | VP9 | WMA | WMA2 | WMA Pro | XAVC

## Topics

- Supported containers
- Supported codecs

# **Supported containers**

This section contains reference tables for input and output containers that MediaConvert supports. The tables show the container, support on the input or output side, and video or audio codec support in the container. For more information about the codec, or to see codec support in other containers, choose the codec link.

### 3G2, 3GP

Container	Input / Output	Supported video codec	Supported audio codec
3G2	Input	<u>AVC (H.264)</u>	AAC
3GP		<u>H.263</u>	AMR-NB
		MPEG-4 part 2	AMR-WB
	Output	Not supported	Not supported

# ASF, WMV, WMA (Advanced Systems Format)

Container	Input / Output	Supported video codec	Supported audio codec
ASF	Input	<u>VC-1</u>	WMA
WMV			WMA2
			<u>WMA Pro</u>
	Output	Not supported	Not supported
WMA	Audio-only input	Not applicable	WMA
			WMA2
			<u>WMA Pro</u>
	Audio-only output	Not applicable	Not supported

# AVI (Audio Video Interleave)

Container	Input / Output	Supported video codec	Supported audio codec
AVI	Input	Canopus HQ DivX/Xvid DV/DVCPRO MJPEG Uncompressed	Dolby Digital (AC3)Dolby Digital Plus (EAC3)Dolby EMP3MPEG AudioPCM
	Output	Not supported	Not supported

## **CMAF (Common Media Application Format)**

Container	Input / Output	Supported video codec	Supported audio codec
CMAF DASH	Input	Not supported	Not supported
	Output	<u>AV1</u>	AAC
		<u>AVC (H.264)</u>	Dolby Digital (AC3)
		<u>HEVC (H.265)</u>	Dolby Digital Plus
		<u>VP9</u>	<u>(EAC3)</u>
CMAF HLS	Input	Not supported	Not supported
	Output	<u>AV1</u>	AAC
		<u>AVC (H.264)</u>	Dolby Digital (AC3)
		<u>HEVC (H.265)</u>	Dolby Digital Plus
		<u>VP9</u>	<u>(EAC3)</u>

## (i) Note

For HLS output codec recommendations from Apple, see: <u>https://developer.apple.com/</u> documentation/http-live-streaming/hls-authoring-specification-for-apple-devices.

### DASH (Dynamic Adaptive Streaming over HTTP)

Container	Input / Output	Supported video codec	Supported audio codec
DASH	Input	Not supported	Not supported
	Output	<u>AV1</u>	AAC

Container	Input / Output	Supported video codec	Supported audio codec
		<u>AVC (H.264)</u>	Dolby Digital (AC3)
		<u>HEVC (H.265)</u>	Dolby Digital Plus
		<u>VP8</u>	<u>(EAC3)</u>
		<u>VP9</u>	
	Audio-only input	Not supported	Not supported
	Audio-only output	Not applicable	AAC
			Dolby Digital (AC3)
			<u>Dolby Digital Plus</u> (EAC3)
			<u>Dolby Digital Plus</u> JOC (Atmos)

For information about CMAF DASH, see <u>CMAF containers</u>.

# FLV, F4V (MPEG-4 Flash)

Container	Input / Output	Supported video codec	Supported audio codec
FLV	Input	<u>AVC (H.264)</u>	AAC
F4V		<u>H.263</u>	
F4V	Output	<u>AVC (H.264)</u>	AAC
		MPEG-2	

#### GIF

Container	Input / Output	Supported video codec
GIF	Input	GIF
	Output	GIF

## HLS (Apple HTTP Live Streaming)

Container	Input / Output	Supported video codec	Supported audio codec
HLS	Input	<u>AVC (H.264)</u>	AAC
		<u>HEVC (H.265)</u>	Dolby Digital (AC3)
		MPEG-2	<u>Dolby Digital Plus</u> (EAC3)
	Output	<u>AVC (H.264)</u>	AAC
		<u>HEVC (H.265)</u>	Dolby Digital (AC3)
			<u>Dolby Digital Plus</u> (EAC3)
	Audio-only input	Not applicable	Not supported
	Audio-only output	Not applicable	AAC
			Dolby Digital (AC3)

For more information about HLS inputs and input requirements, see <u>HLS input requirements</u>.

For information about CMAF HLS, see <u>CMAF containers</u>.

## 🚯 Note

When outputting HEVC in an HLS container, we recommend using a CMAF output group for the widest player compatibility. For more details, see <u>https://developer.apple.com/</u> documentation/http-live-streaming/hls-authoring-specification-for-apple-devices.

## IMF (Interoperable Master Format)

Container	Input / Output	Supported video codec	Supported audio codec
IMF	Input	Apple ProRes	PCM
		JPEG 2000 (J2K)	
	Output	Not supported	Not supported

Specify your input IMF by providing the path to your Composition Playlist (CPL). If the CPL is in an incomplete IMP, also specify any supplemental IMPs.

For information about using IMF inputs to create Dolby Vision outputs, see <u>Dolby Vision input</u> format support and job setting requirements.

### Matroska

Container	Input / Output	Supported video codec	Supported audio codec
Matroska	Input	<u>AVC (H.264)</u> MPEG-2	<u>AAC</u> Dolby Digital (AC3)
		<u>MPEG-2</u> <u>MPEG-4 part 2</u> <u>VC-1</u>	<u>Dolby Digital Plus</u> (EAC3) FLAC
			Opus

Container	Input / Output	Supported video codec	Supported audio codec
			<u>PCM</u>
			WMA
			WMA2
Output Not support	Not supported	Not supported	
	Audio-only input	Not applicable	FLAC
			OPUS
	Audio-only output	Not applicable	Not supported

# MOV (Apple QuickTime)

Container	Input / Output	Supported video codec	Supported audio codec
MOV	Input	Apple ProRes	AAC
		<u>AVC (H.264)</u>	<u>MP3</u>
		AVC-Intra	<u>PCM</u>
		DivX/Xvid	
		DV/DVCPRO	
		<u>H.261</u>	
		<u>H.262</u>	
		<u>H.263</u>	
		<u>HEVC (H.265)</u>	
		JPEG 2000 (J2K)	

Container	Input / Output	Supported video codec	Supported audio codec
		MJPEG	
		MPEG-2	
		MPEG-4 part 2	
		QuickTime RLE	
		Uncompressed	
	Output	<u>AVC (H.264)</u>	AAC
		MPEG-2	Dolby Digital (AC3)
			<u>Dolby Digital Plus</u> (EAC3)
			WAV
		Apple ProRes	AIFF
	Audio-only input	Not applicable	<u>PCM</u>
	Audio-only output	Not applicable	Not supported

MOV inputs must be self-contained. References to external files are not supported.

For information about using MOV inputs to create Dolby Vision outputs, see <u>Dolby Vision input</u> format support and job setting requirements.

## MP3 (MPEG-1 Layer 3)

Container	Input / Output	Supported audio codec
<u>MP3</u>	Audio-only input	MP3
	Audio-only output	<u>MP3</u>

MediaConvert does not read ID3 metadata or tags from MP3 inputs.

# MP4 (MPEG-4)

Container	Input / Output	Supported video codec	Supported audio codec
MP4	Input	<u>AV1</u>	AAC
		<u>AVC (H.264)</u>	Dolby Digital (AC3)
		AVC-Intra	Dolby Digital Plus
		DivX/Xvid	<u>(EAC3)</u>
	-	<u>H.261</u>	FLAC
		<u>H.262</u>	<u>PCM</u>
		H.263	WMA
		HEVC (H.265)	WMA2
		JPEG 2000 (J2K)	
		MPEG-2	
		MPEG-4 part 2	
		<u>VC-1</u>	
		VP9	
		Uncompressed	
	Output	<u>AV1</u>	AAC
		<u>AVC (H.264)</u>	Dolby Digital (AC3)
		<u>HEVC (H.265)</u>	Dolby Digital Plus (EAC3)
	Audio-only input	Not applicable	AAC

Container	Input / Output	Supported video codec	Supported audio codec
			FLAC
	Audio-only output	Not applicable	AAC Dolby Digital (AC3)
			<u>Dolby Digital Plus</u> (EAC3)

MediaConvert doesn't support fragmented MP4 initialization segments. Your MP4 input must be self-contained.

## MPEG-1 (MPEG-1 System Stream)

Container	Input / Output	Supported video codec	Supported audio codec
MPEG-1	Input	MPEG-1	AAC
		MPEG-2	AIFF
			Dolby Digital (AC3)
			<u>Dolby Digital Plus</u> (EAC3)
			MPEG Audio
			<u>PCM</u>
	Output	Not supported	Not supported

# MPEG-PS (MPEG Program Stream)

Container	Input / Output	Supported video codec	Supported audio codec
MPEG-PS	Input	MPEG-2	MPEG audio
	Output	Not supported	Not supported

# MPEG-TS (MPEG-2 Transport Stream)

Container	Input / Output	Supported video codec	Supported audio codec
MPEG-TS	Input	<u>AVC (H.264)</u>	AAC
		<u>HEVC (H.265)</u>	AIFF
		MPEG-2	Dolby Digital (AC3)
		<u>VC-1</u>	<u>Dolby Digital Plus</u> (EAC3)
			Dolby E
			MPEG Audio
			<u>PCM</u>
			WMA
			WMA2
	Output	<u>AVC (H.264)</u>	AAC
		<u>HEVC (H.265)</u>	Dolby Digital (AC3)
		MPEG-2	<u>Dolby Digital Plus</u> (EAC3)

Container	Input / Output	Supported video codec	Supported audio codec
			<u>MPEG-2</u> <u>PCM/WAV</u>
	Audio-only input	Not applicable	MPEG-2 PCM
	Audio-only output	Not applicable	AAC Dolby Digital (AC3) Dolby Digital Plus (EAC3) MPEG-2

# MSS (Microsoft Smooth Streaming)

Container	Input / Output	Supported video codec	Supported audio codec
MSS	Input	Not supported	Not supported
	Output	<u>AVC (H.264)</u>	AAC Dolby Digital (AC3) Dolby Digital Plus (EAC3)

# MXF (Material Exchange Format)

Container	Input / Output	Supported video codec	MXF Profile	Supported audio codec
MXF	Input	Apple ProRes	Not applicable	AAC
		<u>AVC (H.264)</u>		AIFF
		AVC-Intra		Dolby E
		DV/DVCPRO		MPEG Audio
		<u>DV25</u>		<u>PCM</u>
		<u>DV50</u>		
		DVCPro HD		
		<u>JPEG 2000</u> (J2K)		
		MPEG-2		
		Sony XDCam		
		Sony XDCam MPEG-4 Proxy		
		Uncompressed		
	Output	AVC (H.264)	Generic OP1a	PCM/WAV
		AVC-Intra		
		MPEG-2		
		<u>VC-3</u>		
		MPEG-2	XDCAM RDD9	

Container	Input / Output	Supported video codec	MXF Profile	Supported audio codec
		MPEG-2	D10 (SMPTE-38 6)	
		<u>XAVC</u>	Sony XAVC (RDD32)	

For more information about creating MXF outputs, see <u>Creating MXF outputs</u>.

For information about using MXF inputs to create Dolby Vision outputs, see <u>Dolby Vision input</u> format support and job setting requirements.

# OGG (Ogg Vorbis Audio)

Container	Input / Output	Supported audio codec
OGG	Audio-only input	<u>FLAC</u>
		<u>Opus</u>
Audio-only		Vorbis
	Audio-only output	<u>FLAC</u>
		Vorbis

## WAV (Waveform Audio File Format)

Container	Input / Output	Supported audio codec
WAV	Audio-only input	GSM
		<u>PCM</u>
	Audio-only output	<u>PCM</u>

#### WebM

Container	Input / Output	Supported video codec	Supported audio codec
WebM	WebM Input	<u>VP8</u>	<u>Opus</u>
Outp		<u>VP9</u>	Vorbis
	Output	<u>VP8</u>	<u>Opus</u>
		<u>VP9</u>	Vorbis

#### Y4M

Container	Input / Output	Supported video codec	Supported audio codec
Y4M	Input	Not supported	Not supported
	Output	Uncompressed	Not supported

MediaConvert supports uncompressed Y4M outputs with I420, I422, or I444 four character codes (FOURCCs).

### No container

Container	Input / Output	Supported video codec	Supported audio codec
No container	Video-only input	DV/DVCPRO	Not applicable
		<u>AVC (H.264)</u>	
		<u>HEVC (H.265)</u>	
		MPEG-1	
		MPEG-2	

Container	Input / Output	Supported video codec	Supported audio codec
	Video-only output	AVC-Intra	Not applicable
		<u>AVC (H.264)</u>	
		GIF	
		<u>HEVC (H.265)</u>	
		MPEG-2	
		<u>VC-3</u>	
		XAVC	
	Audio-only input	Not applicable	AAC
			Dolby Digital (AC3)
			<u>Dolby Digital Plus</u> (EAC3)
			<u>FLAC</u>
			<u>GSM</u>
			<u>PCM</u>

Container	Input / Output	Supported video codec	Supported audio codec
	Audio-only output	Not applicable	AAC AIFF Dolby Digital (AC3) Dolby Digital Plus (EAC3) FLAC MPEG-2 MP3 PCM

# **Supported codecs**

This section contains reference tables for input and output codecs that MediaConvert supports. The tables show the codec, support on the input or output side, and container support for the codec. For more information about the container, or to see container support for other codecs, choose the container link.

#### AAC (Advanced Audio Codec)

Audio codec	Input / Output	Supported container
AAC	Input	<u>3G2</u>
		<u>3GP</u>
		HLS
		MPEG-4 Flash
		Matroska

Audio codec	Input / Output	Supported container
		MOV
		<u>MP4</u>
		MPEG-1
		MPEG-TS
		MXF
	Output	CMAF DASH
		CMAF HLS
		DASH
		HLS
		MOV
		<u>MP4</u>
		MPEG-4 Flash
		MPEG-TS
		MSS
		No container
	Audio-only input	MP4
		No container

Audio codec	Input / Output	Supported container
	Audio-only output	DASH
		HLS
		MPEG-TS
		<u>MP4</u>
		No container

For information about what output AAC profiles, coding modes, sample rates , and bitrates MediaConvert supports, see <u>AAC output reference tables</u>.

#### AIFF

Audio codec	Input / Output	Supported container
AIFF	Input	MPEG-TS
		MPEG-1
		MXF
	Output	MOV
		No container
	Audio-only input	Not supported
	Audio-only output	No container

#### AMR-NB, AMR-WB

Audio codec	Input / Output	Supported container
AMR-NB	Input	<u>3G2</u>

Audio codec	Input / Output	Supported container
AMR-WB		<u>3GP</u>
	Output	Not supported

#### **Apple ProRes**

Video codec	Input / Output	Supported container	Supported formats
Apple ProRes	Input	IMF MOV MXF	Apple ProRes 4444 XQ Apple ProRes 4444
	Output	MOV	Apple ProRes 422 HQ Apple ProRes 422 Apple ProRes LT Apple ProRes Proxy

For more information about Apple ProRes formats, see <u>https://support.apple.com/en-us/</u> <u>HT202410</u>.

You can also passthrough Apple ProRes inputs to MXF and MOV output containers. For more information, see: Video passthrough codec support and job settings requirements

# (i) Note

To preserve 4:4:4 chroma subsampling in your Apple ProRes outputs:

- You cannot include any of the following Preprocessors: Dolby Vision, HDR10+, or Noise reducer.
- You must use the Duplicate Drop as the frame rate conversion algorithm (when using frame rate conversion).

- You cannot mix RGB and non RGB inputs.
- You cannot mix 4:4:4 inputs with other non-4:4:4 inputs.
- You can only use the NexGuard File Maker preprocessor.

#### AV1

Video codec	Input / Output	Supported container
AV1	Input	<u>MP4</u>
	Output	CMAF DASH
		CMAF HLS
		DASH
		<u>MP4</u>

#### (i) Note

For HLS output codec recommendations from Apple, see <u>https://developer.apple.com/</u> documentation/http-live-streaming/hls-authoring-specification-for-apple-devices.

#### AVC (H.264)

Video codec	Input / Output	Supported container
AVC (H.264)	Input	<u>3G2</u>
		<u>3GP</u>
		MPEG-4 Flash
		HLS
		Matroska

Video codec	Input / Output	Supported container
		MOV
		<u>MP4</u>
		MPEG-TS
		MXF
		No container
	Output	CMAF DASH
		CMAF HLS
		DASH
		<u>F4V</u>
		HLS
		MOV
		MP4
		MPEG-TS
		MSS
		MXF
		No container

You can also passthrough AVC inputs to most output containers. For more information, see: Video passthrough codec support and job settings requirements

#### **AVC-Intra**

Video codec	Input / Output	Supported container	Supported formats
AVC-Intra	Input	MOV	AVC-Intra 50
		MP4	AVC-Intra 100
		MXF	AVC-Intra 200
			AVC-Intra 2K4:2:2
			AVC-Intra 4K4:2:2
	Output	MXF	AVC-Intra 50
		No container	AVC-Intra 100
			AVC-Intra 200
			AVC-Intra 2K4:2:2
			AVC-Intra 4K4:2:2

MediaConvert only supports YUV AVC-Intra inputs, it does not support RGB AVC-Intra inputs.

You can also passthrough AVC-Intra inputs to MXF and MOV output containers. For more information, see: Video passthrough codec support and job settings requirements

## **Canopus HQ**

Video codec	Input / Output	Supported container
Canopus HQ	Input	AVI
	Output	Not supported

Audio codec	Input / Output	Supported container
Dolby Digital (AC3)	Input	AVI
		HLS
		<u>Matroska</u>
		<u>MP4</u>
		MPEG-1
		MPEG-TS
	Output	CMAF DASH
		CMAF HLS
		DASH
		HLS
		MOV
		<u>MP4</u>
		MPEG-TS
		MSS
		No container
	Audio-only input	No container
	Audio-only output	DASH
		HLS
		MP4
		MPEG-TS

Audio codec	Input / Output	Supported container
		No container

# Dolby Digital Plus (EAC3)

Audio codec	Input / Output	Supported container
Dolby Digital Plus (EAC3)	Input	AVI
		HLS
		Matroska
		<u>MP4</u>
		MPEG-1
		MPEG-TS
	Output	CMAF DASH
		CMAF HLS
		HLS
		MOV
		<u>MP4</u>
		MPEG-TS
		MSS
		No container
	Audio-only input	No container
	Audio-only output	DASH
		<u>MP4</u>

Audio codec	Input / Output	Supported container
		MPEG-TS
		No container

# Dolby Digital Plus JOC (Atmos)

For more information, see **Dolby Atmos**.

# Dolby E

Audio codec	Input / Output	Supported container
Dolby E	Input	AVI
		MPEG-TS
		MXF
		No container
	Output	Not supported

# DV/DVCPRO

Video codec	Input / Output	Supported container
DV/DVCPRO	Input	AVI
		MOV
		MXF
		<u>No container</u>
	Output	Not supported

You can also passthrough DV/DVCPRO inputs to MXF and MOV output containers. For more information, see: <u>Video passthrough codec support and job settings requirements</u>

# DV25, DV50

Video codec	Input / Output	Supported container
DV25	Input	MXF
DV50	Output	Not supported

#### **DVCPro HD**

Video codec	Input / Output	Supported container
DVCPro HD	Input	MXF
	Output	Not supported

#### DivX/Xvid

Video codec	Input / Output	Supported container
DivX/Xvid	Input	AVI
		MOV
		<u>MP4</u>
	Output	Not supported

#### FLAC

Audio codec	Input / Output	Supported container
FLAC	Input	Matroska

Audio codec	Input / Output	Supported container
		<u>MP4</u>
	Output	Not supported
	Audio-only input	Matroska
		<u>MP4</u>
		OGA
		OGG
		No container
	Audio-only output	OGG
		No container

## GSM

Audio codec	Input / Output	Supported container
GSM	Input	WAV
		No container
	Output	Not supported
	Audio-only input	WAV
		No container
	Audio-only output	Not supported

#### GIF

Video codec	Input / Output	Supported container
GIF	Input	GIF
	Output	No container

# H.261

Video codec	Input / Output	Supported container
H.261	51 Input	MOV
		<u>MP4</u>
	Output	Not supported

## H.262

Video codec	Input / Output	Supported container
H.262	Input	MOV
		<u>MP4</u>
	Output	Not supported

## H.263

Video codec	Input / Output	Supported container
H.263	Input	<u>3G2</u>
		<u>3GP</u>
		MPEG-4 Flash

Video codec	Input / Output	Supported container
		MOV
		<u>MP4</u>
	Output	Not supported

# HEVC (H.265)

Video codec	Input / Output	Supported container
HEVC (H.265)	Input	HLS
		MOV
		<u>MP4</u>
		MPEG-TS
		No container
	Output	CMAF HLS
		CMAF DASH
		DASH
		HLS
		<u>MP4</u>
		MPEG-TS
		No container

## 🚯 Note

When outputting HEVC in an HLS container, we recommend using a CMAF output group for the widest player compatibility. For more details, see <u>https://developer.apple.com/</u>documentation/http-live-streaming/hls-authoring-specification-for-apple-devices.

#### JPEG 2000 (J2K)

Video codec	Input / Output	Supported container
JPEG 2000 (J2K)	Input	IMF
		MOV
		<u>MP4</u>
		MXF
	Output	Not supported

You can also passthrough J2K inputs to MXF and MOV output containers. For more information, see: Video passthrough codec support and job settings requirements

# MJPEG (Motion JPEG)

Video codec	Input / Output	Supported container
MJPEG	Input	AVI
		MOV
	Output	Not supported

#### MP3 (MPEG-1 Layer 3)

Audio codec	Input / Output	Supported container
MP3	Input	AVI
		MOV
	Output	MOV
	Audio-only input	<u>MP3</u>
	Audio-only output	No container

#### MPEG-1

Video codec	Input / Output	Supported container
MPEG-1 Input	Input	MPEG-1
		No container
	Output	Not supported

#### MPEG-2 (MPEG-1 Layer II )

Video codec	Input / Output	Supported container
MPEG-2 Video	Input	HLS
		<u>Matroska</u>
		MOV
		<u>MP4</u>
		MPEG-1
		MPEG-PS

Video codec	Input / Output	Supported container
		MPEG-TS
		MXF
		No container
	Output	MOV
		MPEG-4 Flash
		MPEG-TS
		MXF
		No container

Audio codec	Input / Output	Supported container
MPEG-2 Audio	Audio-only input	MPEG-TS
	Audio-only output	MPEG-TS
		No container

#### MPEG-4 Part 2

Video codec	Input / Output	Supported container
MPEG-4 Part 2	Input	<u>3G2</u>
		<u>3GP</u>
		Matroska
		MOV
		MP4

Video codec	Input / Output	Supported container
	Output	Not supported

## **MPEG Audio**

Audio codec	Input / Output	Supported container
MPEG Audio	Input	AVI
		MPEG-1
		MPEG-PS
		MPEG-TS
		MXF
	Output	Not supported

# Opus, Vorbis

Audio codec	Input / Output	Supported container
Opus	Input	Matroska
Vorbis		OGA
		OGG
		WebM
	Output	WebM
	Audio-only input	Matroska
		OGA
		OGG

Audio codec	Input / Output	Supported container
	Audio-only output	OGG

# Panasonic P2

Video codec	Input / Output	Supported container
Panasonic P2	Input	MXF
	Output	Not supported

#### PCM

Audio codec	Input / Output	Supported container
РСМ	Input	AVI
		IMF
		Matroska
		MOV
		MP4
		MPEG-1
		MPEG-TS
		MXF
		No container
	Output	MOV
		MPEG-TS
		MXF

Audio codec	Input / Output	Supported container
		<u>No container</u>
	Audio-only input	MOV
		MPEG-TS
		WAV
	Audio-only output	WAV
		No container

# **Quicktime RLE (Quicktime Animation)**

Video codec	Input / Output	Supported container
Quicktime RLE	Input	MOV
	Output	Not supported

#### Sony XDCAM

Video format	Input / Output	Supported container
Sony XDCAM	Input	MXF
	Output	MXF

# Sony XDCAM MPEG-4 Proxy

Video format	Input / Output	Supported container
Sony XDCAM	Input	MXF
	Output	Not supported

#### VC-1

Video codec	Input / Output	Supported container
VC-1	Input	ASF
		Matroska
		MP4
		MPEG-TS
		WMV
	Output	Not supported

## VC-3

Video codec	Input / Output	Supported container
VC-3	Input	MXF
	Output	MXF
		No container

You can also passthrough VC-3 inputs to MXF and MOV output containers. For more information, see: <u>Video passthrough codec support and job settings requirements</u>

#### VP8

Video codec	Input / Output	Supported container
VP8	Input	WebM
	Output	DASH
		<u>WebM</u>

#### VP9

Video codec	Input / Output	Supported container
VP9	Input	MP4
		WebM
	Output	CMAF DASH
		CMAF HLS
		DASH
		<u>WebM</u>

#### WMA, WMA2

Audio codec	Input / Output	Supported container
WMA	Input	ASF
WMA2		<u>Matroska</u>
		<u>MP4</u>
		MPEG-TS
		WMV
	Output	Not supported
	Audio-only input	ASF
		WMA
		WMV
	Audio-only output	Not supported

#### WMA Pro

Video codec	Input / Output	Supported container
WMA Pro	Input	ASF
		WMV
	Output	Not supported
	Audio-only input	ASF
		WMA
		WMV
	Audio-only output	Not supported

#### XAVC

Format	Input / Output	Supported container	Supported XAVC profiles
XAVC	Output	MXF	XAVC HD
		No container	XAVC HD Intra CBG
			XAVC 4K
			XAVC 4K Intra CBG
			XAVC 4K Intra VBR

For more information about the XAVC format, see: <u>https://pro.sony/ue\_US/technology/xavc</u>.

XAVC inputs are supported, as they are a subset of  $\underline{MXF}$  containers with  $\underline{AVC}$  (H.264) video codecs.

# **Captions reference tables**

MediaConvert supports a wide range of captions conversion workflows. But you can't convert every supported input captions format to every supported output captions format. Each video container supports a subset of all possible captions types. Furthermore, MediaConvert supports a subset of all transformations theoretically allowed within the input and output video container type.

For information about how to set up captions in your input, see <u>Setting up input captions</u>.

For information about how to set up captions in your output, see Setting up captions in outputs.

To look up whether MediaConvert supports your captions workflow, choose the topic from the following list that corresponds to your input captions. Find the table that corresponds to your video output container. Then find the row for your input captions. Check the supported output captions format column to see the available output captions formats.

- If your primary MediaConvert input contains your captions, see <u>Supported input captions</u>, within <u>video containers</u>.
- If your captions are in a separate file, which you specify in your input captions selector, see <u>Supported input captions, within sidecar files</u>.

# Supported input captions, within video containers

To look up whether MediaConvert supports your captions workflow, choose the topic from the following list that corresponds to your video output container. Then find the row that corresponds to your input captions container and format. Check the supported output captions format column to see the available output captions formats.

## Topics

- Supported captions in CMAF output container
- <u>Supported captions in DASH output container</u>
- Supported captions in HLS output container
- Supported captions in Microsoft Smooth Streaming (MSS) output container
- <u>Supported captions in MP4 output container</u>
- <u>Supported captions in MPEG2-TS output container</u>
- <u>Supported captions in MXF output container</u>
- Supported captions in QuickTime output container

# Supported captions in CMAF output container

The following table lists supported output captions formats for this output container. Use when your input captions are in the same container or stream as your video. This table is sorted by the input captions container and input captions format.

If your input captions are in a sidecar format, see <u>Sidecar captions supported in CMAF output</u> <u>container</u>. *Sidecar captions* are captions that you provide as a separate input file from your video.

Input captions container	Input captions format	Supported output captions formats
HLS Container	Embedded	IMSC (as sidecar .fmp4)
		WebVTT
	WebVTT	IMSC (as sidecar .fmp4)
		WebVTT
MP4 Container	Embedded	IMSC (as sidecar .fmp4)
		WebVTT
	SCTE-20	IMSC (as sidecar .fmp4)
		WebVTT
MPEG2-TS Container	Embedded	IMSC (as sidecar .fmp4)
		WebVTT
	SCTE-20	IMSC (as sidecar .fmp4)
		WebVTT
	Teletext	IMSC (as sidecar .fmp4)
		WebVTT

Input captions container	Input captions format	Supported output captions formats
MXF Container	Embedded	IMSC (as sidecar .fmp4)
		WebVTT
	Ancillary	IMSC (as sidecar .fmp4)
		WebVTT
QuickTime Container	Embedded	IMSC (as sidecar .fmp4)
		WebVTT
	Ancillary	IMSC (as sidecar .fmp4)
		WebVTT

In the preceding table, **Embedded** and **Ancillary** refer to groups of similar captions formats.

Embedded captions include these formats:

- CEA-608
- EIA-608
- CEA-708
- EIA-708

Ancillary captions include these formats:

- Captions in the QuickTime Captions Track
- Captions in the MXF container VANC data

# Supported captions in DASH output container

The following table lists supported output captions formats for this output container. Use when your input captions are in the same container or stream as your video. This table is sorted by the input captions container and input captions format.

If your input captions are in a sidecar format, see <u>Sidecar captions supported in DASH output</u> <u>container</u>. *Sidecar captions* are captions that you provide as a separate input file from your video.

Input captions container	Input captions format	Supported output captions formats
HLS Container	Embedded	Burn in
		IMSC (as sidecar .fmp4)
		IMSC (as sidecar .xml)
		TTML (as sidecar .fmp4)
		TTML (as sidecar .ttml)
		WebVTT
	WebVTT	Burn in
		IMSC (as sidecar .fmp4)
		IMSC (as sidecar .xml)
		TTML (as sidecar .fmp4)
		TTML (as sidecar .ttml)
		WebVTT
IMF Container	IMSC1 text profile	Burn in
(i) Note		IMSC (as sidecar .fmp4)
Specify the CPL to		IMSC (as sidecar .xml)
define your input.		TTML (as sidecar .fmp4)
		TTML (as sidecar .ttml)
MP4 Container	Embedded	Burn in
		IMSC (as sidecar .fmp4)

Input captions container	Input captions format	Supported output captions formats
		IMSC (as sidecar .xml)
		TTML (as sidecar .fmp4)
		TTML (as sidecar .ttml)
		WebVTT
	SCTE-20	Burn in
		IMSC (as sidecar .fmp4)
		IMSC (as sidecar .xml)
		TTML (as sidecar .fmp4)
		TTML (as sidecar .ttml)
MPEG2-TS Container	DVB-Sub	Burn in
	Embedded	Burn in
		IMSC (as sidecar .fmp4)
		IMSC (as sidecar .xml)
		TTML (as sidecar .fmp4)
		TTML (as sidecar .ttml)
		WebVTT

Input captions container	Input captions format	Supported output captions formats
	SCTE-20	Burn in
		IMSC (as sidecar .fmp4)
		IMSC (as sidecar .xml)
		TTML (as sidecar .fmp4)
		TTML (as sidecar .ttml)
		WebVTT
	Teletext	Burn in
		IMSC (as sidecar .fmp4)
		IMSC (as sidecar .xml)
		TTML (as sidecar .fmp4)
		TTML (as sidecar .ttml)
MXF Container	Embedded	Burn in
		IMSC (as sidecar .fmp4)
		IMSC (as sidecar .xml)
		TTML (as sidecar .fmp4)
		TTML (as sidecar .ttml)

Input captions container	Input captions format	Supported output captions formats
	SCTE-20	Burn in
		IMSC (as sidecar .fmp4)
		IMSC (as sidecar .xml)
		TTML (as sidecar .fmp4)
		TTML (as sidecar .ttml)
	Ancillary	Burn in
		IMSC (as sidecar .fmp4)
		IMSC (as sidecar .xml)
		TTML (as sidecar .fmp4)
		TTML (as sidecar .ttml)
	Teletext	Burn in
		IMSC (as sidecar .fmp4)
		IMSC (as sidecar .xml)
		TTML (as sidecar .fmp4)
		TTML (as sidecar .ttml)
QuickTime Container	Embedded	Burn in
		IMSC (as sidecar .fmp4)
		IMSC (as sidecar .xml)
		TTML (as sidecar .fmp4)
		TTML (as sidecar .ttml)

Input captions container	Input captions format	Supported output captions formats
	SCTE-20	Burn in
		IMSC (as sidecar .fmp4)
		IMSC (as sidecar .xml)
		TTML (as sidecar .fmp4)
		TTML (as sidecar .ttml)
	Ancillary	Burn in
		IMSC (as sidecar .fmp4)
		IMSC (as sidecar .xml)
		TTML (as sidecar .fmp4)
		TTML (as sidecar .ttml)

In the preceding table, **Embedded** and **Ancillary** refer to groups of similar captions formats.

Embedded captions include these formats:

- CEA-608
- EIA-608
- CEA-708
- EIA-708

Ancillary captions include these formats:

- Captions in the QuickTime Captions Track
- Captions in the MXF container VANC data

# Supported captions in HLS output container

The following table lists supported output captions formats for this output container. Use when your input captions are in the same container or stream as your video. This table is sorted by the input captions container and input captions format.

If your input captions are in a sidecar format, see <u>Sidecar captions supported in HLS output</u> <u>container</u>. *Sidecar captions* are captions that you provide as a separate input file from your video.

1 Note

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- You can use only Teletext level 1.5 languages

Input captions container	Input captions format	Supported output captions formats
HLS Container	Embedded	Burn in
		Embedded
		Embedded plus SCTE-20
		SCTE-20 plus embedded
		WebVTT
	WebVTT	Burn in
		WebVTT
IMF Container	IMSC1 text profile	WebVTT

Input captions container	Input captions format	Supported output captions formats
<ul> <li>Note</li> <li>Specify the CPL to define your input.</li> </ul>		
MP4 Container	Embedded	Burn in
		Embedded
		Embedded plus SCTE-20
		SCTE-20 plus embedded
		WebVTT
	SCTE-20	Burn in
		Embedded
		Embedded plus SCTE-20
		SCTE-20 plus embedded
		WebVTT
MPEG2-TS Container	Embedded	Burn in
		Embedded
		Embedded plus SCTE-20
		SCTE-20 plus embedded
		WebVTT

Input captions container	Input captions format	Supported output captions formats
	SCTE-20	Burn in
		Embedded
		Embedded plus SCTE-20
		SCTE-20 plus embedded
		WebVTT
	Teletext	Burn in
		WebVTT
	DVB-Sub	Burn in
MXF Container	Embedded	Burn in
		Embedded
		Embedded plus SCTE-20
		SCTE-20 plus embedded
		WebVTT
	SCTE-20	Burn in
		Embedded
		Embedded plus SCTE-20
		SCTE-20 plus embedded
		WebVTT

Input captions container	Input captions format	Supported output captions formats
	Ancillary	Burn in
		Embedded
		Embedded plus SCTE-20
		SCTE-20 plus embedded
		WebVTT
	Teletext	Burn in
QuickTime Container	Embedded	Burn in
		Embedded
		Embedded plus SCTE-20
		SCTE-20 plus embedded
		WebVTT
	SCTE-20	Burn in
		Embedded
		Embedded plus SCTE-20
		SCTE-20 plus embedded
		WebVTT

Input captions container	Input captions format	Supported output captions formats
	Ancillary	Burn in
		Embedded
		Embedded plus SCTE-20
		SCTE-20 plus embedded
		WebVTT

Embedded captions include these formats:

- CEA-608
- EIA-608
- CEA-708
- EIA-708

Ancillary captions include these formats:

- Captions in the QuickTime Captions Track
- Captions in the MXF container VANC data

## Supported captions in Microsoft Smooth Streaming (MSS) output container

The following table lists supported output captions formats for this output container. Use when your input captions are in the same container or stream as your video. This table is sorted by the input captions container and input captions format.

If your input captions are in a sidecar format, see <u>Sidecar captions supported in Microsoft Smooth</u> <u>Streaming (MSS) output container</u>. *Sidecar captions* are captions that you provide as a separate input file from your video.

Input captions container	Input captions format	Supported output captions formats
HLS Container	Embedded	Burn in
		TTML
	WebVTT	Burn in
		TTML (as sidecar .ttml)
MP4 Container	Embedded	Burn in
		TTML
	SCTE-20	Burn in
		TTML
MPEG2-TS Container	Embedded	Burn in
		TTML
	SCTE-20	Burn in
		TTML
	Teletext	Burn in
		TTML
	DVB-Sub	Burn in
MXF Container	Embedded	Burn in
		TTML
	SCTE-20	Burn in
		TTML
	Ancillary	Burn in

Input captions container	Input captions format	Supported output captions formats
		TTML
	Teletext	Burn in
		TTML
QuickTime Container	Embedded	Burn in
		TTML
	SCTE-20	Burn in
		TTML
	Ancillary	Burn in
		TTML

Embedded captions include these formats:

- CEA-608
- EIA-608
- CEA-708
- EIA-708

Ancillary captions include these formats:

- Captions in the QuickTime Captions Track
- Captions in the MXF container VANC data

# Supported captions in MP4 output container

The following table lists supported output captions formats for this output container. Use when your input captions are in the same container or stream as your video. This table is sorted by the input captions container and input captions format.

If your input captions are in a sidecar format, see <u>Sidecar captions supported in MP4 output</u> <u>container</u>. *Sidecar captions* are captions that you provide as a separate input file from your video.

Input captions container	Input captions format	Supported output captions formats
HLS Container	Embedded	Burn in
		Embedded
		Embedded plus SCTE-20
		SCTE-20 plus embedded
	WebVTT	Burn in
MP4 Container	Embedded	Burn in
		Embedded
		Embedded plus SCTE-20
		SCTE-20 plus embedded
	SCTE-20	Burn in
		Embedded
		Embedded plus SCTE-20
		SCTE-20 plus embedded
MPEG2-TS Container	Embedded	Burn in
		Embedded

Input captions container	Input captions format	Supported output captions formats
		Embedded plus SCTE-20
		SCTE-20 plus embedded
	SCTE-20	Burn in
		Embedded
		Embedded plus SCTE-20
		SCTE-20 plus embedded
	Teletext	Burn in
	DVB-Sub	Burn in
MXF Container	Embedded	Burn in
		Embedded
		Embedded plus SCTE-20
		SCTE-20 plus embedded
	SCTE-20	Burn in
		Embedded
		Embedded plus SCTE-20
		SCTE-20 plus embedded
	Ancillary	Burn in
		Embedded
		Embedded plus SCTE-20
		SCTE-20 plus embedded

Input captions container	Input captions format	Supported output captions formats
	Teletext	Burn in
		Embedded
		Embedded plus SCTE-20
		SCTE-20 plus embedded
QuickTime Container	Embedded	Burn in
		Embedded
		Embedded plus SCTE-20
		SCTE-20 plus embedded
	SCTE-20	Burn in
		Embedded
		Embedded plus SCTE-20
		SCTE-20 plus embedded
	Ancillary	Burn in
		Embedded
		Embedded plus SCTE-20
		SCTE-20 plus embedded

Embedded captions include these formats:

- CEA-608
- EIA-608

- CEA-708
- EIA-708

Ancillary captions include these formats:

- Captions in the QuickTime Captions Track
- Captions in the MXF container VANC data

### Supported captions in MPEG2-TS output container

The following table lists supported output captions formats for this output container. Use when your input captions are in the same container or stream as your video. This table is sorted by the input captions container and input captions format.

If your input captions are in a sidecar format, see <u>Sidecar captions supported in MPEG2-TS File</u> <u>output container</u>. *Sidecar captions* are captions that you provide as a separate input file from your video.

#### Note

AWS Elemental MediaConvert has the following limitations with Teletext in outputs:

- The service doesn't support captions formatting and positioning
- You can use only <u>Teletext level 1.5</u> languages

Input captions container	Input captions format	Supported output captions formats
HLS Container	Embedded	Burn in
		DVB-Sub
		Embedded
		Embedded plus SCTE-20

Input captions container	Input captions format	Supported output captions formats
		SCTE-20 plus embedded
	WebVTT	Burn in
		Teletext
		DVB-Sub
IMF Container	IMSC1 text profile	Burn in
(i) Note		DVB-Sub
Specify the CPL to define your input.		Teletext
MPEG2-TS Container	Embedded	Burn in
		DVB-Sub
		Embedded
		Embedded plus SCTE-20
		SCTE-20 plus embedded
		Teletext
	SCTE-20	Burn in
		DVB-Sub
		Embedded
		Embedded plus SCTE-20
		SCTE-20 plus embedded

Input captions container	Input captions format	Supported output captions formats
	Teletext	Burn in
		DVB-Sub
		Teletext
	DVB-Sub	Burn in
		DVB-Sub
MP4 Container	Embedded	Burn in
		DVB-Sub
		Embedded
		Embedded plus SCTE-20
		SCTE-20 plus embedded
		Teletext
	SCTE-20	Burn in
		DVB-Sub
		Embedded
		Embedded plus SCTE-20
		SCTE-20 plus embedded

Input captions container	Input captions format	Supported output captions formats
MXF Container	Embedded	Burn in
		DVB-Sub
		Embedded
		Embedded plus SCTE-20
		SCTE-20 plus embedded
		Teletext
	SCTE-20	Burn in
		DVB-Sub
		Embedded
		Embedded plus SCTE-20
		SCTE-20 plus embedded
	Ancillary	Burn in
		DVB-Sub
		Embedded
		Embedded plus SCTE-20
		SCTE-20 plus embedded
	Teletext	Burn in
		DVB-Sub
		Teletext

Input captions container	Input captions format	Supported output captions formats
QuickTime Container	Embedded	Burn in
		DVB-Sub
		Embedded
		Embedded plus SCTE-20
		SCTE-20 plus embedded
	SCTE-20	Burn in
		DVB-Sub
		Embedded
		Embedded plus SCTE-20
		SCTE-20 plus embedded
	Ancillary	Burn in
		DVB-Sub
		Embedded
		Embedded plus SCTE-20
		SCTE-20 plus embedded

Embedded captions include these formats:

- CEA-608
- EIA-608
- CEA-708
- EIA-708

Ancillary captions include these formats:

- Captions in the QuickTime Captions Track
- Captions in the MXF container VANC data

## **Supported captions in MXF output container**

The following table lists supported output captions formats for this output container. Use when your input captions are in the same container or stream as your video. This table is sorted by the input captions container and input captions format.

If your input captions are in a sidecar format, see <u>Sidecar captions supported in MXF output</u> container. *Sidecar captions* are captions that you provide as a separate input file from your video.

#### Note

AWS Elemental MediaConvert has the following limitations with Teletext in outputs:

- The service doesn't support captions formatting and positioning
- You can use only Teletext level 1.5 languages

Input captions container	Input captions format	Supported output captions formats
HLS Container	Embedded	Burn in
		Embedded
		Embedded plus SCTE-20
		SCTE-20 plus embedded
	WebVTT	Burn in
		Teletext
IMF Container	IMSC1 text profile	Burn in

Input captions container	Input captions format	Supported output captions formats
(i) Note Specify the CPL to define your input.		
MP4 Container	Embedded	Burn in
		Embedded
		Embedded plus SCTE-20
		SCTE-20 plus embedded
		Teletext
	SCTE-20	Burn in
		Embedded
		Embedded plus SCTE-20
		SCTE-20 plus embedded
MPEG2-TS Container	DVB-Sub	Burn in
	Embedded	Burn in
		Embedded
		Embedded plus SCTE-20
		SCTE-20 plus embedded
		Teletext

Input captions container	Input captions format	Supported output captions formats
	SCTE-20	Burn in
		Embedded
		Embedded plus SCTE-20
		SCTE-20 plus embedded
	Teletext	Burn in
		Teletext
MXF Container	Ancillary	Burn in
		Embedded
		Embedded plus SCTE-20
		SCTE-20 plus embedded
	Embedded	Embedded
		Teletext
QuickTime Container	Embedded	Burn in
		Embedded
		Embedded plus SCTE-20
		SCTE-20 plus embedded
	SCTE-20	Burn in
		Embedded
		Embedded plus SCTE-20
		SCTE-20 plus embedded

Input captions container	Input captions format	Supported output captions formats
	Ancillary	Burn in
		Embedded
		Embedded plus SCTE-20
		SCTE-20 plus embedded

Embedded captions include these formats:

- CEA-608
- EIA-608
- CEA-708
- EIA-708

Ancillary captions include these formats:

- Captions in the QuickTime Captions Track
- Captions in the MXF container VANC data

# Supported captions in QuickTime output container

The following table lists supported output captions formats for this output container. Use when your input captions are in the same container or stream as your video. This table is sorted by the input captions container and input captions format.

If your input captions are in a sidecar format, see <u>Sidecar captions supported in QuickTime output</u> <u>container</u>. *Sidecar captions* are captions that you provide as a separate input file from your video.

Input captions container	Input captions format	Supported output captions formats
HLS Container	Embedded	Burn in
		Embedded
		Embedded plus SCTE-20
		SCTE-20 plus embedded
	WebVTT	Burn in
IMF Container	IMSC1 text profile	Burn in
<ul> <li>Note</li> <li>Specify the CPL to define your input.</li> </ul>		
MP4 Container	Embedded	Burn in
		Embedded
		Embedded plus SCTE-20
		SCTE-20 plus embedded
	SCTE-20	Burn in
		Embedded
		Embedded plus SCTE-20
		SCTE-20 plus embedded
MPEG2-TS Container	Embedded	Burn in
		Embedded

Input captions container	Input captions format	Supported output captions formats
		Embedded plus SCTE-20
		SCTE-20 plus embedded
	SCTE-20	Burn in
		Embedded
		Embedded plus SCTE-20
		SCTE-20 plus embedded
	Teletext	Burn in
	DVB-Sub	Burn in
MXF Container	Embedded	Burn in
		Embedded
		Embedded plus SCTE-20
		SCTE-20 plus embedded
	SCTE-20	Burn in
		Embedded
		Embedded plus SCTE-20
		SCTE-20 plus embedded

Input captions container	Input captions format	Supported output captions formats
	Ancillary	Burn in
		Embedded
		Embedded plus SCTE-20
		SCTE-20 plus embedded
	Teletext	Burn in
QuickTime Container	Embedded	Burn in
		Embedded
		Embedded plus SCTE-20
		SCTE-20 plus embedded
	SCTE-20	Burn in
		Embedded
		Embedded plus SCTE-20
		SCTE-20 plus embedded
	Ancillary	Burn in
		Embedded
		Embedded plus SCTE-20
		SCTE-20 plus embedded

Embedded captions include these formats:

- CEA-608
- EIA-608
- CEA-708
- EIA-708

Ancillary captions include these formats:

- Captions in the QuickTime Captions Track
- Captions in the MXF container VANC data

## Sidecar captions supported with File output groups

The following table lists standalone sidecar output captions formats that MediaConvert supports with outputs in the **File** output group. *Sidecar* captions are captions that are in a separate file from your video.

If your input captions are in a sidecar format, see <u>Sidecar captions supported with File output</u> <u>groups</u>. *Sidecar captions* are captions that you provide as a separate input file from your video.

When you set up these output captions in your job, choose **No container** (RAW) for **Container**, under **Output settings**. In your JSON job specification, specify it this way:

```
"ContainerSettings": {
    "Container": "RAW"
},
```

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You can create sidecar captions outputs only as part of a job that also generates a video output.

Input captions container	Input captions format	Supported output captions formats
HLS Container	Embedded	IMSC (as sidecar .xml)
		SCC
		SRT
		SMI
		TTML
		WebVTT
MP4 Container	Embedded	IMSC (as sidecar .xml)
		SCC
		SRT
		SMI
		TTML
		WebVTT
	SCTE-20	IMSC (as sidecar .xml)
		SCC
		SRT
		SMI
		TTML
		WebVTT
MPEG2-TS Container	Embedded	IMSC (as sidecar .xml)
		SCC

Input captions container	Input captions format	Supported output captions formats
		SRT
		SMI
		TTML
		WebVTT
	SCTE-20	IMSC (as sidecar .xml)
		SCC
		SRT
		SMI
		TTML
		WebVTT
	Teletext	IMSC (as sidecar .xml)
		SCC
		SRT
		SMI
		TTML
		WebVTT

Input captions container	Input captions format	Supported output captions formats
MXF Container	Embedded	IMSC (as sidecar .xml)
		SCC
		SRT
		SMI
		TTML
		WebVTT
	SCTE-20	IMSC (as sidecar .xml)
		SCC
		SRT
		SMI
		TTML
		WebVTT
	Ancillary	IMSC (as sidecar .xml)
		SCC
		SRT
		SMI
		TTML
		WebVTT

Input captions container	Input captions format	Supported output captions formats
	Teletext	IMSC (as sidecar .xml)
		SCC
		SRT
		SMI
		TTML
		WebVTT
QuickTime Container	Embedded	IMSC (as sidecar .xml)
		SCC
		SRT
		SMI
		TTML
		WebVTT
	SCTE-20	IMSC (as sidecar .xml)
		SCC
		SRT
		SMI
		TTML
		WebVTT

Input captions container	Input captions format	Supported output captions formats
	Ancillary	IMSC (as sidecar .xml)
		SCC
		SRT
		SMI
		TTML
		WebVTT

Embedded captions include these formats:

- CEA-608
- EIA-608
- CEA-708
- EIA-708

Ancillary captions include these formats:

- Captions in the QuickTime Captions Track
- Captions in the MXF container VANC data

# Supported input captions, within sidecar files

The following tables show the captions formats you can create in your outputs when your input captions are in a sidecar format. *Sidecar captions* are captions that you provide as a separate input file from your video.

To see whether MediaConvert supports your captions workflow, go to the table for your video output container. MediaConvert doesn't support every possible file extension for each sidecar format.

#### Topics

- Sidecar captions supported in CMAF output container
- Sidecar captions supported in DASH output container
- Sidecar captions supported in HLS output container
- Sidecar captions supported in Microsoft Smooth Streaming (MSS) output container
- <u>Sidecar captions supported in MP4 output container</u>
- Sidecar captions supported in MPEG2-TS File output container
- Sidecar captions supported in MXF output container
- <u>Sidecar captions supported in QuickTime output container</u>
- Sidecar captions supported with File output groups

# **Sidecar captions supported in CMAF output container**

Input captions format	Supported file extensions	Supported output captions formats
IMSC1 text profile	.xml	IMSC (as sidecar .fmp4)
		WebVTT
SCC	.SCC	IMSC (as sidecar .fmp4)
		WebVTT
SMI	.smi	IMSC (as sidecar .fmp4)
		WebVTT
SMPTE-TT	.ttml, .xml, .dfxp	IMSC (as sidecar .fmp4)
		WebVTT
SRT	.srt	IMSC (as sidecar .fmp4)

Input captions format	Supported file extensions	Supported output captions formats
		WebVTT
EBU STL	.stl	IMSC (as sidecar .fmp4)
		WebVTT
TTML	.ttml, .xml, .dfxp	IMSC (as sidecar .fmp4)
		WebVTT
WebVTT	.vtt	IMSC (as sidecar .fmp4)
		WebVTT

# Sidecar captions supported in DASH output container

Input captions format	Supported file extensions	Supported output captions formats
IMSC1 text profile	.xml	Burn in
		IMSC (as sidecar .fmp4)
		IMSC (as sidecar .xml)
		TTML (as sidecar .fmp4)
		TTML (as sidecar .ttml)
SCC	.scc	Burn in
		IMSC (as sidecar .fmp4)
		IMSC (as sidecar .xml)

Input captions format	Supported file extensions	Supported output captions formats
		TTML (as sidecar .fmp4)
		TTML (as sidecar .ttml)
SMI	.smi	Burn in
		IMSC (as sidecar .fmp4)
		IMSC (as sidecar .xml)
		TTML (as sidecar .fmp4)
		TTML (as sidecar .ttml)
SMPTE-TT	.ttml, .xml, .dfxp	Burn in
		IMSC (as sidecar .fmp4)
		IMSC (as sidecar .xml)
		TTML (as sidecar .fmp4)
		TTML (as sidecar .ttml)
SRT	.srt	Burn in
		IMSC (as sidecar .fmp4)
		IMSC (as sidecar .xml)
		TTML (as sidecar .fmp4)
		TTML (as sidecar .ttml)

Input captions format	Supported file extensions	Supported output captions formats
EBU STL	.stl	Burn in
		IMSC (as sidecar .fmp4)
		IMSC (as sidecar .xml)
		TTML (as sidecar .fmp4)
		TTML (as sidecar .ttml)
TTML	.ttml, .xml, .dfxp	Burn in
		IMSC (as sidecar .fmp4)
		IMSC (as sidecar .xml)
		TTML (as sidecar .fmp4)
		TTML (as sidecar .ttml)
WebVTT	.vtt	Burn in
		IMSC (as sidecar .fmp4)
		IMSC (as sidecar .xml)
		TTML (as sidecar .fmp4)
		TTML (as sidecar .ttml)

# Sidecar captions supported in HLS output container

The following table lists supported output captions formats for this output container when your input captions are in a sidecar format. *Sidecar* captions are captions that are in a separate file from your video.

#### Supported input captions, within sidecar files

Input captions format	Supported file extensions	Supported output captions formats
IMSC1 text profile	.xml	Burn in
		WebVTT
SCC	.SCC	Burn in
		Embedded
		Embedded plus SCTE-20
		SCTE-20 plus embedded
		WebVTT
SMI	.smi	Burn in
		WebVTT
SMPTE-TT	.ttml, .xml, .dfxp	Burn in
		WebVTT
SRT	.srt	Burn in
		WebVTT
EBU STL	.stl	Burn in
		WebVTT
TTML	.ttml, .xml, .dfxp	Burn in
		WebVTT
WebVTT	.vtt	Burn in
		WebVTT

# Sidecar captions supported in Microsoft Smooth Streaming (MSS) output container

Input captions format	Supported file extensions	Supported output captions formats
IMSC1 text profile	.xml	Burn in
		TTML
SCC	.SCC	Burn in
		TTML
SMI	.smi	Burn in
		TTML
SMPTE-TT	.ttml, .xml, .dfxp	Burn in
		TTML
SRT	.srt	Burn in
		TTML
EBU STL	.stl	Burn in
		TTML
TTML	.ttml, .xml, .dfxp	Burn in
		TTML
WebVTT	.vtt	Burn in
		TTML

# Sidecar captions supported in MP4 output container

The following table lists supported output captions formats for this output container when your input captions are in a sidecar format. *Sidecar* captions are captions that are in a separate file from your video.

Input captions format	Supported file extensions	Supported output captions formats
IMSC1 text profile	.xml	Burn in
SCC	.scc	Burn in
		Embedded
		Embedded plus SCTE-20
		SCTE-20 plus embedded
SMI	.smi	Burn in
SMPTE-TT	.ttml, .xml, .dfxp	Burn in
		TTML
SRT	.srt	Burn in
EBU STL	.stl	Burn in
TTML	.ttml, .xml, .dfxp	Burn in
WebVTT	.vtt	Burn in

# Sidecar captions supported in MPEG2-TS File output container

Input captions format	Supported file extensions	Supported output captions formats
IMSC1 text profile	.xml	Burn in
		Teletext
		DVB-Sub
SCC	.SCC	Burn in
		DVB-Sub
		Embedded
		Embedded plus SCTE-20
		SCTE-20 plus embedded
		Teletext
SMI	.smi	Burn in
		DVB-Sub
SMPTE-TT	.ttml, .xml, .dfxp	Burn in
		Teletext
		DVB-Sub
SRT	.srt	Burn in
		Teletext
EBU STL	.stl	Burn in
		Teletext
		DVB-Sub
TTML	.ttml, .xml, .dfxp	Burn in

Input captions format	Supported file extensions	Supported output captions formats
		Teletext
		DVB-Sub
WebVTT	.vtt	Burn in
		Teletext
		DVB-Sub

# Sidecar captions supported in MXF output container

Input captions format	Supported file extensions	Supported output captions formats
IMSC1 text profile	.xml	Burn in
		Teletext
SCC	.SCC	Burn in
		Embedded
		Embedded plus SCTE-20
		SCTE-20 plus embedded
		Teletext
SMI	.smi	Burn in
SMPTE-TT	.ttml, .xml, .dfxp	Burn in
SRT	.srt	Burn in

Input captions format	Supported file extensions	Supported output captions formats
		Teletext
EBU STL	.stl	Burn in
		Teletext
TTML	.ttml, .xml, .dfxp	Burn in
		Teletext
WebVTT	.vtt	Burn in
		Teletext

# Sidecar captions supported in QuickTime output container

The following table lists supported output captions formats for this output container when your input captions are in a sidecar format. *Sidecar* captions are captions that are in a separate file from your video.

Input captions format	Supported file extensions	Supported output captions formats
IMSC1 text profile	.xml	Burn in
SCC	.SCC	Burn in
		Embedded
		Embedded plus SCTE-20
		SCTE-20 plus embedded
SMI	.smi	Burn in
SMPTE-TT	.ttml, .xml, .dfxp	Burn in

Input captions format	Supported file extensions	Supported output captions formats
SRT	.srt	Burn in
EBU STL	.stl	Burn in
TTML	.ttml, .xml, .dfxp	Burn in
WebVTT	.vtt	Burn in

# Sidecar captions supported with File output groups

The following table lists standalone sidecar output captions formats that MediaConvert supports with outputs in the **File** output group. *Sidecar* captions are captions that are in a separate file from your video.

When you set up these output captions in your job, choose **No container** (RAW) for **Container**, under **Output settings**. In your JSON job specification, specify it this way:

```
"ContainerSettings": {
    "Container": "RAW"
},
```

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You can create sidecar captions outputs only as part of a job that also generates a video output.

Input captions format	Supported file extensions	Supported output captions formats
IMSC1 text profile	.xml	IMSC (as sidecar .xml)
		IMSC
		SRT

Input captions format	Supported file extensions	Supported output captions formats
		SMI
		TTML
		WebVTT
SCC	.SCC	IMSC (as sidecar .xml)
		SCC
		SRT
		SMI
		TTML
		WebVTT
SMI	.smi	IMSC (as sidecar .xml)
		SRT
		SMI
		TTML
		WebVTT
SMPTE-TT	.ttml, .xml, .dfxp	IMSC (as sidecar .xml)
		SRT
		SMI
		TTML
		WebVTT

Input captions format	Supported file extensions	Supported output captions formats
SRT	.srt	IMSC (as sidecar .xml)
		IMSC
		SRT
		SMI
		TTML
		WebVTT
EBU STL	.stl	IMSC (as sidecar .xml)
		SRT
		SMI
		TTML
		WebVTT
TTML	.ttml, .xml, .dfxp	IMSC (as sidecar .xml)
		SRT
		SMI
		TTML
		WebVTT

Input captions format	Supported file extensions	Supported output captions formats
WebVTT	.vtt	IMSC (as sidecar .xml)
		SRT
		SMI
		TTML
		WebVTT

# **IMSC** requirements

Current support for IMSC captions workflows is restricted as follows:

- Text profile is the only supported IMSC profile.
- All output IMSC files are IMSC 1.1.

# Working with jobs

A job does the work of transcoding one or more media files. In addition to creating jobs, you can duplicate, export, import, and cancel jobs. You can also view job history, and search for jobs.

This chapter provides step-by-step instructions on how to work with MediaConvert jobs. It also provides an introduction to key concepts within jobs, basic example job settings, and details about important input and output settings that apply to common job configurations.

# Topics

- Creating a job
- Duplicating a job
- Exporting and importing jobs
- Viewing your job history
- Searching for jobs
- Canceling a job
- Tutorial: Configuring job settings
- Example job settings JSONs
- Specifying input files and input clips
- Creating outputs

# Creating a job

To create a job, you specify your input settings, output settings, and any job-wide settings. For a detailed step-by-step procedure, see <u>Tutorial: Configuring job settings</u>. The following procedure is a high level overview of how to create a job using the AWS Management Console.

When you create a job, you submit it to a queue for processing. Processing begins automatically from your queues as resources allow. For information about resource allocation, see <u>Processing</u> multiple jobs in parallel .

# To create a job using the MediaConvert console

1. Open the <u>Jobs</u> page in the MediaConvert console.

- 2. Choose Create job.
- 3. On the **Create job** page, provide transcode instructions and job settings. For more information, see <u>Tutorial: Configuring job settings</u>.

Make sure that you select the same AWS Region for your job and your file storage.

4. Choose **Create**.

You can also create a job using a Template, Preset, duplicated job, or job settings JSON.

# **Duplicating a job**

To create a job that is similar to one that you ran before, you can duplicate a job from your job history. You can also modify any settings if you want to change them.

## To create a job based on a recent job using the MediaConvert console

- 1. Open the Jobs page in the MediaConvert console.
- 2. Choose the **Job ID** of the job that you want to duplicate.
- 3. Choose Duplicate.
- 4. Optionally modify any job settings.

Settings that are likely to change from job to job include the following: input file location, output destination locations, and output name modifiers. If you run transcoding jobs for your customers who have different AWS accounts from your account, you also must change the **IAM role** under **Job settings**.

5. Choose **Create** at the bottom of the page.

# **Exporting and importing jobs**

Completed MediaConvert jobs remain on the **Jobs** page for three months. If you want to run a new job based on a completed job more than three months after you run it, export the job after it is complete and save it. Depending on how many jobs you run, exporting and then importing a job can be simpler than finding a particular job in your list and duplicating it.

## To export a job using the MediaConvert console

1. Open the <u>Jobs</u> page in the MediaConvert console.

- 2. Choose the **Job ID** of the job that you want to export.
- 3. On the **Job summary** page, choose the **View JSON** button.
- 4. Choose **Copy** to copy the JSON to your clipboard.
- 5. Paste into your JSON editor and save.

## To import a job using the MediaConvert console

- 1. Open the Jobs page in the MediaConvert console.
- 2. Choose Import job.

# Viewing your job history

You can view the recent history of MediaConvert jobs that you created with your AWS account in a given AWS Region. After three months, the service automatically deletes the record of a job.

The **Jobs** page shows jobs that are successfully completed, are canceled, are being processed, are waiting in the queue, and that ended in error. You can filter the job history list by the status and by the queue that the jobs were sent to. You can also choose a specific job from the list to view the job's settings.

#### Console

To view your jobs using the MediaConvert console

- 1. Open the Jobs page in the MediaConvert console.
- 2. Optionally, filter the list by status and queue by choosing from the dropdown lists.
- 3. To see details for a job, choose a **Job ID** to view its **Job summary** page.

#### CLI

The following list-jobs example lists up to twenty of your most recently created jobs.

aws mediaconvert list-jobs

For more information about how to cancel a job using the AWS CLI, see the <u>AWS CLI command</u> reference.

# Searching for jobs

You can search recent jobs that you created in available AWS Regions according to input file name. After three months, the service automatically deletes the record of a job.

## Console

To search your jobs by using the MediaConvert console:

- 1. Open the <u>Search</u> page in the MediaConvert console.
- 2. Optionally, filter the list by queue, job status, or input file name.
- 3. To see details for a job, choose a Job ID to view its Job summary page.

# CLI

The following search-jobs example searches for a job with an input file name *my-video.mp4* in the Default queue with a status of COMPLETE. Note that status can be SUBMITTED, PROGRESSING, COMPLETE, CANCELED, or ERROR. Leave status or queue out to search all job statuses or queues:

```
aws mediaconvert search-jobs \
    --input-file my-video.mp4 \
    --status COMPLETE \
    --queue Default
```

Optionally, you can also search for any part of the input file name string:

```
aws mediaconvert search-jobs --input-file s3://amzn-s3-demo-bucket/my-video.mp4
aws mediaconvert search-jobs --input-file my-video
```

The AWS CLI will return a JSON similar to the following example:

```
"createdAt": 1715666761,
            "queue": "arn:aws:mediaconvert:us-west-2:111122223333:queues/Default",
            "status": "COMPLETE",
            "timing": {
                "submitTime": 1715666861,
                "startTime": 1715666863,
                "finishTime": 1715666900
            },
            "accelerationSettings": {
                "mode": "DISABLED"
            },
            "accelerationStatus": "NOT_APPLICABLE",
            "messages": {
                "info": [],
                "warning": []
            },
            "warnings": []
        }
    ]
}
```

For more information about how to search jobs by using the AWS CLI, see the <u>AWS CLI</u> <u>command reference</u>.

#### Note

You can search for jobs only in the following AWS Regions: US East (Ohio), US East (N. Virginia), US West (Oregon), Asia Pacific (Singapore), Asia Pacific (Sydney), Asia Pacific (Tokyo), Europe (Frankfurt), and Europe (Ireland).

# Canceling a job

The following procedure explains how to cancel a job using the AWS Elemental MediaConvert console.

Console

To cancel a job using the MediaConvert console

1. Open the Jobs page in the MediaConvert console.

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Select the Job ID of the job that you want to cancel by choosing the option
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next to it.

3. Choose Cancel job.

## CLI

The following cancel-job example cancels a job.

```
aws mediaconvert cancel-job \
--id 1234567890123-efg456
```

For more information about how to cancel a job using the AWS CLI, see the <u>AWS CLI command</u> reference.

# **Tutorial: Configuring job settings**

This page provides step-by-step guidance on how to configure a job in MediaConvert.

To configure a job, you define input files for the service to transcode, and you specify the source for each video, audio, and captions media element. That source might be a specific part of the primary input file, or it might be a separate file. Next, you specify the types of output files and packages that you want AWS Elemental MediaConvert to generate from the input. You also specify the detailed encoding settings to produce the quality and type of output that you want.

This tutorial shows how to configure jobs in MediaConvert to transcode media files into different formats.

## Topics

- Optional step: Pause queues
- Step 1: Specify input files
- <u>Step 2: Create input selectors for video, audio, and captions</u>
- Step 3: Create output groups
- <u>Step 4: Create outputs</u>
- Step 5: Specify global job settings

# **Optional step: Pause queues**

If you're a new customer or you're experimenting with the MediaConvert console, you can pause your queues to avoid accidentally starting a job before you're ready. For more information about queues, see <u>Queues</u>.

To pause or reactivate an on-demand queue using the AWS Management Console

- 1. Open the Queues page in the MediaConvert console.
- 2. On the **Queues** page, choose the name of the queue that you want to pause or reactivate.
- 3. On the queue's page, choose the **Edit queue** button.
- 4. On the Edit queue page, for Status, choose Paused or Active.
- 5. Choose **Save queue**.

# Step 1: Specify input files

The first part of setting up a MediaConvert job is specifying the location of your input file or files.

#### To specify the location of your input

- 1. Open the MediaConvert console at https://console.aws.amazon.com/mediaconvert.
- 2. On the **Create job** page, in the **Job** pane on the left, choose **Input 1**.
- 3. In the **Input 1** pane, provide the URI to your video input file that is stored in Amazon S3 or on an HTTP(S) server. For Amazon S3 inputs, you can specify the URI directly or choose **Browse** to select from your Amazon S3 buckets. For HTTP(S) inputs, provide the URL to your input video file. For more information, see HTTP input requirements.

#### Note

If your input audio or captions are in a separate file, don't create separate inputs for them. You specify these files later in this procedure, within your audio and captions selectors.

4. To join more than one input file into a single asset (input stitching), add another input to the job. To do so, in the **Job** pane, in the **Inputs** section, choose **Add**.

For jobs that have multiple input files, MediaConvert creates outputs by concatenating the inputs in the order that you specify them in the job. You can include up to 150 inputs in your job.

🚺 Tip

You can transcode portions of your inputs. For more information, see Input settings.

# Step 2: Create input selectors for video, audio, and captions

Next, create input selectors to flag the video, audio, and captions elements from your input that you will use in your outputs. This labels each input element so that you can point to it when you set up your outputs. When you set up input selectors, you also provide the service with information about where to find the data and how to interpret it.

# To set up your input selectors

1. In the **Video selector** section, specify values for the fields that are applicable to your job.

You don't need to create a video selector because MediaConvert automatically creates a video selector when you begin setting up a job. However, the service doesn't automatically detect information about the video source. You can provide this information in the **Video selector** fields. If you keep these settings in their default state, you will create a valid job. For more information about individual settings, choose the **Info** link next to each setting.

# 🚺 Note

MediaConvert doesn't support inputs with multiple video streams, such as Quad 4k. Each input can have only one video selector. Therefore, there is no **Add video selector** button on the console.

2. In the **Audio selectors** section, under **Audio selector 1**, specify information about your primary audio asset. You don't need to create an audio selector 1 because the service automatically creates the first audio selector when you set up a job.

# 🚯 Note

An *audio asset* is often dialogue, background sound, and music together in one track. Tracks often consist of multiple channels. For example, Dolby 5.1 sound has six channels per track.

- a. For **Selector type**, choose the way that your audio assets are identified. Often, this is by track. If you are using an HLS input, and would like to select an alternate audio rendition, see Alternate HLS audio rendition requirements.
- b. Provide the identifier (that is, track number, PID, or language code) for your primary audio asset. Your primary audio asset is likely to be track 1.

## 🚯 Note

For most use cases, you associate one input track per input selector. If your use case requires combining multiple tracks into one track, or multiple tracks into one rendition of a streaming package, combine multiple input tracks in one audio selector by typing a comma-separated list. For more information about combining tracks, see <u>Setting up audio tracks and audio selectors</u>.

- c. If your audio is in a separate file from your video, choose the **External file** slider switch element and provide the URI to your audio input file that is stored in Amazon S3 or on an HTTP(S) server. For Amazon S3 inputs, you can specify the URI directly or choose **Browse** to select from your Amazon S3 buckets. For HTTP(S) inputs, provide the URL to your input video file. For more information, see <u>HTTP input requirements</u>.
- 3. If you have additional audio assets, such as multiple language tracks, choose **Add audio selector**. Then provide information about the next asset that is described in the preceding step of this procedure.
- 4. In the **Captions selectors** section, choose **Add captions selector**. This creates input captions selectors for any sets of captions that you plan to use in an output. For more information about setting up captions for your job, see <u>Setting up input captions</u>.

# **Step 3: Create output groups**

After specifying your input, you create output groups. The choices that you make when you set up output groups affect the types of assets that your job produces and which devices can play them.

You can use MediaConvert to create media assets that fall broadly into two categories:

- **ABR streaming packages**. You can create adaptive bitrate (ABR) packages so that end viewers can download the asset gradually while they watch. Depending on how you set up your outputs, the end viewer's device can adapt to changes in the available bandwidth by downloading higher or lower-quality segments. ABR packages are also called ABR *stacks*, because they are made up of a stack of video, audio, and captions components. Each component in the stack or package is called a *rendition*.
- **Standalone files**. You might create these files and host them in a location where end viewers download the entire file all at once and then view it. You might also create standalone files and then send them to downstream systems for packaging and distribution.

#### To create an output group

- 1. In the **Job** pane, in the **Output groups** section, choose **Add**.
- 2. Choose an output group type, and then choose **Select**.

Create one file output group for all the standalone files that you intend to create. Create one ABR streaming output group for each ABR streaming package that you intend to create. For guidance on which ABR streaming output groups to include in your job, see <u>Choosing your ABR</u> streaming output groups.

- 3. Optionally, for **Custom group name**, enter a name for your group. Any name that you provide here appears in the **Output groups** section of the console but does not affect your outputs.
- 4. For **Destination**, specify the URI for the Amazon S3 location where the transcoding service will store your output files. You can specify the URI directly or choose **Browse** to select from your Amazon S3 buckets.

#### i Note

You can optionally append a basename to your destination URI. To create the file name of your final asset, the transcoding service uses this basename and any name modifier that you provide in the individual output settings.

If you don't provide a basename with your URI, the transcoding service generates a basename from the input 1 file name, minus the extension.

5. Specify the values for any additional settings that apply to the entire output group. These settings vary depending on the type of output group that you select. For more information about individual settings, choose the **Info** link next to each setting.

# Step 4: Create outputs

After you create output groups, set up your outputs in each group. The number of outputs for each output group depends on the output group type, as follows:

- For **File** output groups, include all elements of the media asset in one output. This includes any audio or captions that you provide in a separate file.
- For ABR streaming output groups—CMAF, Apple HLS, DASH ISO, and Microsoft Smooth Streaming—create a separate output for each media element. That is, one output per video resolution, one output per audio track, and one output per captions language.

Choose from one of the following procedures that correspond to the output group types that you created in <u>Step 3: Create output groups</u>.

# Creating outputs in ABR streaming output groups

For each ABR streaming output group that you set up in <u>Step 3: Create output groups</u>, create and set up an output for each media element that you want in the ABR streaming package.

# Creating video ABR streaming outputs

For each video output that you include in your output group, MediaConvert creates one video rendition, or set of segmented video files. Multiple video renditions in a streaming package, of varying resolutions and video quality, allow the end viewer's device to adapt the quality of video to the available bandwidth.

# 🚺 Note

Although the job has only one video *input* selector, ABR streaming output groups often have several video *outputs* per output group.

## To create and set up video ABR streaming outputs

 On the Create job page, in the Job pane on the left, under Output Groups, below the CMAF, Apple HLS, DASH ISO, or Microsoft Smooth Streaming output group that you want add outputs to, choose Output 1.

When you create an output group, MediaConvert automatically populates the output group with output 1. You don't need to explicitly create the first output.

2. In the **Output settings** pane, for **Name modifier**, enter a value.

MediaConvert appends the name modifier to the file names that it creates for this output. Enter a name modifier that will make it easy to identify which files came from which output, such as -video-hi-res.

- 3. If one of the predefined groups of settings listed under **Preset** is suitable for your workflow, choose it from the list. If you use a preset, skip the next step of this procedure.
- 4. Specify your video settings as follows:
  - a. In the **Output settings** section, specify values for any remaining general settings.
     Depending on the output group type, these settings might include transport stream settings or other container settings. For more information about individual settings, choose the **Info** link next to each setting.
  - b. In the **Stream settings** section, specify values for video encoding. The video settings are selected by default, so you don't need to explicitly choose this group of settings.

There is only one input video selector per job, so you don't need to explicitly choose it when you set up your video outputs.

For more information about individual settings, choose the **Info** links on the console.

- 5. If your output includes a group of audio settings by default, delete it as follows:
  - a. In the **Stream settings** section, choose **Audio 1**.
  - b. Choose Remove audio.
- 6. If you want multiple video renditions in your ABR streaming package, repeat the preceding steps of this procedure. This will create an additional video output for each one.

For each audio output that you include in your output group, MediaConvert creates one audio rendition, or set of segmented video files. The most common reason to include multiple audio renditions is to provide multiple language options. If you provide only one language, you probably

need only one audio output.

#### 🚯 Note

For AAC streaming outputs, the initial segment is longer in duration than the others. This is because, with AAC, the initial segment must contain silent AAC pre-roll samples before the audible part of the segment. MediaConvert accounts for these extra samples in the timestamps, so the audio plays back correctly.

## To create and set up audio ABR streaming outputs

1. If you're working in a CMAF output group, skip this step. The first audio output is created for you.

Create an output for your first audio track. Usually an audio track corresponds to one language.

- a. In the **Job** pane, choose the output group that you're working in.
- b. In the **Outputs** pane, choose **Add output**.
- c. Choose the output that you just created.
- d. If your output includes a group of video settings by default, choose **Remove video** to delete it. This k the **Audio 1** group of settings displayed.
- 2. In the **Output settings** pane, for **Name modifier**, enter a value.

MediaConvert appends the name modifier to the file names that it creates for this output. Enter a name modifier that will make it easy to identify which files came from which output, such as -audio-english.

- 3. If one of the predefined groups of settings listed under **Preset** is suitable for your workflow, choose it from the list. If you use a preset, skip the next step of this procedure.
- 4. Specify your audio settings as follows:

- a. In the **Output settings** section, specify values for any remaining general settings. For more information about individual settings, choose the **Info** link next to each setting.
- b. Under **Stream settings**, for **Audio source**, choose one of the audio selectors that you created in Step 2: Create input selectors for video, audio, and captions.
- c. In the **Stream settings** section, specify values for audio encoding. For more information about individual settings, choose the **Info** link next to each setting.
- 5. If you have additional audio assets to include in the ABR streaming package, create an output for each of them as follows:
  - a. In the **Job** pane, choose the output group that you're working in.
  - b. In the **Outputs** pane, choose **Add output**.
  - c. Choose the output that you just created.
  - d. If your output includes a group of video settings by default, choose **Remove video** to delete it. This keeps the **Audio 1** group of settings displayed.
  - e. Set up the output as described in steps 2 through 4 of this procedure.

# Creating captions for ABR streaming outputs

Setting up captions can be complex. For detailed information, see <u>Setting up input captions</u>. For basic instructions, complete the following procedure.

# To create and set up captions for ABR streaming outputs

- 1. Create an output for your first set of captions. Usually a set of captions corresponds to one language.
  - a. In the **Job** pane, choose the output group that you're working in.
  - b. In the **Outputs** pane, choose **Add output**.
  - c. Choose the output that you just created.
  - d. If your output includes groups of video and audio settings by default, choose **Remove** video and **Remove audio** to delete them.
  - e. Choose **Add captions** to display a set of captions settings.
- 2. In the **Output settings** pane, for **Name modifier**, enter a value.

MediaConvert appends the name modifier to the file names that it creates for this output. Enter a name modifier that will make it easy to identify which files came from which output, such as -captions-english.

- 3. Specify your captions settings as follows:
  - a. In the **Output settings** section, specify values for any remaining general settings. For more information about individual settings, choose the **Info** link next to each setting.
  - b. Under **Stream settings**, for **Captions source**, choose one of the captions selectors that you created in <u>Step 2: Create input selectors for video, audio, and captions</u>.
  - c. In the **Stream settings** section, specify values for the remaining captions settings.

## **Creating additional manifests**

By default, MediaConvert generates a single multivariant playlist for each of your CMAF, DASH ISO, Apple HLS, and Microsoft Smooth Streamingoutput groups. This default manifest references all the outputs in the output group.

Optionally, you can create additional multivariant playlists that reference only a subset of the outputs in your output group. For example, you might want to create a manifest that doesn't include HDR outputs, for viewers who don't have a subscription that includes HDR.

## 🚺 Note

For CMAF output groups, if you keep the default enabled value for **Write HLS manifest** and **Write DASH manifest**, MediaConvert creates additional manifests in both of those formats. If you disable either of those settings, MediaConvert doesn't create additional manifests in that format.

## To create an additional manifest

- 1. On the **Create job** page, in the **Job** pane on the left, choose the output group that you want to create the additional manifest for.
- 2. In the Additional manifests section on the right, choose Add manifest.
- 3. For **Manifest name modifier**, enter the text that you want to be at the end of the manifest file name, before the extension. This setting is required, because it gives each manifest a different file name.

- 4. For **Select outputs**, choose the outputs that you want the manifest to refer to.
- 5. Repeat these steps to create up to 10 additional manifests. Each additional manifest must have a different value for **Manifest name modifier**.

#### Creating and setting up outputs in File output groups

With File output groups, each asset that the service creates corresponds to one output, rather than one output group. Each asset contains all video, audio, and captions elements. Therefore, it's simplest to set up by first creating the output, and then setting up all the output selectors.

## **Create file outputs**

If you created a file output group in <u>Step 3: Create output groups</u>, create and set up an output in the file output group for each standalone file that you intend to create.

#### To create an output in a file output group

- 1. When you create an output group, MediaConvert automatically populates the output group with output 1, so you don't need to explicitly create it. If you are creating only one standalone file, skip the rest of this procedure.
- 2. If you want to create more than one standalone file, create additional outputs as follows:
  - a. On the **Create job** page, in the **Job** pane on the left, under **Output Groups**, choose **File group**.
  - b. In the **Outputs** pane, choose **Add output**.

#### Set up output selectors in file outputs

Next, for each file output that you just created, set up output selectors.

#### To set up output selectors in a file output

- 1. On the **Create job** page, in the **Job** pane on the left, under **Output Groups**, under **File group**, choose **Output 1**.
- 2. In the **Output settings** pane, for **Name modifier**, enter a value.

MediaConvert appends the name modifier to the file names that it creates for this output. Enter a name modifier that identifies which files came from which output, such as standalone-hi-res. 3. If one of the predefined groups of settings listed under **Preset** is suitable for your workflow, choose it from the list. If you use a preset, skip step 4 of this procedure.

Output presets can contain up to one set each of video, audio, and captions settings. Therefore, if your standalone output file contains more than one audio or captions asset, you can't use a preset. If you can't use presets in your output, but you want to use the preset settings as a starting point, choose the preset, then choose **No preset** from the **Preset** dropdown list. This prepopulates your output with the same settings that are in the preset.

- 4. Specify your output settings as follows:
  - a. In the **Output settings** section, specify values for any remaining general settings. These settings vary depending on the container that you choose. For more information about individual settings, choose the **Info** link next to each setting.
  - b. In the **Stream settings** section, specify values for video encoding. For more information about individual settings, choose the **Info** link next to each setting.

## 🚯 Note

The video settings tab is selected by default, so you don't need to explicitly choose this group of settings. There is only one input video selector per job, so you don't need to explicitly choose it when you set up your video outputs.

- c. Choose **Audio 1** to display the group of encoding settings for the first audio asset. **Audio 1** is located on the left side of the **Stream settings** pane, below **Video**.
- d. Under **Stream settings**, for **Audio source**, choose one of the audio selectors that you created in <u>Step 2: Create input selectors for video, audio, and captions</u>.
- e. In the **Stream settings** section, specify values for audio encoding. For more information about individual settings, choose the **Info** link next to each setting.
- f. To include captions in the output, choose **Add captions**. This displays a group of captions settings. For more information about setting up captions, see <u>Setting up input captions</u>.

# Step 5: Specify global job settings

Global job settings apply to every output that the job creates.

If your job incorporates audio or captions provided in a separate file from your input, or if you use the graphic overlay (image inserter) feature, it is especially important to get these settings right. There are three distinct groups of timecode settings. Global job timecode configuration is one of those three. For more information about the different sets of timecode settings and how MediaConvert manages timecodes, see Setting up timecodes.

## To specify global job settings

- 1. In the **Job** pane, in the **Job settings** section, choose **AWS integration**.
- 2. For **IAM role**, choose an IAM role that has permissions to access the Amazon S3 buckets that hold your input and output files. The IAM role must have a trusted relationship with MediaConvert. For information about creating this role, see <u>Setting up IAM permissions</u>.
- 3. Optionally, specify job-wide timecode settings in the **Timecode configuration** pane.
- 4. Specify values for the other job settings and enable global processors. For more information about individual settings, choose the **Info** link next to each setting.

# Example job settings JSONs

The job settings in these examples represent the simplest valid jobs you can run. They work well for experimenting with the service. When you want to perform more complex transcodes or create different outputs, use the console to set up your job and to generate your JSON job specification. To do so, in the **Job** pane on the left, under **Job settings**, choose **Show job JSON**.

For more information about submitting your job programmatically, see one of the introductory topics of the AWS Elemental MediaConvert API Reference:

- Getting started with AWS Elemental MediaConvert using the AWS SDKs or the AWS CLI
- Getting started with AWS Elemental MediaConvert using the API

## 🔥 Important

We recommend that you use the MediaConvert console to generate your production JSON job specification.

Your job specification must conform to validation by the transcoding engine. The transcoding engine validations represent complex dependencies among groups of settings and dependencies between your transcoding settings and properties of your input files. The MediaConvert console functions as an interactive job builder to make it easy to create

valid job JSON specifications. You can use job templates and <u>output presets</u> to get started quickly.

To use these examples, replace the following placeholder values with actual values:

- ROLE HERE
- s3://amzn-s3-demo-bucket
- s3://amzn-s3-demo-bucket1

## Examples

- Example: MP4 output
- Example: ABR output
- Example: Automated ABR

# **Example: MP4 output**

```
{
  "UserMetadata": {},
  "Role": "ROLE ARN",
  "Settings": {
    "OutputGroups": [
      {
        "Name": "File Group",
        "OutputGroupSettings": {
          "Type": "FILE_GROUP_SETTINGS",
          "FileGroupSettings": {
            "Destination": "s3://amzn-s3-demo-bucket1/out"
          }
        },
        "Outputs": [
          {
            "VideoDescription": {
              "ScalingBehavior": "DEFAULT",
              "TimecodeInsertion": "DISABLED",
              "AntiAlias": "ENABLED",
              "Sharpness": 50,
              "CodecSettings": {
                "Codec": "H_264",
```

```
"H264Settings": {
      "InterlaceMode": "PROGRESSIVE",
      "NumberReferenceFrames": 3,
      "Syntax": "DEFAULT",
      "Softness": 0,
      "GopClosedCadence": 1,
      "GopSize": 48,
      "Slices": 1,
      "GopBReference": "DISABLED",
      "SlowPal": "DISABLED",
      "SpatialAdaptiveQuantization": "ENABLED",
      "TemporalAdaptiveQuantization": "ENABLED",
      "FlickerAdaptiveQuantization": "DISABLED",
      "EntropyEncoding": "CABAC",
      "Bitrate": 4500000,
      "FramerateControl": "SPECIFIED",
      "RateControlMode": "CBR",
      "CodecProfile": "HIGH",
      "Telecine": "NONE",
      "MinIInterval": 0,
      "AdaptiveQuantization": "HIGH",
      "CodecLevel": "LEVEL_4_1",
      "FieldEncoding": "PAFF",
      "SceneChangeDetect": "ENABLED",
      "QualityTuningLevel": "SINGLE_PASS_HQ",
      "FramerateConversionAlgorithm": "DUPLICATE_DROP",
      "UnregisteredSeiTimecode": "DISABLED",
      "GopSizeUnits": "FRAMES",
      "ParControl": "INITIALIZE_FROM_SOURCE",
      "NumberBFramesBetweenReferenceFrames": 3,
      "RepeatPps": "DISABLED",
      "HrdBufferSize": 9000000,
      "HrdBufferInitialFillPercentage": 90,
      "FramerateNumerator": 24000,
      "FramerateDenominator": 1001
    }
 },
  "AfdSignaling": "NONE",
  "DropFrameTimecode": "ENABLED",
  "RespondToAfd": "NONE",
  "ColorMetadata": "INSERT",
  "Width": 1920,
  "Height": 1080
},
```

```
"AudioDescriptions": [
          {
            "AudioTypeControl": "FOLLOW_INPUT",
            "CodecSettings": {
              "Codec": "AAC",
              "AacSettings": {
                "AudioDescriptionBroadcasterMix": "NORMAL",
                "Bitrate": 96000,
                "RateControlMode": "CBR",
                "CodecProfile": "LC",
                "CodingMode": "CODING_MODE_2_0",
                "RawFormat": "NONE",
                "SampleRate": 48000,
                "Specification": "MPEG4"
              }
            },
            "LanguageCodeControl": "FOLLOW_INPUT"
          }
       ],
        "ContainerSettings": {
          "Container": "MP4",
          "Mp4Settings": {
            "CslgAtom": "INCLUDE",
            "FreeSpaceBox": "EXCLUDE",
            "MoovPlacement": "PROGRESSIVE_DOWNLOAD"
          }
        }
      }
   ]
 }
],
"AdAvailOffset": 0,
"Inputs": [
 {
    "AudioSelectors": {
      "Audio Selector 1": {
        "Tracks": [
          1
        ],
        "Offset": 0,
        "DefaultSelection": "DEFAULT",
        "SelectorType": "TRACK",
        "ProgramSelection": 1
      },
```

```
"Audio Selector 2": {
            "Tracks": [
              2
            ],
            "Offset": 0,
            "DefaultSelection": "NOT_DEFAULT",
            "SelectorType": "TRACK",
            "ProgramSelection": 1
          }
        },
        "VideoSelector": {
          "ColorSpace": "FOLLOW"
        },
        "FilterEnable": "AUTO",
        "PsiControl": "USE_PSI",
        "FilterStrength": 0,
        "DeblockFilter": "DISABLED",
        "DenoiseFilter": "DISABLED",
        "TimecodeSource": "EMBEDDED",
        "FileInput": "s3://amzn-s3-demo-bucket"
      }
    ]
  }
}
```

# **Example: ABR output**

```
"PrivateMetadataPid": 503,
    "ProgramNumber": 1,
    "PatInterval": 100,
    "PmtInterval": 100,
    "VideoPid": 481,
    "AudioPids": [
      482,
      483,
      484,
      485,
      486,
      487,
      488,
      489,
      490,
      491,
      492
    ]
  }
},
"VideoDescription": {
  "Width": 1920,
  "Height": 1080,
  "VideoPreprocessors": {
    "Deinterlacer": {
      "Algorithm": "INTERPOLATE",
      "Mode": "DEINTERLACE"
    }
  },
  "AntiAlias": "ENABLED",
  "Sharpness": 100,
  "CodecSettings": {
    "Codec": "H_264",
    "H264Settings": {
      "InterlaceMode": "PROGRESSIVE",
      "ParNumerator": 1,
      "NumberReferenceFrames": 3,
      "Softness": 0,
      "FramerateDenominator": 1001,
      "GopClosedCadence": 1,
      "GopSize": 90,
      "Slices": 1,
      "HrdBufferSize": 12500000,
      "ParDenominator": 1,
```

```
"SpatialAdaptiveQuantization": "ENABLED",
      "TemporalAdaptiveQuantization": "DISABLED",
      "FlickerAdaptiveQuantization": "DISABLED",
      "EntropyEncoding": "CABAC",
      "Bitrate": 8500000,
      "FramerateControl": "SPECIFIED",
      "RateControlMode": "CBR",
      "CodecProfile": "HIGH",
      "Telecine": "NONE",
      "FramerateNumerator": 30000,
      "MinIInterval": 0,
      "AdaptiveQuantization": "MEDIUM",
      "CodecLevel": "LEVEL_4",
      "SceneChangeDetect": "ENABLED",
      "QualityTuningLevel": "SINGLE_PASS_HQ",
      "GopSizeUnits": "FRAMES",
      "ParControl": "SPECIFIED",
      "NumberBFramesBetweenReferenceFrames": 3,
      "HrdBufferInitialFillPercentage": 90,
      "Syntax": "DEFAULT"
    }
 },
  "AfdSignaling": "NONE",
  "DropFrameTimecode": "ENABLED",
  "RespondToAfd": "NONE",
  "ColorMetadata": "INSERT"
},
"AudioDescriptions": [
 {
    "AudioTypeControl": "FOLLOW_INPUT",
    "AudioSourceName": "Audio Selector 1",
    "CodecSettings": {
      "Codec": "AAC",
      "AacSettings": {
        "Bitrate": 128000,
        "RateControlMode": "CBR",
        "CodecProfile": "LC",
        "CodingMode": "CODING_MODE_2_0",
        "SampleRate": 48000
      }
    },
    "LanguageCodeControl": "FOLLOW_INPUT"
  }
],
```

```
"NameModifier": "_high"
},
{
  "VideoDescription": {
    "ScalingBehavior": "DEFAULT",
    "TimecodeInsertion": "DISABLED",
    "AntiAlias": "ENABLED",
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# **Example: Automated ABR**

This example JSON job specification specifies an automated ABR stack in Apple HLS. In addition to specifying the automated ABR settings, it explicitly sets these values:

- Accelerated transcoding Mode to PREFERRED
- rateControlMode to QVBR
- qualityTuningLevel to MULTI\_PASS\_HQ

For information about the automated ABR settings, see Automated ABR.

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# Specifying input files and input clips

You can use MediaConvert for *assembly workflows*. An assembly workflow is a MediaConvert job that performs basic input clipping and stitching to assemble output assets from different sources without requiring separate editing software. For example, an assembly workflow can put together a bumper followed by feature content that is interleaved with advertisements. The feature content might have a logo graphic overlay at the beginning of each feature segment.

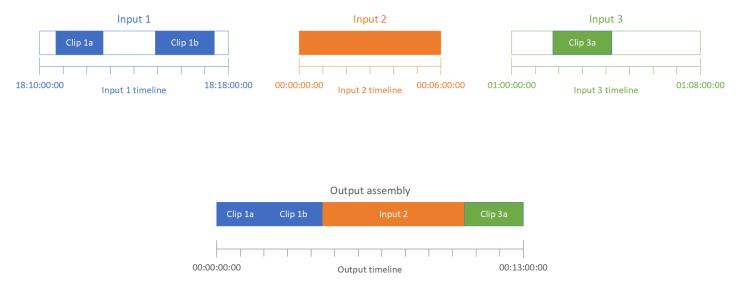
With these kinds of jobs, you assemble your outputs from multiple inputs by using *input stitching*, or portions of inputs by using *input clipping*. MediaConvert creates all of a job's outputs from this assembly. If you want outputs with different clips of the input files or with different arrangements of the inputs, you must create a separate job for each assembly.

#### Topics

- How MediaConvert uses timelines to assemble jobs
- Setting up an assembly workflow job
- Setting up audio tracks and audio selectors
- Setting up input captions

## How MediaConvert uses timelines to assemble jobs

MediaConvert assembles inputs and input clips according to *input timelines* and the *output timeline*. The service constructs these timelines based on your settings, and then assembles your inputs into outputs based on them. The following illustration shows three independent input timelines and an output timeline.



## **Input timelines**

Each input has its own *input timeline*. An input timeline is a series of timecodes that MediaConvert generates to represent each frame of the input file.

By default, the input timeline is the same as any timecodes embedded in the input video. You can specify a different starting timecode in the input setting **Timecode source**. If you use the API or an SDK, you can find this setting in the JSON file of your job. The setting name is TimecodeSource, located in Settings, Inputs. For more information, see <u>the section called "Configuring input timecodes"</u>.

MediaConvert uses the input timeline for the following:

- Determining when input graphic overlays (inserted images) appear in the video. For more
  information about the difference between input and output overlays, see <u>Choosing between</u>
  input and output overlays.
- Determining when motion graphic overlays (inserted images) appear in the video. For more information about the different types of graphic overlays, see <u>Image insertion</u>.
- Synchronizing your video with *sidecar captions* that are in a timecode-based format. Sidecar captions are captions that you provide as input files that are separate from the video.
- Interpreting the timecodes that you provide when you specify input clips.

## **Output timeline**

The *output timeline* is the series of timecodes that MediaConvert generates to embed in the outputs. MediaConvert also uses the timecodes of the output timeline for features that apply to every output in the job.

By default, the output timeline is the same as any timecodes embedded in the video of your first input file. You can specify a different starting timecode in the job-wide **Timecode configuration** settings under **Job settings**. If you use the API or an SDK, you can find these settings in the JSON file of your job. These settings are under Settings, TimecodeConfig. For more information, see Adjusting the output timeline with the job-wide timecode configuration.

MediaConvert uses the output timeline for the following:

- Determining which timecodes to embed in the output video, when you enable **Timecode insertion** in your output timecode settings.
- Determining when output overlays (inserted images) appear in the video. For more information about the different types of graphic overlays, see <u>Image insertion</u>.
- Determining how your HLS variant playlists show time.
- Interpreting the timecode that you provide when you specify a value for **Anchor timecode**.

# Setting up an assembly workflow job

Follow these steps to set up a job that combines assembly workflow features such as input clipping, input stitching, graphic overlay, and sidecar captions sync. Doing these tasks in this order can make setup easier. In particular, we recommend that you specify your input clips last. This is because each input timeline counts frames from the entire input, not from each individual clip.

This procedure relies on the concept of input and output timelines. For more information, see <u>How</u> MediaConvert uses timelines to assemble jobs.

#### To set up an assembly workflow job (console)

#### 1. Specify your video input files.

You can have up to 150 inputs in a job. MediaConvert stitches together the inputs in the order that you add them. To use multiple clips from the same input file in chronological order without other inputs in between them, specify the input file only once.

For full instructions, see the section called "Step 1: Specify input files".

#### 2. Set up your audio selectors.

In each input, you create audio selectors to map your input audio to your outputs. For instructions, see <u>Step 2: Create input selectors for video, audio, and captions</u>.

With sidecar audio files, MediaConvert synchronizes audio and video without regard to timecodes. MediaConvert lines up the start of the audio file with the start of the video file.

Whether your audio is in a sidecar file or embedded in the video, you can adjust its sync using the **Offset** setting in the input audio selector. Use a positive number for **Offset** to move the audio later in the input timeline; use a negative number to move it earlier.

## 3. Synchronize any sidecar captions.

How you set up your sidecar captions sync depends on the input captions format:

- If your input captions format is timecode-based (for example, SCC or STL), the service synchronizes the timecode in the captions file with the input timeline.
- If your input captions format is timestamp-based (for example, SRT, SMI, or TTML), the service synchronizes the captions with the video without regard to timecodes.

#### **Related information**

- About input timecode source and captions alignment
- the section called "Configuring input timecodes"
- Captions and captions selectors
- 4. Set up when you want any graphic overlays or motion graphic overlays to appear.

How you specify the time that the overlay appears depends on what kind of overlay you specify:

- For input still graphic overlays, specify the overlay in the input where you want the overlay to appear. Specify the start and end times with timecodes that match with that input's timeline.
- For output still graphic overlays, specify when you want the overlay to appear based on the output timeline.
- For motion graphic overlays, specify when you want the overlay to appear based on the inputs' timelines.

## **Related information**

- the section called "Configuring input timecodes"
- the section called "Configuring output timecodes"
- Image insertion
- 5. Specify input clips.

Unless you want MediaConvert to include the full duration of the input, specify input clips for each input. Specify the start and end times with timecodes that match with that input's timeline.

Set up input clips as follows:

- a. On the **Create job** page, in the **Job** pane on the left, choose an input.
- b. In the Input clips section, choose Add input clip.
- c. Enter the starting and ending timecodes for the first clip that you want to include. Use the following 24-hour format with a frame number: HH:MM:SS:FF.

When you specify an input clip for an audio-only input, the last numbers in the timecode that you enter correspond to hundredths of a second. For example, 00:00:30:75 is the same as 30.75 seconds.

Make sure that you provide timecodes that align with your input timeline. By default, MediaConvert bases input clipping on timecodes that are embedded in your input video. How you align your timecodes depends on whether your input video has embedded timecodes:

- If your input doesn't have embedded timecodes, set Timecode source to Start at 0 or Specified start.
- If your input *does* have embedded timecodes and you want MediaConvert to use them, for **Timecode source**, keep the default value, **Embedded**. Specify your clip start and end times accordingly.

For example, if an input **Timecode source** is set to **Embedded** with video embedded timecodes that start at 01:00:00:00, define the start timecode for a clip 30 seconds in 01:00:30:00 (not 00:00:30:00). By default, the input timeline is the same as the timecodes that are embedded in the video. You can change what determines the input timeline by adjusting the input **Timecode source** setting.

• Specify an input clip duration that is less than 12 hours long.

For more information, see Adjusting the input timeline with the input timecode source.

d. Specify any additional clips. Multiple clips must be in chronological order and can't overlap; each **Start timecode** must come after the previous clip's **End timecode**.

If you specify more than one input clip, they all appear in the output, one after the other, in the order that you specify them.

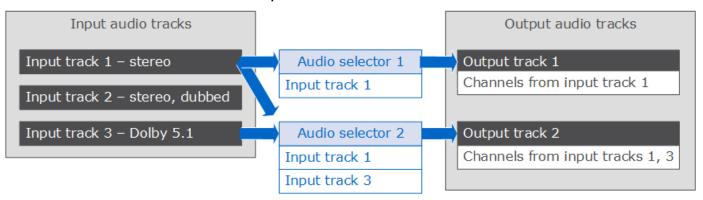
# Setting up audio tracks and audio selectors

You use audio selectors to associate input audio with output audio. You can set up a single audio selector to represent one or more tracks from the input. After that, you create audio tracks in the output and associate a single audio selector with each output track.

Associations between input audio tracks, audio selectors, and output audio tracks follow these rules:

- Each input track can be associated with one or more audio selectors
- Each audio selector has one or more input tracks
- · Each output track has one audio selector

The following illustration shows these relationships. In the illustration, the input file contains three audio tracks. Audio selector 1 selects input track 1. Audio selector 1 is associated with output audio track 1, so track 1 of the output has the same content as track 1 of the input. The second input audio track is not selected by an audio selector, so it isn't used in the output. Audio selector 2 selects input tracks 1 and 3. Audio selector 2 is associated with output audio track 2, so output track 2 contains the channels from input tracks 1 and 3.



For workflows that require channel-level control, use the audio channel remix feature, which supports the following workflows:

- Changing the order of channels in an audio track
- Moving audio channels from one or more input tracks to different output tracks
- Combining the audio from multiple channels into a single channel
- Splitting the audio from a single channel into multiple channels
- Adjusting the loudness level of audio channels

# Setting up input captions

To include captions in your job, follow these steps in the order listed:

- 1. If your input captions are a timecode-based sidecar captions format, such as SCC or STL, <u>set the</u> <u>timecode source settings</u>.
- 2. Gather required captions information.
- 3. Create input captions selectors.
- 4. Set up captions in outputs.

For a full list of supported input and output captions, see Captions reference tables.

For information about how to set up captions in your output, see Setting up captions in outputs.

## 🚺 Tip

You can use Amazon Transcribe with MediaConvert to generate captions and include them in your output. For more information, see <u>AWS VOD captioning using Amazon Transcribe</u> in *AWS Samples* on GitHub.

## Specifying the timecode source

For your captions to correctly synchronize with your video, you must set up your input timeline to match the timecodes embedded in your captions file. MediaConvert establishes the input timeline based on the value you choose for the input **Timecode source** setting. For more information, see Input timecode source and captions alignment.

For instructions on adjusting the **Timecode source** setting, see <u>Adjusting the input timeline with</u> the input timecode source.

## Gathering required captions information

Before you set up captions in your job, note the following information:

- The *input captions format*. You must have this information ahead of time; MediaConvert does not read this from your input files.
- The *tracks* from the input captions that you intend to use in any of your outputs.
- The *output packages and files* that you intend to create with the job. For information about specifying the output package or file type, see Creating outputs.
- The *output captions format* that you intend to use in each output.

For supported output captions based on your input container, input captions format, and output container, see <u>Supported input captions</u>, within video containers.

• The *output captions tracks* that you intend to include for each output. If you pass through teletext-to-teletext, all tracks in the input are available in the output. Otherwise, the tracks that you include in an output might be a subset of the tracks that are available in the input.

When you set up captions, you begin by creating captions selectors. Captions selectors identify a particular captions asset on the input and associate a label with it. The captions asset is either a single track or the set of all tracks contained in the input file, depending on your input captions format. For example, you might add **Captions selector 1** and associate the French captions with it. When you <u>set up an output to include captions</u>, you do so by specifying captions selectors.

#### To create input captions selectors

1. On the **Create job** page, in the **Job** pane on the left, choose an input.

#### 🚯 Note

In jobs with multiple inputs, each input must have the same number of captions selectors. For inputs that don't have captions, create empty captions selectors. For these selectors, for **Source**, choose **Null source**. Remove all captions selectors if no inputs have captions.

- 2. In the **Captions selectors** section, near the bottom of the page, choose **Add captions selector**.
- 3. Under **Source**, choose the input captions format.
- 4. For most formats, more fields appear. Specify the values for these fields as described in the topic that relates to your input captions format. Choose the appropriate topic from the list that follows this procedure.
- 5. Create more captions selectors as necessary. The number of captions selectors that you need depends on your input captions format. Choose the appropriate topic from the list that follows this procedure.

## QuickTime captions track or captions in MXF VANC data (ancillary) input captions

If your input captions are in either of the following formats, the service handles them as "ancillary" data:

- QuickTime captions track (format QTCC)
- MXF VANC data

MediaConvert does not create output captions in these formats, but you can convert them to a supported output format.

## For ancillary captions

- Create one captions selector per track that you will use in your outputs.
- In each captions selector, for **Source**, choose **Ancillary**.
- In each captions selector, for **CC channel**, choose the channel number for the track that is associated with the selector.

For example, the input captions have English in CC channel 1 and Spanish in CC channel 2. To use these captions, create Captions selector 1, and then choose 1 in the **CC channel** dropdown list. Next, create Captions selector 2, and then choose 2 in the **CC channel** dropdown list.

# Embedded (CEA/EIA-608, CEA/EIA-708), embedded+SCTE-20, and SCTE-20+embedded input captions

If your input captions are in any of the following formats, the service handles them as "embedded":

- CEA-608
- EIA-608
- CEA-708
- EIA-708

If your input captions have both embedded captions and SCTE-20 captions, and you want both types in your outputs, set up separate input captions selectors for the SCTE-20 and the embedded captions tracks. Set up the SCTE-20 captions selectors the same way that you set up the embedded selectors.

#### 1 Note

For MXF inputs, your captions are most likely on the ancillary track. Some third-party media analysis tools incorrectly report these captions as 608/708 embedded. For information on setting up ancillary captions, see <u>QuickTime captions track or captions in MXF VANC data</u> (ancillary) input captions.

## Number of captions selectors for embedded captions

- If all of your output captions are also an embedded format, create only one captions selector, even if you want to include multiple tracks in the output. With this setup, MediaConvert automatically extracts all tracks and includes them in the output.
- If all of your outputs are in a format that is not embedded, create one captions selector for each track that you want to include in the output.
- If some of your outputs have captions in an embedded format and some of your outputs have captions in a different format, create one captions selector for the outputs with embedded captions. Also create individual selectors for the outputs with other captions that aren't embedded, one for each track that you want in your outputs.

## Captions selector fields for embedded captions

#### Source: Choose Embedded

**CC channel number**: This field specifies the track to extract. Complete as follows:

- If you are doing embedded-to-embedded captions (that is, you create only one captions selector for the input embedded captions), MediaConvert ignores this field, so keep the default value for CC channel number.
- If you are converting embedded captions to another format, (that is, you create several captions selectors, one for each track), specify the captions channel number from the input that holds the track that you want. To do that, select the channel number from the dropdown list. For example, select 1 to choose CC1.

#### 1 Note

MediaConvert doesn't automatically detect which language is in each channel. You can specify that when you set up the output captions, so that MediaConvert passes the language code metadata for the captions channel into the output for downstream use.

## **DVB-Sub input captions**

MediaConvert supports DVB-Sub only in TS inputs.

In most cases, create one captions selector per track. In each selector, specify which track you want by providing the PID or language code.

## i Note

Don't specify the captions in both the **PID** field and the **Language** dropdown list. Specify one or the other.

If you are doing DVB-sub-to-DVB-sub and you want to pass through all the captions tracks from the input to the output, create one captions selector for all tracks. In this case, keep the **PID** field blank and don't choose any language from the **Language** dropdown list.

## **Teletext input captions**

How you set up your Teletext input captions selectors depends on how you plan to use the captions in your output. You can use Teletext captions in one of the following ways:

• Teletext to Teletext passthrough

With Teletext passthrough, MediaConvert passes through your input captions unchanged from the input to the output. Captions styling, Teletext page numbers, and non-caption Teletext data appear in your outputs exactly the same as in the input.

Teletext passthrough is the only way to include Teletext data that isn't captions in your output.

• <u>Teletext to Teletext, page remapping</u>

If you want the Teletext page numbers on your output to differ from the page numbers on the input, you can remap the content. When you do this, your output captions have plain styling and you lose any Teletext data that isn't captions.

• Teletext to other captions formats

You can use Teletext input captions to generate output captions in some other formats. To look up which captions you can generate from Teletext inputs, see <u>Captions reference tables</u>.

For information on setting up captions for each of these workflows, see the following topics.

#### **Teletext to Teletext passthrough**

When you're doing Teletext to Teletext passthrough, create one input captions selector for the whole set of input captions. Don't specify a value for **Page number**.

For information about setting up the output of this captions workflow, see <u>Teletext to Teletext</u> <u>passthrough</u>.

#### Teletext to Teletext, page remapping

When the captions format for both your input and output captions is Teletext, and you want your output Teletext page numbers to be different from the input page numbers, create a separate input captions selector for each Teletext page of your input. Specify the input Teletext page number for **Page number**.

For information about setting up the output of this captions workflow, see <u>Teletext to Teletext</u>, page remapping.

#### **Teletext to other captions formats**

When your input captions are Teletext and your output captions are another format, set up one input captions selector for each input Teletext page. Specify the input Teletext page number for **Page number**.

For information about setting up the output of this captions workflow, see the section on your output format in <u>Setting up captions in outputs</u>.

## IMSC, SCC, SMPTE-TT, SRT, STL, TTML (sidecar) input captions

IMSC, SCC, SMPTE-TT, SRT, STL, and TTML are sidecar captions formats. With these formats, you provide input captions as a separate file. Depending on your output captions settings, AWS Elemental MediaConvert passes them through to the output in the same format or converts them into another sidecar format.

#### All sidecar captions

In all cases, create one captions selector for each input captions file.

In **Source file**, enter the URI to the captions input file that is stored in Amazon S3 or on an HTTP(S) server. For Amazon S3 inputs, you can specify the URI directly or choose **Browse** to select from your Amazon S3 buckets. For HTTP(S) inputs, provide the URL to your input video file. For more information, see HTTP input requirements.

#### **IMSC** captions

MediaConvert supports IMSC as an input captions format either as a sidecar file or as part of an IMF source. If your input IMSC captions are part of an IMF package, see <u>IMSC input captions (as part of</u> an IMF source). For restrictions on IMSC support, see IMSC requirements.

#### **SMPTE-TT captions**

You can use SMPTE-TT input captions that are text-only, that have captions images included in the captions file with base64 encoding (smpte:image encoding="Base64"), and that use external references to captions images (smpte:backgroundImage).

When your captions use external references to images, those images must be located in the same Amazon S3 bucket and folder as your captions file. For example, say this is the Amazon S3 path to your SMPTE\_TT file: amzn-s3-demo-bucket/mediaconvert-input/captions/my-captions-spanish.ttml. Then you must store the image files that the captions file references here: s3://amzn-s3-demo-bucket/mediaconvert-input/captions/.

#### **SRT** captions

MediaConvert supports SRT input captions with UTF-8 character encoding.

#### Synchronizing sidecar captions and video

To make sure that your captions are properly synchronized with your video, check that the value for **Timecode source** in the **Video selector** section matches the timecodes in your captions file. For example, if your video has embedded timecodes starting at 01:00:00:00, but the timecodes in your captions file start at zero, change the default value for the video selector **Timecode source** from **Embedded** to **Start at 0**. If other aspects of your job prevent that, use the **Time delta** setting to adjust your captions, as described in <u>Use cases for time delta</u>.

#### Note

MediaConvert handles the alignment of captions with video differently depending on whether the caption format is timecode-based or timestamp-based. For more information, see Input timecode source and captions alignment.

Enter a positive or negative number in **Time delta** to modify the time values in the captions file. By default, time delta is measured in seconds. For example, enter **15** to add 15 seconds to all the time

values in the captions file. Or, enter **-5** to subtract 5 seconds from the time values in the captions file. To specify in milliseconds instead, set **Time delta units** to **Milliseconds**.

If the value you enter for **Time delta** would result in captions before or after your video, those captions will not be present in your output.

## 1 Note

When converting from SCC to SRT, MediaConvert first rounds the value you set for **Time delta** to the nearest input frame. MediaConvert uses this rounded value when calculating output SRT timings.

## Topics

- Input timecode source and captions alignment
- Use cases for time delta
- <u>Converting dual SCC input files to embedded captions</u>
- TTML style formatting

#### Input timecode source and captions alignment

When you adjust your input timeline by setting the input **Timecode source** to **Start at 0** or **Specified start**, MediaConvert behaves as though your input has embedded timecodes that start when you specify. But MediaConvert doesn't change the timecodes or timestamps in your sidecar captions files. Therefore, the way that you align your captions depends on your captions format.

#### Timecode-based sidecar formats (SCC, STL)

Some captions formats, including SCC and STL, define where captions are placed in the video by timecode. With these formats, MediaConvert places each caption on the frames specified in the captions file, according to each frame's timecode in the input timeline. To adjust your captions to start at a different time than that, use the **Time delta** setting. For more information, see <u>Use cases</u> for time delta.

MediaConvert establishes the input timeline based on the value you choose for the input **Timecode source** setting.

For example, if your SCC file specifies that the first caption should appear at 00:05:23:00 and you set **Timecode source** to **Specified start** and **Start timecode** to 00:04:00:00, the first caption will

appear in your output one minute and twenty-three seconds into the video. If you set **Timecode source** to **Specified start** and **Start timecode** to 01:00:00:00, you won't see captions when you expect, because 00:05:23:00 occurs before the start of your video, according to the input timeline.

## Timestamp-based sidecar formats (SRT, SMI, TTML)

Some captions formats, including SRT, SMI, and TTML, allow for definition of where captions are placed in the video by timestamp. With these, MediaConvert measures the placement of the captions by the distance, in time, from the start of the video. This is true regardless of whether the captions file specifies placement with timecode or timestamp.

Therefore, your captions appear at the time specified in the captions file without regard to the video timecodes. For example, if your SRT file specifies that the first caption should appear at 00:05:23:00 or at 00:05:23,000 and you set **Timecode source** to **Specified start** and **Start timecode** to 00:04:00:00, the first caption will still appear in your output five minutes and twenty-three seconds into the video.

To adjust your captions to start at a different time than that, use the **Time delta** setting. For more information, see <u>Use cases for time delta</u>.

## Formats that embed captions in the video stream (CEA/EIA-608, CEA/EIA-708)

Some captions formats embed the captions directly in the video frame or the video frame metadata. With these, MediaConvert keeps the captions with the frames that they are embedded in, regardless of the timecode settings.

## Use cases for time delta

How you use **Time delta (TimeDelta)** depends on the problem you're trying to solve and the captions format that you're working with.

By default, you specify the time delta in seconds. If you want to specify it in milliseconds instead, set **Time delta units (TimeDeltaUnits)** to **Milliseconds (MILLISECONDS)**.

## Adjusting for different timecodes between video and captions files

With timecode-based captions formats, such as SCC and STL, the timecodes in the captions might be relative to a starting timecode that is different from the starting timecode embedded in the video. You use **Time delta** to adjust for the difference.

**Example problem:** Your video file might have embedded timecodes that start at 00:05:00:00. The first instance of dialogue that requires captions might be one minute into the video, at timecode

00:06:00:00. Your captions file might be written on the assumption that your video timecodes start at 00:00:00:00, with the first caption starting at 00:01:00:00. If you don't use **Time delta**, MediaConvert would not include this first caption because it occurs before the start of the video.

Solution: Add five minutes to the captions. Enter 300 for Time delta.

## Adjusting captions after synchronizing video and audio

Your timecode-based (SCC or STL) captions might be aligned with the timecodes that are embedded in your video, but you might need to use the input **Timecode source** setting to align your audio. This creates a difference between the video and captions, which you need to adjust for. You don't need to make this adjustment with timestamp-based captions formats, such as SRT, SMI, and TTML.

For more information about aligning captions when you use input **Timecode source**, see <u>Input</u> timecode source and captions alignment.

**Example problem:** Your video file might have embedded timecodes that start at 00:05:00:00 and the first instance of dialogue that requires captions might be one minute into the video, at timecode 00:06:00:00. Your captions file is written to sync correctly, with the first caption starting at 00:06:00:00. But you need to change your embedded captions in your input to sync correctly with your audio file. So you set the input **Timecode source** to **Start at Zero**. If you don't use **Time delta**, MediaConvert would put the first caption in your output at six minutes into the video.

Solution: Subtract five minutes from the captions. Enter -300 for Time delta.

## Correcting slight errors in captions sync

With any type of sidecar format, there might be a small error in your input captions file, so that the captions are consistently a little late or a little early.

**Example problem:** Your video has embedded captions that start at zero. The first instance of dialogue that requires captions is at 00:06:15:00, but the captions appear on the screen three seconds late, at 00:06:18:00.

**Solution:** Subtract three seconds from the captions. Enter **-3** for **Time delta**.

## Converting dual SCC input files to embedded captions

If you want to use two SCC files as your captions input and embed the captions as two output captions channels embedded in your output video stream, set up your captions according to this procedure.

- Set up two input captions selectors. Follow the procedure in <u>Creating input captions selectors</u>. Specify values as follows:
  - In each captions selector, choose **SCC** for **Source**.
  - For **Source file**, choose one of your input SCC files in each selector.
  - If you want both 608 and 708 captions embedded in your outputs, choose Upconvert for Force 608 to 708 upconvert in both captions selectors.
- 2. Set up captions in your outputs. Follow the procedure in <u>Setting up captions in outputs</u>. Follow these specific choices:
  - Specify the captions in the same output as the video that you want the captions embedded in.
  - Choose Add captions twice, to create Captions 1 and Captions 2 tabs in the Encoding settings section.
  - For **Captions source**, in each of the captions tabs, choose one of the captions selectors that you created in the preceding step of this procedure.
  - For **CC channel number**, choose a number for each of the captions tabs that don't share a field. For example, in **Captions 1**, choose **1** for **CC channel number** and in **Captions 2**, choose **3** for **CC channel number**.

Don't choose the combinations 1 and 2 or 3 and 4, because those pairs of channels share the same field.

• If you chose **Upconvert** in the preceding step of this procedure, optionally specify a service number for **708 service number**. Within an output, each captions tab must specify a different service number.

If you upconvert and don't specify a value for **708 service number**, the service uses the value that you specify for **CC channel number** as your 708 service number.

## TTML style formatting

AWS Elemental MediaConvert reads the style formatting of your input captions when your job runs. If you notice issues with the style formatting of your output, we recommend checking the formatting of your input captions or setting **Style passthrough** to Enabled. The following topics provide guidance for using fonts, heritable and non-heritable attributes, and right to left languages in your TTML input captions.

## **Specifying fonts**

MediaConvert supports the following generic font families listed in the <u>TTML2 W3C</u> recommendation:

- default
- monospace
- sansSerif
- serif
- monospaceSansSerif
- monospaceSerif
- proportionalSansSerif
- proportionalSerif

For the best results, specify a generic font family within your TTML input captions. If you specify an individual font instead, MediaConvert will map the font to one of the generic font families listed above.

## Heritable and non-heritable attributes

Style attributes are either heritable or non-heritable. The <u>TTML 2 W3C recommendation</u> lists these under *inherited* for each style attribute.

Include non-heritable style attributes in every element that you want them to apply to.

For example, tts:backgroundColor is a non-heritable style attribute. The following results in *hello* with a red background color and *world* with no background color:

<span tts:backgroundColor="red">hello<br/>br/>world</span>

You can fix the above formatting so that *hello world* both have a red background color by using individual spans, each with their own style attributes, like in this example:

```
<span><span tts:backgroundColor="red">hello</span> <br/> <span
tts:backgroundColor="red">world</span></span>
```

## Right to left languages

MediaConvert supports both left to right and right to left text directions within TTML.

When you don't specify text direction, MediaConvert uses left to right.

To specify right to left, include a tts:direction="rtl" attribute. If your text has a mix of bidirectional characters, also include a tts:unicodeBidi="embed" attribute as described in the TTML2 W3C recommendation. Note that tts:unicodeBidi is a non-heritable attribute.

## IMSC input captions (as part of an IMF source)

AWS Elemental MediaConvert supports IMSC as an input captions format either as a sidecar file or as part of an IMF source. If your input IMSC captions are in a sidecar file, see <u>IMSC, SCC, SMPTE-TT,</u> <u>SRT, STL, TTML (sidecar) input captions</u>.

When your input IMSC captions are part of an IMF source, you don't specify the source file for IMSC captions. That information is in the CPL file that you specify for your job input. For restrictions on IMSC support, see <u>IMSC requirements</u>.

## Number of captions selectors for IMSC

Create one captions selector per track.

#### Track number

Specify which captions you want by providing a track number. The track numbers correspond to the order that the tracks appear in the CPL file. For example, if your CPL file lists your French captions first, set **Track number** to **1** to specify the French captions.

## In your JSON job specification

If you use the API or an SDK, you can find these settings in the JSON file of your job. These settings are under Inputs, as in the following example:

```
"Inputs": [
{
...
"CaptionSelectors": {
"Captions Selector 1": {
"SourceSettings": {
"SourceType": "IMSC",
```

```
"TrackSourceSettings": {
    "TrackNumber": 1
    }
  }
},
"Captions Selector 2": {
    "SourceSettings": {
    "SourceType": "IMSC",
    "TrackSourceSettings": {
        "TrackNumber": 4
    }
  }
},
...
```

## WebVTT input captions (as part of an HLS source)

AWS Elemental MediaConvert supports WebVTT as an input captions format either as a sidecar file or as part of an HLS source. If your input WebVTT captions are in a sidecar file, see <u>IMSC, SCC,</u> <u>SMPTE-TT, SRT, STL, TTML (sidecar) input captions</u>.

When your input WebVTT captions are part of a HLS source, you don't need to specify the source WebVTT manifest file for the WebVTT captions. That information is in the main HLS input file that you specify in your job input. You will need to enable the **Use HLS Rendition Group** and use the following settings.

## Number of captions selectors for WebVTT

Create one captions selector per WebVTT source.

#### **Rendition Group Id**

Specify which captions group you want by providing a group id. The group id corresponds to EXT-X-MEDIA, GROUP-ID tag in your HLS manifest. For example, if your HLS manifest file lists your French captions in a specific group "subs", set **Rendition Group ID** to **subs** to specify the French captions group id.

#### **Rendition Name**

Specify which captions group you want by providing a rendition name. The rendition name corresponds to EXT-X-MEDIA, NAME tag in your HLS manifest. For example, if your HLS manifest

## **Rendition Language Code**

Specify which captions group you want by providing an ISO 639-3 language code. The language corresponds to EXT-X-MEDIA, LANGUAGE tag in your HLS manifest. For example, if your HLS manifest file lists your French captions in a language code of "FRA", set **Rendition Language Code** to **FRA** to specify the French captions rendition language code.

## In your JSON job specification

If you use the API or an SDK, you can find these settings in the JSON file of your job. These settings are under Inputs, as in the following example:

```
"Inputs": [
      {
        . . .
"CaptionSelectors": {
  "Caption Selector 1": {
    "SourceSettings": {
      "SourceType": "WebVTT",
      "WebvttHlsSourceSettings": {
        "RenditionGroupId": "subs",
        "RenditionName": "French",
        "RenditionLanguageCode": "FRA"
      }
    }
  }
}
           . . .
```

# **Creating outputs**

A single MediaConvert job can create outputs as a standalone file (for example, an .mp4 file), a set of files for adaptive bitrate (ABR) streaming (for example, an Apple HLS package), or combinations

of both. When you create output groups and the outputs within them, you specify the number and types of files that your job generates.

When your MediaConvert job is complete, you can use Amazon CloudFront, or another content distribution network (CDN), to deliver your streaming package. The CDN gets your video to the people who want to view it. For more information, see <u>Delivering video on demand (VOD) with</u> <u>CloudFront</u>.

The topics in this section explain the relationship between MediaConvert output groups, MediaConvert outputs, and the actual output files that MediaConvert delivers to you.

## Topics

- Setting up captions in outputs
- Using output groups to specify a streaming package type or standalone file
- Choosing your ABR streaming output groups
- <u>Recommended encoding settings for video quality</u>
- Using variables in your job settings

# Setting up captions in outputs

The location of the captions in a job depends on your output captions format: Your captions might be in the same output as your video, a separate output in the same output group as your video, or in an entirely separate output group. How you set up multiple captions tracks also depends on the output captions format.

For a full list of supported input and output captions, see Captions reference tables.

For information about how to set up captions in your input, see <u>Setting up input captions</u>.

The following procedure shows how to set up captions for different outputs.

## To set up captions for different outputs

- 1. Open the MediaConvert console at <u>https://console.aws.amazon.com/mediaconvert</u>.
- 2. Choose Create job.
- 3. Set up your input, output groups, and outputs for video and audio, as described in <u>Tutorial</u>: <u>Configuring job settings and Creating outputs</u>.

- 4. Create input captions selectors as described in <u>the section called "Creating input captions</u> selectors".
- 5. Determine where in your job to specify the captions. This choice depends on the output captions format. Consult the relevant topic below to look this up.
- 6. In the left pane of the **Create job** page, choose the appropriate output from the list of outputs.
- 7. Under Encoding settings, choose Add caption. This displays a captions settings area under Encoding settings.
- 8. If your output captions format requires a separate group of captions settings for each track in the output, choose **Add captions** again until you have one captions group for each track. To determine whether you need one captions settings group for all tracks or one for each track, see the relevant topic below.
- 9. Under Encoding settings, choose Captions 1 from the list.
- 10. Under **Captions source**, choose a captions selector. This selects the track or tracks that you associated with the selector when you set up your input, so that AWS Elemental MediaConvert will include those captions in this output.
- Under Destination type, choose an output captions format. Check <u>the section called</u> <u>"Supported input captions, within video containers"</u> to ensure that you are choosing a supported format.
- 12. Provide values for any additional fields as described in the relevant topic below.

## Details by output captions format

- CEA/EIA-608 and CEA/EIA-708 (embedded) output captions
- DVB-Sub output captions
- IMSC, TTML, and WebVTT (sidecar) output captions
- SCC, SRT, and SMI (sidecar) output captions
- <u>Teletext output captions</u>
- Burn-in output captions
- <u>Settings for accessibility captions</u>

## CEA/EIA-608 and CEA/EIA-708 (embedded) output captions

This section covers how to configure embedded output captions in AWS Elemental MediaConvert. The main topics include:

- Where to specify the captions.
- How to specify multiple captions tracks.
- Embedded and ancillary captions in MXF outputs.

## Where to specify the captions

Put your captions in the same output group and the same output as your video.

## How to specify multiple captions tracks

- If your input captions format is embedded (that is, you are passing through embedded-toembedded), you need to create only one group of captions settings. The captions selector that you choose under **Captions source** includes all tracks from the input.
- If your input captions are two SCC files, you can create output captions as two output captions channels that are embedded in your output video stream. For more information, see <u>Converting</u> <u>dual SCC input files to embedded captions</u>.
- If your input captions are not embedded or SCC, you can include only one captions track per output. In each output, include one group of captions settings. Under **Captions source**, choose the selector that is set up for the track that you want to include.

## Embedded and ancillary captions in MXF outputs

Whether your MXF output can contain ancillary captions depends on the MXF profile:

- MXF XDCAM HD: This MXF profile specifies ancillary data in the smpte 436 track. With these outputs, MediaConvert copies your embedded captions to the smpte 436 ancillary track in addition to including it in the video stream.
- MXF D-10: This MXF profile specification doesn't allow for ancillary data. Therefore, your MXF
   D-10 outputs only have captions embedded in the video stream.

MediaConvert determines an output's MXF profile based on the values for the following encoding settings:

- Resolution
- Frame rate
- Video codec profile
- Interlace mode

For information about which values for these settings are valid for which MXF profile, see the relevant specifications. For XDCAM HD, see <u>RDD 9:2009 - SMPTE Standard Doc - MXF</u> <u>Interoperability Specification of Sony MPEG Long GOP Products</u> in the IEEE Xplore Digital Library. For MXF D-10, see <u>ST 356:2001 - SMPTE Standard - For Television — Type D-10 Stream</u> <u>Specifications — MPEG-2 4:2:2P @ ML for 525/60 and 625/50</u>.

## **DVB-Sub output captions**

This section covers how to configure DVB-Sub output captions in AWS Elemental MediaConvert. The main topics include:

- Where to specify the captions.
- How to specify multiple captions tracks.
- How to specify the font script.

#### Where to specify the captions

Put your captions in the same output group and the same output as your video.

#### How to specify multiple captions tracks

- If your input captions are the same format as your output captions (passthrough), you need to create only one group of captions settings. The captions selector that you choose under Captions source includes all tracks from the input.
- If your input captions are in a different format, create one group of captions settings for each track. Put each group of captions settings in the same output. They will appear in the list of settings groups as Captions 1, Captions 2, and so forth. In each group of settings, choose the captions selector under **Captions source** that is set up for the track that you want to include.

#### How to specify the font script

AWS Elemental MediaConvert automatically selects the appropriate script for your captions, based on the language that you specify in the output captions settings. If the language that you choose has more than one possible script, specify the script that you want.

#### To ensure that the service uses the correct font script

- 1. In the **Captions** section under **Encoding settings**, for **Language**, choose the language of the captions text.
- 2. If the language that you specify has more than one possible script, use **Font script** to specify the script.

For example, if you choose **Chinese** (ZH) for **Language**, use **Font script** to choose either **Simplified Chinese** or **Traditional Chinese**. In this case, if you don't specify a value for **Font script**, the service defaults to simplified Chinese.

#### 🚺 Tip

In most cases, for **Font script** you can keep the default value of **Automatic**. When you do, the service chooses the script based on the language of the captions text.

## IMSC, TTML, and WebVTT (sidecar) output captions

This section covers how to configure IMSC, TTML, and WebVTT (sidecar) output captions in AWS Elemental MediaConvert. The main topics include:

- Where to specify the captions.
- How to specify multiple captions tracks.
- Sidecar captions container options.

If your output captions are IMSC, TTML or WebVTT format, set them up in your outputs according to the following information. For restrictions on IMSC support, see <u>IMSC requirements</u>.

#### Where to specify the captions

Put your captions in the same output group, but a different output from your video.

After you add captions to an output, delete the **Video** and **Audio 1** groups of settings that the service automatically created with the output.

#### To delete the Video and Audio 1 groups of settings

- 1. On the **Create job** page, in the **Job** pane on the left, under **Output groups**, choose the output that contains the groups of settings that you want to delete.
- 2. The **Video** group of settings is automatically displayed in the **Stream settings** section. Choose the **Remove video selector** button.
- The Audio 1 group of settings is automatically displayed in the Stream settings section.
   Choose the Remove button.

#### How to specify multiple captions tracks

Put each captions track in its own output.

#### 1 Note

The captions track that you specify first in your job is signaled as the default track in the HLS manifest.

#### Sidecar captions container options

Depending on your output group, you can choose the captions container for IMSC and TTML captions outputs.

For DASH ISO output groups, you can choose from these:

- Fragmented MP4 (.fmp4)
- Raw (.xml for IMSC, .ttml for TTML)

For all other output groups, IMSC and TTML files are raw.

#### To specify the captions container for IMSC and TTML captions in DASH ISO output groups

 Set up the outputs in your DASH ISO output group as described in <u>Creating outputs in ABR</u> streaming output groups. Put captions in a separate output.

- 2. On the **Create job** page, in the **Job** pane on the left, choose the captions output.
- 3. In the **Output settings** section on the right, choose **Container settings**, and then enable **DASH container settings**.
- 4. For **Captions container**, keep the default **Raw** or choose **Fragmented MPEG-4**.

## SCC, SRT, and SMI (sidecar) output captions

This section covers how to configure SCC, SRT, and SMI (sidecar) output captions in AWS Elemental MediaConvert. The main topics include:

- Where to specify the captions.
- How to specify multiple captions tracks.

## Where to specify the captions

Put your captions in the same output group, but a different output from your video.

After you add captions to an output, delete the **Video** and **Audio 1** groups of settings that the service automatically created with the output.

## To delete the Video and Audio 1 groups of settings

- 1. On the **Create job** page, in the **Job** pane on the left, under **Output groups**, choose the output that contains the groups of settings that you want to delete.
- 2. The **Video** group of settings is automatically displayed in the **Stream settings** section. Choose the **Remove video selector** button.
- The Audio 1 group of settings is automatically displayed in the Stream settings section.
   Choose the Remove button.

## How to specify multiple captions tracks

For each SRT, SCC or SMI output you must have one output per caption selector. In the caption output, choose the captions selector under **Captions source** that is set up for the track that you want to include. They will appear in the list of settings groups as **Captions Selector 1**, **Captions Selector 2**, and so forth.

## **Teletext output captions**

This section covers how to configure teletext output captions in AWS Elemental MediaConvert. The main topics include:

- Teletext to Teletext passthrough.
- Teletext to Teletext, page remapping.
- Teletext from other captions formats.

How you set up your output Teletext captions depends on whether you want to move the captions to different Teletext pages or to just pass through your captions exactly from the input to the output.

## **Teletext to Teletext passthrough**

When your input captions format is Teletext and you want your output captions to be on the same pages, with the same styling, as the input, then you can pass through the input captions to your output. To do so, set up your captions this way:

- Make sure that your input captions are set up with one captions selector. For more information, see Teletext input captions.
- In the same output group and same output as your video, create one captions tab. This one captions tab represents all of your output captions, regardless of the number of output Teletext pages you have.
- In your output captions tab, choose your input captions selector for **Captions source**.
- Don't specify values for any other settings on the output captions tab.

When you work directly in your JSON job specification, one captions tab corresponds to one child of CaptionDescriptions.

## Teletext to Teletext, page remapping

When your input captions format is Teletext and, in your output, you want to change the Teletext pages that your captions are on, you specify the pages in the input and output. To do so, set up your captions this way:

- Make sure that your input captions are set up with one captions selector for each Teletext page and that you specify the page number in the settings for each input captions selector. For more information, see Teletext input captions.
- In the same output group and same output as your video, create one captions tab for each output Teletext page.
- In each output captions tab, choose one of your input captions selectors for **Captions source**.
- In each output captions tab, for Page number, specify the Teletext page number that you want for those captions in your output. Optionally, provide values for Language, Description, and Page types.

## **Teletext from other captions formats**

When your input captions are in a format other than Teletext, you must specify the Teletext pages for your output captions. MediaConvert supports these captions workflows:

- A single input captions track to a single output Teletext page.
- A single input captions track to multiple output Teletext pages. Each output page duplicates the contents of the others.
- Multiple input captions tracks to multiple output Teletext pages. You use captions selectors to specify which captions to include on each output Teletext page.

Set up your captions like this:

- Make sure that your input captions are set up with one captions selector for each captions track that you intend to map to a Teletext page. For more information, see <u>Creating input captions</u> selectors.
- In the same output group and same output as your video, create one captions tab for each output Teletext page.
- In each output captions tab, choose one of your input captions selectors for **Captions source**.
- In each output captions tab, for **Page number**, specify the Teletext page number that you want for those captions in your output. Optionally, provide values for **Language** and **Description**.

## **Burn-in output captions**

This section covers how to configure burn-in output captions in AWS Elemental MediaConvert. The main topics include:

- Where to specify the captions.
- How to specify multiple captions tracks.
- How to use style passthrough.
- Non-english fonts and unsupported characters.

*Burn-in* is a way to deliver captions, rather than a captions format. Burn-in writes the captions directly on your video frames, replacing pixels of video content with the captions. If you want burn-in captions in an output, set up the captions according to the following information.

#### Where to specify the captions

Put your captions in the same output group and the same output as your video.

#### How to specify multiple captions tracks

You can burn in only one track of captions in each output.

#### How to use style passthrough

You can choose how to stylize the burn-in caption text that appears in your output video. There are a few options, including style passthrough, default settings, or manual overrides.

When you set Style passthrough to Enabled, MediaConvert uses the available style and position information from your input captions. Note that MediaConvert uses default settings for any missing style information.

MediaConvert supports style passthrough for the following input caption formats:

- Ancillary
- Embedded
- SCTE-20
- SCC

- TTML
- STL (EBU STL)
- SMPTE-TT (text based)
- Teletext
- IMSC
- WebVTT

When you set Style passthrough to Disabled, MediaConvert ignores style information from your input and uses default settings: white text with black outlining, bottom-center positioning, and automatic sizing.

Whether you set style passthrough to enabled or not, you can also choose to manually override any of the individual style options.

#### 🚯 Note

TTML and TTML-like (IMSC, SMPTE-TT) inputs have special style formatting requirements. For more information, see <u>TTML style formatting</u>.

#### How to specify the font script

AWS Elemental MediaConvert automatically selects the appropriate script for your captions, based on the language that you specify in the output captions settings. If the language that you choose has more than one possible script, specify the script that you want.

#### To ensure that the service uses the correct font script

- 1. In the **Captions** section under **Encoding settings**, for **Language**, choose the language of the captions text.
- 2. If the language that you specify has more than one possible script, use **Font script** to specify the script.

For example, if you choose **Chinese** (ZH) for **Language**, use **Font script** to choose either **Simplified Chinese** or **Traditional Chinese**. In this case, if you don't specify a value for **Font script**, the service defaults to simplified Chinese.

#### 🚺 Tip

In most cases, for **Font script** you can keep the default value of **Automatic**. When you do, the service chooses the script based on the language of the captions text.

#### Non-english fonts and unsupported characters

When your input font uses a non-English font script, your output burn-in captions may contain unsupported Unicode characters #. To resolve, set **Style passthrough** to **Enabled**.

### Settings for accessibility captions

When you create an HLS or CMAF HLS output and include an ISMC or WebVTT captions track, you can add accessibility attributes for captions to your output manifest. MediaConvert adds these attributes according to sections 4.5 and 4.6 of the HLS authoring specification for Apple devices.

When you set **Accessibility subtitles** (accessibility) to **Enabled** (ENABLED), MediaConvert adds the following attributes to the captions track in the manifest under EXT-X-MEDIA: CHARACTERISTICS="public.accessibility.describes-spokendialog,public.accessibility.describes-music-and-sound" and AUTOSELECT="YES".

Keep the default value, **Disabled** (DISABLED), if the captions track is not intended to provide such accessibility. MediaConvert will not add the attributes from the previous paragraph.

# Using output groups to specify a streaming package type or standalone file

AWS Elemental MediaConvert output functions differ based on which type of output group it is a part of.

File

In a File output group, each output that you set up results in a standalone output file.

For example, you might set up one output that contains all the video, audio, and captions together. You might also set up a separate output for sidecar captions, such as TTML.

#### Streaming output packages

In the following output groups, the outputs that you set up are separate parts of a single adaptive bitrate (ABR) streaming package: CMAF, Apple HLS, DASH ISO, and Microsoft Smooth Streaming.

In an ABR output group, each output is usually one element of the media. That is, each output is one slice in the adaptive bitrate (ABR) stack. For example, you might have an output for each of three resolutions of video, an output for each of two audio language tracks, and an output for each of two captions languages.

The following illustration shows the relationship between outputs in an ABR output group and the files that MediaConvert creates. Each orange box corresponds to an output within the output group. In this example, there are three resolutions of video, audio in two languages, and captions in two languages. The package contains segmented audio, video, and captions files, plus manifest files that tell the player which files to download and when to play them.

Sub-manifest	Sub-manifest	Sub-manifest
Sub-manifest	Sub-manifest	Sub-manifest
Sub-manifest		Main manifest: .m3u8 (HLS) .mpd (DASH)
		.ismv, .ismc (Smooth) One per output group

A single job can generate zero to many standalone files and zero to many streaming packages. To create more than one standalone file, add a single file output group to your job and add multiple outputs to that output group. To create more than one streaming package, add multiple **CMAF**, **AppleHLS**, **DASH ISO**, or **Microsoft Smooth Streaming** output groups to your job.

The following illustration shows a MediaConvert job that generates two standalone .mp4 files, two Apple HLS packages, and a CMAF package. A single file output group with two outputs results in two standalone files. A single Apple HLS output group with seven outputs results in a single viewable package with seven ABR slices.



For information about setting up output groups and outputs within your job, see <u>Tutorial</u>: <u>Configuring job settings</u>.

# Choosing your ABR streaming output groups

To create media assets for people to stream to their devices, choose one or more of the adaptive bitrate (ABR) output groups: Apple HLS, DASH ISO, Microsoft Smooth Streaming, or CMAF. The

#### 🚯 Note

When you set up CMAF, DASH ISO, or Microsoft Smooth Streaming output groups, make sure to set your fragment length correctly. For information about setting fragment length, see Setting the fragment length for streaming outputs.

The following table summarizes the relationships between output groups and media players.

Media players	Use this output group
Apple devices, earlier than approximately 2013	Apple HLS
Apple devices, newer	CMAF
Android devices, most smart TVs	CMAF or DASH ISO
Microsoft devices	Microsoft Smooth Streaming

#### 🚺 Note

MediaConvert bills for each minute of transcoded output time, not per job. Therefore, when you add output groups to a job, it becomes more expensive.

For example, a job with an Apple HLS package and a DASH ISO package costs twice as much as a job with only one of those packages. This is assuming that the transcoding settings are the same.

#### To determine which output groups you need

- Decide which devices you want end viewers to be able to play the transcoded media asset on. If you want your asset to play on every possible device, include these output groups:
  - Apple HLS

- DASH ISO or CMAF
- Microsoft Smooth Streaming
- 2. Consider whether to use advanced encoding features. To deliver either of the following to Apple devices, you must also include a CMAF output group:
  - High-dynamic-range (HDR) video
  - H.265 (HEVC) encoded video

If you include a CMAF output, you don't need to create a DASH ISO output because all the common DASH-compatible players are also CMAF-compatible.

### 🚯 Note

There are a few uncommon DASH players that explicitly require the video segmentation extension type .mp4. MediaConvert outputs CMAF video segments in the .cmfv format. To create output that is compatible with these players, include a DASH ISO output group in your job.

3. Consider cost trade-off.

If you don't need to support players produced earlier than approximately 2013, and if you don't need to support the rare DASH players that require .mp4 video segments, you can include a single CMAF output group instead of both DASH ISO and Apple HLS. Creating a single CMAF package instead of separate DASH ISO and Apple HLS packages can also offer cost savings in your video storage and distribution. This is because you must store and distribute only one set of video and audio files.

# Setting the fragment length for streaming outputs

For all ABR streaming output groups other than HLS (CMAF, DASH, and Microsoft Smooth Streaming), the value that you specify for **Fragment length** (FragmentLength) must work with the other output settings that you specify. If you set **Fragment length** incorrectly, when viewers watch the output video, their player might crash. This can happen because the player expects additional segments at the end of the video and requests segments that don't exist.

Fragment length is constrained by your values for Closed GOP cadence (GopClosedCadence), GOP size (GopSize), and Frame rate (FramerateNumerator, FramerateDenominator). For information about finding these settings on the console and in your JSON job specification, see Finding the settings related to fragment length.

#### 🚯 Note

When you set your output **Frame rate** to **Follow source**, make sure that the frame rate of your input video file works with the value that you specify for the output **Fragment length**. The frame rate of your input video file functions as your output frame rate.

#### Topics

- Rule for fragment length
- Fragment length examples
- Finding the settings related to fragment length

#### Rule for fragment length

Fragment length must be a whole number and must be a multiple of this value: **GOP size** x **Closed GOP cadence** ÷ **Frame rate** 

#### Fragment length examples

#### **Example: Correct settings**

Closed GOP cadence = 1

Frame rate = 30

GOP size = 60 frames

Fragment length = 2

#### **Example: Incorrect settings**

Closed GOP Cadence = 1

Frame rate = 50

GOP size = 90 frames

# Finding the settings related to fragment length

When you set **Fragment length**, check your values for **Closed GOP cadence**, **GOP size**, and **Frame rate**.

#### Fragment length

You can set the fragment length using either the console or the JSON job specification. The **Fragment length** setting applies to an output group and affects every output in the group.

#### To find the Fragment length setting (console)

- 1. On the **Create job** page, in the **Job** pane on the left, under **Output groups**, choose the name of your CMAF, DASH ISO, or Microsoft Smooth Streaming output group.
- 2. In the group settings section on the right, find **Fragment length**.

The group settings section is titled CMAF group settings, DASH ISO group settings, or MS Smooth group settings.

#### To find the Fragment length setting (JSON job specification)

• Find FragmentLength as a child of OutputGroupSettings, as in the following example.

```
{
  "Settings": {
    . . .
    "Inputs": [
      . . .
    ],
    "OutputGroups": [
      {
        "Name": "DASH ISO",
        "OutputGroupSettings": {
          "Type": "DASH_ISO_GROUP_SETTINGS",
          "DashIsoGroupSettings": {
            "SegmentLength": 30,
            "FragmentLength": 2,
            "SegmentControl": "SINGLE_FILE",
            "HbbtvCompliance": "NONE"
          }
```

},

#### Closed GOP cadence, GOP size, and frame rate

You can set **Closed GOP cadence**, **GOP size**, and **Frame rate** using either the console or the JSON job specification. These settings apply to each output individually. Make sure that the values that you set for each output in the output group work with the value that you specify for the output group's **Fragment length**.

#### 🚯 Note

Your ABR stack has multiple outputs. Make sure to set these values in each output.

#### To find the encoding settings for an output (console)

- 1. On the **Create job** page, in the **Job** pane on the left, under **Output groups**, choose the name of your output, such as **Output 1**, **Output 2**, and so on.
- 2. In the **Encoding settings** section, the **Video** tab is selected automatically. Find **Closed GOP cadence**, **GOP size**, and **Frame rate** on this tab.

#### To find the encoding settings for an output (JSON job specification)

 Find GopClosedCadence, GopSize, FramerateNumerator, and FramerateDenominator as children of the codec settings, as in the following example. In this example, the codec is H\_264, so the parent of the codec settings is H264Settings.

```
{
    "Settings": {
        ...
        "Inputs": [
        ...
    ],
    "OutputGroups": [
        {
            "Name": "DASH ISO",
        ...
        },
        ...
        },
        ...
        },
        ...
    }
```

```
"Outputs": [
   {
      "VideoDescription": {
        . . .
        "CodecSettings": {
          "Codec": "H_264",
          "H264Settings": {
            "InterlaceMode": "PROGRESSIVE",
            "NumberReferenceFrames": 3,
            "Syntax": "DEFAULT",
            "Softness": 0,
            "GopClosedCadence": 1,
            "GopSize": 60,
. . .
            "FramerateNumerator": 60,
            "FramerateDenominator": 1
          }
        },
        . . .
      },
```

#### **HLS player version support**

AWS Elemental MediaConvert automatically sets the player version metadata based on the features that you enable. Most HLS assets that you create with MediaConvert are compatible with HLS players version 2 and later.

This list shows the features that might require updated player support:

Add I-frame only manifest: HLS Output group > Output > Advanced > Add I-frame only manifest

When you choose Include, viewers can play the asset with HLS players version 4 and later.

When you choose **Exclude**, viewers can play the asset with HLS players version 2 and later.

Audio track type: HLS Output group > Output > Output settings > Advanced > Audio track type

When you choose one of the **Alternate audio** options for any audio variants, viewers can play the asset with HLS players version 4 and later.

When you choose **Audio-only variant stream** for **Audio track type**, or keep **Audio track type** unselected for all of your audio variants, viewers can play the asset with HLS players version 2 and later.

#### DRM encryption method: HLS output group > DRM encryption > Encryption method

When you choose **SAMPLE-AES** for **DRM encryption**, **Encryption method**, viewers can play the asset with HLS players version 5 and later.

When you choose any other value for **DRM encryption**, **Encryption method**, viewers can play the asset with HLS players version 2 and later.

**Descriptive video service flag**: HLS output group > Output (must be audio-only) > Output settings > Descriptive video service flag

This setting is also available in CMAF output groups: CMAF output group > Output > CMAF container settings > Advanced > Descriptive video service flag

To find this setting, your HLS or CMAF output must have only audio settings. In HLS outputs, you must remove the default **Video** tab.

When you choose **Flag** for **Descriptive video service flag**, viewers can play the asset with HLS players version 5 and later.

To create a compliant Apple HLS output: When you set **Descriptive video service flag** to **Flag**, you must also set **Audio track type** to **Alternative audio, auto select, default** or **Alternative audio, auto select, not default**.

**Manifest duration format**: HLS output group > Apple HLS group settings > Advanced > Manifest duration format

When you set your manifest duration format to **Integer**, viewers can play the asset with HLS players version 2 and later.

When you set your manifest duration format to **Floating point**, viewers can play the asset with HLS players version 3 and later.

Segment control: HLS output group > Apple HLS group settings > Segment control

When you set segment control to **Single file**, viewers can play the asset with HLS players version 4 and later.

When you set segment control to **Segmented files**, viewers can play the asset with HLS players version 2 and later.

Choosing your streaming output groups

# **Recommended encoding settings for video quality**

When you create a job with AWS Elemental MediaConvert, the encoding settings that you choose affect video quality, file size, and player compatibility.

You can configure your job to allow MediaConvert to automatically select the best encoding settings for video quality, with a balanced output file size. Or, you can manually specify encoding settings to match your output or delivery requirements.

This section introduces basic concepts, describes typical settings, and provides guidance for choosing settings optimized for video quality.

#### Topics

- Reference for GOP structure and frame types
- GOP size recommended setting
- <u>B-frames between reference frames recommended setting</u>
- <u>Closed GOP cadence recommended setting</u>
- Dynamic sub-GOP recommended setting
- GOP reference B-frames recommended setting
- Min I-Interval recommended setting
- Adaptive quantization recommended setting

# **Reference for GOP structure and frame types**

When you create a job, the group of pictures (GOP) settings that you choose for your output affect video quality and player compatibility. This section introduces basic GOP concepts, describes typical GOP settings, and provides guidance for choosing settings optimized for video quality.

A GOP is a specific arrangement of compressed video frame types. These frame types include the following:

#### I-Frames

Intra-coded frames. Contain all of the information that a decoder uses decode the frame. Typically, I-frames use the most number of bits within a video stream.

#### **IDR-Frames**

Instantaneous Decoder Refresh frames. Similar to I-frames, they contain all of the information that a decoder uses to decode the frame. However, frames cannot reference any frame that comes before an IDR-frame.

#### **P-Frames**

Predicted frames. Contain the differences between the current frame and one or more frames before it. P-frames offer much better compression than I-frames and use fewer bits within a video stream.

#### **B-Frames**

Bidirectional predicted frames. Contain the differences between the current frame and one or more frames before or after it. B-frames offer the highest compression and take up the fewest bits within a video stream.

A typical GOP starts with an IDR-frame and follows with a repeating pattern of B- and P-frames. For example: IDRBBPBBPBBPBB

The following topics provide more information about individual GOP settings and recommend settings that are optimized for video quality.

#### **GOP size recommended setting**

GOP size is the number of frames in a GOP, and it defines the interval between IDR-frames. For example, if a GOP starts with an IDR-frame and has a combination of 29 B and P-frames, the GOP size is 30 frames.

A typical GOP size is 1–2 seconds long and corresponds to the video frame rate. For example, if your output frame rate is 30 frames per second, a typical GOP size is 30 or 60 frames.

When you set your output video codec to AVC (H.264) or HEVC (H.265), set **GOP mode control** to Auto. This allows MediaConvert to select an optimal GOP size.

#### 🚯 Note

Streaming video formats, including HLS, DASH, CMAF, and MSS, require the fragment or segment length to be a multiple of the GOP size. For more information, see <u>Setting the</u> <u>fragment length for streaming outputs</u>. When you set GOP mode control to Auto for these

video formats, MediaConvert automatically selects a compatible and optimized GOP size that's relative to the fragment or segment length.

### B-frames between reference frames recommended setting

Defines the maximum number of B-frames that MediaConvert can use between reference frames.

A typical value is 1 or 2 if **GOP reference B-Frames** is set to Disabled, and 3–5 if **GOP reference B-frames** is set to Enabled.

When you set your output video codec to AVC (H. 264) or HEVC (H. 265), keep **B-frames between reference frames** blank. This allows MediaConvert to select an optimal number of B-frames between reference frames.

### **Closed GOP cadence recommended setting**

**Closed GOP cadence** defines the number of GOPs a P- or B-frame is able to reference across. A GOP can either be *open* or *closed*. Open GOPs can have frames that reference a frame from a different GOP, while closed GOPs have frames that reference only within the GOP itself.

When you set your output video codec to AVC (H.264) or HEVC (H.265), keep **Closed GOP** cadence blank to allow MediaConvert to select an optimal closed GOP cadence.

### Dynamic sub-GOP recommended setting

A dynamic sub-GOP can improve the subjective video quality of high-motion content. It does this by allowing the number of B-frames to vary.

When you set your output video codec to AVC (H.264) or HEVC (H.265), set **Dynamic sub-GOP** to Adaptive. This allows MediaConvert to determine an optimal sub-GOP.

# **GOP reference B-frames recommended setting**

When you set your output video codec to AVC (H.264) or HEVC (H.265), set **GOP reference Bframes** to Enabled to allow B-frames to be referenced by other frame types. This improves the video quality of your output relative to its bitrate.

# Min I-Interval recommended setting

Min I-Interval enforces a minimum number of frames between IDR-frames. This includes frames that are created at the beginning of a GOP or by scene change detection. Use Min I-Interval to

improve video compression by varying GOP size when two IDR-frames would be created near each other.

When you set your output video codec to AVC (H.264) or HEVC (H.265), keep **Min I-Interval** blank. This allows MediaConvert to select an optimal minimum I-interval.

# Adaptive quantization recommended setting

Adaptive quantization selects the strength applied to the different quantization modes that MediaConvert uses, including flicker, spatial, and temporal quantization. MediaConvert uses adaptive quantization to assign bits according to the complexity of your video.

When you set your output video codec to AVC (H.264), HEVC (H.265), or XAVC, set **Adaptive quantization** to Auto to allow MediaConvert to select an optimal adaptive quantization.

# Using variables in your job settings

You can use variables, also called *format identifiers*, in your job settings. Format identifiers are values that you can put in your job settings that resolve differently in your outputs depending on the characteristics of the input files or the job. They are particularly useful in output presets, job templates, and jobs that you intend to duplicate and re-use.

For example, you might use the date format identifier \$d\$ for your **Destination** setting. If you want your outputs organized by the date and time that the job starts, for **Destination** you might enter **s3://amzn-s3-demo-bucket1/\$d\$/**. For a job that starts June 4, 2020, the service will create your outputs in s3://amzn-s3-demo-bucket1/20200604/.

For a list of the available format identifiers and examples of how to use them, see <u>the section</u> <u>called "List of settings variables with examples"</u>.

For information about format identifiers that function differently in streaming outputs, see <u>the</u> <u>section called "Using settings variables with streaming outputs"</u>.

#### Topics

- List of settings variables with examples
- Using settings variables with streaming outputs
- Specifying a minimum number of digits

# List of settings variables with examples

The following table provides information about each of the format identifiers that you can use in your AWS Elemental MediaConvert job. For information about format identifiers that function differently in streaming outputs, see <u>the section called "Using settings variables with streaming outputs"</u>.

Format identifier	Value to put in the job setting	Compatible job settings	Description and example
Date and time	\$dt\$	Destination	UTC date and time of the start time of the job.
		Name modifier	
		Segment modifier	Format: YYYYMMDDT HHMMSS
			Example: For a job that starts at 3:05:28 PM on June 4, 2020,
			<b>\$dt\$</b> resolves to 20200604T150528 .
Date	\$d\$	Destination	UTC date of the start time of the job.
		Name modifier	
		Segment modifier	Format: YYYYMMDD
			Example: For a job that starts on June 4,
			2020, <b>\$d\$</b> resolves to 20200604.
Time	\$t\$	Destination	UTC start time of the
		Name modifier	job.
		Segment modifier	Format: HHMMSS
			Example: For a job that starts at 3:05:28

Format identifier	Value to put in the job setting	Compatible job settings	Description and example
			PM, <b>\$t\$</b> resolves to 150528.
Video bitrate	\$rv\$	Name modifier	The video bitrate of the output, in
		Segment modifier	kilobits. For QVBR outputs, the service uses video max bitrate, in kilobits.
			Example: If you set Encoding settings, Video, Bitrate (bits/ s) to 50000000, \$rv \$ resolves to 50000.
Audio bitrate	\$ra\$	Name modifier	Total of all the audio
		Segment modifier	bitrates in the output, in kilobits.
			Example: If you have an output with a single audio tab and you set <b>Encoding</b> settings, Audio 1, Bitrate (kbit/s) to 256000, \$ra\$ resolves to 256000.

Format identifier	Value to put in the job setting	Compatible job settings	Description and example
Container bitrate	\$rc\$	Name modifier Segment modifier	Combined audio and video bitrate for the output, in kilobits.
			Example: You have an output with a Video settings tab and Audio 1 settings tab. If you set Encoding settings, Video, Bitrate (bits/s) to 5000000 and you set Encoding settings, Audio, Bitrate ( bits/s) to 96000 (96 kilobits), \$rc\$ resolves to 5096.
Video frame width	\$w\$	Name modifier Segment modifier	The frame width, or horizontal resolution,
		Segment modifier	in pixels. Example: If you set <b>Encoding settings</b> ,
			Video, Resolution (w x h) to 1280 x 720 , \$w\$ resolves to 1280.

Format identifier	Value to put in the job setting	Compatible job settings	Description and example
Video frame height	\$h\$	Name modifier	The frame height, or vertical resolution, in pixels.
		Segment modifier	
			Example: If you set Encoding settings, Video, Resolution (w x h) to 1280 x 720, \$h\$ resolves to 720.
Framerate	\$f\$	Name modifier	Framerate, in frames
		Segment modifier	per second, truncated to the nearest whole number.
			Example: If your framerate is <b>59.940</b> , <b>\$f\$</b> resolves to 59.
Input file name	\$fn\$	Destination	Name of the input
		Name modifier	file, without the file extension. For jobs
		Segment modifier	that have multiple inputs, this is the first file specified in the job.
			Example: If Input 1 for your job is s3://amzn-s3- demo-bucket/my -video.mov , \$fn \$ resolves to my- video.

Format identifier	Value to put in the job setting	Compatible job settings	Description and example
Output container file extension	\$ex\$	Name modifier Segment modifier	Varies depending on the output group. For <b>File group</b> outputs, this is the extension of the output container file. For other output groups, this is the extension of the manifest.
			Example for file group: If you choose <b>MPEG2-TS</b> for <b>Output settings</b> , <b>Container</b> , <b>\$ex\$</b> resolves to m2ts. Example for HLS group: If your output group is HLS, <b>\$ex\$</b> resolves to m3u8.

Format identifier	Value to put in the job setting	Compatible job settings	Description and example
\$	\$\$	Name modifier	Escaped \$.
		Segment modifier	Example:
			Suppose that you provide the following values:
			<ul> <li>Input file name: file1.mp4</li> <li>Destination: s3://amzn-s3-</li> </ul>
			<pre>demo-bucket/ Name modifier:   my-video\$\$hi-   res-</pre>
			Your output file name and path resolves to s3://amzn-s3- demo-bucket/my -video\$hi-res- file1.mp4 .

# Using settings variables with streaming outputs

Variables in your job settings, also called *format identifiers*, function differently for outputs in Apple HLS and DASH ISO output groups. Here are the differences:

### For Apple HLS Outputs

When you use the date and time format identifiers (\$dt\$, \$t\$, \$d\$) in the **Segment modifier** setting, these format identifiers resolve to the completion time of each segment, rather than to the start time of the job.

### 🚯 Note

For jobs that use accelerated transcoding, segments might complete at the same time. This means that date and time format identifiers don't always resolve to unique values.

### For DASH ISO Outputs

You can use two additional format identifiers in the **Name modifier** setting. These affect the DASH manifest in addition to the output file name. Here are the identifiers:

### \$Number\$

In your output file names, \$Number\$ resolves to a series of numbers that increment from 1. This replaces the default, nine-digit segment numbering in the segment file names. For example:

- If you specify video\_\$Number\$ for Name modifier, the service creates segment files named video\_1.mp4, video\_2.mp4, and so on.
- If you specify only **video\_** for **Name modifier**, the service creates segment files named video\_00000001.mp4, video\_00000002.mp4, and so on.

In your DASH manifest, AWS Elemental MediaConvert includes duration and startNumber inside the SegmentTemplate element, like this: <SegmentTemplate timescale="90000" media="main\_video\_\$Number\$.mp4" initialization="main\_video\_\$Number \$init.mp4" duration="3375000"/>

### 🚺 Note

If you use the \$Number\$ format identifier in an output, you must also use it in every other output of the output group.

#### \$Bandwidth\$

In your output file names, \$Bandwidth\$ resolves to the value of **Video**, **Bitrate** plus the value of **Audio**, **Bitrate** in the output. Regardless of whether you include this format identifier, the service uses nine-digit segment numbering in the segment file names.

For example, suppose you specify these values:

- Video, Bitrate (bits/s): 5000000
- Audio, Bitrate (kbits/s): 96.0 (96,000 bits/s)
- Name modifier: video\_\$Bandwidth\$

The value for \$Bandwidth\$ resolves to 50,096,000. The service creates segment files named video\_50096000\_00000001.mp4, video\_50096000\_0000002.mp4, and so on.

In the manifest, AWS Elemental MediaConvert includes duration and startNumber inside the SegmentTemplate element, like this: <SegmentTemplate timescale="90000" media="main\_video\_\$Bandwidth\$.mp4" initialization="main\_video\_\$Bandwidth \$init.mp4" duration="3375000"/>.

#### \$Time\$

In your output file names, \$Time\$ resolves to the duration, in milliseconds, of the segment. When you include this format identifier, the service doesn't use the default nine-digit segment numbering in the segment file names.

For example, if you specify **video180\_\_\$Time\$** for **Name modifier**, the service creates segment files named video180\_\_345600.mp4, video180\_\_331680.mp4, and so on. In these examples, the segment durations are 345,600 ms and 331,680 ms.

In the manifest, AWS Elemental MediaConvert includes SegmentTimeline inside the SegmentTemplate element, like this:

```
<Representation id="5" width="320" height="180" bandwidth="200000"
codecs="avc1.4d400c">
        <SegmentTemplate media="video180_$Time$.mp4"
initialization="videovideo180_init.mp4">
        <SegmentTimeline>
        <SegmentTimeline>
        <S t="0" d="345600" r="2"/>
        <S t="1036800" d="316800"/>
        </SegmentTimeline>
        </SegmentTemplate>
```

#### 🚯 Note

If you use the \$Time\$ format identifier in an output, you must also use it in every other output of the output group.

# Specifying a minimum number of digits

For format identifiers that return a number, you can specify a minimum number of digits that the format identifier will resolve to. When you do, the service adds padding zeros before any value that would return fewer digits.

Use the following syntax to specify the number of digits: **%0[number of digits]**. Put this value just before the final \$ of the format identifier.

For example, suppose that your video frame height is 720 and you want to specify a minimum of four digits, so that it appears in your file name as 0720. To do that, use the following format identifier: **\$h%04\$**.

#### 1 Note

Values that are too large to be expressed in the number of digits you specify resolve with more digits.

# Working with output presets

Output presets reduce the amount of time it takes to configure a job by providing pre-configured output settings. You can also use presets as a reference for recommended settings.

This chapter provides step-by-step instructions on how to work with MediaConvert presets. In addition to applying presets to jobs or templates, you can also create, modify, delete, and list presets.

Presets apply to a single output of a transcoding job. If you want to apply settings for an *entire* job, see <u>Working with job templates</u>.

You can use a system preset with settings already configured for you, or you can create a custom preset with your own settings. You can create a custom preset from scratch, starting with only the default settings, or you can duplicate a system preset, adjust it to suit your workflow, and then save it as a custom preset.

### Topics

- Specifying a preset
- Creating a preset
- Creating a preset, based on a system preset
- Modifying a preset
- Listing presets
- Deleting a custom preset

# Specifying a preset

When you specify the outputs of your MediaConvert job, you can use an output preset instead of choosing each output setting separately.

#### To specify a preset for an output using the MediaConvert console:

- 1. Create a job in the usual way, as described in <u>Creating a job</u>.
- 2. Create output groups as described in <u>Step 3: Create output groups</u>.

### 🚯 Tip

Many jobs have one output for each type of device that will play the video created by the job.

- 3. On the **Create job** page, in the **Job** pane on the left, choose an output. Outputs are listed in the **Output groups** section, under their output group.
- 4. In the **Output settings** pane, choose an output preset from the **Preset** dropdown list. For more information about individual settings, choose the **Info** link next to each setting.

#### 🚯 Note

The **Preset** dropdown list shows only the presets that work with the type of output group that the output is in.

- 5. For **Name modifier**, type a set of characters that will distinguish the files created from this output. For example, you might use **-DASH-lo-res** for the output in your DASH output group that has the lowest resolution.
- 6. Repeat these steps for each output in your job that you want to specify with a preset.
- 7. Finish creating the job as described in <u>Creating a job</u>.

# **Creating a preset**

Output presets specify the settings that apply to a single output of a transcoding job. System presets have the output settings that are specified for you; custom presets have settings that are specified by you or by another user of your AWS account.

You can create a custom preset by individually specifying the settings, as described in this topic. Or you can create a custom preset by duplicating and modifying an existing preset, as described in <u>Creating a preset</u>, <u>based on a system preset</u>.

#### To create a custom output preset

- 1. Open the Output presets page in the MediaConvert console.
- 2. In the **Output presets** pane, choose the **Create preset** button.

3. In the **Preset settings** pane, specify at a minimum the name of the new preset. Optionally, provide a description and a category.

These values help you find the custom preset later. For more information see Listing presets.

4. In the **Preset settings** pane, choose the container for the output.

### 🚺 Tip

It's important to specify a container that is appropriate to the output type that you intend to create with the preset. When you choose a system or custom preset as part of creating a job, the console displays only the presets that specify a container that is valid for the output group.

5. Choose your output settings.

For more information about each setting, choose the **Info** link located next to the setting or next to the heading for the group of settings.

6. Choose the **Create** button at the bottom of the page.

# Creating a preset, based on a system preset

MediaConvert doesn't allow you to modify system presets. If you want a preset that is like a system preset but slightly modified, you can duplicate the system preset, customize the settings, and save it as a custom preset.

#### To create a custom output preset based on a system preset

- 1. Open the Output presets page in the MediaConvert console.
- 2. In the **Output presets** pane, from the **Presets** dropdown list, choose **System presets**.
- 3. Choose the name of the system preset that is most like the custom preset that you want to create.
- 4. On the **Preset details** page, choose **Duplicate**.
- 5. On the **Create preset** page, specify a name for the new preset. Optionally, modify the description and category.

These values help you find the custom preset later. For more information see Listing presets.

6. Modify any output settings.

For more information about each setting, choose the **Info** link that is located next to the setting or next to the heading for the group of settings.

7. Choose the **Create** button at the bottom of the page.

#### 🚯 Note

This button looks like the **Create** button for creating a job, but in this context, choosing it creates the custom preset.

# Modifying a preset

You can adjust the settings and field values in your custom presets. You can't change system presets, but you can duplicate them and modify the duplicate, as described in <u>Creating a preset</u>, <u>based on a system preset</u>.

After you modify a preset, jobs that use the preset will run with the new settings, including the following:

- Jobs that directly specify the custom preset.
- Jobs that you create based on a template that uses the custom preset.
- Jobs that you duplicate from your job history that use the custom preset. The original job used the settings in the preset as they were at the time; the new job uses the current settings.

#### To modify a custom output preset

- 1. Open the Output presets page in the MediaConvert console.
- 2. Choose the name of the custom preset that you want to modify.
- 3. Adjust the settings.
- 4. Choose Save.

# **Listing presets**

You can list the system presets that are included with MediaConvert and the custom presets that you have added in an AWS Region. You can also view the settings for an individual preset.

- 2. In the **Output presets** pane, from the **Presets** dropdown list, choose **Custom presets** or **System presets**.
- 3. If you are viewing system presets, you can optionally filter the list of presets by category. Do so by choosing from the **Category** dropdown list.
- 4. To display settings for an individual preset, choose the preset name from the list of presets.

# **Deleting a custom preset**

You can delete the custom presets that you added in an AWS Region. You can't delete the system presets.

#### To delete a custom preset

- 1. Open the Output presets page in the MediaConvert console.
- 2. Choose the name of the custom preset that you want to delete.
- 3. On the **Preset details** page, choose **Delete preset**.

# Working with job templates

Job templates reduce the amount of time it takes to configure a job by providing pre-configured job settings.

This chapter provides step-by-step instructions on how to work with MediaConvert templates. In addition creating a job from a template, you can create, modify, list, and delete templates.

Job templates apply to an entire transcoding job; output presets apply to a single output of a transcoding job. For more about output presets, see <u>Working with output presets</u>.

You can use a system job template with settings specified for you, or you can create a custom job template with your own settings. You can create a custom job template from scratch, starting with only the default settings. Or you can duplicate a system job template, adjust it to suit your workflow, and then save it as a custom job template.

#### Topics

- <u>Creating a job from a template</u>
- Creating a template
- Modifying a template
- Listing templates
- Deleting a template

# Creating a job from a template

Job templates apply to an entire transcoding job and provide values for settings that stay the same across multiple jobs. You specify the input settings and the AWS Identity and Access Management (IAM) service role in the job itself. These values are not saved in the template because they are likely to vary from job to job.

#### To create a job using a job template

- 1. Open the Job templates page in the MediaConvert console.
- 2. In the **Job templates** pane, from the **Templates** dropdown list, choose **Custom job templates** or **System job templates**.

#### 🚯 Note

Custom job templates appear only in the AWS Region where they are created. When you choose **Custom job templates**, you see only the job templates created in the AWS Region you chose at the beginning of this procedure.

- 3. Choose the name of the job template that you want to use.
- 4. On the **Job template details** page, choose **Create job**.
- 5. In the Inputs section of the Job pane, choose Add.
- 6. Specify your input video, audio, and captions settings.

#### 🚯 Note

Make sure that you specify your audio and captions selectors in a way that corresponds to the outputs that are specified in the job template.

- 7. In the Job settings section of the Job pane, choose Settings.
- 8. In the **Job settings** pane, in the **IAM role** dropdown list, choose the service role that you created to grant permissions to MediaConvert to access your resources on your behalf. For instructions on creating this role, see <u>Setting up IAM permissions</u>.

# **Creating a template**

Job templates specify the settings that apply to all outputs of a transcoding job. System job templates have settings that are specified for you; custom job templates have settings that are specified by you or by another user of your AWS account.

You can create a job template by individually specifying the settings for each output. Or you can create a custom preset by specifying a preset for each output's settings, as described in <u>Specifying</u> <u>a preset</u>.

#### To create a custom job template

- 1. Open the Job templates page in the MediaConvert console.
- 2. In the **Job templates** pane, choose the **Create template** button.

3. In the **General information** pane, specify at a minimum the name of the new job template. Optionally, provide a description and a category.

These values help you find the custom template later. For more information, see <u>Listing</u> templates.

4. In the **Job template** pane, add inputs, output groups, outputs, and job-wide settings.

The procedure for this is the same as described in <u>Tutorial: Configuring job settings</u>, except that you don't specify the location and file name of your input, and you don't specify the IAM role that the service assumes so that it can access your resources.

#### 🚯 Note

If you set up outputs by referring to output presets, make sure to specify input audio and captions selectors to correspond with any output audio and captions that are specified in the preset. For example, if you use an output preset with three audio tracks that use audio selectors 1, 2, and 3, make sure that the input that you specify has audio selectors 1, 2, and 3.

5. Choose the **Create** button at the bottom of the page.

# **Modifying a template**

You can change the settings and field values in your custom job templates. You can't change system job templates, but you can modify the settings in jobs that you start from a system job template, before you create the job.

#### To modify a custom job template

- 1. Open the Job templates page in the MediaConvert console.
- 2. Choose the name of the custom job template that you want to modify.

By default, the **Job templates** page is filtered to show only custom templates.

- 3. On the Job template details page, choose the Update button.
- 4. On the **Update job template** page, adjust the settings in the template, in the same way that you would when setting up a job.
- 5. Choose the **Update** button at the bottom of the **Update job template** page.

You can list the system job templates that are included with MediaConvert and the custom job templates that you have added in a AWS Region. You can also view the settings for an individual job template.

### To list job templates

- 1. Open the Job templates page in the MediaConvert console.
- 2. In the **Job templates** pane, from the **Templates** dropdown list, choose **Custom job templates** or **System job templates**.
- 3. If you are viewing system job templates, you can optionally filter the list of job templates by category. Do so by choosing from the **Category** dropdown list.
- 4. To display settings for an individual job template, choose the job template name from the list of job templates.

# **Deleting a template**

You can delete any custom job template. You can't delete system job templates.

# To delete a job template

- 1. Open the Job templates page in the MediaConvert console.
- 2. Choose the name of the custom job template that you want to modify.

By default, the **Job templates** page is filtered to show only custom templates.

3. On the **Job template details** page, choose the **Delete** button.

# Working with queues in AWS Elemental MediaConvert

A queue is a set of resources that processes jobs. All jobs run in a queue.

To start a job, you submit it to a queue. AWS Elemental MediaConvert processes jobs that you submit to a queue in parallel. When all of your queue's resources are used, additional jobs stay in a SUBMITTED state until your queue's resources become available again. Use queues to manage the resources that are available to your account, to process multiple jobs concurrently, and to prioritize some jobs when needed.

MediaConvert offers the following two queue types:

#### **On-demand queues**

With on-demand queues, you don't have to set up anything in advance. Your default queue is an on-demand queue. You pay rates that depend on the features that you use. For more information, see MediaConvert Pricing.

#### **Reserved queues**

With reserved queues, you pay for the transcoding capacity of the entire queue, regardless of how much or how little you use it. For more information, see <u>MediaConvert Pricing</u>.

If you don't specify a queue when you create your job, MediaConvert sends it to the default ondemand queue.

For information about how many queues you can create and how many jobs those queues can run, see Service quotas in the AWS General Reference Guide.

You can set up your job to move from one queue to another automatically if it stays in a SUBMITTED state for too long. For more information, see Moving a job to a different queue.

The time to complete a job varies significantly according to your input files and job settings. Accordingly, MediaConvert doesn't always complete jobs in the same order that you submit them.

#### How to specify a queue for your job

You specify a job's queue when you submit your job. The following tabs show different options for specifying a queue for your job.

#### Console

To specify a queue for your job by using the MediaConvert console, complete these steps:

- 1. Open the Create job page in the MediaConvert console.
- 2. Choose Job management from the Job settings menu.
- 3. Under Queue, choose a queue.

#### API, SDK, or the AWS CLI

To specify a job's queue by using the API, SDK, or the AWS Command Line Interface (AWS CLI), specify the Queue property. This property is a direct child of Jobs, which is in the top level of the JSON job specification. Set Queue to the ARN of your queue.

The following is an excerpt of a job settings JSON with an example queue specified.

```
{
   "Settings": {
    "OutputGroups": [...],
    "Inputs": [...]
   },
   "Queue": "arn:aws:mediaconvert:us-west-2:11122223333:queues/example"
}
```

For more information, see the MediaConvert API Reference.

The following topics provide information about how queues work in general, and about each type of queue specifically.

#### Topics

- Working with on-demand queues
- Working with reserved queues in AWS Elemental MediaConvert
- Setting job priority
- Moving a job to a different queue

# Working with on-demand queues

Your account starts with one on-demand queue, which is the default queue when you create jobs. With on-demand queues, you pay based on usage. For pricing details, see <u>AWS Elemental</u> <u>MediaConvert pricing</u>.

This section describes processing multiple jobs in parallel, creating additional queues, viewing queues, updating queues, pausing or activating queues, and deleting queues.

#### Topics

- Processing multiple jobs in parallel
- Creating a queue
- Updating queues
- <u>Viewing on-demand queue details</u>
- Deleting a queue

# Processing multiple jobs in parallel

The total number of jobs that you can process concurrently depends on the following:

#### Service quota for Concurrent jobs per account

Your account has a service quota for the maximum number of jobs that MediaConvert can process at one time, across *all* of your on-demand queues in the current AWS Region. You can request an increase to this quota by using the <u>Service Quotas</u> console.

#### Service quota for Concurrent jobs per on-demand queue

Your account has a service quota for the maximum number of concurrent jobs that are available to any *individual* on-demand queue in the current AWS Region. You can request an increase to this quota by using the <u>Service Quotas</u> console.

#### Queue configuration for Concurrent jobs

Each of your on-demand queues has a setting for Concurrent jobs, which is the maximum number of jobs it can process at one time. This setting is constrained by both of the above service quotas. With any individual queue, you can set Concurrent jobs up to your service quota for Concurrent jobs *per on-demand queue*. With multiple on-demand queues, the total

number of concurrent jobs combined must also be less than or equal to your service quota for Concurrent jobs *per account*.

When your on-demand queue is running at its maximum concurrent job count and a job completes, MediaConvert selects the next job to process based on the job's *priority*. For more information, see <u>Setting job priority</u>.

If a job stays in a SUBMITTED state for too long instead of moving to PROGRESSING, then your ondemand queue is likely already processing the maximum number of concurrent jobs that it can. To address this, first <u>check how many unallocated jobs that you have available</u>. If you have unallocated jobs available, you can either <u>increase the Concurrent job count for your queue</u>, or you can <u>create a</u> <u>new queue</u>. If you don't have unallocated jobs available, you can request an increase to your quotas by using the <u>Service Quotas</u> console.

If you occasionally need to process jobs right away:

- 1. Use job priority. Submit most of your jobs with a low priority setting, and submit high priority jobs with a higher priority. When you choose this option, you must wait for jobs that are already processing to complete before the higher priority jobs begin. For more information, see <u>Setting</u> job priority.
- 2. Use multiple queues. Submit most of your jobs to a queue with a high concurrent job count, and submit high priority jobs to a different queue with a low concurrent job count. When you choose this option, you keep some transcoding resources idle, but available, until you need them.

You can also organize your jobs with multiple on-demand queues. For example, you might run jobs for different workflows in separate queues. MediaConvert processes these jobs across multiple queues in parallel. You can use <u>Tags</u> to keep track of jobs with different workflows as well.

#### Performance testing

We recommend that you test any workflow with specific performance requirements. By default, MediaConvert optimizes the performance of your queue for the most common job types. If your workflow primarily includes a large number of jobs that complete quickly, or if you have a question about your queue's performance, contact <u>AWS support</u>.

## **Creating a queue**

AWS Elemental MediaConvert provides a default on-demand queue. A default queue is available in all AWS Regions. Other queues appear only in the AWS Region where they are created. To add additional resources to your account, you can create your own on-demand queues.

To learn how queues affect the way that MediaConvert allocates the processing of resources, see <u>Processing multiple jobs in parallel</u>. The following tabs show different options for creating an ondemand queue.

Console

To create an on-demand queue by using the MediaConvert console:

- 1. Open the Queues page in the MediaConvert console.
- 2. Choose Create queue.
- 3. Enter a Name. Then optionally enter a Description and any Tags.
- 4. Optionally enter a value for **Concurrent jobs**.
- 5. Choose Create queue.

#### AWS CLI

The following create-queue example creates a new on-demand queue with 100 concurrent jobs.

```
aws mediaconvert create-queue \
--region region-name-1 \
--name Queue1 \
--description "Example queue description." \
--concurrentJobs "100" \
--tags "KeyName1=string1,KeyName2=string2"
```

For more information about how to create an on-demand queue by using the AWS CLI, see the AWS CLI Command Reference.

# **Updating queues**

You can update an existing queue to change its Name, Concurrent jobs, or Status.

Use **Description** to help keep details about your queues.

Use **Concurrent jobs** to specify the maximum number of jobs your queue can process concurrently.

Use **Status** to manage whether a queue is **Active** or **Paused**. New queues default to an **Active** status and are available to process jobs immediately. You can optionally **Pause** a queue to stop processing any additional jobs. When you pause jobs, MediaConvert finishes processing jobs that are already running. If you submit a job to a paused queue, its status will remain in SUBMITTED until you change the queue's status back to **Active** or cancel the job.

The following tabs show how to change the status of an on-demand queue.

#### Console

To update an on-demand queue by using the MediaConvert console:

- 1. Open the Queues page in the MediaConvert console.
- 2. In the **On-demand queues** section, select the queue.
- 3. Choose Edit queue.
- 4. Change the **Description**, **Concurrent jobs**, or **Status** of your queue.
- 5. Choose Save queue.

#### AWS CLI

The following update-queue example pauses an active on-demand queue.

```
aws mediaconvert update-queue \
--name Queue1 \
--status PAUSED
```

The following update-queue example activates a paused on-demand queue.

```
aws mediaconvert update-queue \
    --name Queue1 \
    --status ACTIVE
```

The following update-queue example changes the number of Concurrent jobs for an ondemand queue.

```
aws mediaconvert update-queue \
--name Queue1 \
--concurrentJobs 250
```

For more information about how to change the status of an on-demand queue by using the AWS CLI, see the <u>AWS CLI Command Reference</u>.

## Viewing on-demand queue details

You can list the queues that are associated with your AWS account and get details about those queues.

These details include ARN, name, status, description, job count information, and more. The following tabs show different options for viewing queue details.

Console

To view details about your on-demand queues by using the MediaConvert console, open the Queues page. Select a queue to view its ARN.

#### AWS CLI

The following list-queues example lists all of your queues.

aws mediaconvert list-queues

The following JSON is an example list-queues response.

```
{
    "Queues": [
    {
        "Arn": "arn:aws:mediaconvert:us-west-2:111122223333:queues/Example",
        "CreatedAt": "2023-06-19T09:34:25-07:00",
        "LastUpdated": "2023-06-19T09:34:25-07:00",
        "Name": "Example",
        "PricingPlan": "ON_DEMAND",
        "ProgressingJobsCount": 0,
        "Status": "ACTIVE",
        "SubmittedJobsCount": 0,
        "ConcurrentJobs" 700,
    }
}
```

```
"TotalConcurrentJobs" 1000,
   "unallocatedConcurrentJobs" 100,
   "Type": "CUSTOM"
  },
  {
   "Arn": "arn:aws:mediaconvert:us-west-2:111122223333:queues/Default",
   "CreatedAt": "2018-05-16T09:13:08-07:00",
   "LastUpdated": "2021-05-14T15:39:23-07:00",
   "Name": "Default",
   "PricingPlan": "ON_DEMAND",
   "ProgressingJobsCount": 0,
   "Status": "ACTIVE",
   "SubmittedJobsCount": 0,
   "ConcurrentJobs" 200,
   "TotalConcurrentJobs" 1000,
   "unallocatedConcurrentJobs" 100,
   "Type": "SYSTEM"
  }
 ]
}
```

For more information about how to list queues by using the AWS CLI, see the <u>AWS CLI</u> <u>Command Reference</u>.

## **Deleting a queue**

You can delete any queue other than the default queue. You can't delete a queue that contains unprocessed jobs. The following tabs show how to delete an on-demand queue.

Console

To delete an on-demand queue by using the MediaConvert console:

- 1. Open the Queues page in the MediaConvert console.
- 2. Select the queue.
- 3. Choose **Delete queue**.

#### AWS CLI

The following delete-queue example deletes on-demand queue.

```
aws mediaconvert delete-queue \
    --name Queue1
```

For more information about how to delete an on-demand queue by using the AWS CLI, see the AWS CLI Command Reference.

# Working with reserved queues in AWS Elemental MediaConvert

With reserved queues, you can purchase transcoding capacity for a 12-month period. The following topics provide information about working with reserved queues, such as creating and deleting queues, and allocating resources.

Reserved queues differ from on-demand queues in how AWS Elemental MediaConvert allocates transcoding resources for jobs and in how you pay for your transcoding.

Note

There are a few features that you can't use with jobs that you send to a reserved queue. For more information, see Limitations.

When you set up your reserved queue, you choose how many jobs it can run at once by specifying the number of reserved transcode slots (RTS) in the queue. For example, if you send five jobs to a reserved queue with two RTS, MediaConvert immediately begins processing the first two jobs that you submit, and it holds the other three in the queue. When one of the jobs that MediaConvert is processing finishes, the service begins processing the next job.

Each RTS has its own dedicated computing resources. Therefore, when MediaConvert processes a job that you send to a reserved queue, it takes the same amount of time to process whether the queue has one RTS or multiple RTS.

When a job in a reserved queue finishes, MediaConvert selects the next job to process based on the job's priority. You set the priority of a job when you create it. If more than one job has the highest priority, MediaConvert begins the one that you submitted first. For more information, see <u>Setting</u> job priority.

#### Topics

Pricing for reserved queues

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- Purchasing additional RTS for an expired reserved queue
- Listing reserved queues
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# **Pricing for reserved queues**

With reserved queues, you pay for the capacity in the queue regardless of whether you use it. When you set up a reserved queue, you make a 12-month commitment to a pricing plan. The pricing plan specifies a fixed number of reserved transcode slots (RTS). For more information, see <u>MediaConvert</u> <u>Pricing</u>.

#### 🔥 Important

After you purchase your RTS, you can't cancel your 12-month commitment.

You can purchase additional capacity for a reserved queue that already has RTS. To purchase additional capacity, you extend your existing commitment with a new 12-month commitment for a larger number of RTS. The new commitment begins when you purchase the additional capacity. You can't decrease the number of RTS in your reserved queue.

When your pricing plan term expires, your reserved queue persists. You can still send jobs to it, but AWS Elemental MediaConvert doesn't run them.

#### **About Auto Renew**

You can set your pricing plan to auto renew. When your pricing plan term ends, AWS Elemental MediaConvert checks the auto renew status. If auto renew is enabled at that time, you automatically commit to another 12-month term for the same number of RTS at the same price. You can change the auto renew status at any time.

You can choose auto renew when you set up your queue. Anytime after that, you can change the auto renew status on the **Edit** page for the queue. For more information, see <u>Creating a reserved</u> queue and Editing a reserved queue.

#### About billing when jobs hop queues

When you set up <u>queue hopping</u> between a reserved queue and an on-demand queue, MediaConvert bills you according to the queue that it runs your job from. That is, if the job runs from your reserved queue, MediaConvert doesn't bill you for the job. If the job runs from your ondemand queue, MediaConvert bills you for the job at the on-demand rate.

## Simulating a reserved queue

You can run a job in a *simulated* reserved queue to test its performance. When you do, MediaConvert runs your job from an on-demand queue with similar performance to what you will see with one RTS in a reserved queue. Take note of how long you job takes to complete and use this job completion time when calculating how many RTS you need.

#### Console

To simulate a job's reserved queue performance using the MediaConvert console:

- 1. Open the <u>Create job</u> page in the MediaConvert console.
- 2. Choose Job management on the left menu under Job settings.
- 3. Set Simulate reserved queue to Enabled.

#### API, SDK, or the AWS CLI

To simulate a job's reserved queue performance using the API, SDK, or AWS Command Line Interface (AWS CLI), set SimulateReservedQueue to ENABLED. This property is a direct child of Jobs, which is in the top level of the JSON job specification. The default value is DISABLED.

The following is an excerpt of a job settings JSON with SimulateReservedQueue set to ENABLED.

```
{
    "Settings": {
        "OutputGroups": [...],
        "Inputs": [...]
    },
```

}

```
"SimulateReservedQueue": "ENABLED"
```

For more information, see the MediaConvert <u>API Reference</u>.

## Creating a reserved queue

If you decide to purchase additional capacity for your reserved queue, you can. For more information, see <u>Purchasing additional RTS</u>. The following tabs show different options for creating a reserved queue.

Console

To create a reserved queue by using the MediaConvert console:

- 1. Open the <u>Queues</u> page in the MediaConvert console.
- 2. Choose Create reserved queue.
- 3. Enter a **Reserved queue name**. Optionally enter a **Description**.
- 4. Optionally, use the **Reserved transcode slots (RTS) calculator** to help determine how many RTS that you need.
- 5. In the **Commitment to purchase RTS for reserved queue** section, enter the number of reserved transcode slots (RTS) that you want to purchase.
- 6. Review and agree to the pricing and time commitment. After you commit to your pricing plan, you can't cancel it. Optionally, select Auto renew yearly.
- Choose Create reserved queue. Then review your reserved queue details and choose Purchase.

#### AWS CLI

The following create-queue example creates a reserved queue with one RTS slot and a 12month commitment.

```
aws mediaconvert create-queue \
    --region region-name-1 \
    --pricing-plan RESERVED \
    --reservation-plan-
settings "Commitment=ONE_YEAR, RenewalType=EXPIRE, ReservedSlots=1" \
```

```
--name ReservedQueue1 \
--description "Example reserved queue description." \
--tags "KeyName1=string1,KeyName2=string2"
```

For more information about how to create a reserved queue by using the AWS CLI, see the <u>AWS</u> CLI Command Reference.

## Editing a reserved queue

When you edit a queue, you can change the following:

- The description, which helps you identify it in the queue dashboard.
- The auto renew status of the queue's pricing plan for reserved transcode slots (RTS). For more information, see Pricing for reserved queues.
- The paused or active status of the queue. Pausing the queue prevents the service from starting any more jobs until you reactivate the queue.

The following tabs show two options for editing a reserved queue.

#### Console

To edit a reserved queue by using the MediaConvert console:

- 1. Open the Queues page in the MediaConvert console.
- 2. In the **Reserved queues** section, select the reserved queue that you want to edit.
- 3. On the queue's page, choose **Edit queue**.
- 4. On the **Edit queue** page, make the changes that you want for the queue.
- 5. Choose Save queue.

#### AWS CLI

The following update-queue example updates the description and status of an existing reserved queue.

```
aws mediaconvert update-queue \
    --region region-name-1 \
    --description "Updated description." \
```

```
--status "PAUSED" \
--name ReservedQueue1
```

For more information about how to update queues by using the AWS CLI, see the <u>AWS CLI</u> <u>Command Reference</u>.

# **Purchasing additional RTS**

To increase the number of jobs that your reserved queue can process at once, you can purchase additional capacity for it. To purchase additional capacity, you extend your existing commitment with a new 12-month commitment for a larger number of reserved transcode slots (RTS). The new commitment begins when you purchase the additional capacity. You can't decrease the number of RTS in your reserved queue. You can't cancel your commitment or revert to your original commitment after you increase the capacity.

The following tabs show how to purchase additional capacity for a reserved queue.

#### Console

To purchase additional capacity for a reserved queue by using the MediaConvert console:

- 1. Open the <u>Queues</u> page in the MediaConvert console.
- 2. In the **Reserved queues** section, select the reserved queue that you want to purchase additional capacity for.
- 3. Choose **Purchase additional capacity**.
- 4. In the **Commitment to purchase RTS for reserved queue** section, enter the number of reserved transcode slots (RTS) that you want to purchase. This number includes both the original amount of reserved transcode slots and the new additional capacity.
- 5. Review and agree to the pricing and time commitment. After you commit to your pricing plan, you can't cancel or revert it. Optionally, select Auto renew yearly.
- Choose Purchase additional capacity. Then review your reserved queue details and choose Purchase.

#### AWS CLI

The following update-queue example adds an additional RTS to an existing reserved queue and begins a new 12-month commitment.

```
aws mediaconvert update-queue \
    --region region-name-1 \
    --reservation-plan-
settings "Commitment=ONE_YEAR, RenewalType=EXPIRE, ReservedSlots=2" \
    --name ReservedQueue1
```

For more information about how to update queues by using the AWS CLI, see the <u>AWS CLI</u> <u>Command Reference</u>.

## Purchasing additional RTS for an expired reserved queue

After your initial pricing plan term for reserved transcode slots (RTS) expires, your reserved queue persists without the capacity to run transcoding jobs. You can send jobs to the queue, but MediaConvert doesn't process them. To begin processing jobs through the queue again, you can set up a new pricing plan, which requires a new 12-month commitment.

The following tabs show two options for purchasing transcoding capacity for an expired reserved queue.

#### Console

To purchase transcoding capacity for an expired reserved queue by using the MediaConvert console:

- 1. Open the Queues page in the MediaConvert console.
- 2. Choose the reserved queue that you want to edit.
- 3. On the queue's page, choose **Edit queue**.
- 4. On the **Edit queue** page, choose **Renew**.
- 5. In the **Commitment to purchase RTS for reserved queue** section, specify the number of reserved transcode slots (RTS) that you want to purchase.
- 6. Review and agree to the pricing and time commitment. After you commit to your pricing plan, you can't cancel or revert it. Optionally select Auto renew yearly.
- 7. Choose **Purchase additional capacity**. Then review your reserved queue details and choose **Purchase**.
- 8. Choose **Save queue**.

#### AWS CLI

The following update-queue example adds one RTS to an existing expired reserved queue and begins a new 12-month commitment.

```
aws mediaconvert update-queue \
    --region region-name-1 \
    --reservation-plan-
settings "Commitment=ONE_YEAR, RenewalType=EXPIRE, ReservedSlots=1" \
    --name ReservedQueue1
```

For more information about how to update queues by using the AWS CLI, see the <u>AWS CLI</u> <u>Command Reference</u>.

## Listing reserved queues

You can list the AWS Elemental MediaConvert queues that are associated with your AWS account and get details about those queues. The following tabs show two options for listing your queues.

Console

To list your reserved queues by using the MediaConvert console, open the <u>Queues</u> page.

AWS CLI

The following list-queues example lists all of your queues.

aws mediaconvert list-queues

For more information about how list queues by using the AWS CLI, see the <u>AWS CLI Command</u> Reference.

## Deleting a reserved queue

You can delete any queue other than the default queue. You can't delete a reserved queue that has an active pricing plan or that contains unprocessed jobs. The following tabs show two options for deleting a reserved queue.

Console

To delete a reserved queue by using the MediaConvert console:

- 1. Open the Queues page in the MediaConvert console.
- 2. Choose the reserved queue that you want to edit.
- 3. On the queue's page, choose **Delete queue**.

#### AWS CLI

The following delete-queue deletes an expired reserved queue.

```
aws mediaconvert delete-queue \
    --region region-name-1 \
    --name ReservedQueue1
```

For more information about how to update queues by using the AWS CLI, see the <u>AWS CLI</u> <u>Command Reference</u>.

## **Reserved queue job settings limitations**

The following features are available only in jobs that you send to an *on-demand* queue. For jobs that you send to a *reserved* queue, you must disable the following features:

- <u>8k output resolution</u>
- Automated ABR
- AV1 encoding
- Dolby Vision encoding
- FrameFormer frame rate conversion algorithm
- Accelerated transcoding

#### Note

Reserved queues cannot run accelerated jobs. However, you can submit a job to a reserved queue with **Accelerated transcoding** set as **Preferred**. When you do, if the job hops to an on-demand queue, it will run with acceleration. For more information, see Using accelerated transcoding with hopped jobs.

# Setting job priority

Within a queue, AWS Elemental MediaConvert processes jobs in parallel until all the resources available to the queue are used. After a job finishes and the resources are again available in the queue, MediaConvert selects the next job to process based on the job's *priority*.

You specify priority when you create a job. MediaConvert processes jobs in each queue according to each job's priority, starting with the highest number. If more than one job has the highest value for priority, MediaConvert chooses among them by selecting the one that you submitted first.

MediaConvert doesn't stop the current job when you submit a job with a higher priority. When the running job is finished, MediaConvert starts the next job based on its relative priority in the queue.

After you create a job, you cannot change or update its priority. However, you can specify a new priority for jobs that hop queues. For additional information, see <u>Setting priority for hopped jobs</u>. The following tabs show different options for setting a job's priority.

Console

To set a job's priority in the MediaConvert console:

- 1. On the **Create job** page, choose **Job management**.
- 2. For **Priority**, enter a number from -50 to 50. MediaConvert processes jobs with the highest value for **Priority** first. If you don't specify a value, MediaConvert assigns the default value of 0.

API, SDK, or the AWS CLI

To set a job's priority in the API, SDK, or the AWS CLI, specify the priority property. This property is a direct child of Jobs, which is in the top level of the JSON job specification. Set the value of Priority to an integer in the range from -50 to 50, inclusive. The default value is 0.

The following is an excerpt of a job settings JSON with Priority set to 10.

```
{
    "Settings": {
        "OutputGroups": [...],
        "Inputs": [...]
    },
    "Priority": 10
```

}

For more information, see the MediaConvert API Reference.

# Moving a job to a different queue

A job stays in a SUBMITTED state, waiting to be processed, until the queue that you submit it to has available resources. To prevent long wait times, you can configure your job to automatically move to another queue after a set amount of time. This is called *queue hopping*.

The most common use case for queue hopping is to move jobs from a reserved queue to an ondemand queue during a spike in usage. For example, you might automatically move jobs that sit in a SUBMITTED state for longer than 10 minutes.

Keep the following definitions in mind with queue hopping.

#### Submission queue

The queue that you originally submit a job to is its *submission* queue.

#### **Destination queue**

The queue that your job moves to when it hops queues is its *destination* queue.

#### Wait time

The amount of time your job waits in its submission queue until it can hop to its destination queue.

#### Нор

A job *hops* when it moves from its submission queue to its destination queue after its wait time elapses. A job that moves queues is also referred to as a *hopped job*.

#### 🚺 Note

When you set up queue hopping from a reserved queue to an on-demand queue, MediaConvert bills you according to the queue type that your job ultimately runs in. If your job runs in a reserved queue, MediaConvert doesn't bill you separately for the job because the cost is already covered by what you pay for your reserved queue. If your job runs in an on-demand queue, MediaConvert bills you for the job at the on-demand rate.

#### Topics

- Setting up queue hopping
- Setting priority for hopped jobs
- Using accelerated transcoding with hopped jobs
- Viewing hopped job history
- Understanding queue hopping with paused queues

# Setting up queue hopping

When you set up queue hopping, you specify the *submission queue*, the *wait time*, and the *destination queue*. Typically, the submission queue is a reserved queue and the destination queue is an on-demand queue. The following tabs show different options for setting up queue hopping.

#### Console

To set up queue hopping in the MediaConvert console:

- 1. On the **Create job** page, choose **Job management**.
- 2. Enable **Queue hopping**.
- 3. Enter the amount of time until your job can hop with **Wait minutes**.
- 4. For **Destination queue**, choose the queue that you want your job to hop to if it stays in the submission queue beyond its wait time.
- 5. Optionally, specify a new **Job priority** if your job hops to its destination queue. For more information, see <u>Setting priority for hopped jobs</u>.

#### API, SDK, or the AWS CLI

To set up queue hopping in the API, SDK, or the AWS CLI, configure the settings for queue hopping under HopDestinations. This property is a direct child of Jobs, which is in the top level of the JSON job specification.

The following is an excerpt of a job settings JSON that hops to an on-demand queue after 10 minutes.

For more information, see the MediaConvert API Reference.

# Setting priority for hopped jobs

When you set up a job for queue hopping, you can specify the priority for the job in the new queue. If you don't specify a new priority, the job keeps the priority number from its submission queue.

If you use different guidelines for choosing the values for priority between the two queues, make sure to specify a new priority value for the job in the destination queue.

For information about setting the job's priority within the submission queue, see <u>Setting job</u> priority.

The following tabs provide different options for setting the priority of a hopped job.

Console

To set the priority of a hopped job in the MediaConvert console:

- 1. Open the <u>Create job</u> page in the MediaConvert console.
- 2. Choose **Job management** from the **Job settings** menu.
- 3. Enable Queue hopping.
- 4. Enter the **Job priority** for when your job hops to its destination queue.
- 5. Enter both **Wait minutes** and **Destination queue**. For more information, see <u>Moving a job</u> to a different queue.

#### API, SDK, or the AWS CLI

You can set up a hopped jobs new priority by using the API, SDK, or the AWS CLI. To set it up, configure Priority under HopDestinations. This property is a direct child of Jobs, which is in the top level of the JSON job specification.

The following is an excerpt of a job settings JSON that sets a hopped job's priority to 25.

```
{
   "Settings": {
    "OutputGroups": [...],
    "Inputs": [...]
   },
   "HopDestinations": [
    {
        "WaitMinutes": 10,
        "Queue": "arn:aws:mediaconvert:us-west-2:11122223333:queues/ondemandqueue",
        "Priority": 25
    }
  ]
}
```

For more information, see the MediaConvert <u>API Reference</u>.

# Using accelerated transcoding with hopped jobs

To reduce the transcoding time for certain jobs, use accelerated transcoding. In most cases, you submit accelerated jobs to on-demand queues, because reserved queues cannot run accelerated jobs. However, you can submit a job with **Accelerated transcoding** set **Preferred** to a reserved queue. When you do, if the job hops to an on-demand queue, it will run with acceleration enabled. For more information about accelerated transcoding, see <u>Accelerated transcoding</u> in the MediaConvert User Guide.

The following tabs provide different options for setting accelerated transcoding.

Console

To set Acceleration to Preferred in MediaConvert console:

- 1. Open the <u>Create job</u> page in the MediaConvert console.
- 2. Choose **Job management** from the **Job settings** menu.

3. Under Acceleration, choose Preferred by using the dropdown list.

API, SDK, or the AWS CLI

To specify preferred acceleration by using the API, SDK, or the AWS CLI, configure Mode under AccelerationSettings. This property is a direct child of Jobs, which is in the top level of the JSON job specification.

The following is an excerpt of a job settings JSON that specifies queue hopping to an ondemand queue with accelerated transcoding.

```
{
 "Settings": {
  "OutputGroups": [...],
  "Inputs": [...]
 },
 "AccelerationSettings": {
  "Mode": "PREFERRED"
 },
 "HopDestinations": [
  {
   "WaitMinutes": 10,
   "Queue": "arn:aws:mediaconvert:us-west-2:111122223333:queues/ondemandqueue",
   "Priority": 25
 }
 ]
}
```

For more information, see the MediaConvert <u>API Reference</u>.

# Viewing hopped job history

When a job hops queues, the values for the settings queue and priority remain how you set them when you created the job. You can see the values for the job's post-hop destination and queue priority. The following tabs provide two options for viewing a job's history and queue priority.

Console

To see if your job hopped queues by using the MediaConvert console:

- 1. Open the Jobs page in the MediaConvert console.
- 2. Select a Job ID.
- Find the Queue transition section that shows the job priority before and after hopping. That section also shows the epoch Timestamp for when the job hopped, the Source queue, and the Destination queue.

#### AWS CLI

The following get-job example returns a JSON response with information about your job.

```
aws mediaconvert get-job \
    --id 1234567890123-efg456
```

The following is an excerpt showing QueueTransitions in the JSON response when you run this command. The response shows your job's submission queue and destination queue.

```
"QueueTransitions": [
 {
    "Timestamp": 1672662636,
    "SourceQueue": arn:aws:mediaconvert:us-west-2:111122223333:queues/submissionqueue,
    "DestinationQueue": arn:aws:mediaconvert:us-west-2:111122223333:queues/
destinationqueue
 }
]
```

For more information about how to use the get-job command, see the <u>AWS CLI Command</u> <u>Reference</u>.

#### Billing tags for hopped jobs

If you use billing tags on your jobs and set your billing tags source to **Queue**, the charges for your jobs are always listed under the tags for the submission queue. To track how much you were billed for a job that hops queues, you can set the billing tags source to **Job**. For more information about using tags to sort your AWS bill, see <u>Setting up AWS Elemental MediaConvert resources for cost</u> allocation through tagging.

#### 🚯 Note

Cost allocation based on queue only applies to jobs that run in on-demand queues. When your submission queue is a reserved queue and your job hops to an on-demand queue, the charges for that on-demand job appear in your cost allocation report. If you don't put tags on your reserved queue, those charges appear in the report unsorted.

### Listing hopped jobs

When you view your job, MediaConvert displays the queue that you submitted your job. For example, if you submit a job to Queue1, and it hops to Queue2, that job appears in lists that are filtered for Queue1. It doesn't appear in lists filtered for Queue2.

# Understanding queue hopping with paused queues

Pausing a queue affects a job's queue hopping behavior. Jobs don't hop from a queue while it's paused, but they do hop freely to paused queues. This section describes what happens when you configure queue hopping *from* a paused queue or *to* a paused queue.

## Hopping from a paused queue

Jobs don't hop from a queue while it's paused. Queue hopping behavior depends on how long the queue is paused. Consider these two situations:

# You submit a job to a queue, pause the queue for longer than the queue hopping wait time, then reactivate it.

In this situation, whether the job hops depends on where the job is in the queue. If there are any jobs ahead of it in the queue, the job hops to the destination queue. If there are no jobs ahead of it in the queue, MediaConvert processes it without hopping.

For example, imagine that you submit a job to Queue1 with a wait time of 15 minutes and a destination of Queue2. Five minutes after you submit the job, you pause Queue1. Ten minutes later, the job remains in Queue1. Half an hour after that, you activate Queue1. At that time, there are no jobs ahead of it in Queue1, so the job runs from Queue1.

# You submit a job to a queue. You pause the queue and then reactivate it before the wait time passes.

In this situation, the time that the queue is paused doesn't affect queue hopping at all.

For example, imagine that you submit a job to Queue1 with a wait time of 15 minutes and a destination of Queue2. Five minutes after you submit the job, you pause Queue1. One minute later, you reactivate Queue1. Nine minutes later (15 minutes after you submitted the job), there are still jobs ahead of it in the queue. Therefore, the job hops to Queue2, as though you hadn't paused the queue.

### Hopping to a paused queue

Jobs hop freely from active queues to paused queues. For example, imagine that you submit a job to Queue1 with a wait time of 15 minutes and a destination of Queue2. Then, five minutes after you submit the job, you pause Queue2. Ten minutes later (15 minutes after you submit the job), the job hops to Queue2 and remains there, waiting until you activate the queue.

# MediaConvert features

This chapter contains detailed information for implementing AWS Elemental MediaConvert features. You set up these features when you create a job.

#### Topics

- Color conversion with 3D LUTs
- Accelerated transcoding
- <u>Audio descriptions</u>
- Automated ABR
- Color space conversion
- Content authenticity with C2PA manifests
- Dolby Atmos
- Creating Dolby Vision outputs with AWS Elemental MediaConvert
- Protecting your media assets with encryption and DRM using AWS Elemental MediaConvert
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#### Video scaling behavior and aspect ratios

# **Color conversion with 3D LUTs**

When you convert a video from one color space to another, AWS Elemental MediaConvert automatically maps colors from your input color space to your output color space. To optionally specify your own custom color mapping, use **3D LUTs** (3D lookup tables).

3D LUTs contain color mapping information for a specific input or set of inputs. You receive 3D LUTs as .cube files from your color grader as part of your video production workflow.

3D LUTs are tools for color transformation in video processing workflows. They allow you to apply precise color adjustments to your video content, ensuring consistent color appearance across different displays and viewing environments. Some reasons to include 3D LUTs in your workflow might include any of the following:

- Apply cinematic or broadcast-grade color grading to your content
- Control color mapping when you convert between different color spaces
- Ensure consistent colors across different content
- Correct color imbalance or exposure shifts in source footage
- Apply creative or stylized color treatments

#### Topics

- Configuring a job with 3D LUTs
- <u>3D LUTs job settings requirements</u>
- Troubleshooting

# Configuring a job with 3D LUTs

MediaConvert only applies color space conversions with your 3D LUTs to sets of inputs and outputs that match the settings that you specify. You can apply custom color mapping to some of your outputs, and apply default color mapping to others.

For example, you might include a 3D LUT that specifies a **Rec. 601** input color space and a **Rec. 709** output color space. When your job settings meet the requirements listed in the previous section,

MediaConvert applies your custom color mapping for all **Rec. 601** inputs that result in **Rec. 709** outputs.

Specify a separate 3D LUT for each combination of input and output color space conversion that you need. In a single job, you can include up to 8 different 3D LUT settings. MediaConvert uses default color mapping for inputs or outputs with color spaces not included in your 3D LUT or job settings.

#### MediaConvert console

To specify a 3D LUT by using the MediaConvert console:

- 1. Open the <u>Create job</u> page in the MediaConvert console.
- 2. On the **Create job** page, provide transcode instructions and job settings. For more information, see Tutorial: Configuring job settings.
- 3. Turn on the **Color corrector** preprocessor under the **Encoding settings** of your video output.
- 4. Specify an output color space under **Color space conversion**.
- 5. Choose Global processing under Job settings.
- 6. Turn on **3D LUTs**.
- 7. Under **Input color space**, enter the color space for your input or inputs that you want to apply this 3D LUT to.
- 8. (Optional) If you entered HDR10 or P3D65 (HDR) for Input color space, optionally enter a value for Input mastering luminance. Use to select inputs with a specific luminance. Enter the same value that you enter for Maximum luminance, which is under the input's Video selector, Video correction, settings.

If you enter 0 for **Input mastering luminance**, or keep blank, your 3D LUT will apply to all of your **HDR10** or **P3D65 (HDR)** inputs.

- 9. Under **Output color space**, enter the color space for your output or outputs that you want to apply this 3D LUT to.
- 10(Optional) If you entered HDR10 or P3D65 (HDR) for Output color space, optionally enter a value for Output mastering luminance. Use to select outputs with a specific luminance. Enter the same value that you enter for Maximum luminance, which is under the output's Video settings.

If you enter 0 for **Output mastering luminance**, or keep blank, your 3D LUT will apply to all of your **HDR10** or **P3D65 (HDR)** outputs.

#### 11 Under **3D LUT file input**, enter the URL for your 3D LUT .cube file.

#### API, SDK, or AWS Command Line Interface (AWS CLI)

To specify a 3D LUT by using the API, SDK, or AWS Command Line Interface (AWS CLI), include ColorConversion3DLUTSettings in your job settings JSON.

The following is an excerpt of a job settings JSON that specifies a 3D LUT for an HDR 10 to P3D65 (HDR) workflow:

```
{
  "Settings": {
    "Inputs": [...],
    "OutputGroups": [
      {
        "Name": "File Group",
        "OutputGroupSettings": {...},
        "Outputs": [
          {
            "VideoDescription": {
              "CodecSettings": {... },
              "VideoPreprocessors": {
                "ColorCorrector": {
                   "ColorSpaceConversion": "FORCE_P3D65_HDR",
                  "MaxLuminance": 3000
                }
              }
            },
            "AudioDescriptions": [...],
            "ContainerSettings": {...}
          }
        ]
      }
    ],
    "ColorConversion3DLUTSettings": [
      {
        "InputColorSpace": "HDR10",
        "InputMasteringLuminance": 0,
        "OutputColorSpace": "P3D65HDR",
        "OutputMasteringLuminance": 3000,
        "FileInput": "s3://amzn-s3-demo-bucket/HDR10_to_P3D65HDR.cube"
      }
    ]
```

}

# **3D LUTs job settings requirements**

When you include 3D LUTs as part of your MediaConvert job, you must also include the following settings:

#### Input color space

Specify which inputs use this 3D LUT, according to the input's color space.

#### Input mastering luminance

(Optional) Include **Input mastering luminance** only when your input has an **HDR10** or **P3D65 (HDR)** color space. Otherwise, keep blank. Use to select between inputs with different mastering luminances.

#### **Output color space**

Specify which outputs use this 3D LUT, according to the output's color space.

#### **Output mastering luminance**

(Optional) Include **Output mastering luminance** only when your output has an **HDR10** or **P3D65 (HDR)** color space. Otherwise, keep blank. Use to select between outputs with different mastering luminances.

#### .cube file

Specify an Amazon S3, HTTP, or HTTPS URL for your .cube file. MediaConvert accepts .cube files up to 8MB in size.

#### **Color corrector**

Specify an output color space in the **Color corrector** preprocessor for your video output.

## Troubleshooting

The following is a list of issues you might encounter while working with 3D LUT files and troubleshooting tips:

#### File access errors

Ensure your 3D LUT file is accessible to MediaConvert and check your permissions.

#### Format validation errors

Verify that your 3D LUT file is in a supported format.

#### File size errors

Confirm your 3D LUT file is under the 8MB limit.

#### **Color appearance issues**

Check that you specified the correct input and output color space settings for your content.

# Accelerated transcoding

AWS Elemental MediaConvert jobs that create premium content may have high computational requirements and can take longer to complete. Such jobs may include Ultra High Definition (UHD) or High Dynamic Range (HDR) content. To reduce the transcoding time required to run these jobs, you can use Accelerated transcoding. Consider using Accelerated transcoding for jobs that would otherwise take 10 minutes or longer to run.

For example, jobs that generate the following assets might benefit from Accelerated transcoding:

- Ultra High Definition content
- High dynamic range content in HEVC
- Any long-duration, visually complex video

#### 🚯 Note

Accelerated transcoding is a Professional tier feature. You pay more per minute of transcoded output for outputs that use Professional tier features. For more information about MediaConvert pricing tiers, see <u>MediaConvert pricing</u>.

#### Topics

- Configuring a job with Accelerated transcoding
- Example accelerated transcoding job settings JSON
- Accelerated transcoding job settings requirements

# **Configuring a job with Accelerated transcoding**

You set up Accelerated transcoding for your AWS Elemental MediaConvert jobs in the same way that you set up unaccelerated jobs, except that you enable acceleration.

#### 🚺 Note

We recommend that you use a dedicated transcoding queue for your Accelerated transcoding jobs. This will provide isolation between the resources that you use for your accelerated jobs and your other jobs.

#### To set up your transcoding job with Accelerated transcoding (console)

 Set up your transcoding job as usual. For more information, see <u>the section called "Tutorial:</u> <u>Configuring job settings"</u>.

Make sure that your job input files and output settings conform to the limitations and requirements listed in Accelerated transcoding job settings requirements.

- 2. Change your timecode settings from the default value **Embedded** to **Start at zero**.
  - a. On the **Create job** page, in the **Job** pane on the left, under **Job settings**, choose **Settings**.
  - b. In the **Timecode configuration** pane, for **Source**, choose **Start at 0**.
  - c. On the **Create job** page, in the **Job** pane on the left, under **Inputs**, choose the input.
  - d. In the Video selector pane, for Timecode source, choose Start at 0.
- 3. If you don't already have a dedicated queue for Accelerated transcoding jobs, create one. For more information, see <u>Creating a queue</u>.
- 4. On the **Create job** page, in the **Job** pane on the left, in the **Job Settings** section, choose **Settings**.
- 5. For Acceleration, choose Enabled or Preferred.

With both **Enabled** and **Preferred**, if your input files and transcoding settings are compatible with accelerated transcoding, MediaConvert runs the job with Accelerated transcoding.

If your input files or transcoding settings aren't compatible with accelerated transcoding, MediaConvert handles the job differently, depending on the value that you set for **Acceleration**:

- Enabled The service fails the incompatible job.
- Preferred The service runs the job without Accelerated transcoding.

Setting **Acceleration** to **Preferred** incurs Professional tier pricing only when MediaConvert runs the job with Accelerated transcoding.

For more information about what files and settings are compatible with Accelerated transcoding, see Accelerated transcoding job settings requirements.

If you use the API or an SDK, you can find this setting in the JSON file of your job. The setting name is AccelerationMode, under <u>AccelerationSettings</u>.

## Example accelerated transcoding job settings JSON

The following example JSON job converts an MP4 file to another MP4 file that is 720p encoded with H.265. To use this example, replace the settings with your values. At minimum, you must provide values for the following settings:

- Role: This is the AWS Identity and Access Management (IAM) role that you set up to give AWS Elemental MediaConvert permission to access your input and output Amazon S3 buckets and to access Amazon API Gateway on your behalf. For information about setting up this role, see <u>Set</u> <u>up IAM permissions</u> in the AWS Elemental MediaConvert User Guide.
- **Destination**: The Amazon S3 bucket where you want MediaConvert to store your output file. Make sure to include a trailing backslash, as in the example.
- InputClippings: Define the clips that you want transcoded by specifying sets of values for StartTimecode and EndTimecode. Alternatively, you can remove InputClippings entirely to transcode the entire asset.
- **FileInput**: Specify the file name and location for your input file. Your file input can be an Amazon S3 object or an HTTP URL.

Accelerated transcoding is supported with jobs that have only a single input; you can't do input stitching.

```
"Role": "arn:aws:iam::123456789012:role/MediaConvert_Role",
"AccelerationSettings" : {
```

{

```
"Mode" : "ENABLED"
},
"UserMetadata": {
    "job" : "Acceleration"
},
"Settings": {
  "TimecodeConfig": {
    "Source": "ZEROBASED"
  },
  "OutputGroups": [
    {
      "Name": "File Group",
      "Outputs": [
        {
          "ContainerSettings": {
            "Container": "MP4",
            "Mp4Settings": {
              "CslqAtom": "EXCLUDE",
              "FreeSpaceBox": "EXCLUDE",
              "MoovPlacement": "NORMAL"
            }
          },
          "VideoDescription": {
            "Width": 1280,
            "ScalingBehavior": "DEFAULT",
            "Height": 720,
            "VideoPreprocessors": {
              "TimecodeBurnin": {
                "FontSize": 32,
                "Position": "TOP_CENTER"
              }
            },
            "TimecodeInsertion": "DISABLED",
            "AntiAlias": "ENABLED",
            "Sharpness": 50,
            "CodecSettings": {
              "Codec": "H_265",
              "H265Settings": {
                "InterlaceMode": "PROGRESSIVE",
                "ParNumerator": 1,
                "NumberReferenceFrames": 3,
                "FramerateDenominator": 1001,
                "GopClosedCadence": 1,
                "AlternateTransferFunctionSei": "DISABLED",
```

```
"HrdBufferInitialFillPercentage": 90,
      "GopSize": 48,
      "Slices": 4,
      "GopBReference": "ENABLED",
      "HrdBufferSize": 20000000,
      "SlowPal": "DISABLED",
      "ParDenominator": 1,
      "SpatialAdaptiveQuantization": "ENABLED",
      "TemporalAdaptiveQuantization": "ENABLED",
      "FlickerAdaptiveQuantization": "DISABLED",
      "Bitrate": 10000000,
      "FramerateControl": "INITIALIZE_FROM_SOURCE",
      "RateControlMode": "CBR",
      "CodecProfile": "MAIN_MAIN",
      "Tiles": "ENABLED",
      "Telecine": "NONE",
      "FramerateNumerator": 24000,
      "MinIInterval": 0,
      "AdaptiveQuantization": "HIGH",
      "CodecLevel": "LEVEL_5",
      "SceneChangeDetect": "ENABLED",
      "QualityTuningLevel": "SINGLE_PASS_HQ",
      "FramerateConversionAlgorithm": "DUPLICATE_DROP",
      "UnregisteredSeiTimecode": "DISABLED",
      "GopSizeUnits": "FRAMES",
      "ParControl": "SPECIFIED",
      "NumberBFramesBetweenReferenceFrames": 3,
      "TemporalIds": "DISABLED",
      "SampleAdaptiveOffsetFilterMode": "ADAPTIVE"
    }
 },
  "AfdSignaling": "NONE",
  "DropFrameTimecode": "ENABLED",
  "RespondToAfd": "NONE",
  "ColorMetadata": "INSERT"
},
"AudioDescriptions": [
  {
    "AudioTypeControl": "FOLLOW_INPUT",
    "CodecSettings": {
      "Codec": "AAC",
      "AacSettings": {
        "AudioDescriptionBroadcasterMix": "NORMAL",
        "Bitrate": 160000,
```

```
"RateControlMode": "CBR",
                "CodecProfile": "LC",
                "CodingMode": "CODING_MODE_2_0",
                "RawFormat": "NONE",
                "SampleRate": 48000,
                "Specification": "MPEG4"
              }
            },
            "LanguageCodeControl": "FOLLOW_INPUT",
            "AudioType": 0
          }
       ],
        "Extension": "mp4",
        "NameModifier": "1280x720"
     }
    ],
    "OutputGroupSettings": {
      "Type": "FILE_GROUP_SETTINGS",
     "FileGroupSettings": {
        "Destination": "s3://amzn-s3-demo-bucket1/accelerated/"
      }
   }
 }
],
"AdAvailOffset": 0,
"Inputs": [
 {
    "InputClippings": [
     {
        "EndTimecode": "01:00:00:00",
        "StartTimecode": "00:00:00:00"
     }
    ],
    "AudioSelectors": {
      "Audio Selector 1": {
        "Offset": 0,
        "DefaultSelection": "DEFAULT",
        "ProgramSelection": 1
     }
    },
    "VideoSelector": {
      "ColorSpace": "FOLLOW"
    },
    "FilterEnable": "AUTO",
```

```
"PsiControl": "USE_PSI",
    "FilterStrength": 0,
    "DeblockFilter": "DISABLED",
    "DenoiseFilter": "DISABLED",
    "TimecodeSource": "ZEROBASED",
    "FileInput": "s3://amzn-s3-demo-bucket/SampleVideo_h264_StereoAudio.mp4"
    }
    ]
}
```

## Accelerated transcoding job settings requirements

Before you enable Accelerated transcoding, make sure that your job conforms to the following requirements and limitations.

#### Video inputs supported with Accelerated transcoding

The following table shows the video input codecs and containers that MediaConvert supports with Accelerated transcoding.

Container	Video Codecs Supported with Container
HLS (MPEG-2 TS segments)	AVC (H.264), HEVC (H.265)
IMF	JPEG 2000 (J2K)
Matroska	AVC (H.264), MPEG-2, MPEG-4 part 2, VC-1
MPEG Transport Streams	AVC (H.264), HEVC (H.265), MPEG-2, VC-1
MPEG-4	AVC Intra 50/100, AVC (H.264), HEVC (H.265), MPEG-2
MXF	Apple ProRes, AVC Intra 50/100, AVC (H.264), DVCPro HD, JPEG 2000 (J2K), MPEG-2, Son yXDCam, SonyXDCam (as an MPEG-2 variant only), VC-3
QuickTime	Apple ProRes, AVC Intra 50/100, AVC (H.264), JPEG 2000 (J2K), MPEG-2

#### i Note

For HLS inputs, your package must conform to the requirements listed in <u>HLS input</u> requirements.

#### Video outputs supported with Accelerated transcoding

The following table shows the video output codecs and containers that MediaConvert supports with Accelerated transcoding.

Container	Codecs Supported with Container
CMAF	AV1, AVC (H.264), HEVC (H.265)
DASH	AV1, AVC (H.264), HEVC (H.265)
HLS	AVC (H.264), HEVC (H.265)
MPEG-2 TS	AVC (H.264), HEVC (H.265)
MPEG-4 (.mp4)	AV1, AVC (H.264), HEVC (H.265)
MPEG-4 Flash (.f4v)	AVC (H.264)
MXF	AVC (H.264)
QuickTime	AVC (H.264)
Smooth (ISMV)	AVC (H.264)
WebM	VP8, VP9
Raw (no container)	AVC (H.264), HEVC (H.265)

#### i Note

For MPEG-2 TS outputs, to use Accelerated transcoding, you must change the default value of **CBR** for **Transport stream settings** > **Rate mode** to **VBR**.

### **Output restrictions:**

- Your output must have a video component. MediaConvert doesn't support Accelerated transcoding with audio-only outputs.
- Use only supported combinations of container and codec. The preceding table shows the supported video output codecs and containers.
- Use any output audio codec other than Dolby Atmos. MediaConvert doesn't support Accelerated transcoding with Dolby Atmos.
- Use only supported output captions formats. For Accelerated transcoding, MediaConvert doesn't support the following output captions formats:
  - Not supported: Burn-in
  - Not supported: SCTE-20

For a list of supported captions formats, see Supported input captions, within video containers.

### Transcoding features not supported with Accelerated transcoding:

- Avail blanking
- Motion image inserter
- Interpolated frame rate conversion
- VBI passthrough
- Timecode passthrough
- SEI timecode
- Timecode anchor
- Telecine output
- Inverse telecine output
- Embedded timecode source
  - Note: You can set the input setting **Timecode source** to **Embedded**, but not the job-wide setting **Source** under **Timecode configuration**.
- Black video generator
- Pad video
- Inputs with variable frame rates (other than MOV/MP4 inputs, which are supported)
- Inputs with discontinuities

# **Audio descriptions**

AWS Elemental MediaConvert supports two different workflows for including broadcast audio descriptions in your output.

You can mix an audio description with other audio content if your input contains an *audio description audio signal* and an *audio description data stream*. An audio description audio signal is a spoken description of a video, made for people who cannot see the visual content. An audio description data stream contains fade and pan data used by an encoder. MediaConvert uses this data stream to temporarily lower the volume of other audio channels while an audio description is active.

If your input already has pre-mixed audio descriptions instead of an audio signal and data stream channel, you can signal it to downstream systems by writing audio description metadata in your output.

For more information about audio descriptions, see <u>BBC WHP 198</u> and <u>BBC WHP 051</u>.

### Topics

- Configuring a job that mixes audio descriptions
- Configuring a job for pre-mixed audio descriptions

## Configuring a job that mixes audio descriptions

When you mix audio descriptions, jobs have the following requirements:

### Input

You need an input with an audio description audio signal on one audio channel and an audio description data stream on another.

### Audio remixing

To mix audio descriptions across multiple audio selectors, for example if you have a sidecar audio file, enable **Manual audio remixing** in your output.

Otherwise, to apply audio description mixing to a single input audio selector, you can enable **Input remix controls** in your input instead. Keep in mind that this mixing will not apply across multiple audio selectors or across audio selector groups.

The following describes how to configure your job settings to mix audio descriptions.

### MediaConvert console

To mix audio descriptions in your output by using the MediaConvert console:

- 1. Open the <u>Create job</u> page in the MediaConvert console.
- 2. Add an input that has an audio description audio signal and an audio description data stream.
- 3. Add an output with at least one audio track.
- 4. In the output audio track, expand **Advanced** and enable **Manual audio remixing**.
- 5. Enter the channel that has your audio description audio signal in **Audio description audio channel**.
- 6. Enter the channel that has your audio description data stream in **Audio description data channel**.
- 7. Specify the total number of **Input channels**. For example, if your input has four input channels including left, right, audio description audio signal, and audio description data stream, select **4**.
- 8. Specify the total number of **Output channels**. For example, for a stereo output select **2**.
- 9. Specify mixing levels under **Channel mapping**. For example, to mix an audio description audio signal from channel 3 across left and right channels in a stereo output, and to mute the data stream, enter the following:

### **Channel mapping**

Inputs	Outputs	
	L (0)	R (1)
1	0	-60
2	-60	0
3	0	0
4	-60	-60

### 🚯 Note

When played over speakers, audio description data streams sound like noise. Mute the data stream in your output by setting its channel mapping to **-60**, as shown in the previous channel mapping example table.

### API, SDK, or AWS Command Line Interface (AWS CLI)

The following is an excerpt of a job settings JSON that specifies audio description mixing for a stereo output. Note that the audio description audio signal is in input channel 3, and the audio description data stream is in input channel 4:

```
{
  "Settings": {
    "Inputs": [],
    "OutputGroups": [
      {
        "Name": "File Group",
        "OutputGroupSettings": {
          "Type": "FILE_GROUP_SETTINGS",
          "FileGroupSettings": {}
        },
        "Outputs": [
          {
            "VideoDescription": {},
            "AudioDescriptions": [
              {
                "CodecSettings": {
                  "Codec": "AAC",
                  "AacSettings": {
                    "Bitrate": 96000,
                    "CodingMode": "CODING_MODE_2_0",
                     "SampleRate": 48000
                  }
                },
                "AudioSourceName": "Audio Selector 1",
                "RemixSettings": {
                  "ChannelMapping": {
                     "OutputChannels": [
```

```
{
                          "InputChannelsFineTune": [
                            0,
                            -60,
                            0,
                            -60
                          ]
                        },
                        {
                          "InputChannelsFineTune": [
                            -60,
                            0,
                            0,
                            -60
                          ]
                        }
                      ]
                   },
                   "ChannelsIn": 4,
                   "ChannelsOut": 2,
                   "AudioDescriptionAudioChannel": 3,
                   "AudioDescriptionDataChannel": 4
                 }
               }
             ],
             "ContainerSettings": {
               "Container": "MP4",
               "Mp4Settings": {}
             }
           }
        ]
      }
    ]
  }
}
```

# Configuring a job for pre-mixed audio descriptions

If you have an input that already has pre-mixed audio descriptions, and does not contain an *audio description audio signal* or an *audio description data stream*, set **Audio description broadcaster mix** to **Broadcaster mixed AD**.

When you do, MediaConvert writes metadata in your output that signals to downstream systems that it contains broadcaster mixed audio descriptions.

The following describes how to configure your job settings to write metadata in your output signalling it contains pre-mixed audio descriptions.

#### MediaConvert console

To write broadcaster mixed audio description metadata in your output by using the MediaConvert console:

- 1. Open the Create job page in the MediaConvert console.
- 2. Add an input that has pre-mixed audio description.
- 3. Add an output with at least one audio track.
- 4. In the output audio track, set Audio description broadcaster mix to Broadcaster mixed AD.
- 5. (Optional) If you enable Manual audio remixing, keep **Audio description audio channel** and **Audio description data channel** blank, as these channels will not be present in your input.

### API, SDK, or AWS Command Line Interface (AWS CLI)

The following is an excerpt of a job settings JSON that specifies pre-mixed audio descriptions for a stereo output:

```
{
  "Settings": {
    "Inputs": [],
    "OutputGroups": [
      {
        "Name": "File Group",
        "OutputGroupSettings": {
          "Type": "FILE_GROUP_SETTINGS",
          "FileGroupSettings": {}
        },
        "Outputs": [
          {
            "VideoDescription": {},
            "AudioDescriptions": [
              {
                 "CodecSettings": {
                   "Codec": "AAC",
```

```
"AacSettings": {
                     "Bitrate": 96000,
                     "CodingMode": "CODING_MODE_2_0",
                     "SampleRate": 48000,
                     "AudioDescriptionBroadcasterMix": "BROADCASTER_MIXED_AD"
                   }
                 }
              }
            ],
            "ContainerSettings": {
               "Container": "MP4",
               "Mp4Settings": {}
            }
          }
        ]
      }
    ]
  }
}
```

# **Automated ABR**

With automated ABR, AWS Elemental MediaConvert sets up your adaptive bitrate (ABR) stack for you. MediaConvert chooses the right number of renditions and the resolution for each, based on the input video. MediaConvert minimizes the total minutes of transcoded output by eliminating renditions that increase bitrate without providing increased video quality. Automated ABR also maximizes video quality at various bitrates by employing the quality-defined variable bitrate (QVBR) rate control mode.

### Topics

- Understanding how automated ABR works
- <u>Creating a job with automated ABR</u>
- <u>Applying automated ABR rules</u>
- Job settings limitations for automated ABR

# **Understanding how automated ABR works**

With all adaptive bitrate (ABR) streaming, the end viewer's player device adjusts which rendition of the package it downloads based on the available bandwidth. For example, a viewer with access to

high-quality wifi would automatically see a high-bitrate rendition. When they move to a location with only limited bandwidth, their player device automatically switches over to a lower-bitrate rendition. How well the adaptive streaming works depends on the construction of the ABR stack and how well that construction suits the content of the specific video. For example, with a fast-moving, visually complex asset, your ABR stack might include two 720p outputs with different bitrates. If you used that same stack setup with a simple cartoon, those two outputs would likely look the same. The extra encoding, storage, and distribution would cost money without conferring any benefit to the end viewer.

When you run an automated ABR job, MediaConvert maximizes the video quality that the end viewer sees based on their available bandwidth. It does this by analyzing a broad set of possible renditions and eliminating any that increase required bandwidth without increasing video quality. When you run your job, MediaConvert analyzes the content of your input video and chooses the number of renditions and the characteristics of each rendition for you.

You can use the MediaConvert console to run your job without setting anything. There are three categories of optional settings you can specify if you choose to:

- Limits on your adaptive bitrate (ABR) stack.
- Limits that apply to the renditions in the ABR stack. These output-level limits apply to all renditions in the stack.
- All other encoding settings.

For these settings, MediaConvert uses default values unless you specify something different. This works the same as with outputs that don't use automated ABR, except that whatever values you set apply to all renditions in the stack. For example, if you set **Profile** to **High 10-bit**, every rendition will have that codec profile.

## Settings that apply to the ABR stack

You can set the following limits that relate to the whole ABR stack:

• Max renditions: This is the upper limit for the number of renditions in your ABR stack. The number of renditions in your stack might be less than this, but won't be more.

You can specify a number from 3–15. If you don't specify this, the default maximum is 15.

• Max ABR bitrate: The maximum average bitrate for the highest-bitrate rendition in your stack.

This is the rendition that is delivered to viewers with the fastest internet connections. Use to limit the total bytes that are egressed to viewers who receive the highest-bitrate rendition.

If you don't specify this, the default maximum is 8 mb/s.

The average bitrate of your highest-quality rendition will be equal to or below this value, depending on the quality, complexity, and resolution of your content. The instantaneous maximum bitrate can vary above the value that you specify.

• Min ABR bitrate: The minimum average bitrate for the lowest-quality rendition in your stack.

This is the rendition that is delivered to viewers with the slowest internet connections.

If you don't specify this, the default minimum is 600 kb/s.

The instantaneous minimum bitrate can vary below the value that you specify.

## Settings that apply to renditions in the stack

You can set the following limits that relate to properties of the renditions in the stack:

• Max resolution: This is the maximum resolution of your highest-bitrate rendition. When you set this value, choose the resolution of the highest quality device that you expect end viewers to use. MediaConvert won't create a rendition with a resolution larger than this.

If you don't specify this, the default maximum is the resolution of your input video.

If you specify a value larger than your input video's resolution, MediaConvert uses your input resolution as the maximum. MediaConvert won't use a resolution larger than the input for any rendition because upscaling the input resolution would add bandwidth without adding video quality.

• Max frame rate: MediaConvert uses this value as the frame rate for the for highest-bandwidth rendition in your stack. Depending on the input, this might be the frame rate for all renditions. When your input frame rate is high, MediaConvert might halve the frame rate for lower-bandwidth renditions. For example, if your input frame rate is 60 fps, MediaConvert might use 30 fps for some of the lower-bandwidth renditions, and perhaps 15 fps for the very lowest.

If you don't specify this value, the default maximum is your input frame rate.

For these settings, MediaConvert determines these values for each rendition automatically:

• Quality tuning level: MediaConvert encodes all renditions with Multi pass HQ.

This behavior is automatic in the MediaConvert console but not when you submit your job programmatically. When you set up your JSON job specification without using the MediaConvert console, you must explicitly set qualityTuningLevel to MULTI\_PASS\_HQ.

• Rate control mode: MediaConvert encodes all renditions with <u>QVBR</u> rate control mode.

This behavior is automatic in the MediaConvert console but not when you submit your job programmatically. When you set up your JSON job specification without using the MediaConvert console, you must explicitly set rateControlMode to QVBR.

- These QVBR required settings:
  - QVBR quality level:
  - Max bitrate
  - Max average bitrate
- HDR buffer size
- HDR buffer initial fill

# Automated ABR frequently asked questions

## How can I see what renditions AWS Elemental MediaConvert created for me?

You can see the properties of the outputs in your ABR stack in these places:

- The job completion event from Amazon EventBridge. For more information, see <u>Using</u> <u>EventBridge with AWS Elemental MediaConvert</u>.
- The Job summary page on the MediaConvert console. For more information, see <u>Viewing your</u> job history.

## Will my automated ABR job take a long time to run?

We recommend that you always use <u>accelerated transcoding</u> with automated ABR. When you do, your job should take only slightly longer than an accelerated transcoding job for a manually specified ABR stack with similar outputs. You don't pay more for enabling accelerated transcoding because automated ABR is already billed at the 2 Pass (Quality Optimized) professional tier rate.

When you run an automated ABR job without accelerated transcoding, it takes much longer to run than a job with a manually specified ABR stack with similar outputs..

### Why do some of my output renditions have the same resolution?

When display devices stream an ABR asset, they request segments based on the bitrate of the rendition, not based on the resolution of the rendition. Therefore, an ABR stack can have renditions for different bandwidths that have the same resolution. The higher bandwidth rendition will have better quality at the same resolution.

Whether increasing the resolution improves video quality when you go up to the next rendition of the stack depends on the complexity of the video. The ability to automatically adjust these choices on a per-job basis is one of the ways that this feature gives you better results with less effort.

### Can I tell ahead of time how many renditions will be in my stack?

No. MediaConvert determines which renditions to use during the transcoding process. Because the encoding decisions depend on qualities of your input video, there's no way to know before running the job what those decisions will be.

You can use the optional limits settings to make sure that the number of renditions, and the size of those renditions, won't exceed what you want.

### How will I be billed for an automated ABR stack?

MediaConvert bills you for only the renditions that it writes to your output location. For example, you might set **Max renditions** to 12, but MediaConvert might determine that there is no advantage to creating more than eight renditions. In this case, MediaConvert would bill you for only eight renditions.

Automated ABR is a professional-tier feature and also requires 2 pass encoding. Every rendition is billed per-minute at the 2 Pass (Quality Optimized) rate. For example, say your automated ABR stack ends up with 10 renditions, each of them being 60 minutes long. You would then be charged for 600 minutes. For rates, see <u>AWS Elemental MediaConvert Pricing</u> in the *AWS Cloud Products* website.

### What about audio?

Automated ABR does the set up for your video renditions only. You add audio renditions as audioonly outputs inside of your automated ABR output group. For instructions, see <u>Creating a job with</u> <u>automated ABR</u>.

### What about captions?

Add captions to your automated ABR package as captions-only output. For instructions, see Creating a job with automated ABR.

# Creating a job with automated ABR

When you know whether you want to specify values for the optional limits, use one of the following procedures to set up automated ABR in your job. For more information about these optional settings, see <u>Understanding how automated ABR works</u>.

### Console

To set up an automated ABR job using the MediaConvert console:

1. Begin setting up your job as usual. For more information, see <u>Getting started with</u> MediaConvert .

Instead of following the general instructions for setting up output groups and outputs, follow this procedure.

- 2. Enable accelerated transcoding. This is optional, but we strongly recommend it. For more information, see Accelerated transcoding.
- 3. On the **Create job** page, in the **Job** pane on the left, next to **Output groups**, choose **Add**.
- 4. Choose a streaming output group type: Apple HLS, DASH ISO, Microsoft Smooth Streaming, or CMAF.
- 5. Below the **Group settings** section, enable **Automated ABR**.
- 6. Optionally, specify any Applying rules.
- 7. For the settings in the **Automated ABR** section, optionally specify values. These are the settings that specify limits that relate to the whole ABR stack. If you choose to keep the default values, you should get good results.

For more information, see Understanding how automated ABR works.

- 8. From the **Job** pane on the left, below your output group, choose **Automated ABR base output**.
- 9. On the right, in the **Base encoding settings for auto-generated ABR renditions** section, optionally specify values for the limits that relate to properties of the renditions in the stack. If you choose to keep the default values, you should get good results.

For more information, see <u>Understanding how automated ABR works</u>.

 Optionally, specify values for encoding settings that aren't directly related to automated ABR, such as codec profile and level. Values you specify apply to all renditions in the stack. If you choose to keep the default values, you should get good results.

For information about each individual setting, choose the **Info** link next to the setting in the MediaConvert console to view the setting description.

- 11. If your workflow requires video and audio in separate unmuxed outputs, remove **Audio 1** from **Base encoding settings for auto-generated ABR renditions**. If you require video and audio to be in the same muxed output, skip this step.
  - a. Choose the **Audio 1** tab.
  - b. Choose **Remove audio** in the upper right of the **Base encoding settings for auto**generated ABR renditions section.
- 12. Optionally, add audio renditions. Follow these steps for each audio rendition that you want in your ABR stack.
  - a. From the **Job** pane on the left, choose your output group.
  - b. In the **Outputs** section, choose **Add output with captions or audio** to add a new output.

**Output 1** holds your automated ABR video settings and represents every video rendition in your stack.

- c. Choose the new output from the list of outputs.
- d. In the **Encoding settings** section, set up your audio rendition as you would for a job that doesn't use automated ABR. For more information, see <u>Creating audio ABR</u> streaming outputs.
- Optionally, add captions. Do this as you would for a manually specified ABR stack. For more information, see <u>Setting up input captions</u>.
- 14. Optionally, repeat this procedure to create additional ABR packages in different formats. In a job that includes an automated ABR output group, all ABR output groups must use automated ABR.

### API, SDK, or CLI

To set up an automated ABR job using the API, SDK, or AWS Command Line Interface (CLI):

If you use the API, CLI, or an SDK, specify the relevant settings in your JSON job specification and then submit it programmatically with your job. For more information about submitting your job programmatically, see one of the introductory topics of the AWS Elemental MediaConvert API Reference:

- Getting started with AWS Elemental MediaConvert using the AWS SDKs or the AWS CLI
- Getting started with AWS Elemental MediaConvert using the API
- Determine the values that you want to set for automated ABR. If you keep all the defaults, you should get good results. For more information, see <u>Understanding how automated ABR</u> works.
- Use the MediaConvert console to generate your JSON job specification. We recommend this approach, because the console functions as an interactive validator against the MediaConvert job schema. Follow these steps to generate your JSON job specification using the console:
  - a. Follow the previous procedure for the console.
  - b. In the **Job** pane on the left, under **Job settings**, choose **Show job JSON**.

### Information for manually editing your JSON job specification

Find additional information, including where each setting belongs in the job settings structure, in the *AWS Elemental MediaConvert API Reference*. Links in this list go to information about the setting in that document:

### 🔥 Important

If you set up automated ABR by manually editing your JSON job specification, rather than exporting it from the MediaConvert console, you must explicitly set qualityTuningLevel to MULTI\_PASS\_HQ and rateControlMode to QVBR.

• Explicitly set these required settings:

- Set qualityTuningLevel to MULTI\_PASS\_HQ.
  - AVC (H.264): <u>qualityTuningLevel</u> in the H264Settings properties table
  - HEVC (H.265): <a href="mailto:qualityTuningLevel">qualityTuningLevel</a> in the H265Settings properties table
- Set rateControlMode to QVBR.

When you enable automated ABR, the usual required settings for QVBR, such as qvbrSettings and qvbrQualityLevel, aren't required. Instead specify the required automated ABR settings.

- AVC (H.264): rateControlMode in the H264Settings properties table
- HEVC (H.265): <u>rateControlMode</u> in the H265Settings properties table
- Set the accelerated transcoding <u>mode</u> to PREFERRED or ENABLED. This is optional, but we strongly recommend it.
- Optionally, specify these limits that relate to the whole ABR stack:
  - Automated ABR : <u>abrSettings</u>
    - Max renditions: <u>maxRenditions</u> in the AutomatedAbrSettings properties table
    - Max ABR bitrate: <u>maxAbrBitrate</u> in the AutomatedAbrSettings properties table
    - Min ABR bitrate: <u>minAbrBitrate</u> in the AutomatedAbrSettings properties table
- Optionally, specify these limits that relate to properties of the renditions in the stack:

## 🚯 Note

The API properties that correspond to these MediaConvert console settings function differently depending on whether they are in outputs that are part of an automated ABR stack.

- Max resolution: width and height
  - In automated ABR: Use these settings together to represent the maximum possible resolution in the ABR stack.
  - In other outputs: Use these settings together to represent the output resolution.
- Max frame rate: frameratecontrol, numerator, and denominator

For information about how these properties work and links to them in the API Reference, Creating a joe the frame rate of your video.

- In automated ABR: Use these settings to specify the frame rate of the highest-bandwidth rendition in your stack. If you don't specify these settings, MediaConvert uses the frame rate of your input video.
- In other outputs: Use these settings to specify the output frame rate.

# **Applying automated ABR rules**

Use **Automated ABR rules** to specify restrictions for the rendition sizes that MediaConvert creates in your automated ABR stack. We recommend using these rules if your ABR workflow has specific rendition size requirements, but you still want MediaConvert to optimize for video quality and overall file size.

You can define the following rules:

- Min top rendition size
- Min bottom rendition size
- Force include renditions
- Allowed renditions

## Min top rendition size

Specify a minimum size for the highest video resolution in your ABR stack. The highest resolution is greater than or equal to the value that you enter.

For example: If you specify 1920x1080, the highest resolution in your ABR stack is greater than or equal to 1920x1080.

## Min bottom rendition size

Specify a minimum size for the lowest video resolution in your ABR stack. The lowest resolution in your ABR stack is greater than or equal to the value that you enter.

For example: If you specify 512x288, the lowest resolution in your ABR stack is greater than or equal to 512x288.

## Force include renditions

Specify one or more video resolutions to include in your ABR stack. To optimize automated ABR, we recommend that you specify as few resolutions as possible.

The ABR stack might include other resolutions that you do not specify here, depending on the **Max renditions** setting. For example: If you specify 2 resolutions under **Force include renditions**, and specify 7 **Max renditions**, then 5 resolutions are automatically determined.

Force include renditions has the following restrictions with other automated ABR rules or settings:

- At least one resolution must be greater than or equal to **Min top rendition size**.
- All resolutions must be greater than or equal to Min bottom rendition size.
- Allowed renditions cannot be not specified.
- The number of resolutions must be less than or equal to Max renditions.
- Duplicate resolutions are ignored.

### **Allowed renditions**

Specify a list of possible video resolutions in your ABR stack. MediaConvert creates an ABR stack exclusively from the list of resolutions that you specify.

Some resolutions in the **Allowed renditions** list might not be included. However you can force a resolution to be included by setting **Required** to **ENABLED**.

Allowed renditions has the following restrictions with other automated ABR rules:

- At least one resolution must be greater than or equal to Min top rendition size.
- At least one resolution must be greater than or equal to **Min bottom rendition size**.
- Force include renditions cannot be not specified.
- The number of resolutions must be less than or equal to Max renditions.
- Duplicate resolutions are ignored.

## Job settings limitations for automated ABR

Jobs that include automated ABR output groups are restricted in the following ways:

- You must use an on-demand queue. You can't use a reserved queue.
- You can enable automated ABR in jobs and job templates only. You can't use automated ABR in output presets.
- In a job that includes an automated ABR output group, all ABR output groups must use automated ABR.

- Your output Video codec must be AVC (H.264) or HEVC (H.265).
- Your output video Scaling behavior must be Default, Stretch to output, Fit, or Fill. You can't use Fit without upscaling.
- You must specify these required settings when you create your JSON job specification manually. The MediaConvert console sets them for you when you enable automated ABR.
  - Set qualityTuningLevel to MULTI\_PASS\_HQ.
  - Set rateControlMode to QVBR.

# **Color space conversion**

If you want your output video to use a different color space than your input video, use color space conversion. Set up color space conversion in the output **Color corrector** settings.

MediaConvert supports the following input color spaces: Rec. 601, Rec. 709, HDR10, HLG 2020, P3DCI, and P3D65.

## Supported color space conversions

Your input color space is set by your input video or by the values that you set for **Color space** and **Color space usage** in your input settings. For more information about the input color space settings, see <u>Replacing inaccurate or missing HDR metadata</u>.

For information about how to convert the color space, see <u>Color space conversion</u>.

MediaConvert supports the following color space conversions:

- From any supported HDR format to any other supported HDR format
- From any supported SDR color space to any other supported SDR color space
- From any supported SDR color space to any supported HDR format

#### (i) Note

Converting from SDR to HDR doesn't upgrade the dynamic range of the video content itself. Therefore, the output is formatted as HDR but looks the same as it would if you created it as an SDR output.

• From any supported HDR format to any supported SDR color space

## 🚯 Note

When professional color graders convert an asset from HDR to SDR, they make artistic decisions about where to map colors from the larger space that don't exist in the smaller space. There is no standard formula to map these values automatically. The tone mapping technology that MediaConvert uses to do automatic conversion from HDR to SDR approximates the outcome of manually regrading from HDR to SDR. This automatic conversion works well with most content, but we recommend that you review your outputs to confirm the tone mapping results.

# Configuring color space conversion

The following procedure details how to configure a job to convert from one color space to another.

- 1. Confirm that MediaConvert supports the conversion that you want to do.
- Set up your transcoding job as usual. For more information, see <u>the section called "Tutorial:</u> <u>Configuring job settings"</u>.
- 3. On the **Create job** page, in the **Job** pane on the left, choose your HDR output.
- 4. At the bottom of the **Encoding settings** section on the right, choose **Preprocessors**.
- 5. Choose **Color corrector** to display the color correction settings.
- 6. For **Color space conversion**, choose the color space that you want for your output.
- 7. If you are converting to HDR 10, specify values for the **HDR master display information** settings.

These values don't affect the pixel values that are encoded in the video stream. They are intended to help the downstream video player display content in a way that reflects the intentions of the content creator.

# **Content authenticity with C2PA manifests**

When you create MP4 outputs with AWS Elemental MediaConvert, you can optionally embed a C2PA manifest to provide content provenance and authenticity for your media. C2PA (Coalition for Content Provenance and Authenticity) is a standardized method for providing verifiable information about the origin and history of digital content.

C2PA manifests help address the growing issue of misinformation and deepfakes by embedding verifiable information into media files. This information creates a traceable record of the content's origin and modifications.

Some reasons to include C2PA manifests in your workflow might include:

- Provide verifiable information about a media file's transcoding history.
- Allow downstream systems to verify the authenticity of your content.
- Support transparency initiatives for digital media.

For more information about content authenticity and C2PA, see: <u>Content Authenticity Initiative</u> and <u>C2PA specification</u>

### Topics

- Configuring a job with a C2PA manifest
- <u>Requirements for C2PA manifests</u>
- <u>C2PA manifest structure</u>
- Verifying C2PA manifests

# Configuring a job with a C2PA manifest

To include a C2PA manifest in your MP4 output, you need to configure your job settings with the necessary parameters for signing and embedding the manifest.

### MediaConvert console

To include a C2PA manifest in an MP4 output by using the MediaConvert console:

- 1. In the **Output groups** section, add a **File** output group.
- 2. In **Output settings**, set **Container** to **MPEG-4 container**.
- 3. Expand MPEG-4 container settings.
- 4. For C2PA manifest, choose Include.
- 5. For **Certificate secret**, enter the name or ARN of the Secrets Manager secret that contains your C2PA public certificate chain in PEM format.
- 6. For Signing KMS key, enter the ID or ARN of the AWS KMS key used to sign the C2PA manifest.

### API, SDK, or AWS Command Line Interface (AWS CLI)

To include a C2PA manifest by using the API, SDK, or AWS Command Line Interface (AWS CLI), include the following in your MP4 container settings. Replace the example ARNs of the **Certificate secret** and **Signing KMS key** with your ARNs:

```
"OutputGroups": [{
        "Name": "File Group",
        "OutputGroupSettings": {
            "Type": "FILE_GROUP_SETTINGS",
            "FileGroupSettings": {}
        },
        "Outputs": [{
            "VideoDescription": {...},
            "AudioDescriptions": [...],
            "ContainerSettings": {
                "Container": "MP4",
                "Mp4Settings": {
                     "C2paManifest": "INCLUDE",
                     "CertificateSecret": "arn:aws:secretsmanager:us-
west-2:111122223333:secret:c2pa-certificate-abc123",
                     "SigningKmsKey": "arn:aws:kms:us-
west-2:111122223333:key/1234abcd-12ab-34cd-56ef-1234567890ab"
                }
            }
        }]
    }]
. . .
```

## **Requirements for C2PA manifests**

To include C2PA manifests in your MediaConvert outputs, you need the following:

#### **MP4 container**

C2PA manifests are only supported for MP4 outputs.

#### **C2PA** certificate

A public certificate chain in PEM format stored in Secrets Manager. The certificate chain should include the signer's certificate and all intermediate certificates, but not the root certificate.

For information about obtaining C2PA-compatible certificates, see <u>https://</u>opensource.contentauthenticity.org/docs/signing/get-cert

For information about Secrets Manager, see the Secrets Manager user guide.

#### AWS KMS key

An AWS KMS key with ECDSA\_SHA\_256 signing capability. This key is used to sign the C2PA manifest. Currently, MediaConvert only supports the ES256 (ECDSA with SHA-256) signing algorithm.

For information about AWS KMS, see the AWS KMS user guide.

### **IAM permissions**

Your MediaConvert service role must have permissions to access the specified Secrets Manager secret and AWS KMS key. Add the following permissions to your service role:

```
{
    "Version": "2012-10-17",
    "Statement": [
        {
            "Effect": "Allow",
            "Action": "kms:Sign",
            "Resource": "arn:aws:kms:us-
west-2:111122223333:key/1234abcd-12ab-34cd-56ef-1234567890ab"
        },
        {
            "Effect": "Allow",
            "Action": "secretsmanager:GetSecretValue",
            "Resource": "arn:aws:secretsmanager:us-west-2:111122223333:secret:c2pa-
certificate-abc123"
        }
    ]
}
```

### **Size limitations**

The C2PA manifest has a size limit of 32KB. If your certificate chain or other manifest components exceed this limit, the job will fail with an error.

When you embed a C2PA manifest in your MP4 output, MediaConvert generates a manifest with the following components:

### **Claim generator information**

Identifies MediaConvert as the service that generated the manifest.

### Format

Specifies the media format (video/mp4).

### Assertions

Includes statements about actions performed on the content, such as:

- c2pa.opened: Indicates the content was opened for processing
- c2pa.transcoded: Indicates the content was transcoded

### Asset hash

A cryptographic hash of the media content to verify its integrity. MediaConvert uses the SHA-256 hashing algorithm for asset validation.

### **Digital signature**

A signature created with your KMS key that verifies the authenticity of the manifest. The signature includes a timestamp token from DigiCert's timestamp authority (http:// timestamp.digicert.com) to ensure long-term signature validation.

The manifest is embedded in the MP4 file using a standard C2PA UUID box, placed after the FTYP box and before the MOOV box.

### 1 Note

If your input file already contains C2PA manifests, MediaConvert does not preserve them in the output. Instead, it generates a new manifest.

## Verifying C2PA manifests

After creating MP4 outputs with C2PA manifests, you can verify the manifests using C2PAcompatible tools. These tools can extract and validate the manifest, including checking the digital signature and asset hash.

A properly validated C2PA manifest confirms that:

- The manifest was signed by the specified certificate
- The content has not been modified since the manifest was created
- The actions and assertions in the manifest are intact

For more information about C2PA and available verification tools, see the <u>C2PA website</u>. You can use the open-source <u>c2patool</u> to verify C2PA manifests in your media files. For example:

c2patool example.mp4 --info

A successful validation will show output similar to:

```
$ c2patool example.mp4 --info
Information for example.mp4
Manifest store size = 32000 (0.56% of file size 5705967)
Validated
One manifest
```

For more detailed information about the manifest contents, use the --detailed flag:

c2patool example.mp4 --detailed

The following is an example output from c2patool:

```
$ c2patool example.mp4 --detailed
{
    "active_manifest": "urn:uuid:0b3bd0b6-9783-4adc-9609-fb29fff858da",
    "manifests": {
    "urn:uuid:0b3bd0b6-9783-4adc-9609-fb29fff858da": {
        "claim": {
            "dc:title": "example.mp4",
            "dc:format": "video/mp4",
```

```
"instanceID": "xmp:iid:190fb451-7dc4-4878-b0d2-512d9b1c5dab",
    "claim_generator": "mediaconvert/1.0",
    "claim_generator_info": [
     {
      "name": "MediaConvert",
      "version": "1.0",
      "org.cai.c2pa_rs": "0.39.0"
     }
    ],
    "signature": "self#jumbf=/c2pa/urn:uuid:0b3bd0b6-9783-4adc-9609-fb29fff858da/
c2pa.signature",
    "assertions": [
     {
      "url": "self#jumbf=c2pa.assertions/c2pa.actions",
      "hash": "P2+zrSTu2U5aGo4mNC35EWEM7vjfLho/2tTKmZ+ls+k="
     },
     {
      "url": "self#jumbf=c2pa.assertions/c2pa.hash.bmff",
      "hash": "majeRA6voTIMvHShWBR5Vqg7e4c7dVFsfTbezIzn63o="
     }
    ],
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   },
   "assertion_store": {
    "c2pa.actions": {
     "actions": [
      {
       "action": "c2pa.opened"
      },
      {
       "action": "c2pa.transcoded"
      }
     ]
    },
    "c2pa.hash.bmff": {
     "alg": "sha256",
     "hash": "BHZI6ml1LqBf2xLaKAzYS8u0YwWo5/Wsc30wRYmnr4M=",
     "name": "jumbf manifest",
     "exclusions": [
      {
       "data": null,
       "exact": null,
       "flags": null,
       "xpath": "/ftyp",
```

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},
{
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 "xpath": "/mdat",
 "length": null,
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  {
  "length": 8,
  "offset": 0
 }
],
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},
{
 "data": null,
 "exact": null,
 "flags": null,
 "xpath": "/moov",
 "length": null,
 "subset": null,
 "version": null
```

```
},
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       "flags": null,
       "xpath": "/mfra",
       "length": null,
       "subset": null,
       "version": null
      }
     ]
    }
   },
   "signature": {
   "alg": "es256",
    "issuer": "Test Organization",
    "time": "2025-04-11T23:17:33+00:00"
   }
  }
 },
 "validation_status": [
  {
   "code": "claimSignature.validated",
   "url": "self#jumbf=/c2pa/urn:uuid:0b3bd0b6-9783-4adc-9609-fb29fff858da/
c2pa.signature",
   "explanation": "claim signature valid"
  },
  {
   "code": "assertion.hashedURI.match",
   "url": "self#jumbf=/c2pa/urn:uuid:0b3bd0b6-9783-4adc-9609-fb29fff858da/
c2pa.assertions/c2pa.actions",
   "explanation": "hashed uri matched: self#jumbf=c2pa.assertions/c2pa.actions"
  },
  {
   "code": "assertion.hashedURI.match",
   "url": "self#jumbf=/c2pa/urn:uuid:0b3bd0b6-9783-4adc-9609-fb29fff858da/
c2pa.assertions/c2pa.hash.bmff",
   "explanation": "hashed uri matched: self#jumbf=c2pa.assertions/c2pa.hash.bmff"
  },
  {
   "code": "assertion.bmffHash.match",
   "url": "self#jumbf=/c2pa/urn:uuid:0b3bd0b6-9783-4adc-9609-fb29fff858da/
c2pa.assertions/c2pa.hash.bmff",
   "explanation": "data hash valid"
```

} ] }

# **Dolby Atmos**

Dolby Atmos provides an immersive audio experience in cinemas and home theaters. With the right audio input files, you can use AWS Elemental MediaConvert to create Dolby Atmos outputs. You can create streaming outputs that end viewers can experience in their home theaters or file outputs that you can use in your professional workflows.

AWS Elemental MediaConvert can create Dolby Digital Plus with Atmos outputs by either encoding channel-based immersive audio content that you provide as 9.1.6, 7.1.4, or 5.1.4 PCM mono channels, or by passing through already encoded Dolby Digital Plus with Atmos content.

## Topics

- Configuring Dolby Atmos encoding
- <u>Requirements for Dolby Atmos encoding</u>
- Configuring Dolby Atmos passthrough
- Feature Restrictions for Dolby Atmos Passthrough

# **Configuring Dolby Atmos encoding**

AWS Elemental MediaConvert can encode Dolby Digital Plus with Atmos channel-based, immersive audio, Audio Definition Model Broadcast WAV files, or Dolby Atmos Master File.

## 🚯 Note

Understanding Dolby Atmos is required prerequisite knowledge for using this feature. Your input audio channels must already be set up according the Dolby Atmos standard you are using as input. For more information about Dolby Atmos, see the Dolby online documentation.

## Setting up a job for Dolby Atmos encoding

AWS Elemental MediaConvert can encode Dolby Digital Plus with Atmos channel-based, immersive audio, Audio Descriptive Model Broadcast WAV files, or Dolby Atmos Master File.

### 1 Note

Understanding Dolby Atmos is required prerequisite knowledge for using this feature. Your input audio channels must already be set up according the Dolby Atmos standard you are using as input. For more information about Dolby Atmos, see the Dolby online documentation.

For more details about setting up your job for Dolby Atmos encoding, see one of the following procedures:

Procedure with separate audio input files

Procedure with a single audio input file

### To set up a Dolby Atmos job, with audio inputs as 16 individual .wav files

- 1. Open the MediaConvert console at https://console.aws.amazon.com/mediaconvert.
- 2. Choose **Create job**.
- 3. Set up your input video as described in <u>Tutorial: Configuring job settings</u>.
- 4. Set up your input audio selectors as follows:
  - a. On the **Create job** page, in the **Job** pane on the left, choose **Input**.
  - b. On the right, in the Audio selectors section, under Audio selector 1, choose External file.
  - c. For **External file**, provide the path and file name to the .wav file for your first channel. For **Audio selector 1**, this channel must be L.

#### <u> Important</u>

You must set up the channels in the following order: L, R, C, LFE, Ls, Rs, Lrs, Rrs, Lw, Rw, Ltf, Rtf, Ltm, Rtm, Ltr, Rtr.

That is, if your input audio is in separate .wav files, **Audio selector 1** must point to the L channel, **Audio selector 2** must point to the R channel, and so on.

- d. At the top of the **Audio selectors** section, choose **Add audio selector** to create **Audio selector 2**.
- e. Under Audio selector 2, choose External file.
- f. Specify the path and file name to the .wav file for your second channel. For Audio selector
  2, this channel must be R.
- g. Repeat the steps to create an audio selector for the rest of your 16 channels. Choose the following channels for each selector:
  - Audio selector 3: C
  - Audio selector 4: LFE
  - Audio selector 5: Ls
  - Audio selector 6: Rs
  - Audio selector 7: Lrs
  - Audio selector 8: Rrs
  - Audio selector 9: Lw
  - Audio selector 10: Rw
  - Audio selector 11: Ltf
  - Audio selector 12: Rtf
  - Audio selector 13: Ltm
  - Audio selector 14: Rtm
  - Audio selector 15: Ltr
  - Audio selector 16: Rtr
- 5. Create an input **Audio selector group** as follows:
  - a. In the Audio selector groups section, choose Add audio selector group.
  - b. For Group name, enter a descriptive name, such as Dolby Atmos Audio Group.
  - c. For **Select audio selectors**, choose each audio selector that you created earlier in this procedure. Choose them in order, starting with **Audio selector 1**.
- Set up your output groups, outputs, and video output selectors as described in <u>Tutorial</u>: <u>Configuring job settings</u> and <u>Creating outputs</u>. Choose supported containers as listed in <u>Requirements for Dolby Atmos encoding</u>.
- Create audio output selectors as described in <u>Tutorial: Configuring job settings</u> and <u>Creating</u> <u>outputs</u>.

Set them up as follows:

- a. In the **Job** pane on the left, choose an output that includes audio.
- b. In the **Encoding settings** section, choose **Audio 1**.
- c. For Audio codec, choose Dolby Digital Plus JOC (Atmos).

For **Audio source**, choose the audio selector group that you created earlier in this procedure, such as **Dolby Atmos Audio Group**.

d. For the audio encoding settings, choose values that are suitable for your workflow. For more information, see the Dolby documentation for the Dolby Digital Plus Atmos encoding library.

### 🚯 Note

AWS Elemental MediaConvert automatically performs audio normalization on Dolby Digital Plus Atmos outputs. Therefore, there is no **Dialnorm** setting under audio encoding settings.

### To set up a Dolby Atmos job, with audio input as a single file with 16 tracks

- 1. Open the MediaConvert console at https://console.aws.amazon.com/mediaconvert.
- 2. Choose **Create job**.
- 3. Set up your input video as described in <u>Tutorial: Configuring job settings</u>.
- 4. Set up your input audio selectors as follows:
  - a. On the **Create job** page, in the **Job** pane on the left, choose **Input**.
  - b. On the right, in the Audio selectors section, under Audio selector 1, choose External file.
  - c. For **External file**, provide the path and file name to the .wav file.
  - d. For **Selector type**, choose **Track**.
  - e. For **Tracks**, list your 16 PCM mono tracks in a comma-separated list. Specify them in the following order: L, R, C, LFE, Ls, Rs, Lrs, Rrs, Lw, Rw, Ltf, Rtf, Ltm, Rtm, Ltr, Rtr.
    - If the tracks of your input audio file are already in that order, then list them that way: 1,
      2, 3, ... 16.

- If the tracks of your input audio file are in a different order, list them according to the specified order. For example, if your L channel is in track 3, then list **3** first.
- Set up your output groups, outputs, and video output selectors as described in <u>Tutorial</u>: <u>Configuring job settings</u> and <u>Creating outputs</u>. Choose supported containers as listed in Requirements for Dolby Atmos encoding.
- 6. Create audio output selectors as described in <u>Tutorial: Configuring job settings</u> and <u>Creating</u> <u>outputs</u>.

Set them up as follows:

- a. In the **Job** pane on the left, choose an output that includes audio.
- b. In the **Encoding settings** section, choose **Audio 1**.
- c. For Audio codec, choose Dolby Digital Plus JOC (Atmos).

For Audio source, keep the default Audio selector 1.

d. For the audio encoding settings, choose values that are suitable for your workflow. For more information, see the Dolby documentation for the Dolby Digital Plus Atmos encoding library.

### 🚺 Note

AWS Elemental MediaConvert automatically performs audio normalization on Dolby Digital Plus Atmos outputs. Therefore, there is no **Dialnorm** setting under audio encoding settings.

# **Requirements for Dolby Atmos encoding**

Note the following restrictions in the MediaConvert implementation of Dolby Atmos encoding:

- Input Channel-Based Immersive (CBI): MediaConvert supports channel-based immersive (CBI) content.
- Input Dolby Atmos Master File (DAMF): MediaConvert supports Dolby Atmos master file (DAMF). This is a collection of 3 files with the extensions, .atmos, .atmos.metadata, and .atmos.audio
- Input Immersive Audio Bitstream (IAB): MediaConvert supports immersive audio bistream (IAB).

- Input Audio Definition Model Broadcast WAV Format (ADM BWF): MediaConvert supports ADM BWF. It is a single broadcast WAV file contains header data with the .atmos and .atmos.metadata information.
- **Output codec:** You can create Dolby Atmos audio outputs encoded with only the Dolby Digital Plus (EAC3) codec.
- **Output containers:** For file outputs, you can create Dolby Atmos audio in only in one of the video containers that supports Dolby Digital Plus: MPEG-4, MPEG-2 Transport Stream, or QuickTime.
- **Output packages:** For adaptive bitrate (ABR) outputs, you can create Dolby Atmos audio in any of the MediaConvert output group types: CMAF, Apple HLS, DASH ISO, or Microsoft Smooth Streaming.

# **Configuring Dolby Atmos passthrough**

AWS Elemental MediaConvert can create Dolby Digital Plus with Atmos outputs by either encoding audio in 9.1.6, 7.1.4, or 5.1.4 PCM mono channels, or by passing through already encoded Dolby Digital Plus with Atmos content.

You set up your job to pass through Dolby Digital Plus with Atmos content in the same way that you pass through Dolby Digital and Dolby Digital Plus content.

## To set up a Dolby Atmos job, passing through finished audio content

- 1. Open the MediaConvert console at <a href="https://console.aws.amazon.com/mediaconvert">https://console.aws.amazon.com/mediaconvert</a>.
- 2. Choose Create job.
- 3. Set up your input audio and video as described in <u>Tutorial: Configuring job settings</u>.
- Set up your output groups, outputs, and video output selectors as described in <u>Tutorial</u>: <u>Configuring job settings</u> and <u>Creating outputs</u>. Choose supported containers as listed in <u>Supported output formats</u>.
- 5. Create audio output selectors as described in <u>Tutorial: Configuring job settings</u> and <u>Creating</u> <u>outputs</u>.

Set them up as follows:

- a. In the **Job** pane on the left, choose an output that includes audio.
- b. In the **Encoding settings** section, choose **Audio 1**.

c. For Audio codec, choose Passthrough.

# Feature Restrictions for Dolby Atmos Passthrough

Note the following restrictions in the AWS Elemental MediaConvert implementation of Dolby Atmos passthrough:

- **Output codec:** You can create Dolby Atmos audio outputs encoded with only the Dolby Digital Plus (EAC3) codec.
- **Output containers:** For file outputs, you can create Dolby Atmos audio in only one of the video containers that supports Dolby Digital Plus: MPEG-4, MPEG-2 Transport Stream, or QuickTime.

# Creating Dolby Vision outputs with AWS Elemental MediaConvert

Dolby Vision video uses an extended color palette and contrast range with dynamic, per-frame metadata. With AWS Elemental MediaConvert, you can create Profile 5 or Profile 8.1 Dolby Vision outputs from supported sources.

### Topics

- <u>Configuring Dolby Vision</u>
- Dolby Vision input format support and job setting requirements

# **Configuring Dolby Vision**

Use the following steps to set up a Dolby Vision job. For more information about jobs, see <u>the</u> <u>section called "Tutorial: Configuring job settings"</u>.

- 1. For your input file or files, choose from the following:
  - MXF file, with frame-interleaved Dolby Vision metadata or an XML file.
  - IMF package (IMP) with frame-interleaved Dolby Vision metadata or an XML file. Also, specify a composition playlist (CPL) file for your input. If your CPL is from an incomplete IMP, choose Supplemental IMPs to specify the location of your supplemental IMPs.
  - Apple ProRes QuickTime MOV, with a Dolby Vision studio metadata XML file.

- Any input with an HDR10 color space.
- Any input with an SDR color space.
- 2. For each output that you want to process with Dolby Vision, do the following:
  - 1. Make sure that your output settings conform to the limitations listed in <u>Requirements</u>.
  - 2. Enable the **Dolby Vision** preprocessor.
  - 3. Specify a Dolby Vision **Profile** from one of the following choices:
    - **Profile 5**: Includes frame-interleaved Dolby Vision metadata in your output.
    - **Profile 8.1**: Includes both frame-interleaved Dolby Vision metadata and HDR10 metadata in your output.
- 3. Choose an on-demand queue. (Your default queue is on-demand.)

# Dolby Vision input format support and job setting requirements

The tables in this section describe Dolby Vision input format support and job setting requirements for implementation with AWS Elemental MediaConvert.

The following table describes input format requirements for Dolby Vision Profile 5 or Profile 8.1 outputs.

Supported inputs with Dolby Vision metadata	Supported inputs without Dolby Vision metadata	Supported output Dolby Vision profile
IMF, MXF	HDR10	Profile 5
<ul> <li>Video codec: JPEG 2000</li> <li>Input Dolby Vision metadata: Frame-interleaved or XML file</li> </ul>	• Video codec: Any capable of carrying HDR10	Profile 8.1
QuickTime (.mov)  Video codec: Apple ProRes	• Video codec: Any capable of carrying SDR	

Supported inputs with Dolby Vision metadata	Supported inputs without Dolby Vision metadata	Supported output Dolby Vision profile
Input Dolby Vision metadata: XML file		

The following table describes feature limitations and job requirements for Dolby Vision outputs.

Feature	Job setting requirement
Maximum number of input videos or input clips	One per job
(For Profile 8.1 outputs)	
Input <b>Frame rate</b>	All inputs must have the same frame rate. Frame rate conversion is not supported.
Input Image inserter	Supported
	(The brightness of your image will vary along with your video content.)
Output Frame rate	Follow source
Output Image inserter	Disabled
Output Video codec	HEVC (H.265)
Output Color metadata	Insert
Output video Resolution (w x h)	Maximum width: 4096
	Maximum height: 4096
Output video codec <b>Profile</b>	Main10/Main or Main10/High
Captions <b>Destination type</b>	Burn-in captions are not supported.

Feature	Job setting requirement
Respond to AFD	None
Color corrector preprocessor	Disabled
Timecode burn-in preprocessor	Disabled
Noise reducer preprocessor	Disabled
Motion image inserter	Disabled
Queue type	On-demand queue

# Protecting your media assets with encryption and DRM using AWS Elemental MediaConvert

Use encryption to protect your content from unauthorized access. You can use any combination of these encryption options with AWS Elemental MediaConvert:

- Server-side encryption: Keep your output files secure in the Amazon S3 buckets that AWS Elemental MediaConvert reads from and writes to.
- Digital rights management (DRM): Make sure that, once you distribute your content, only authorized viewers can watch it

#### Topics

- Implementing server-side encryption
- <u>Content encryption and DRM in AWS Elemental MediaConvert</u>

## Implementing server-side encryption

Server-side encryption with Amazon S3 is one of the encryption options that you can use with AWS Elemental MediaConvert.

You can protect your input and output files at rest by using server-side encryption with Amazon S3:

- To protect your input files, set up server-side encryption as you would for any object in an Amazon S3 bucket. For more information, see <u>Protecting data using server-side encryption</u> in the *Amazon Simple Storage Service User Guide*.
- To protect your output files, specify in your AWS Elemental MediaConvert job that Amazon S3 encrypts your output files as MediaConvert uploads them. By default, your output files are not encrypted. The rest of this topic provides more information about setting up your job to encrypt your output files.

When you set up an AWS Elemental MediaConvert job output for server-side encryption, Amazon S3 encrypts it with a data key. As an additional security measure, the data key itself is encrypted with a master key.

You choose whether Amazon S3 encrypts the data key by using the default Amazon S3 managed key or a KMS key that is managed by AWS Key Management Service (AWS KMS). Using the default Amazon S3 master key is simplest to set up. If you prefer more control over your key, use an AWS KMSkey. For more information about the different types of KMS keys managed with AWS KMS, see <u>What is AWS Key Management Service?</u> in the AWS Key Management Service Developer Guide.

If you choose to use an AWS KMS key, you can specify a customer managed key in your AWS account. Otherwise, AWS KMS uses the AWS managed key for Amazon S3, which has the alias aws/s3.

## To set up your job outputs for server-side encryption

- 1. Open the MediaConvert console at <u>https://console.aws.amazon.com/mediaconvert</u>.
- 2. Choose **Create job**.
- Set up your input, output groups, and outputs for video and audio, as described in <u>Tutorial</u>: <u>Configuring job settings</u> and <u>Creating outputs</u>.
- 4. For each output group that has outputs that you want encrypted, set up server-side encryption:
  - a. In the **Job** pane on the left, choose the output group.
  - b. In the group settings section on the right, choose **Server-side encryption**. If you use the API or an SDK, you can find this setting in the JSON file of your job. The setting name is S3EncryptionSettings.

c. For **Encryption key management**, choose the AWS service that protects your data key. If you use the API or an SDK, you can find this setting in the JSON file of your job. The setting name is S3ServerSideEncryptionType.

If you choose **Amazon S3**, Amazon S3 encrypts your data key with a customer managed key that Amazon S3 stores securely. If you choose **AWS KMS**, Amazon S3 encrypts your data key with a KMS key that AWS Key Management Service (AWS KMS) stores and manages.

d. If you chose **AWS KMS** in the preceding step, optionally specify the ARN of one of your <u>What is AWS Key Management Service</u>? If you do, AWS KMS will use that KMS key to encrypt the data key that Amazon S3 uses to encrypt your media files.

If you don't specify a key for **AWS KMS**, Amazon S3 uses the <u>AWS managed key</u> in your AWS account that is used exclusively for Amazon S3.

- e. If you chose AWS KMS for Encryption key management, grant kms:Encrypt and kms:GenerateDataKey permissions to your AWS Elemental MediaConvert AWS Identity and Access Management (IAM) role. This allows MediaConvert to encrypt your output files. If you also want to be able to use these outputs as inputs to another MediaConvert job, also grant kms:Decrypt permissions. To learn more, see these topics:
  - For more information about setting up an IAM role for AWS Elemental MediaConvert to assume, see <u>Setting up IAM permissions</u> in the Getting Started chapter of this guide.
  - For more information about granting IAM permissions using an inline policy, see the procedure **To embed an inline policy for a user or role** in <u>Adding IAM identity</u> <u>permissions (Console)</u> in the *IAM User Guide*.
  - For examples of IAM policies that grant AWS KMS permissions, including decrypting encrypted content, see <u>Customer managed policy examples</u> in the AWS Key Management Service Developer Guide.
- 5. Run your AWS Elemental MediaConvert job as usual. If you chose **AWS KMS** for **Encryption key management**, remember to grant kms:Decrypt permissions to any user or role that you want to be able to access your outputs.

## **Content encryption and DRM in AWS Elemental MediaConvert**

Protect your content from unauthorized use through encryption. Digital rights management (DRM) systems provide keys to AWS Elemental MediaConvert for content encryption, and licenses to supported players and other consumers for decryption.

The following sections provide guidance on how to choose and implement content encryption using SPEKE for MediaConvert.

#### Topics

- Container and DRM system support with SPEKE
- Deploying SPEKE
- SPEKE encryption parameters
- SPEKE v2.0 presets
- Using encrypted content keys with DRM
- Troubleshooting DRM encryption
- <u>Requirements</u>

## **Container and DRM system support with SPEKE**

MediaConvert supports both <u>SPEKE Version 1.0</u> and <u>SPEKE Version 2.0</u>. For more information, see the SPEKE partner and customer guide.

#### SPEKE v1.0 Supported containers and DRM systems

The following table lists the different containers and digital rights management (DRM) systems that SPEKE Version 1.0 supports.

#### SPEKE v1.0 DRM support

Output group type	Apple Fairplay	Google Widevine	Microsoft PlayReady
DASH	Not supported	Supported	Supported
Apple HLS	Supported	Not supported	Not supported
Microsoft Smooth	Not supported	Not supported	Supported

CMAF DASH and	Supported	Supported	Supported
CMAF HLS			

#### SPEKE v2.0 Supported containers and DRM systems

The following table lists the different containers and digital rights management (DRM) systems that SPEKE Version 2.0 supports.

#### SPEKE v2.0 DRM support

Output group type	Apple Fairplay	Google Widevine	Microsoft PlayReady
DASH	Not supported	Supported	Supported
Apple HLS	Supported(Sample- AES)	Supported	Supported
Microsoft Smooth	Not supported	Not supported	Not supported
CMAF DASH and CMAF HLS	Supported (CBCS)	Supported (CBCS and CENC)	Supported (CBCS and CENC)

#### Supported DRM system IDs

The following table lists the different DRM system IDs that MediaConvert supports.

System IDs – Support matrix for DRM system	Apple FairPlay	Google Widevine	Microsoft PlayReady
System ID	94ce86fb-07ff-4f43-	edef8ba9-79d6-4ace-	9a04f079-9840-4286
	adb8-93d2fa968ca2	a3c8-27dcd51d21ed	-ab92-e65be0885f95

## **Deploying SPEKE**

Your digital rights management (DRM) system provider can help you get set up to use DRM encryption in MediaConvert. Generally, the provider gives you a SPEKE gateway to deploy in your AWS account in the same AWS Region where MediaConvert is running.

If you must build your own API Gateway to connect MediaConvert to your key service, you can use the <u>SPEKE Reference Server</u> available on GitHub as a starting point.

## **SPEKE encryption parameters**

When you request encryption, you provide input parameters that allow the service to locate your DRM solution provider's key server, to authenticate you as a user and to request the proper encoding keys. Some options are available only for particular output groups.

Enter the SPEKE encryption parameters as follows:

For Resource ID, enter an identifier for the content. The service sends this to the key server to
identify the current endpoint. How unique you make this depends on how fine-grained you want
access controls to be. The service does not allow you to use the same ID for two simultaneous
encryption processes. The resource ID is also known as the content ID.

The following example shows a resource ID.

MovieNight20171126093045

- For **System ID**, enter unique identifiers for your streaming protocol and DRM system. The number of system IDs that you can specify varies depending on the output group type:
  - CMAF For System IDs signaled in DASH, specify at least one and up to three IDs. For System ID signaled in HLS, specify one ID.
  - DASH For **System ID**, specify at least one and up to two IDs.
  - Apple HLS For **System ID**, specify one ID.

If you provide more than one system ID in a single field, enter them on separate lines, and don't separate them with commas or any other punctuation.

For a list of common system IDs, see <u>DASH-IF System IDs</u>. If you don't know your IDs, request them from your DRM solution provider.

• For **URL**, enter the URL of the API Gateway proxy that you set up to talk to your key server. The API Gateway proxy must reside in the same AWS Region as MediaConvert.

The following example shows a URL.

https://lwm2dx1f33.execute-api.us-west-2.amazonaws.com/SpekeSample/copyProtection

 (Optional) For Certificate ARN, enter a 2048 RSA certificate ARN to use for content key encryption. Use this option only if your DRM key provider supports content key encryption. If you use this and your key provider doesn't support it, the request fails.

To enter a certificate ARN here, you must have already imported the corresponding certificate into AWS Certificate Manager, entered the certificate ARN from ACM into the MediaConvert **Certificates** pane, and associated it with MediaConvert. For more information, see <u>the section</u> <u>called "Using encrypted content keys with DRM"</u>.

The following example shows a certificate ARN.

arn:aws:acm:region:123456789012:certificate/97b4deb6-8983-4e39-918e-ef1378924e1e

#### To encrypt content using SPEKE v1.0 by using the MediaConvert console:

- 1. Set up your transcoding job as usual. For more information, see <u>the section called "Tutorial:</u> Configuring job settings".
- 2. On the **Create job** page, in the **Job** pane on the left, under **Output groups**, choose an output group that you want to enable encryption for.
- 3. Turn on **DRM encryption**.
- 4. For **CMAF** and **Apple HLS** output groups, choose the encryption method. Make sure that you choose an encryption method that works with the DRM system that you use.

For **DASH ISO** and **MS Smooth** output groups, you don't specify the encryption method. MediaConvert always uses AES-CTR (AES-128) encryption with these output groups.

5. For **CMAF** and **Apple HLS** output groups, choose the source for the content encryption key. For **Key provider type**, choose **SPEKE** to encrypt using a key provided by your DRM solution provider, or choose **Static key** to enter your own key. For **DASH ISO** and **MS Smooth** output groups, you don't specify the source for the content encryption key. With these output groups, MediaConvert does DRM only with a SPEKE-compliant key provider.

- For **SPEKE**, fill in the encryption parameter fields.
- For Static Key, see the section called "Static key encryption parameters" below.

#### Additional configuration options for Apple HLS and CMAF

(Optional) For Constant initialization vector enter a 128-bit, 16-byte hex value represented by a 32-character string, to be used with the key for encrypting content.

#### Static key encryption parameters

The following options are for static key encryption:

- Static key value A valid string for encrypting content.
- URL The URL to include in the manifest so that player devices can decrypt the content.

#### **SPEKE v2.0 presets**

SPEKE Version 2.0 supports the use of multiple, distinct encryption keys for audio and video tracks. MediaConvert uses **presets** to configure the encryption. The MediaConvert API defines these presets. The presets map encryption keys to specific audio or video tracks, based on the number of channels for audio tracks, and based on the video resolution for video tracks. MediaConvert uses specific combinations of audio and video encryption presets to support three different encryption scenarios:

- Scenario 1: Unencrypted tracks and encrypted tracks
- Scenario 2: Single encryption key for all audio and video tracks
- Scenario 3: Multiple encryption keys for audio and video tracks

#### Scenario 1: Unencrypted tracks and encrypted tracks

You can choose *not* to encrypt the audio or the video tracks by selecting the **UNENCRYPTED** preset in the **Video encryption preset** or the **Audio encryption preset** menus. You can't select **UNENCRYPTED** for both audio and video presets, because doing so would mean that you don't

intend to encrypt any of the tracks at all. Also, you can't combine **UNENCRYPTED** and **SHARED** presets for audio and video, because **SHARED** is a special preset. For more information, see Scenario 2: Single encryption key for all audio and video tracks.

The following list describes valid combinations of **UNENCRYPTED** presets:

- UNENCRYPTED for audio tracks, and any video preset with a name that starts with PRESET\_VIDEO\_
- UNENCRYPTED for video tracks, and any audio preset with a name that starts with PRESET\_AUDIO\_

#### Scenario 2: Single encryption key for all audio and video tracks

The SPEKE Version 2.0 **SHARED** preset uses a single encryption key for all audio and video tracks, as in SPEKE Version 1.0. When you select the **SHARED** preset, select it for both audio and video encryption.

#### Scenario 3: Multiple encryption keys for audio and video tracks

When you use a preset with a name that starts with PRESET\_VIDEO\_ or PRESET\_AUDIO\_, MediaConvert encrypts the audio tracks and video tracks with the number of encryption keys that the specific preset defines. The following tables show how many keys MediaConvert requests from the key server and how those keys map to tracks. If no track matches the criteria for a particular key, MediaConvert does not use that key to encrypt any track.

MediaConvert encrypts I-frame only trickplay tracks with the key corresponding to their resolution.

In the following table, the **Key name** value is the value of the ContentKeyUsageRule@IntendedTrackType attribute that MediaConvert uses in the CPIX document. This is sent to the SPEKE server for a specific content key.

#### Video encryption presets

Preset name	Number of keys	Key name	Minimum resolution	Maximum resolution
PRESET_VI DEO_1	1	VIDEO	resolution. Media	or maximum Convert encrypts the same key.

Preset name	Number of keys	Key name	Minimum resolution	Maximum resolution
PRESET_VI	2	SD	No minimum	<= 1024x576
DEO_2	Z	HD	> 1024x576	No maximum
		SD	No minimum	<= 1024x576
PRESET_VI DEO_3	3	HD	> 1024x576	<= 1920x1080
		UHD	> 1920x1080	No maximum
		SD	No minimum	<= 1024x576
PRESET_VI	4	HD	> 1024x576	<= 1920x1080
DEO_4	4	UHD1	> 1920x1080	<= 4096x2160
		UHD2	> 4096x2160	No maximum
	5	SD	No minimum	<= 1024x576
		HD1	> 1024x576	<= 1280x720
PRESET_VI DEO_5		HD2	> 1280x720	<= 1920x1080
		UHD1	> 1920x1080	<= 4096x2160
		UHD2	> 4096x2160	No maximum
		SD	No minimum	<= 1024x576
PRESET_VI	4	HD1	> 1024x576	<= 1280x720
DEO_6	4	HD2	> 1280x720	<= 1920x1080
		UHD	> 1920x1080	No maximum
PRESET_VI	_	SD+HD1	No minimum	<= 1280x720
DEO_7	3	HD2	> 1280x720	<= 1920x1080

Preset name	Number of keys	Key name	Minimum resolution	Maximum resolution
		UHD	> 1920x1080	No maximum
		SD+HD1	No minimum	<= 1280x720
PRESET_VI DEO_8	4	HD2	> 1280x720	<= 1920x1080
	4	UHD1	> 1920x1080	<= 4096x2160
		UHD2	> 4096x2160	No maximum
SHARED	1	ALL	No minimum or m n. MediaConvert and audio tracks v	encrypts all video
UNENCRYPTED	0	N/A	MediaConve encrypt any	

In the following table, the Key name value is the value of the

ContentKeyUsageRule@IntendedTrackType attribute that MediaConvert uses in the CPIX document. This is sent to the SPEKE server for a specific content key.

#### Audio encryption presets

Preset name	Number of keys	Key name	Minimum number of channels	Maximum number of channels
PRESET_AU DIO_1	1	AUDIO	number of chan ert encrypts	or maximum nels. MediaConv all audio and th the same key.
DDESET ALL		STEREO_AUDIO	No minimum	2
PRESET_AU DIO_2	2	MULTICHAN NEL_AUDIO	> 2	No maximum

Preset name	Number of keys	Key name	Minimum number of channels	Maximum number of channels
		STEREO_AUDIO	No minimum	2
PRESET_AU DIO_3	3	MULTICHAN NEL_AUDIO_3_6	> 2	<= 6
		MULTICHAN NEL_AUDIO_7	> 6	No maximum
SHARED	1	ALL	number of chan ert encrypts	or maximum nels. MediaConv all audio and h the same key.
UNENCRYPTED	0	N/A	MediaConve encrypt any	ert does not audio track.

Now you know how MediaConvert supports SPEKE Version 2.0 presets for unencrypted tracks and encrypted tracks. With these presets, you can use a single encryption key for all audio and video tracks, and multiple encryption keys for audio and video tracks.

## Using encrypted content keys with DRM

For the most secure DRM encryption solution, use encrypted content keys in addition to encrypted content. To use encrypted content keys, you must import suitable certificates into AWS Certificate Manager (ACM), and then prepare them for use with AWS Elemental MediaConvert. For information about ACM, see the <u>AWS Certificate Manager User Guide</u>.

Run AWS Certificate Manager in the same Region as you run AWS Elemental MediaConvert.

#### To prepare a certificate for DRM content key encryption

- 1. Obtain a 2048 RSA, SHA-512-signed certificate.
- 2. Open the ACM console at https://console.aws.amazon.com/acm/.

3. Import the certificate into ACM according to the instructions at <u>Importing certificates into AWS</u> <u>Certificate Manager</u>. Note the resulting certificate ARN because you will need it later.

For use in DRM encryption, your certificate must have a status of **Issued** in ACM.

- 4. Open the MediaConvert console at https://console.aws.amazon.com/mediaconvert/.
- 5. In the navigation pane, under **Certificates**, enter your certificate ARN, and then choose **Associate certificate**.

#### To find certificates that are associated with AWS Elemental MediaConvert

In the ACM console, list and display your certificates to find the ones that you have associated with MediaConvert. In the **Details** section of the certificate's description, you can see the MediaConvert association and retrieve the certificate ARN. For more information, see <u>List ACM–managed</u> <u>certificates</u> and <u>Describe ACM certificates</u>.

#### To use a certificate in AWS Elemental MediaConvert

When you use DRM encryption, provide one of your associated certificate ARNs in the SPEKE encryption parameters. This enables content key encryption. You can use the same certificate ARN for multiple jobs. For information, see <u>the section called "Container and DRM system support with</u> <u>SPEKE"</u>.

#### To renew a certificate

To renew a certificate that you have associated with AWS Elemental MediaConvert, reimport it in AWS Certificate Manager. The certificate renews without any disruption of its use in MediaConvert.

## To delete a certificate

To delete a certificate from AWS Certificate Manager, you must first dissociate it from any other service. To dissociate a certificate from AWS Elemental MediaConvert, copy its certificate ARN from ACM, navigate to the MediaConvert **Certificates** pane, enter the certificate ARN, and then choose **Dissociate certificate**.

## **Troubleshooting DRM encryption**

If the DRM system key server is unavailable when AWS Elemental MediaConvert requests keys, the console displays the following message: Key Server Unavailable.

Content key encryption adds another layer of complexity to your jobs. If you run into problems on a job that has content key encryption enabled, remove the certificate ARN from your job settings and troubleshoot the job using clear key delivery. When you have that working, reenter the certificate ARN, and then try the job again.

If you contact the <u>AWS Support Center</u> for troubleshooting purposes, have the following information available:

- Region that the job was run in
- Job ID
- Account ID
- Name of your DRM solution provider
- Any other details about the problem that you are having that might assist with troubleshooting

## Requirements

When implementing content encryption for MediaConvert, refer to the following limitations and requirements:

- Use the AWS Secure Packager and Encoder Key Exchange (SPEKE) API to facilitate integration with a digital rights management (DRM) system provider. For information about SPEKE, see <u>What</u> is Secure Packager and Encoder Key Exchange?
- Your DRM system provider must support SPEKE. For a list of DRM providers that support SPEKE, see the <u>Get on board with a DRM platform provider</u> topic in the *SPEKE partner and customer guide*. Your DRM provider can help you set up DRM encryption use in MediaConvert.

# Working with frame rate conversion

The *frame rate* of a video asset represents how quickly video player devices play back the frames of a video, in frames per second (fps). For example, films have a frame rate of 24 fps, NTSC television broadcasts are 29.97/59.94 fps, and PAL television broadcasts are 50/25 fps. If you keep the MediaConvert default settings in your job, your output video will have the same frame rate as your input video.

Some videos have a frame rate that varies over the duration of the video. For example, some cameras automatically generate video that uses more frames for high-action sequences and fewer frames for sequences with less motion. MediaConvert supports variable frame rate (VFR) inputs,

but creates only constant frame rate (CFR) outputs. For more information, see <u>Variable frame rate</u> inputs.

#### Topics

- Settings for frame rate conversion
- Converting the frame rate of your video
- Using variable frame rate inputs in AWS Elemental MediaConvert
- Working with progressive and interlaced scan types in AWS Elemental MediaConvert
- Working with telecine in AWS Elemental MediaConvert

# Settings for frame rate conversion

To create outputs that have a different frame rate than your input, use these MediaConvert settings:

Frame rate (framerateControl, framerateNumerator, framerateDenominator)

For frame rate conversion, specify a frame rate in your output encoding settings that's different from your input video frame rate. MediaConvert will then create an output that has the frame rate you specify, rather than the frame rate of your input video.

Specifying your output frame rate directly in your JSON job specification can be more complex than doing so in the MediaConvert console. For details, see the procedure for using the API, CLI, and SDK in the topic Configuring frame rate conversion.

## Frame rate conversion algorithm (framerateConversionAlgorithm)

Choose how you want MediaConvert to increase or decrease the frame rate. The best choice for this setting depends on the content of your video.

When you use **Drop duplicate**, MediaConvert copies or deletes frames but doesn't alter them. This preserves the picture quality of each individual frame, but might introduce stuttering in some conversions. For numerically simple conversions, such as 60 fps to 30 fps, Drop duplicate is often the best choice.

When you use **Interpolate**, MediaConvert blends frames together to avoid the need to repeat or remove frames. This results in smooth motion, but might introduce undesirable video artifacts. For numerically complex conversions, Interpolate is likely to provide better results than Drop duplicate.

When you use **FrameFormer**, MediaConvert uses the InSync FrameFormer library. The conversion uses motion-compensated interpolation based on the content of your input video. FrameFormer performs various frame rate conversion techniques on a scene-by-scene basis and can use different techniques on different regions of each frame. FrameFormer does the conversion based on automatic detection of your source video's underlying cadence, rather than relying on the frame rate reported in the file's metadata.

#### Feature limitations:

- You can use FrameFormer with inputs that have resolutions up to 4K only. MediaConvert doesn't support FrameFormer conversion with 8K inputs.
- You can use FrameFormer only with jobs that you run through an on-demand queue. You can't use reserved queues with FrameFormer.

Using FrameFormer increases the transcoding time and incurs a significant add-on cost. For more information, see the <u>MediaConvert pricing page</u>.

Depending on the conversion, you might also use these settings:

#### Slow PAL (slowPal)

When you convert the frame rate from 23.976 or 24 frames per second (fps) to 25 fps, you can optionally enable **Slow PAL** (slow phase alternating line ). When you enable slow PAL, instead of duplicating frames to increase the frame rate, MediaConvert relabels the video frames as 25 fps and resamples your audio to keep it synchronized with the video. Slow PAL frame rate conversion slightly reduces the duration of the video. Generally, you use slow PAL to convert a cinema format for file-based playback or internet streaming.

## Telecine (telecine)

When you convert the frame rate from 23.976 frames per second (fps) to 29.97 fps, and your output scan type is interlaced, you can optionally set **Telecine** to **Hard** or **Soft** to create a smoother picture. Generally, you use telecine when you're preparing a video asset for broadcasting to set-top boxes.

For more information, see <u>Telecine</u>.

## Scan type (inputScanType)

Use this setting only with progressive segmented frame (PsF) inputs. MediaConvert automatically detects progressive and interlaced inputs. But it doesn't detect PsF. When your

input is PsF, set **Scan type** to **PsF** for better preservation of quality when you do deinterlacing and frame rate conversion.

## Converting the frame rate of your video

After you know how you want to specify the relevant settings, use one of the following procedures to set up your job. For conceptual information and guidance about choosing the right values for these settings, see Settings for frame rate conversion.

#### Console

To set up your transcoding job with frame rate conversion using the MediaConvert console:

- 1. Determine the values that you want to set for frame rate conversion. For more information, see Settings for frame rate conversion.
- 2. Set up your job inputs and outputs as described in <u>Tutorial: Configuring job settings</u>.
- 3. On the **Create job** page, in the **Job** pane on the left, choose the output that you want to use frame rate conversion with.

## 🚺 Tip

To find a specific encoding setting on the MediaConvert console, use your browser's search function.

- 4. In the **Encoding settings** section, for **Frame rate**, choose the frame rate that you want for your output. If the frame rate that you want isn't listed, choose **Custom**. Then specify your frame rate as a fraction in the fields to the right of **Frame rate**.
- 5. For **Framerate conversion algorithm**, choose the algorithm most suited to your content.

**Framerate conversion algorithm** isn't available on the MediaConvert console until you choose your output frame rate.

- 6. Optional. If your output is 25 fps and you want to use **Slow PAL**, enable it.
- 7. Optional. If you're converting from 23.976 fps to 29.97 fps and you want to do a telecine conversion, set **Telecine** to **Hard** or **Soft**.

**Telecine** isn't available on the MediaConvert console until you set your output frame rate to 29.97.

#### API, SDK, or CLI

If you use the API, CLI, or an SDK, specify the relevant settings in your JSON job specification and then submit it programmatically with your job. For more information about submitting your job programmatically, see one of the introductory topics of the AWS Elemental MediaConvert API Reference:

- Getting started with AWS Elemental MediaConvert using the AWS SDKs or the AWS CLI
- Getting started with AWS Elemental MediaConvert using the API

To set up your transcoding job with frame rate conversion using the API, SDK or AWS Command Line Interface (CLI):

- 1. Determine the values you want to set for frame rate conversion. For more information, see Settings for frame rate conversion.
- Use the MediaConvert console to generate your JSON job specification. We recommend this approach, because the console functions as an interactive validator against the MediaConvert job schema. Follow these steps to generate your JSON job specification using the console:
  - a. Follow the previous procedure for the console.
  - b. In the **Job** pane on the left, under **Job settings**, choose **Show job JSON**.

Find additional information, including where each setting belongs in the job settings structure, in the *AWS Elemental MediaConvert API Reference*. Links in this list go to information about the setting in that document:

• Frame rate control (framerateControl)

Use the frame rate control setting to specify whether MediaConvert uses the frame rate of your input sources or the frame rate that you specify with the framerateNumerator and framerateDenominator settings.

## 🚯 Note

The default behavior for this setting is to follow source. Therefore, if you keep this setting out of your JSON job specification, MediaConvert ignores any values you provide for framerateNumerator and framerateDenominator.

- AV1: framerateControl
- AVC (H.264): <a href="mailto:framerateControl">framerateControl</a>
- HEVC (H.265): framerateControl
- MPEG-2: <a href="mailto:framerateControl">framerateControl</a>
- Apple ProRes: <a href="mailto:framerateControl">framerateControl</a>
- VP8: framerateControl
- VP9: <u>framerateControl</u>
- Frame rate (framerateNumerator and framerateDenominator)

In the MediaConvert job settings schema, frame rate is represented as a fraction, to retain precision with irrational numbers. Therefore, specify your frame rate value as framerateNumerator divided by framerateDenominator. For values for common frame rates, see the table following this list of settings.

Links to framerateNumerator

- AV1: framerateNumerator
- AVC (H.264): framerateNumerator
- HEVC (H.265): framerateNumerator
- MPEG-2: <a href="mailto:framerateNumerator">framerateNumerator</a>
- Apple ProRes: <a href="mailto:framerateNumerator">framerateNumerator</a>
- VP8: <u>framerateNumerator</u>
- VP9: <u>framerateNumerator</u>

Links to framerateDenominator

- AV1: framerateDenominator
- AVC (H.264): <a href="mailto:framerateDenominator">framerateDenominator</a>

- HEVC (H.265): <u>framerateDenominator</u>
- MPEG-2: framerateDenominator
- Apple ProRes: <u>framerateDenominator</u>
- VP8: framerateDenominator
- VP9: framerateDenominator
- Frame rate conversion algorithm (framerateConversionAlgorithm)
  - AV1: framerateConversionAlgorithm
  - AVC (H.264): framerateConversionAlgorithm
  - HEVC (H.265): <u>framerateConversionAlgorithm</u>
  - MPEG-2: framerateConversionAlgorithm
  - Apple ProRes: framerateConversionAlgorithm
  - VP8: framerateConversionAlgorithm
  - VP9: <u>framerateConversionAlgorithm</u>
- Slow PAL (slowPal)
  - AVC (H.264): <u>slowPal</u>
  - HEVC (H.265): <u>slowPal</u>
  - MPEG-2: <u>slowPal</u>
  - Apple ProRes: <u>slowPal</u>
- Telecine (telecine)
  - AVC (H.264): <u>telecine</u>
  - HEVC (H.265): <u>telecine</u>
  - MPEG-2: <u>telecine</u>
  - Apple ProRes: <u>telecine</u>
  - Scan type (<u>InputScanType</u>)

#### **Common frame rate ratios**

	Frame rate common name	Value for framerate Numerator	Value for framerate Denominator	
Confi	igu2i3g97i6e rate conversion	24,000	1,001	334

Frame rate common name	Value for framerate Numerator	Value for framerate Denominator
29.97	30,000	1,001
59.94	60,000	1,001

## Using variable frame rate inputs in AWS Elemental MediaConvert

Some videos have a frame rate that varies over the duration of the video. Some cameras—for example, the cameras in many smartphones—automatically generate video that uses more frames for high-action sequences and fewer frames for sequences with less motion. MediaConvert supports variable frame rate (VFR) inputs, but creates only constant frame rate (CFR) outputs.

The default setting for output frame rate is **Follow source**. **Follow source** causes different behavior depending on whether your input video has a constant or variable frame rate.

- For constant frame rate inputs, **Follow source** results in outputs that have the same frame rate as the input video.
- For variable frame rate inputs, **Follow source** results in outputs that have a constant frame rate output, with a frame rate that is the average of the input frame rates, rounded up to the nearest whole number standard frame rate: 1, 5, 10, 15, 24, 30, 50, or 60 fps.

## **Feature restrictions**

MediaConvert support for variable frame rate video is limited in these ways:

- Variable frame rates are supported as input only. Outputs are only constant frame rate.
- Variable frame rate inputs are supported in these containers only: MP4, MOV, WEBM, and MKV.

# Working with progressive and interlaced scan types in AWS Elemental MediaConvert

*Progressive* and *interlaced* are two types of video display methods. Modern display devices detect whether a video is interlaced or progressive and automatically play back the video correctly. But, progressive video looks much better on modern screens.

To get the best results with using interlacing/deinterlacing and converting to and from telecine, you must consider how your input video was recorded and what transformations have been done to it. For example, when you apply deinterlacing to an input that is not interlaced, your output video quality suffers.

#### Topics

- Basic scan type vocabulary
- Settings for scan type conversion
- Converting the scan type of your video
- Valid settings combinations and requirements

## Basic scan type vocabulary

## Progressive video

*Progressive video* includes all lines in all frames. It looks better on modern screens because it drastically reduces the amount of image flicker the viewer sees on the screen. Devices displaying progressive video will re-draw all horizontal lines in a frame. For example, a device running at 50 Hertz playing a 1080 progressive video re-draws 1080 lines (every line in the frame) 50 times per second.

## Interlaced video

*Interlaced video* uses a technique that doubles the perceived frame rate of a video display without consuming extra bandwidth. On older displays, most people won't notice decreased video quality with interlaced video. Devices that support interlaced video re-draw every *other* horizontal line in a frame. For example, a device running at 50 Hertz playing a 1080 interlaced video redraws 540 lines (half of the lines in the frame) 50 times per second.

## Field polarity for interlaced frames

Interlaced video contains two fields of a video frame, each one made up of every other horizontal line the image. *Field polarity* in video distinguishes between these two sets of lines. A set's polarity indicates whether the top field comes first or bottom field comes first. In the following illustration, the set with top field polarity is shown in blue and contains the topmost line. The set with bottom field polarity is shown in red and contains the second horizontal line from the top. The complete frame contains both, with each set being refreshed alternately.

Complete Frame	Top Field	Bottom Field

When you create interlaced outputs with MediaConvert, you can specify which field polarity comes first with the setting **Interlace mode**.

## Settings for scan type conversion

To convert between interlaced to progressive video, specify the MediaConvert settings covered in this topic. This topic offers conceptual information and guidance for choosing values for the MediaConvert settings related to interlacing and deinterlacing. For directions for specifying them, see the procedures in the topic Configuring scan type conversion.

Valid values for some of these settings depend on what you choose for the other settings. For a table that shows how to specify them together correctly, see <u>Requirements</u>.

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Deinterlacer preprocessor (Deinterlacer)
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Use this parent setting to enable and disable deinterlacing. If you simply enable the deinterlacer without specifying any further deinterlacing settings, your job will convert interlaced content to progressive. For the default deinterlacing to work correctly, your input video must be interlaced and the frames of your input video must not have metadata that tags them as progressive.

## Deinterlace Control (DeinterlacerControl)

This setting is a child of the deinterlacer setting. You can optionally use **Deinterlace control** to have MediaConvert deinterlace all frames of your input video, including those that are tagged as progressive. Only use this setting when you know that this metadata in your input video is wrong.

This setting is a child of the deinterlacer setting. You can optionally use **Deinterlace algorithm** to specify the way that MediaConvert does the deinterlacing to get the best quality for your content. For sharper pictures, choose one of the motion adaptive interpolation options (**Interpolate or Interpolate ticker**). For smoother motion, choose one of the blend options (**Blend** or **Blend ticker**). When your source file includes moving text, such as a scrolling headline at the bottom of the frame, choose the ticker version of the algorithm.

#### Deinterlace mode (DeinterlacerMode)

This setting is a child of the deinterlacer setting. You can optionally use **Deinterlace mode** to modify how MediaConvert applies deinterlacing.

Keep the default value, **Deinterlace**, to do regular deinterlacing.

Choose **Inverse telecine** to convert hard telecine (29.97 fps, interlaced) to progressive video at 23.976 fps. When you use inverse telecine, you must still specify your output frame rate as 23.97. MediaConvert doesn't automatically set this.

Choose **Adaptive** to have MediaConvert automatically detect interlaced inputs and apply deinterlacing and inverse telecine to them. Adaptive deinterlace mode is useful when you use output presets, job templates, or custom programming to apply the same job settings to transcode an entire library of assets.

#### Note

When you choose **Adaptive** for this setting, MediaConvert automatically uses inverse telecine as well.

#### Interlace mode (interlaceMode)

When you create interlaced video, from either progressive or interlaced inputs, use this MediaConvert setting. The default value of this setting is **Progressive**, so you can ignore this setting unless you want an interlaced output.

## 🚯 Note

When you use an interlaced input and you keep the default setting, **Progressive**, for **Interlace mode**, you should also enable **Deinterlace**. Otherwise, your progressive output will have very poor video quality.

When you create interlaced outputs, use **Interlace mode** to specify the <u>field polarity</u> of your outputs. You can either directly specify the field that comes first, or you can set it to follow the polarity of the source input. For jobs that have multiple inputs, the output might have a mix of top and bottom field first, depending on the polarity of the inputs.

When you set **Interlace mode** to follow the source and your input is progressive, the output's field polarity depends on which of the follow options you set. **Follow, top field** results in an output that's top field first. **Follow, bottom field** results in an output that's bottom field first.

## Scan type (inputScanType)

Use this setting only when your input is progressive segmented frame (PsF). MediaConvert automatically detects progressive and interlaced inputs. But it doesn't detect PsF. When your input is PsF, set **Scan type** to **PsF** for better preservation of quality when you do deinterlacing and frame rate conversion.

## Converting the scan type of your video

After you know how you want to specify the relevant settings, use one of the following procedures to set up your job. For conceptual information and guidance about choosing the right values for these settings, see <u>Settings for scan type conversion</u>.

## To set up your transcoding job to convert scan type and telecine (console)

- 1. Consult the topic <u>Settings for scan type conversion</u> to determine the values that you want to set for interlacing or deinterlacing.
- 2. Set up your job inputs and outputs as described in <u>Tutorial: Configuring job settings</u>.
- 3. On the **Create job** page, in the **Job** pane on the left, choose the output that you want to work with.
- 4. Find the settings you need in the **Encoding settings** section as follows:

- **Deinterlacer** preprocessor: Choose **Deinterlacer** from the list of preprocessors at the bottom of the **Encoding settings** section.
- **Deinterlace Control**: Find this setting in the **Deinterlacer** section after you enable the deinterlacer.
- **Deinterlace algorithm**: Find this setting in the **Deinterlacer** section after you enable the deinterlacer.
- **Deinterlace mode**: Find this setting in the **Deinterlacer** section after you enable the deinterlacer.
- Interlace mode: Find this setting directly under Encoding settings. You might want to use your web browser's search function to find this setting.
- Telecine: This setting is only visible in the MediaConvert console when you set Frame rate to 29.970. Find Frame rate directly under Encoding settings. You might want to use your web browser's search function to find this setting.

The default value for **Telecine** is **None**. Therefore, you only need to make this setting visible in the MediaConvert console when you are creating a telecine output.

## To set up your transcoding job to convert scan type and telecine (API, CLI, or SDK)

If you use the API, CLI, or an SDK, specify the relevant settings in your JSON job specification and then submit it programmatically with your job. For more information about submitting your job programmatically, see one of the introductory topics of the *AWS Elemental MediaConvert API Reference*:

- Getting started with AWS Elemental MediaConvert using the AWS SDKs or the AWS CLI
- Getting started with AWS Elemental MediaConvert using the API
- 1. Consult the topic <u>Settings for scan type conversion</u> to determine the values that you want to set for interlacing or deinterlacing.
- 2. Use the MediaConvert console to generate your JSON job specification. We recommend this approach, because the console functions as an interactive validator against the MediaConvert job schema. Follow these steps to generate your JSON job specification using the console:
  - a. Follow the previous procedure for the console.
  - b. In the **Job** pane on the left, under **Job settings**, choose **Show job JSON**.

- Deinterlacer preprocessor: Deinterlacer
- Deinterlace Control: <a>DeinterlacerControl</a>
- Deinterlace algorithm: <a href="mailto:DeinterlaceAlgorithm">DeinterlaceAlgorithm</a>
- Deinterlace mode: DeinterlacerMode
- Interlace mode (interlaceMode)
  - AVC (H.264): interlaceMode
  - HEVC (H.265): <u>interlaceMode</u>
  - MPEG-2: <u>interlaceMode</u>
  - Apple ProRes: <u>interlaceMode</u>
- Telecine (telecine)
  - AVC (H.264): <u>telecine</u>
  - HEVC (H.265): telecine
  - MPEG-2: telecine
  - Apple ProRes: telecine
- Scan type (<u>InputScanType</u>)

## Valid settings combinations and requirements

Use this table to confirm that the scan type settings you intend to use are valid together and that they work with the scan type of your source input.

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To convert this input	To this output	Use these settings values
Progressive	Progressive	Deinterlacer: Disabled
		<b>Deinterlace control</b> : N/A
		Deinterlace mode: N/A
		Interlace mode: Progressive (default)
		Telecine: None (default)
Interlaced	Progressive	Deinterlacer: Enabled
		<b>Deinterlace control</b> : Either value
		<b>Deinterlace mode</b> : Deinterla ce (default)
		Interlace mode: Progressive (default)
		Telecine: None (default)
Hard telecine	Progressive	Deinterlacer: Enabled
		<b>Deinterlace control</b> : Either value
		<b>Deinterlace mode</b> : Inverse telecine
		Interlace mode: Progressive (default)
		Telecine: None (default)
		Frame rate: 23.976

To convert this input	To this output	Use these settings values
Hard telecine	Progressive When you want to use Adaptive for Deinterlace mode	Deinterlacer: Enabled Deinterlace control: Normal Deinterlace mode: Adaptive Interlace mode: Progressive (default) Telecine: None (default) Frame rate: 23.976
Soft telecine	Progressive	Deinterlacer: Disabled Deinterlace control: N/A Deinterlace mode: N/A Interlace mode: Progressive (default) Telecine: None (default) Frame rate: 23.976
Multiple inputs, some interlace d and some progressive	Progressive	Deinterlacer: Enabled Deinterlace control: Normal Deinterlace mode: Adaptive Interlace mode: Progressive (default) Telecine: None (default)

To convert this input	To this output	Use these settings values
Progressive	Hard telecine	Deinterlacer: Disabled Deinterlace control: N/A Deinterlace mode: N/A Interlace mode: Any value except progressive Telecine: Hard Frame rate: 29.97
Hard telecine	Hard telecine	Deinterlacer: Disabled Deinterlace control: N/A Deinterlace mode: N/A Interlace mode: Any value except progressive Telecine: None Frame rate: Follow source
Soft telecine	Hard telecine	Deinterlacer: Disabled Interlace mode: Any value except progressive Telecine: Hard Framerate: 29.97

To convert this input	To this output	Use these settings values
Multiple inputs, some interlace d and some progressive	Hard telecine	Deinterlacer: Disabled Deinterlace control: N/A Deinterlace mode: N/A Interlace mode: Any value except progressive Telecine: Hard Framerate: 29.97
Interlaced	Interlaced	Deinterlacer: Disabled Deinterlace control: N/A Deinterlace mode: N/A Interlace mode: Any value except progressive Telecine: None
Multiple inputs, some interlace d and some progressive	Interlaced	Deinterlacer: Disabled Deinterlace control: N/A Deinterlace mode: N/A Interlace mode: Any value except progressive Telecine: None

To convert this input	To this output	Use these settings values
Progressive	Soft telecine	Deinterlacer: Disabled
		<b>Deinterlace control</b> : N/A
		Deinterlace mode: N/A
		Interlace mode: Any value except progressive
		Telecine: Soft
Hard telecine	Soft telecine	Deinterlacer: Enabled
		<b>Deinterlace control</b> : Either value
		<b>Deinterlace mode</b> : Inverse telecine
		Interlace mode: Any value except progressive
		Telecine: Soft
		<b>Framerate</b> : 23.967

To convert this input	To this output	Use these settings values
Hard telecine	Soft telecine	Deinterlacer: Enabled
	When you want to use <b>Adaptive</b> for <b>Deinterlace</b> <b>mode</b>	Deinterlace control: Normal
		Deinterlace mode: Adaptive
		Interlace mode: Any value except progressive
		Telecine: Soft
		Framerate: 23.967
Soft telecine	Soft telecine	Deinterlacer: Disabled
		<b>Deinterlace control</b> : N/A
		Deinterlace mode: N/A
		Interlace mode: Any value
		except progressive
		Telecine: Soft
Multiple inputs, some interlace	Soft telecine	Deinterlacer: Enabled
d and some progressive		Deinterlace control: Normal
		Deinterlace mode: Adaptive
		Interlace mode: Any value except progressive
		Telecine: Soft
		<b>Framerate</b> : 23.967

## Working with telecine in AWS Elemental MediaConvert

When you convert the frame rate from 23.976 frames per second (fps) to 29.97 fps, and your output scan type is interlaced, you can optionally use the **Telecine** setting to enable hard or soft telecine. *Hard telecine* produces a 29.97i output by duplicating interlaced video frame fields onto multiple frames. *Soft telecine* produces a 23.976 fps output that signals to the video player device to do the conversion during play back. Generally, broadcasters use telecine when preparing film assets for broadcasting to NTSC set-top boxes.

How you set some of the related MediaConvert settings depends on the scan type and frame rate of your input, and whether your input has telecine frames already. Details about related settings are in the following list. For a summary table, see Requirements.

#### **Related settings**

Frame rate (framerateControl, framerateNumerator, framerateDenominator)

When you enable the telecine setting, you must still specify your output frame rate as 29.97. MediaConvert doesn't automatically set this.

#### Frame rate conversion algorithm (framerateConversionAlgorithm)

When your input frame rate isn't 23.976 and you enable **Telecine**, MediaConvert uses the frame rate conversion algorithm that you specify to convert your frame rate to 23.976 before applying telecine. When your input frame rate is 23.976, MediaConvert ignores any value you set for **Frame rate conversion algorithm**.

#### Deinterlacer preprocessor (Deinterlacer)

Enable the deinterlacer when you want to remove interlacing to create a progressive output. When you remove interlacing from a telecine input, make sure to also set **Deinterlace mode** to **Inverse telecine**.

For more information about deinterlacing, see **Progressive and interlaced scan types**.

## Interlace mode (interlaceMode)

When your input is progressive and you set up a telecine output, apply interlacing using **Interlace mode**.

For more information about interlacing, see Progressive and interlaced scan types.

## Scan type (inputScanType)

Use this setting only when your input is progressive segmented frame (PsF). MediaConvert automatically detects progressive and interlaced inputs. But it doesn't detect PsF. When your input is PsF, set **Scan type** to **PsF** for better preservation of quality when you do deinterlacing and frame rate conversion.

For MediaConvert console and API procedures for setting up a job to convert a video to or from telecine, see <u>Configuring scan type conversion</u>.

## 🚯 Tip

If your video processing workflow doesn't require telecine, choose a standard progressive output.

# **Creating HDR outputs**

AWS Elemental MediaConvert supports HDR with HEVC video assets in the following outputs: MPEG2-TS, MP4, DASH, and CMAF.

You can set up your CMAF outputs to be compatible with Apple HLS player devices. For more information, see the section called "Configuring HLS with HDR".

You can create HDR content with AWS Elemental MediaConvert in the following ways:

## Passing through HDR content

You can pass through HDR content by using an HDR input and creating outputs in the same format, with the same metadata. To do that, you keep the color space default settings, choose HEVC for your codec, and choose a 10-bit profile. MediaConvert automatically reads the HDR metadata, including color space, from the video source. For detailed instructions, see <u>the section called</u> <u>"Passing through HDR content"</u>.

#### Correcting inaccurate or missing HDR metadata

To provide HDR 10 metadata that is not present in your input, or to correct metadata that is wrong, add it or overwrite it in the input video settings. This doesn't change the video content and is different from the color space conversion that you can do in your output video settings. For detailed instructions, see the section called "Replacing inaccurate or missing HDR metadata".

#### Converting from an hdr format to a different HDR format

You can convert your input color space to a different output color space. You do that by choosing the output color space in the output **Color corrector** settings. For detailed instructions, see <u>the</u> <u>section called "Color space conversion"</u>.

#### **Changing SDR input to HDR format**

If your input is SDR, you can convert the color space to an HDR format. This process creates output that is formatted as HDR and automatically converts the metadata to match. You do that by choosing the output color space in the output **Color corrector** settings. For detailed instructions, see the section called "Color space conversion".

#### 🚺 Note

This process doesn't upgrade the dynamic range of the video content. These outputs will play on HDR player devices, and they will appear generally brighter than the original SDR content. But the results are not the same as content that has been remastered from SDR to HDR by a color grader.

#### **Changing HDR input to SDR format**

If your input is HDR, you can convert the format to any supported SDR color space.

#### 🚺 Note

When professional color graders convert an asset from HDR to SDR, they make artistic decisions about where to map colors from the larger space that don't exist in the smaller space. There is no standard formula to map these values automatically. The tone mapping technology that MediaConvert uses to do automatic conversion from HDR to SDR approximates the outcome of manually regrading from HDR to SDR. This automatic conversion works well with most content, but we recommend that you review your outputs to confirm the tone mapping results.

#### Topics

• Passing through HDR content

- Creating HDR HLS outputs that comply with the Apple specification
- Replacing inaccurate or missing HDR metadata
- <u>Requirements for creating HDR10+ outputs</u>

# Passing through HDR content

By default, AWS Elemental MediaConvert sets your color space to **Follow**, which means that your output color space is the same as your input color space, even if the color space changes over the course of the video. Also by default, MediaConvert sets the output setting **Color metadata** to **Insert**, so that any color metadata is included in the output. If you want your output HDR to be the same as your input video, keep this setting and make sure that you choose HEVC for your codec and a 10-bit profile.

### To pass through HDR content

- Set up your transcoding job as usual. For more information, see <u>the section called "Tutorial:</u> <u>Configuring job settings"</u>.
- 2. Make sure that the input **Color space** is set to the default value **Follow**.
  - a. On the **Create job** page, in the **Job** pane on the left, choose **Input 1**.
  - b. In the Video selector section on the right, for Color space, choose Follow.
- 3. For each HDR output, choose an appropriate codec and profile and make sure that **Color metadata** is set to the default value **Insert**.
  - a. On the **Create job** page, in the **Job** pane on the left, choose the output, such as **Output 1**.
  - b. Specify the following video settings:
    - Video codec Choose HEVC (H.265).
    - Profile Choose one of the 10-bit profiles: Main10/Main, Main10/High, Main 4:2:2 10-bit/Main, or Main 4:2:2 10-bit/High.
    - Color metadata Choose Insert.

# Creating HDR HLS outputs that comply with the Apple specification

For information about which Apple devices play back HDR content, see <u>Find and watch movies with</u> <u>4K</u>, <u>HDR</u>, <u>Dolby Vision</u>, <u>or Dolby Atmos</u> in the Apple support documentation.

To create HDR outputs that comply with the Apple specification, you must make specific choices for your encoding settings. Specify the following settings:

- Output group Choose CMAF
- Encoding settings, Video codec Choose HEVC (H.265).
- Encoding settings, Codec details, MP4 packaging type HVC1.
- Encoding settings, Codec details, Profile Choose Main10/High.
- Encoding settings, Codec details, Level Choose 5.

## **Replacing inaccurate or missing HDR metadata**

If your input video is missing HDR metadata, or has HDR metadata that is wrong, you can add it or overwrite it in the input video settings. For HLG and HDR 10, you can specify the correct color space. For HDR 10, you can also specify accurate master display information.

### Note

You use the input settings to supply metadata that is wrong or missing from your input files. Use output settings to do color space conversion.

### To replace inaccurate or missing HDR metadata

- Set up your transcoding job as usual. For more information, see <u>the section called "Tutorial:</u> Configuring job settings".
- 2. On the Create job page, in the Job pane on the left, choose your input.
- 3. In the **Video selector** section on the right, for **Color space**, choose the accurate color space for your input video.
- 4. For **Color space usage**, choose how AWS Elemental MediaConvert handles precedence between the input metadata and the value that you specify for **Color space**:
  - Choose Force if you want MediaConvert to use the color space that you specify for Color space regardless of whether it is specified in the input video metadata.
  - Choose Fallback if you want MediaConvert to use the color space that you specify for Color space only when the color space isn't present in the input video metadata.

This option is useful when you reuse job settings with different input files, for example, when you use output presets or when you duplicate a job.

 If your input is HDR 10, specify values for HDR master display information settings. MediaConvert displays these settings when you set Color space to HDR 10.

These settings represent HDR 10 static metadata as specified in the standard SMPTE ST 2086 Mastering Display Color Volume. MediaConvert includes the values that you specify here in the metadata of your HDR 10 outputs.

## 🚯 Note

Get your values for **HDR master display information** from a color grader. Appropriate values for these settings depend on the video content and are different for each input.

# **Requirements for creating HDR10+ outputs**

For information about which devices play back HDR 10+ content and test content, see <u>https://</u> <u>hdr10plus.org</u>.

You must use the following rules to create HDR 10+ outputs in AWS Elemental MediaConvert:

- Your input source video pixels must be HDR10, that is, **Color space** must be set to **Follow** or the Color corrector preprocessor must have **Color space conversion** set to **Force HDR 10**.
- Set Video codec to HEVC (H.265).
- Set Profile to Main10/Main or Main10/High
- Set Quality tuning level to Multi-pass HQ.
- You cannot use the Dolby Vision preprocessor.

# Working with image insertion (overlays)

With the image inserter feature, you can insert a still image or motion image at a specified time. You can also display it as an overlay on the underlying video for a specified duration. This feature includes fade-in and fade-out capability and adjustable opacity.

You can set up an output with multiple overlays. Each overlay is independent of the others. For example, you can place a motion image logo in the video frame for the duration of the video, and

include a still image HDR indicator only for portions of the file that are HDR. Each overlay has its own settings for opacity, fade-in and fade-out times, position on the frame, and length of time on the video. You can set up overlays to appear on the underlying video at the same time, or to overlap each other.

### Topics

- Choosing between input and output overlays
- Configuring input overlays
- Configuring output overlays
- Placing your image overlay
- Sizing your overlay for scaling
- Understanding overlay layers
- <u>Requirements for the overlay file</u>

## Choosing between input and output overlays

You can add still image overlays to your inputs, your outputs, or both. Where you specify your image overlays affects where in your transcoded assets the overlays appear.

The following diagram shows how input and output overlays appear in the video files that are created by a job. Input overlays appear on all outputs, but only in the portions of the outputs that come from the input that has the overlay. Output overlays appear throughout an entire output, but only on the outputs that have the overlay.

### 🚺 Note

In this diagram, all overlays are specified for the entire duration of the input or output. You can instead specify a shorter overlay duration within that time.

Job setup			Outputs produced by job	
Input 1	Input 2	Input 3		Output 1
Input overlay		Input overlay		
Output 1 No output overlays		Transcoding	Input overlay Input over	
			· '	Output 2
Output 2			Output overlay	
Output overlay			Input overlay Input over	

## **Input overlays**

Choose input overlay for the following situations:

- You want the same overlays on every output.
- You want an overlay on only the parts of your outputs that correspond to individual inputs.

These examples are situations where you would use input overlay:

- Some of your inputs already have your logo as an overlay and some of them don't. You want to add the logo only to the inputs that don't already have it.
- Some of your inputs are programming that you want your logo on. Other inputs are advertisements or blank slates that you don't want your overlay on.
- Your job has only one input. Your overlay should appear for the entire duration of the video and on every output of the job.

## **Output overlays**

Choose output overlay for the following situations:

- You want overlays on some outputs but not others.
- You want different overlays on different outputs.

• You have multiple inputs, but you want the same overlay across all of them.

These examples are situations where you would use output overlay:

- You set up one of your outputs with high definition. You want to include an HD indicator in the corner of the frame on this output only.
- You are stitching together several films as separate inputs to create a single-asset film marathon. You want to put a image on all of them indicating that they are part of the larger marathon.

# **Configuring input overlays**

Because you are setting up an input overlay, set up image insertion in each input where you want the service to overlay imagess on your video. The overlays that you specify appear in every output. For information about setting up an overlay that appears on only specific outputs, see <u>Choosing</u> between input and output overlays.

When don't specify overlay start time and duration, the service puts the overlay on the entire part of the output that corresponds to the input.

### To set up a still image overlay in an output

- Open the AWS Elemental MediaConvert console at <u>https://console.aws.amazon.com/</u> mediaconvert.
- 2. Specify your input files, as described in <u>Tutorial: Configuring job settings</u>.
- 3. For each input that you want to have a image overlay, do the following:
  - a. On the **Create job** page, in the **Job** pane on the left, under **Inputs**, choose the appropriate input.
  - b. In the **Image inserter** section to the right of the **Job** pane, choose **Add image**, and then specify the overlay settings.

For **Image location**, specify an input file that is stored in Amazon S3 or on an HTTP(S) server. For Amazon S3 inputs, you can specify the URI directly or choose **Browse** to select from your Amazon S3 buckets. For HTTP(S) inputs, provide the URL to your input file. For more information, see <u>HTTP input requirements</u>.

For details about the more complex input image overlay settings, see the following topics:

Sizing overlays

#### Layering overlays

## **Configuring output overlays**

Because you're setting up an output overlay, set up image insertion in each output where you want the service to overlay images on your video. For information about setting up an overlay that appears on all outputs, or on portions that correspond to only one input, see <u>Choosing between</u> input and output overlays.

If you don't specify overlay start time and duration, the service puts the overlay on the entire output.

### To set up a still image overlay in an output

- Open the AWS Elemental MediaConvert console at <u>https://console.aws.amazon.com/</u> mediaconvert.
- 2. Set up your output groups and outputs for video and audio, as described in <u>Tutorial</u>: <u>Configuring job settings and Creating outputs</u>.
- 3. For each output that you want to have a image overlay, do the following:
  - a. On the **Create job** page, in the **Job** pane on the left, under **Output groups**, choose the appropriate output.
  - b. Under Encoding settings, under the Video tab, find the Preprocessors section.
  - c. Choose Image inserter. This displays an Add image button.
  - d. For each image overlay that you want to include in the output, choose **Add image**, and then specify the overlay settings.

For **Image location**, specify an input file that is stored in Amazon S3 or on an HTTP(S) server. For Amazon S3 inputs, you can specify the URI directly or choose **Browse** to select from your Amazon S3 buckets. For HTTP(S) inputs, provide the URL to your input file. For more information, see HTTP input requirements.

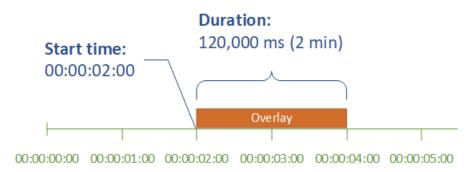
For details about the more complex output image overlay settings, see the following topics:

### Sizing overlays

Layering overlays

# Placing your image overlay

Whether your still image overlay is in input or output, set up the **Start time** and **Duration**. The following image shows how to specify settings so that an overlay starts two minutes into the video and remains on the video for two minutes. In the default settings, the overlay begins at the first frame of the input or output. The overlay remains on the video for the duration of the input or output.



### Start time

Provide the timecode for the first frame that you want to have the overlay appear on. If you set up your overlay to fade in, the fade-in begins at the start time.

When you provide your start time, choose one of the following timelines to suit the overlay that you're using:

- For input overlays, **Start time** is relative to the input timeline. This timeline is affected by the input **Timecode source** setting.
- For output overlays, **Start time** is relative to the output timeline. This timeline is affected by the job-wide **Timecode configuration**, **Source** setting.

For more information about the input and output timelines, and the timecode settings that affect them, see the section called "How MediaConvert uses timelines to assemble jobs".

### 🚺 Tip

For simplest setup, specify **Start time** counting from 00:00:00:00 as the first frame, and set both of the following settings to **Start at 0**:

- **Timecode configuration**, **Source**, under the job-wide settings.
- **Timecode source**, in the **Video selector** settings for each input.

### Duration

Specify the length of time, in milliseconds, for the overlay duration to remain. This duration includes fade-in time, but not fade-out time, as the following image shows.

<b>Duration</b> : 120,000 ms (2	min)	
(		
Fade in: 40,000 ms (40	sec)	Fade out: 40,000 ms (40 sec)
Fade in	Overlay	Fade out

# Sizing your overlay for scaling

In jobs that scale the video resolution, whether your overlay scales with your video depends on where you specify the image overlay. Motion image overlays and input overlays scale with the video; output overlays don't.

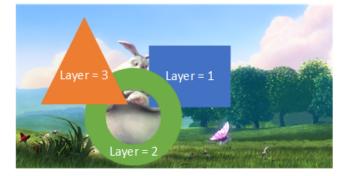
For example, suppose that the input video for your job is 1080 x 1920 and you specify three outputs at 720 x 1280, 480 x 640, and 360 x 480. Your square logo would be 10% of the width of your frames, and your overlay images would have the following resolutions:

- For a motion image overlay or an input image overlay, provide an image that is 108 x 108. The service appropriately sizes each overlay on each output.
- For an output image overlay on your 720 x 1280 output, provide an image that is 72 x 72.
- For an output image overlay on your 480 x 640 output, provide an image that is 48 x 48.
- For an output image overlay on your 360 x 480 output, provide an image that is 36 x 36.

# Understanding overlay layers

The **Layer** setting specifies how overlapping image overlays appear in the video. The service overlays images with higher values for **Layer** on top of overlays with lower values for **Layer**. Each overlay must have a unique value for **Layer**; you can't assign the same layer number to more than one overlay.

The following illustration shows how the value for **Layer** affects how a image overlay appears in relation to other overlays. The triangle has the highest value for **Layer** and appears on top, obscuring the video frame and all image overlays with lower values of **Layer**.



### To specify a value for the Layer setting

- 1. Set up your image overlay as described in Image insertion.
- 2. For Layer, enter a whole number from 0 to 99.

### 🚯 Note

You can use each number only once. Each image overlay must have its own layer.

# **Requirements for the overlay file**

Set up the image files that you want to insert over your video as follows:

- File type: Use .png or .tga.
- Aspect ratio: Use any aspect ratio; it doesn't need to match the aspect ratio of the underlying video.
- **Size in pixels**: Use any size. If the overlaid image is larger than the output video frame, the service crops the image at the edge of the frame.

## 🚯 Note

In jobs that scale the video resolution, whether your overlay scales with your video depends on where you specify the image overlay. For more information, see <u>Sizing</u> <u>overlays</u>.

# Using Kantar for audio watermarking

Kantar is a company that provides and tracks unique identifiers for media content in the form of audio watermarks that are audible to machines but not to humans. After you establish a relationship with Kantar, you can use AWS Elemental MediaConvert to encode these watermarks into your content, for audience measurement and anti-piracy applications.

To use MediaConvert to encode Kantar watermarks, you use AWS Secrets Manager to store your Kantar credentials. These credentials are the username and password that you set up with Kantar. Then you grant the MediaConvert service permission to read those credentials, so that MediaConvert can communicate with the Kantar servers to request your watermarks and to provide log information. In your MediaConvert job, you provide your Kantar license information and information about the media asset that you're encoding. For more information about these steps, see the following topics.

### Topics

- Getting a Kantar watermarking license
- Storing your Kantar credentials in AWS Secrets Manager
- Granting IAM permissions to your Kantar credentials
- <u>Configuring a job for Kantar watermarking</u>
- Kantar job requirements

# Getting a Kantar watermarking license

To use Kantar audio watermarking with MediaConvert, you must first establish a relationship with Kantar and acquire a license from them. Kantar provides the following guidance for doing so.

In order to get a watermarking embedding license, contact <u>Kantar Media support</u> with following information:

- Product name and version
- Customer name
- Country
- If different, country of broadcast
- Channel(s) to be watermarked
- Customer internal name for the hardware platform
- AuthorisationCode for each piece od hardware, or login contact for the online solution

# Storing your Kantar credentials in AWS Secrets Manager

After you establish a relationship with Kantar, store your Kantar username and password in an AWS Secrets Manager secret. You can find a step-by-step tutorial in the topic <u>Create and store your</u> <u>secret in AWS Secrets Manager</u> in the AWS Secrets Manager User Guide.

### To store your Kantar credentials in a Secrets Manager secret

Follow the tutorial linked in the introduction to this procedure, with the following differences.

- 1. Make sure that you use the same AWS Region for Secrets Manager that you use for your MediaConvert job.
- 2. In the **Specify key/value pairs to be stored in the secret** section, set up two key-value pairs. One holds your Kantar login name and the other holds your password.

Specify the key/value pairs to be stored in this secret Info				
Secret key/value	Plaintext			
login	KantarLogin	Remove		
password	KantarPassword	Remove		
+ Add row				

- a. Type **login** in the left field and then type your Kantar login name in the right field.
- b. Choose **Add row** to bring up a second pair of entry fields.
- c. Type **password** in the left field and then type your Kantar password in the right field.

The plaintext version of your secret should look like this: { "login": "KantarLogin", "password": "KantarPassword" }, where KantarLogin is the username for your Kantar credentials and KantarPassword is the password for your Kantar credentials.

3. In the **Secret name and description** section, for **Secret name**, use a name that you will associate with Kantar, such as **KantarCreds**.

### 🚯 Note

You provide the name of this secret in your MediaConvert job settings.

- 4. For **Description**, you might want to note that this is the secret that you use with MediaConvert for encoding your Kantar watermarks.
- 5. After you store the secret, copy the ARN of your secret to use when you grant IAM permissions to MediaConvert to access the secret.
  - a. On the Secrets Manager **Secrets** page, choose the name of your secret.
  - b. Copy and save the string you see listed under **Secret ARN**.

## 🚺 Note

You use this ARN when you grant MediaConvert permissions to get this secret.

# **Granting IAM permissions to your Kantar credentials**

When you use AWS Elemental MediaConvert, you specify an IAM service role that grants permissions to the service to access the resources it needs to run your job. For example, your MediaConvert service role grants MediaConvert permissions to read your job input files from Amazon S3. For information about setting up that service role, see <u>Setting up IAM permissions</u>.

To encode Kantar watermarks, add permissions to this service role to grant MediaConvert access to read the AWS Secrets Manager secret that holds your Kantar credentials.

### To grant MediaConvert permission to read your Kantar credentials

- 1. Create a policy that grants permission to read your Secrets Manager secret.
  - a. Make sure that you have the ARN to the Secrets Manager secret that you created in the previous topic.
  - b. Open the IAM console at https://console.aws.amazon.com/iam/.
  - c. In the navigation pane on the left, under **Access management**, choose **Policies**.
  - d. Choose Create policy.
  - e. On the **Create policy** page, next to **Service**, choose **Choose a service**.
  - f. In the search field, type **secrets** and then choose **Secrets Manager** from the results.
  - g. In the **Filter actions** search field, type **GetSecretValue** and then choose **GetSecretValue** from the results.
  - h. In the **Resources** section, next to **Secret**, choose **Add ARN**.
  - i. On the Add ARN(s) page, next to Specify ARN for Secret, choose List ARNs manually.
  - j. In the **Type or paste a list of ARNs** section, paste the ARN for your Kantar credentials secret that you copied at the end of the procedure in the previous topic.
  - k. Choose Add.
  - l. At the bottom of the **Create policy** page, choose **Next: Tags**.
  - m. Choose **Next: Review**.

- n. Under **Review policy**, for **Name** type a name that will help you remember the purpose of this policy, such as **GetKantarCreds**.
- o. Optionally, for **Description**, jot a note to yourself for later. For example, you might write "This provides MediaConvert permission to read my Kantar credentials."
- p. Choose **Create policy**.
- 2. Attach the policy to your MediaConvert role.
  - a. In the navigation pane on the left, under **Access management**, choose **Roles**.
  - b. From the list of roles, choose the name of the role that you use with your MediaConvert job. This role is often **MediaConvert\_Default\_Role**.
  - c. On the role **Summary** page, on the **Permissions** tab, choose **Attach policies**.
  - d. In the search field, type the name of the policy you created, such as **GetKantarCreds**.
  - e. In the results list, choose the check box next to the policy name.
  - f. Choose **Attach policy**.
  - g. On the **Summary** page for the role, review the list of policies and confirm that your policy that grants permission to get your Kantar credentials appears there.

# Configuring a job for Kantar watermarking

After you've established your relationship with Kantar, stored your Kantar credentials in AWS Secrets Manager, and granted permission to AWS Elemental MediaConvert to get these credentials, set up your MediaConvert job to encode the Kantar watermarks.

## To set up your job to encode Kantar watermarks

- 1. Set up your job as usual. For more information, see <u>Tutorial: Configuring job settings</u>.
- 2. On the **Create job** page, in the **Job** pane on the left, under **Job settings**, choose **Partner integrations**.
- 3. Enable Kantar SNAP file watermarking.
- 4. Provide values for the Kantar settings.
  - a. For **Credentials secret name**, type the name of the Secrets Manager secret that you created to store your Kantar credentials. For example, **KantarCreds**.
  - b. For Kantar license ID, type the license ID that Kantar provides you.

- c. For **Channel name**, type one of the channel names that are listed in your Kantar audio license.
- d. For **Content reference**, type the unique identifier that Kantar uses for the asset that you're encoding.
- 5. Confirm that the service role you've specified in the job is the same one that you, in the previous topic, attached permissions to that grant access to your Kantar credentials. If that role Is MediaConvert\_Default\_Role, you don't need to choose it explicitly, because MediaConvert will use that role by default. To specify the role if it has a different name, do the following:
  - a. In the **Job** pane on the left, choose **AWS integration**.
  - b. In the **Service access** section, find **Service role**. Confirm that the specified role is the one with the correct permissions.

# Kantar job requirements

When you set up your job, note these restrictions on your other settings.

- You can't use Kantar watermarking and Nielsen watermarking in the same job.
- Your output audio sample rate must be 48 kHz or greater.

# Motion image insertion (overlays)

In this guide, you'll learn how to set up motion graphic overlays with AWS Elemental MediaConvert. Motion graphic overlays appear in all outputs.

In the default setting for **Start time**, the overlay starts at the first frame of each output. In the default setting for **Playback**, the overlay remains on the video for the duration of the motion graphic (played once). However, you can change the default setting by specifying an overlay start time, or by setting playback to repeat. This guide shows you how.

## Topics

- <u>Configuring motion image insertion</u>
- Specify motion graphic overlay start time and playback
- <u>Requirements to set up motion graphic overlay files</u>

# Configuring motion image insertion

Motion graphic overlays apply to every output in the job. Therefore, set them up as a processor in the settings that apply to the entire job.

You can set up still graphic overlays that appear only on individual outputs. For information, see Choosing between input and output overlays.

### To set up a motion graphic overlay

- Open the AWS Elemental MediaConvert console at <u>https://console.aws.amazon.com/</u> mediaconvert.
- 2. Set up your job, as described in <u>Tutorial: Configuring job settings</u>.
- 3. On the **Create job** page, in the **Job** pane on the left, under **Job settings**, choose **Settings**.
- 4. In the **Global processors** section to the right of the **Job** pane, enable **Motion image inserter**.
- 5. For **Input**, specify your motion graphic file name. If you're using a series of .png files, provide the file name of the first image.
- 6. Specify values for the other fields. For more information about these fields, choose the **Info** link on the console next to **Motion image inserter**.

# Specify motion graphic overlay start time and playback

You can specify motion graphic overlay **Start time** and **Playback** settings instead of using the default setting. The following information shows how to specify overlay start time for a video and to repeat it continuously (loop).

In the following image, the motion graphic overlay setting is three minutes long. The motion graphic playback is set to repeat until the end of the output.



### Start time settings for motion overlays

Provide the timecode for the first frame where you want the motion overlay to appear. This timecode is relative to your input timeline.

For input overlays, **Start time** is relative to the input timeline. This timeline is affected by the input **Timecode source** setting.

For more information about the input and output timelines, and the timecode settings that affect them, see <u>the section called "How MediaConvert uses timelines to assemble jobs"</u>. For jobs with multiple inputs, MediaConvert places the motion overlay on each input, according to the input timeline for that input. After you specify **Start time** once, MediaConvert applies that value to all inputs.

## 🚺 Tip

To simplify setup, specify **Start time** counting from 00:00:00:00 as the first frame, and set both of the following settings to **Start at 0**:

- Timecode configuration, Source, under the job-wide settings.
- **Timecode source**, in the **Video selector** settings for each input.

## Playback settings for motion graphic overlays

For playback settings on motion graphic overlays, you have two options. You can set your overlay to play once through the duration of the motion graphic or to loop from the start time to the end of the output. The duration of a .mov motion graphic is built into the .mov file, which has a set number of frames and a defined frame rate.

When a motion graphic is a set of .png images, determine the duration of the overlay by how many images you provide and the frame rate that you specify. The duration in seconds is the number of frames divided by the frame rate, in frames per second. For example, if your frame rate is 30 fps and you provide 600 images, the duration of the motion overlay is 20 seconds.

For jobs with multiple inputs, MediaConvert places the motion overlay on each input at the time that you specify for **Start time**. Depending on what you choose for **Playback**, MediaConvert either plays the overlay once or until the end of the input. When you specify **Playback** once, MediaConvert applies that value to all inputs.

# Requirements to set up motion graphic overlay files

The following table describes how to set up motion graphic overlay files.

Motion graphic file requirement	Description
File type	QuickTime (.mov)
	Container: QuickTime
	<ul> <li>Codec: QuickTime Animation (RLE)</li> </ul>
	Color space: RGBA
	Sequential PNG (.png)
	<ul> <li>Make sure that the names of the .png files end with sequential numbers that specify the order that they are played in. For example, overlay_000.png, overlay_001.png, overlay_002.png, and so on.</li> </ul>
	<ul> <li>Pad your initial file name with enough zeros to complete the sequence. For example, if the first image is overlay_0.png, there can be only 10 images in the sequence, with the last image being overlay_9.png. However, if the first image is overlay_00.png, there can be 100 images in the sequence.</li> </ul>
	<ul> <li>Make sure that the number of images in your series matches the frame rate and your intended overlay duration. For example, if you want a 30-second overlay at 30 fps, you should have 900 .png images.</li> <li>Requires an alpha channel.</li> </ul>
-	
Frame rate	QuickTime (.mov)

Motion graphic file requirement	Description
	<ul> <li>Use any frame rate. The frame rate that you use doesn't have to match the frame rate of the underlying video.</li> </ul>
	Sequential PNG (.png)
	<ul> <li>Use any frame rate. The frame rate that you use doesn't have to match the frame rate of the underlying video.</li> <li>Specify the frame rate when you set up the</li> </ul>
	overlay.
Aspect ratio	Use any aspect ratio. It doesn't have to match the aspect ratio of the underlying video.
Size in pixels	Use any size. MediaConvert scales the motion graphic with any outputs that have video scaling.

# Working with Nielsen watermarking

Nielsen is a company that tracks how often video assets are watched by viewers. One form of that tracking uses tones in a media asset's audio that are audible to machines but not humans. These tones are encoded directly in the audio stream and can also be cued in the metadata. To use this Nielsen audio watermarking with MediaConvert, you must first establish a relationship with Nielsen.

MediaConvert supports Nielsen audio watermarking in these ways:

- *PCM to ID3 watermarking*: With PCM to ID3 watermarking, MediaConvert translates watermarking that already exists in your input audio stream to markers in your output's ID3 metadata.
- *Non-linear watermarking*: With non-linear watermarking, MediaConvert inserts integers, called *TICs*, into the PCM audio stream of the asset. At the locations of these TICs, MediaConvert also encodes audio tones.

With non-linear watermarking, your input must start without watermarking. AWS Elemental MediaConvert receives the TICs from a Nielsen SID/TIC server that you set up in the AWS Cloud.

### 🚯 Note

If you want both types of watermarking, you must run your job twice. First create an output with non-linear watermarking, and then use that output as input to the next job to add ID3 watermarking from your PCM stream. You can't enable both kinds of watermarking in a single job.

### Topics

- Configuring PCM to ID3 metadata
- Configuring Nielsen non-linear watermarking
- Nielsen SID/TIC server requirements in the AWS Cloud

# **Configuring PCM to ID3 metadata**

To use this feature, your input must have PCM audio that contains Nielsen watermarks. You provide your Nielsen distributor ID to MediaConvert and then, during the transcode, MediaConvert inserts the watermark information into the ID3 metadata of your output.

You can put Nielsen watermarking information into the ID3 metadata of outputs in the following output groups only:

- Apple HLS
- File group, when your output container is MPEG-2 Transport Stream

### To enable PCM to ID3 metadata (console)

- 1. Set up your job inputs and outputs as described in <u>Tutorial: Configuring job settings</u>.
- 2. Enable PCM to ID3 metadata in the job-wide settings.
  - a. On the **Create job** page, in the **Job** pane on the left, under **Job settings** choose **Settings**.
  - b. In the **Partner integrations** section on the right, choose **Nielsen PCM to ID3 metadata**.

- c. For **Distributor ID**, provide the ID that Nielsen assigned to your organization.
- Enable PCM to ID3 metadata in the outputs where you want it. Do these steps for each Apple HLS output that you want to have ID3 metadata.
  - a. In the **Job** pane on the left, choose the output.
  - b. In the **Output settings** section on the right, expand the section **Transport stream settings**.
  - c. For Nielsen ID3, choose Insert.
- 4. Do these steps for each **File group** output that you want to have ID3 metadata.
  - a. In the **Job** pane on the left, choose the output.
  - b. In the **Output settings** section on the right, expand the section **Container settings**.
  - c. Scroll to the section **PID controls**.
  - d. For Nielsen ID3, choose Insert.

### To enable PCM to ID3 metadata (API, CLI, and SDK)

If you use the API, CLI, or an SDK, specify the relevant settings in your JSON job specification and then submit it programmatically with your job. For more information about submitting your job programmatically, see one of the introductory topics of the *AWS Elemental MediaConvert API Reference*:

- Getting started with AWS Elemental MediaConvert using the AWS SDKs or the AWS CLI
- Getting started with AWS Elemental MediaConvert using the API
- Use the MediaConvert console to generate your JSON job specification. We recommend this approach, because the console functions as an interactive validator against the MediaConvert job schema. Follow these steps to generate your JSON job specification using the console:
  - a. Follow the previous procedure for the console.
  - b. In the **Job** pane on the left, under **Job settings**, choose **Show job JSON**.

Find additional information, including where each setting belongs in the job settings structure, in the *AWS Elemental MediaConvert API Reference*. Links in this list go to information about the setting in that document:

- Nielsen PCM to ID3 metadata (nielsenConfiguration)
- Distributor ID (<u>distributorId</u>)
- Nielsen ID3, for outputs in an Apple HLS output group (<u>nielsenId3</u>, child of <u>m3u8Settings</u>)
- Nielsen ID3, for outputs in a File group output group (<u>nielsenId3</u>, child of <u>m2tsSettings</u>)

# Configuring Nielsen non-linear watermarking

To use this feature, you must first establish a relationship with Nielsen and set up a Nielsen SID/ TIC server in the AWS Cloud. Contact Nielsen to download their SID/TIC server software, generate a WRR license file, and receive installation and setup instructions. For an overview of how the infrastructure works, see <u>Nielsen SID/TIC server requirements in the AWS Cloud</u>.

## To set up Nielsen non-linear watermarking (console)

- 1. Set up a Nielsen SID/TIC server system in the AWS Cloud. For more information, contact Nielsen.
- 2. Set up an Amazon S3 bucket to hold your Nielsen metadata .zip file. MediaConvert writes the metadata to this bucket.
- 3. Set up your job inputs and outputs as described in <u>Tutorial: Configuring job settings</u>.
- 4. On the **Create job** page, in the **Job** pane on the left, under **Job settings** choose **Settings**.
- 5. In the **Partner integrations** section on the right, choose **Nielsen non-linear watermarking**.
- Provide values for the settings that become visible when you enable Nielsen non-linear watermarking. For instructions and guidance about each of these settings, choose the Info link next to the setting label.
- 7. Choose **Create**, at the bottom of the page, to run your job.
- 8. Transfer the data in your metadata Amazon S3 bucket to Nielsen, according to their instructions.

## To set up Nielsen non-linear watermarking (API, CLI, and SDK)

If you use the API, CLI, or an SDK, specify the relevant settings in your JSON job specification and then submit it programmatically with your job. For more information about submitting your job programmatically, see one of the introductory topics of the *AWS Elemental MediaConvert API Reference*:

- Getting started with AWS Elemental MediaConvert using the AWS SDKs or the AWS CLI
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  - a. Follow the previous procedure for the console.
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Find additional information, including where each setting belongs in the job settings structure, in the *AWS Elemental MediaConvert API Reference*. Links in this list go to information about the setting in that document:

- Nielsen non-linear watermarking (<u>nielsenNonLinearWatermark</u>)
- Source watermark status (<u>sourceWatermarkStatus</u>)
- Watermark types (<u>activeWatermarkProcess</u>)
- SID (sourceId)
- **CSID** (cbetSourceId)
- Asset ID (<u>assetId</u>)
- Asset name (assetName)
- Episode ID (<u>episodeId</u>)
- TIC server REST endpoint (<u>ticServerUrl</u>)
- ADI file (adiFilename)
- Metadata destination (metadataDestination)
- Share TICs across tracks (<u>uniqueTicPerAudioTrack</u>)

## Nielsen SID/TIC server requirements in the AWS Cloud

The following diagram shows, at a high level, how MediaConvert interacts with the other parts of the system.

There are four major parts of the system that you set up by following instructions from Nielsen:

 Transfer your Nielsen metadata .zip file. MediaConvert writes this file to the Amazon S3 bucket that you create. You provide this bucket URL for the setting Metadata destination (metadataDestination) when you set up your job.

### 🚯 Note

This bucket is different from the one that you set up for the media asset outputs of your job. For information about that bucket, see <u>Prerequisites to start using MediaConvert</u>, which is a sub-topic of the Getting started chapter of this guide.

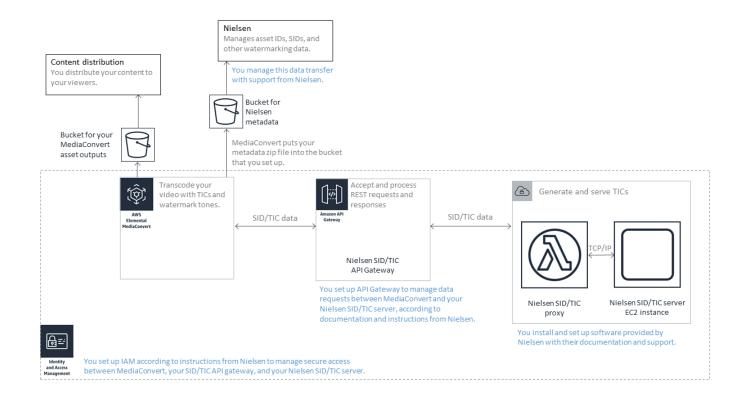
- Set up an Amazon EC2 instance and an AWS Lambda proxy in an Amazon VPC. Then install the SID/TIC server software and license from Nielsen.
- Use Amazon API Gateway to set up a gateway to manage requests and responses between MediaConvert and your Nielsen SID/TIC server.

This should result in a REST endpoint that you provide for the setting **TIC server REST endpoint** (ticServerUrl) when you set up your job.

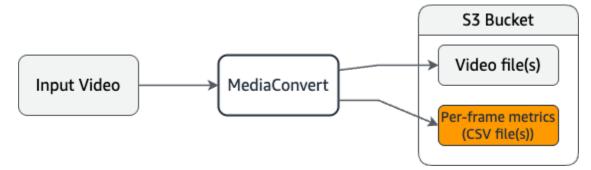
• Use AWS Identity and Access Management (IAM) to manage access and authentication between MediaConvert, your API gateway, and your SID/TIC server.

### Note

The roles and access you set up for this data sharing is different from the IAM permissions you set up to allow MediaConvert to access your input and output Amazon S3 buckets. For information about that setup, see <u>Setting up IAM permissions</u>, which is a sub-topic of the Getting started chapter of this guide.



# Per-frame metric reports in AWS Elemental MediaConvert



Per-frame metric reports provide detailed video quality analysis for your MediaConvert outputs. With these reports, you can analyze your output video quality on a frame-by-frame basis by using industry-standard quality metrics.

Some use cases for per-frame metric reports might include:

- Evaluate encoding decisions with objective quality measurements.
- Compare different encoding settings across different outputs.
- Identify specific frames or scenes that have low video quality.

• Validate that your encoding settings meet quality thresholds.

MediaConvert supports the following per-frame metric types:

### PSNR (Peak Signal-to-Noise Ratio)

Measures the amount of noise (typically compression artifacts) after encoding. Higher values indicate better quality. Measured in decibels (dB).

### PSNR HVS (Peak Signal-to-Noise Ratio, Human Visual System)

A variation of PSNR that accounts for the characteristics of human visual perception. Higher values indicate better quality. Measured in decibels (dB).

### SSIM (Structural Similarity Index Measure)

Measures structural information like luminance, contrast, and structure. Values range from 0 to 1, with 1 indicating perfect similarity.

### MS SSIM (Multi-Scale Structural Similarity Index Measure)

An enhanced version of SSIM that evaluates image quality at multiple resolutions. Values range from 0 to 1, with 1 indicating perfect similarity.

### VMAF (Video Multi-Method Assessment Fusion)

A machine learning-based metric trained on human viewer data. VMAF can be a good indicator of viewer satisfaction for streaming video quality. Values range from 0 to 100, with higher values indicating better quality.

### **QVBR (Quality-Defined Variable Bitrate)**

Represents the QVBR quality level for an individual frame. Values range from 1 to 10. Higher values indicate better quality. This metric is only available when your output settings include the QVBR rate control mode.

### Topics

- Generating per-frame metric reports
- Metric analysis techniques
- Requirements and processing impact
- Troubleshooting

# Generating per-frame metric reports

Configure per-frame metric reports at either the output group level or the individual output level.

#### MediaConvert console

To enable per-frame metrics for an output group by using the MediaConvert console:

- 1. Select an **Output group**.
- 2. In the Output group settings section, enable Per-frame metrics.
- 3. Under Per-frame metrics, select one or more metrics.

To enable per-frame metrics for an individual output by using the MediaConvert console:

- 1. Select an **Output group**.
- 2. Select an individual video output.
- 3. In the video output's Encoding settings section, expand Per-frame metrics.
- 4. Enable Per-frame metrics.
- 5. Under Per-frame metrics, select one or more metrics.

### API, SDK, or AWS Command Line Interface (AWS CLI)

To **enable Per-frame metrics** by using the API, SDK, or AWS Command Line Interface (AWS CLI), include the perFrameMetrics array in your output group settings or individual output settings.

The following is an excerpt of a job settings JSON that specifies per-frame metrics at the output group level:

```
...
"outputGroups": [
    {
        "outputGroupSettings": {
           "type": "FILE_GROUP_SETTINGS",
           "fileGroupSettings": {
              "destination": "s3://amzn-s3-demo-bucket/output/"
        },
        "perFrameMetrics": [
            "PSNR",
            "SSIM",
```

```
"MS_SSIM",
"PSNR_HVS",
"VMAF",
"QVBR"
]
}
}
...
```

## **Output files**

When you generate per-frame metrics, MediaConvert writes CSV files to your Amazon S3 output destination. Filenames use the following pattern:

[outputname]\_[metric].csv

For example:

- outputname\_PSNR.csv
- outputname\_SSIM.csv
- outputname\_VMAF.csv

Each CSV file contains frame-by-frame metrics with the following columns:

- 1. Frame number
- 2. Metric value

The files also include summary statistics at the end, showing the average, minimum, and maximum values across all frames. Import the data into spreadsheet applications or data analysis tools for further processing and visualization.

The following is an example PSNR per-frame metric:

Display\_ID,Value 0,100.00 1,55.36 2,54.88 3,55.05

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4,53.39 5,54.10 6,54.21 7,54.18 8,54.37 9,54.25 . . . 3591,40.71 3592,40.71 3593,40.58 3594,40.64 3595,40.53 3596,40.75 3597,40.64 3598,40.68 3599,40.65 3600,40.73 Average: 43.15 Min: 34.19 Max: 100.00

## Metric analysis techniques

This section provides techniques for analyzing your per-frame metrics and applying best practices to optimize your encoding workflow.

When analyzing frame metrics, keep the following indicators in mind:

- Consistency Sudden changes in metrics might indicate scene transitions or encoding problems.
- *Minimum values* Frames with significantly lower quality scores might need attention.
- Correlation with content For a given bitrate, complex visual scenes typically have lower scores.
- *Trends over time* Changes in metrics over time might indicate issues with your encoding configuration.

For comprehensive analysis, we recommend that you generate and compare multiple metrics together. You might find frames with low PSNR scores that maintain acceptable VMAF scores and still deliver a good viewer experience. Additionally, perform a detailed visual review in a controlled environment.

To get the most from your per-frame metric reports, we recommend the following strategies:

- Combine several metrics for a more complete quality picture.
- Test metrics across different encoding parameters.
- Pair metric data with visual checks in controlled viewing conditions.
- Account for your content's unique attributes when reading the numbers.
- Set quality benchmarks for your specific workflow requirements.
- Start with small content samples to establish baseline expectations.
- Record your findings to help with future encoding decisions.
- If 95% of your content has a good score, viewers will generally have a good experience.

The following is a list of tips when for interpretting results for different per-frame metric types:

#### **PSNR**

Excellent: 40dB or greater (high bitrate, visually lossless)

Good: 30-40dB (typical streaming quality)

Poor: 30dB or less (visible artifacts)

Tip: High motion and detailed content generally need higher values for a good viewing experience.

#### **PSNR HVS**

Good: 35dB or greater

Acceptable: 30-35dB

Poor: 30dB or less

PSNR HVS scores are generally 2-3dB lower than regular PSNR scores.

#### SSIM

Excellent: 0.95 or greater

Great: 0.90-0.95

Good: 0.80-0.90

Poor: 0.80 or less

Tip: SSIM is more reliable for static or slow content and less reliable for high motion content.

## MS SSIM

Similar scale to SSIM but more accurate

Excellent: 0.98 or greater

Good: 0.90-0.98

Poor: 0.90 or less

Tip: MS SSIM is better at catching motion issues than SSIM.

### VMAF

Excellent: 90 or greater (premium streaming)

Good: 70-90 (typical streaming)

Fair: 50-70

Poor: 50 or less

Most reliable for natural content

Less reliable for animation/gaming

Tip: VMAF scores typically drop 10-15 points when moving from 1080p to 4K at same bitrate

### QVBR

Excellent: 9 or greater

Good: 7 to 8

Fair: 5 to 7

Poor: 5 or less

# **Requirements and processing impact**

To use per-frame metric reports, your job settings must include the following:

 Your output must use one of the following video codecs: H.264, H.265, AV1, MPEG-2, AVC-Intra, or XAVC

- Include one or more video outputs.
- For the QVBR metric, your output must use the QVBR rate control mode.

Jobs that generate per-frame metrics take longer to complete than standard encoding jobs. The additional processing time depends on several factors, including:

- The resolution of your output
- The complexity of your video content
- The number of metrics you select

For high-resolution outputs (such as 4K), jobs might take up to twice as long to complete compared to standard encoding.

Some metrics require more computational resources than others. For example, VMAF calculation is more computationally intensive than other metrics. Consider enabling only the metrics you need for your specific analysis.

# Troubleshooting

The following is a list of troubleshooting tips for issues that you might encounter while working with per-frame metric reports:

### **Missing metric reports**

Verify that you've enabled the metrics at either the output group level or individual output level.

### QVBR metrics not appearing

Confirm that your output settings include the QVBR rate control mode.

### **Unexpected metric values**

Check that your content is appropriate for the selected metrics and review the interpretation guidelines for each metric type.

### Job taking too long

Consider reducing the number of selected metrics or applying them to fewer outputs to reduce processing time.

# Using the QVBR rate control mode

The rate control mode that you choose for your output determines whether the encoder uses more data for complex parts of your video or maintains a constant amount of data per frame. This chapter provides guidance for choosing the right rate control mode for your asset, depending on how you plan to distribute it. In general, you get the best video quality for a given file size by using quality-defined variable bitrate (QVBR) for your rate control mode.

## Topics

- <u>Comparison of QVBR with other rate control modes</u>
- <u>Configuring quality-defined variable bitrate mode</u>

# Comparison of QVBR with other rate control modes

The rate control mode that you choose depends on the way that you will distribute your asset. AWS Elemental MediaConvert offers the following choices for bitrate mode:

Quality-Defined Variable Bitrate (QVBR) Mode

Choose this mode for distribution over the internet (OTT) and for video on-demand (VOD) download. For higher video quality for your file size, always choose this mode except in the following cases:

- You need your bitrate to be constant, for example, for distribution over fixed-bandwidth networks
- You need your total file size to not drop below the size that you specify, for example, to comply with contractual or regulatory requirements

When you choose QVBR, the encoder determines the right number of bits to use for each part of the video to maintain the video quality that you specify. You can keep the QVBR quality level blank to let the encoder determine the appropriate quality level based on the input video frames. You can use the same QVBR settings for all your assets; the encoder automatically adjusts the file size to suit the complexity of the video. For more information, see <u>Configuring QVBR</u>.

Choose CBR only if you need the asset's bitrate to remain constant over time. For example, you might need a constant bitrate if you distribute your assets over limited, fixed bandwidth networks.

When you choose CBR, the encoder caps the file size and quality with the value that you set for **Bitrate**. The encoder uses the same number of bits for all parts of the video.

## Variable Bitrate Mode (VBR)

Choose VBR if you distribute your asset over a network that allows for a changing bitrate, like the internet, but you need to specify the total file size of your asset.

## 🚺 Note

With QVBR, if you set up your output for multi-pass encoding, you can optionally specify a maximum average bitrate that caps the total file size of your output. Only choose VBR if your file size can't be smaller than the size you specify.

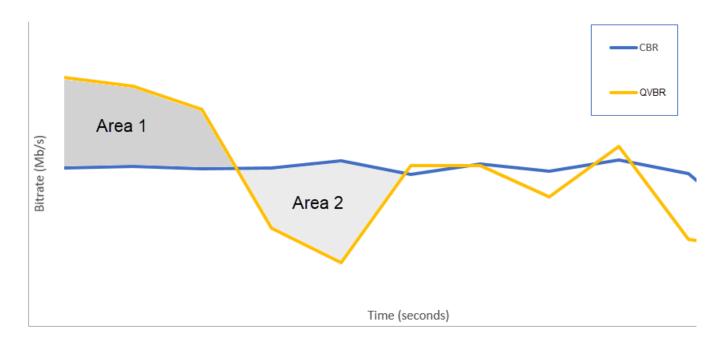
With VBR, you specify the asset's average bitrate; the encoder allocates bits so that more bits go to complex parts of the video. The total file size (excluding container, packaging, and audio data) works out to the average bitrate that you specify (in bits per second) times the length of the asset (in seconds).

When you use VBR, you get best results if you adjust your average bitrate to suit the complexity of each asset.

The following graph illustrates how the varying bitrate modes (QVBR and VBR) save unnecessary bits and provide better quality compared to CBR. The graph shows QVBR versus CBR, but the same principle applies to VBR.

In the parts of the graph where the QVBR line is above the CBR line, as in the part labeled Area 1, the CBR capped bitrate limits video quality below that of other scenes, so QVBR gives you more consistent quality. In the parts where the QVBR line drops below the CBR line, as in the part labeled Area 2, a low bitrate is sufficient for the same video quality, so QVBR saves bits and provides the opportunity for cost savings in storage and distribution through your content delivery network (CDN).

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# Configuring quality-defined variable bitrate mode

When you use QVBR, you can specify the quality level for your output and the maximum peak bitrate. For reasonable values of those settings, the encoder chooses how many bits to use for each part of the video. When you apply the same settings to several assets, your job outputs for simpler assets (such as cartoons) have smaller file sizes than your outputs for visually complex assets (such as high-motion sports with brightly dressed crowds in the background).

This section provides information about the QVBR settings. The following table provides a set of recommended values to get started with. Specify your values for these settings when you create your outputs, as described in <u>Tutorial: Configuring job settings</u>. For more information about each setting, choose a topic from the list that follows the table.

Resolution	Width	Height	QVBR quality level	Max bitrate
1080p	1920	1080	9	6000000
720p	1280	720	8	4000000
720p	1280	720	7	2000000
480p	852	480	7	1000000

Resolution	Width	Height	QVBR quality level	Max bitrate
360p	640	360	7	700000
288p	512	288	7	350000

With all resolutions, don't specify a value for **Max average bitrate** unless you need to guarantee a total file size cap. When you specify a maximum average bitrate, it reduces the benefit that QVBR provides in video quality to file size ratio. To use **Max average bitrate**, you have to first set **Quality tuning level** to **Multi-pass HQ**.

If you aren't using **Max average bitrate**, and you don't need multi-pass encoding for other reasons, set **Quality tuning level** to **Single-pass HQ**.

#### 🚯 Note

Multi-pass encoding is a professional tier feature. For more information about MediaConvert pricing tiers, see <u>MediaConvert pricing</u>.

### Setting QVBR quality tuning level

#### Default QVBR quality level

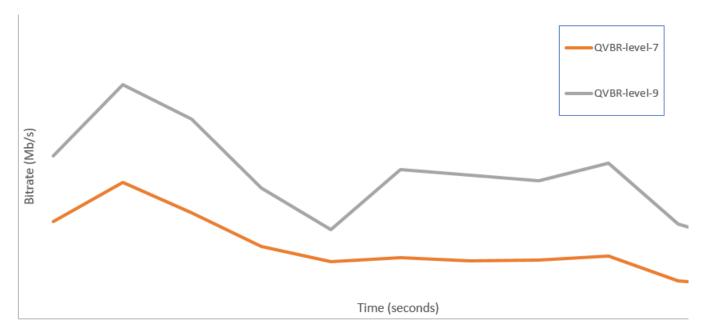
You can keep the QVBR quality level blank to let the encoder automatically determine the appropriate quality level based on the input video frames. When you choose the default option, the encoder produces a more consistent quality across the entire video instead of a specified target quality level. If you choose this option, you can't maintain a differentiated quality level based on the intended viewing device (for example, large-screen TV, PC or tablet, or smartphone). The encoder determines the appropriate quality level for you, based on the characteristics of your input video, to maintain a consistent video quality.

#### **Custom QVBR quality level**

You can specify the **QVBR quality level** on a scale between 1 and 10. The encoder determines the right number of bits to use for each part of the video to maintain the video quality that you specify.

Intended viewing device	Recommended QVBR quality level for 720p/1080p
Large-screen TV	8 or 9
PC or tablet	7
Smartphone	6

The following graph shows how changing the quality level affects the bitrate that the encoder uses for different parts of the video. While the lines for both level 7 and level 9 spike and drop in the same places, the encoder uses more bits total when the quality is set higher.



# Including SCTE-35 markers

SCTE-35 markers indicate where downstream systems can insert other content (usually advertisements or local programs). You can include SCTE-35 markers in transport stream (TS), DASH, HLS, and CMAF outputs.

AWS Elemental MediaConvert puts SCTE-35 markers into your outputs in one of two ways:

- The service passes markers through from your input to the output. For more information, see Configuring SCTE-35 marker passthrough from your input.
- The service inserts markers at the points that you specify in an Event Signaling and Management (ESAM) XML document. For more information, see Specifying SCTE-35 markers using ESAM XML.

Regardless of which way you put in the SCTE-35 markers, for outputs that have them, you can optionally do the following:

- You can have the service blank out audio and video during the ad avails indicated by the SCTE-35 markers. For more information, see <u>Configuring ad avail blanking</u>.
- For HLS outputs, you can have the service include SCTE-35 information in your output HLS manifest. For more information, see <u>Including SCTE-35 information in your HLS manifest</u>. MediaConvert doesn't write SCTE-35 information to DASH manifests.

🚯 Note

MediaConvert does not process information from input manifests.

By default, the service doesn't pass through SCTE-35 markers from your input. When you set up your job to pass through markers from the input or from an ESAM document, by default, the service doesn't include SCTE-35 information in HLS manifests or do ad avail blanking.

#### Topics

- Configuring SCTE-35 marker passthrough from your input
- Specifying SCTE-35 markers using ESAM XML
- Including SCTE-35 information in your HLS manifest
- <u>Configuring ad avail blanking</u>
- <u>SCTE-35 limitations</u>

# Configuring SCTE-35 marker passthrough from your input

You can include time\_signal SCTE-35 markers from your input in any output that has a transport stream container. These outputs might be in an HLS package, or they might be standalone files wrapped in an MPEG2 transport stream (M2TS) container.

#### To pass through SCTE-35 markers from the input to an output (console)

- 1. Open the MediaConvert console at <u>https://console.aws.amazon.com/mediaconvert</u>.
- 2. Choose **Create job**.
- 3. Set up your input, output groups, and outputs for video and audio, as described in <u>Tutorial</u>: <u>Configuring job settings and Creating outputs</u>.
- 4. Choose an output under either File group, DASH ISO, Apple HLS, or CMAF.
- 5. Under **Container settings** (for **File group**, **DASH ISO**, or **CMAF** outputs), or **Transport stream settings** (for **Apple HLS** outputs), find **SCTE-35 source**, and then choose **Passthrough**.
- 6. Optional. For outputs in a **File group** output group, when you set **Output settings**, **Container** to **MPEG-2 Transport Stream** (M2TS), you can enter a value for **SCTE-35 PID** that is different from the default **500**.

A PID, or packet identifier, is an identifier for a set of data in an MPEG-2 transport stream container. PIDs are used by downstream systems and players to locate specific information in the container.

 Optional. For outputs in an Apple HLS output group, you can set up the job to include ad markers in the manifest. For more information, see <u>Including SCTE-35 information in your HLS</u> manifest.

# Specifying SCTE-35 markers using ESAM XML

If your input video doesn't contain SCTE-35 markers, but you need to specify ad insertion points in your outputs, you can provide Event Signaling and Management (ESAM) XML documents in your AWS Elemental MediaConvert job settings. When you do, MediaConvert conditions your outputs with IDR (Instantaneous Decoder Refresh) frames at the insertion points that you specify in the document. In outputs that are also wrapped in MPEG2-TS and HLS containers, MediaConvert inserts SCTE-35 time\_signal messages at those points.

For your **Apple HLS** output groups, you can also provide an HLS manifest conditioning XML document. You can then set up your job to condition the manifests for your HLS outputs accordingly.

#### 🚯 Note

To put SCTE-35 markers in your MPEG2-TS outputs, in addition to supplying the ESAM XML documents, you must also enable **ESAM SCTE-35** on each output. For more information, see the console procedure following this overview.

#### **About Timecodes in Your ESAM Documents**

Specify the insertion points in your XML documents relative to the timing of the final output, after input clipping and stitching. Start your timing from 00:00:00:00, regardless of your timecode settings. Use the following 24-hour format with a frame number: HH:MM:SS:FF.

For example, a job has the following three inputs: a five-minute preroll, a one-hour film, and a fiveminute postroll. You use input clipping to clip adjust the final 20 minutes of your one-hour input. So your output with preroll and postroll is 30 minutes long. If you want your first insertion point to appear three minutes into the main content, you would specify it at eight minutes—three minutes after your five-minute preroll.

#### To include ESAM XML documents in your job settings (console)

- 1. Open the MediaConvert console at <a href="https://console.aws.amazon.com/mediaconvert">https://console.aws.amazon.com/mediaconvert</a>.
- 2. Choose **Create new job**.
- 3. Set up your input, output groups, and outputs for video and audio, as described in <u>Tutorial</u>: <u>Configuring job settings and Creating outputs</u>.
- 4. In the Job pane on the left, in the Job settings section, choose Settings.
- 5. In the Ad signaling section, enable Event signaling and messaging (ESAM).
- 6. For **Signal processing notification XML**, enter your ESAM signaling XML document as text. For an example, see Example ESAM XML signal processing notification.

#### 1 Note

By default, MediaConvert adds a four-second preroll to the ESAM payload. This might result in MediaConvert placing the SCTE-35 message one segment earlier than the cue marker designates in the HLS manifest. To remove the preroll, set responseSignalPreroll to zero. This setting is a child of <u>EsamSettings</u>.

 If you want to include information about your SCTE-35 markers in your HLS manifests, for Manifest confirm condition notification XML, enter your ESAM manifest conditional XML document as text. MediaConvert doesn't include information about your SCTE-35 markers in your DASH manifests.

To insert SCTE-35 markers in the transport stream in addition to the manifest, set the dataPassThrough attribute in your MCC document to "true". If you don't want markers in the transport stream, remove the dataPassThrough attributes.

For an example, see Example ESAM XML Manifest Confirm Condition Notification.

- 8. For each MPEG2-TS output where you want SCTE-35 markers, enable the markers:
  - a. In the **Job** pane on the left, under **Output groups**, **File group**, choose the output.
  - b. Confirm that it is an MPEG2-TS output. In the **Output settings** section, make sure that **Container** is set to **MPEG-2 Transport Stream**.
  - c. Choose **Container settings**, and then scroll down to find the **PID controls** section.
  - d. For **ESAM SCTE-35** choose **Enabled**.
  - e. For **SCTE-35 source**, keep the default **None**.
- 9. Do this step only for any **Apple HLS** output groups in your job.

If you want to condition your HLS manifest with your ESAM insertion points, follow the procedure in <u>Including SCTE-35 information in your HLS manifest</u>. Otherwise, follow these steps to confirm that the following settings are still in their default state:

- a. Make sure that **Manifest confirm condition notification XML**, discussed in a previous step of this procedure, is empty.
- b. For each **Apple HLS** output group in your job, confirm that you have kept **Ad Markers** unchecked.
  - i. In the **Job** pane on the left, under **Output groups**, choose **Apple HLS**.
  - ii. In the Apple HLS group settings section, choose Advanced.
  - iii. In the Ad markers section, clear the Elemental and SCTE-35 enhanced check boxes.
- c. For each output in your **Apple HLS** output groups, confirm that **SCTE-35 source** is set to **None**:
  - i. In the **Job** pane on the left, under **Output groups**, **Apple HLS**, choose an output.
  - ii. In the **Output settings** section, choose **Transport stream settings**.

iii. For SCTE-35 source, choose None.

#### To include ESAM XML documents in your jobs settings (API, SDK, AWS CLI)

- 1. Include the <u>esam property</u> and its children at the root of the job settings in your JSON job specification. These properties are shown in the following example.
  - a. Include your ESAM signal processing XML specification as a string in the setting sccXml.
  - b. Optionally, include a manifest confirm condition XML notification document as a string in the setting mccXml:

```
"esam": {
    "responseSignalPreroll": 4000,
    "signalProcessingNotification": {
        "sccXml": "<?xml version=\"1.0\" encoding=\"utf-8\"?>
\n<SignalProcessingNotification ..."
    },
    "manifestConfirmConditionNotification": {
        "mccXml": "<?xml version=\"1.0\" encoding=\"utf-8\" standalone=\"yes\"?>
\n<ns2:ManifestConfirmConditionNotification ... "
    }</pre>
```

 For each M2TS (MPEG2 Transport Stream) output in your job, set your JSON job specification as shown in the following example. Include the property <u>scte35Esam</u>. Set <u>scte35Source</u> to NONE.

```
"outputs": [
    {
        "extension": "m2ts",
        "containerSettings": {
            "container": "M2TS",
            "m2tsSettings": {
                 ...
        "scte35Esam": {
                 "scte35EsamPid": 508
                },
                ...
        "scte35Source": "NONE"
```

}

- 3. If you want to condition your HLS manifests with SCTE-35 information, for each Apple HLS output group in your job, include the following. These settings are shown in the example at the end of this step:
  - Set scte35Source to PASSTHROUGH.
  - Include <u>adMarkers</u> and list one or both of ELEMENTAL\_SCTE35 or ELEMENTAL in an array.

For sample manifests created with each setting selected, see <u>Sample manifest: Elemental ad</u> markers and Sample manifest: SCTE-35 enhanced ad markers.

If you don't want to condition your HLS manifests with SCTE-35 information, keep the default setting NONE for scte35Source and don't include adMarkers:

```
"outputGroups": [
  {
    "customName": "apple_hls",
    "outputGroupSettings": {
      "type": "HLS_GROUP_SETTINGS",
      "hlsGroupSettings": {
        "adMarkers": [
          "ELEMENTAL_SCTE35"
        ],
        . . .
      }
    },
    "outputs": [
      {
        "extension": "m3u8",
        "nameModifier": "high",
        "outputSettings": {
          "hlsSettings": {
            . . .
          }
        },
        "containerSettings": {
          "container": "M3U8",
          "m3u8Settings": {
             . . .
            "scte35Source": "PASSTHROUGH"
```

}

4. Submit your job as usual.

For information about submitting AWS Elemental MediaConvert jobs programmatically, see <u>Getting started with AWS Elemental MediaConvert using the AWS SDKs or the AWS CLI</u> and Getting started with AWS Elemental MediaConvert using the API.

#### Example ESAM XML signal processing notification

This ESAM XML block generates two 30-second ad breaks, one at 10 seconds in and the other at 75 seconds in.

```
<?xml version="1.0" encoding="UTF-8"?>
<SignalProcessingNotification xmlns="urn:cablelabs:iptvservices:esam:xsd:signal:1"</p>
 xmlns:sig="urn:cablelabs:md:xsd:signaling:3.0"
 xmlns:common="urn:cablelabs:iptvservices:esam:xsd:common:1" xmlns:xsi="http://
www.w3.org/2001/XMLSchema-instance" acquisitionPointIdentity="ExampleESAM">
    <common:BatchInfo batchId="1">
      <common:Source xsi:type="content:MovieType" />
    </common:BatchInfo>
    <ResponseSignal acquisitionPointIdentity="ExampleESAM" acquisitionSignalID="1"</pre>
 signalPointID="10.00" action="create">
      <sig:NPTPoint nptPoint="10.00"/>
      <siq:SCTE35PointDescriptor spliceCommandType="06">
        <sig:SegmentationDescriptorInfo segmentEventId="1" segmentTypeId="52"</pre>
 upidType="9" upid="1" duration="PT30S" segmentNumber="1" segmentsExpected="1"/>
      </sig:SCTE35PointDescriptor>
    </ResponseSignal>
    <ConditioningInfo acquisitionSignalIDRef="1" startOffset="PT10S" duration="PT30S"/>
    <ResponseSignal acquisitionPointIdentity="ExampleESAM" acquisitionSignalID="2"
 signalPointID="40.00" action="create">
      <sig:NPTPoint nptPoint="40.00" />
      <sig:SCTE35PointDescriptor spliceCommandType="06">
        <sig:SegmentationDescriptorInfo segmentEventId="1" segmentTypeId="53"</pre>
 upidType="9" upid="2"/>
      </sig:SCTE35PointDescriptor>
    </ResponseSignal>
```

```
<ResponseSignal acquisitionPointIdentity="ExampleESAM" acquisitionSignalID="3"</pre>
signalPointID="75.00" action="create">
      <sig:NPTPoint nptPoint="75.00"/>
      <sig:SCTE35PointDescriptor spliceCommandType="06">
        <sig:SegmentationDescriptorInfo segmentEventId="2" segmentTypeId="52"</pre>
upidType="9" upid="3" duration="PT30S" segmentNumber="2" segmentsExpected="1"/>
      </sig:SCTE35PointDescriptor>
    </ResponseSignal>
    <ConditioningInfo acquisitionSignalIDRef="3" startOffset="PT75S" duration="PT30S"/>
    <ResponseSignal acquisitionPointIdentity="ExampleESAM" acquisitionSignalID="4"</pre>
signalPointID="105.00" action="create">
      <sig:NPTPoint nptPoint="105.00" />
      <sig:SCTE35PointDescriptor spliceCommandType="06">
        <sig:SegmentationDescriptorInfo segmentEventId="2" segmentTypeId="53"
upidType="9" upid="4"/>
      </sig:SCTE35PointDescriptor>
    </ResponseSignal>
</SignalProcessingNotification>
```

#### **Example ESAM XML Manifest Confirm Condition Notification**

This ESAM manifest confirm condition (MCC) XML document generates HLS manifest cue tags for two 30-second ad breaks. The first begins at 10 seconds in; the second begins at 75 seconds in. These cue manifest tags also contain data that can be used by a downstream client for ad replacement and insertion. Outputs generated with this MCC document contain a SCTE-35 message embedded into the transport stream file at the first ad break, but not at the second one.

Note the dataPassThrough attribute on the first ad break. When this attribute is present and set to "true", MediaConvert inserts SCTE-35 markers in the transport stream in addition to the manifest. For any ad break that you want marked only in the manifest, keep out the dataPassThrough attribute.

MediaConvert supports manifest conditioning with ESAM only in HLS packages.

```
<?xml version="1.0" encoding="utf-8" standalone="yes"?>
<ns2:ManifestConfirmConditionNotification xmlns:ns2="http://www.cablelabs.com/
namespaces/metadata/xsd/confirmation/2" xmlns="http://www.cablelabs.com/namespaces/
metadata/xsd/core/2" xmlns:ns3="http://www.cablelabs.com/namespaces/metadata/xsd/
signaling/2">
```

```
<ns2:ManifestResponse acquisitionPointIdentity="ExampleESAM" acquisitionSignalID="1"</pre>
duration="PT30S" dataPassThrough="true">
  <ns2:SegmentModify>
      <ns2:FirstSegment>
        <ns2:Tag value="#EXT-X-CUE-OUT:4,SpliceType=VOD_DAI,Action=REPLACE,</pre>
PAID=amazon.com/TEST2014020500000346,Acds=BA" />
      </ns2:FirstSegment>
      <ns2:SpanSegment>
        <ns2:Tag value="#EXT-X-CUE-OUT-CONT:${secondsFromSignal}/4,</pre>
SpliceType=VOD_DAI, Action=REPLACE, PAID=amazon.com/TEST2014020500000346, Acds=BA"
adapt="true" />
      </ns2:SpanSegment>
      <ns2:LastSegment>
        <ns2:Tag value="#EXT-X-CUE-IN:4,SpliceType=VOD_DAI" locality="after"</pre>
adapt="true" />
      </ns2:LastSegment>
    </ns2:SegmentModify>
 </ns2:ManifestResponse>
 <ns2:ManifestResponse acquisitionPointIdentity="ExampleESAM"
acquisitionSignalID="2"></ns2:ManifestResponse>
  <ns2:ManifestResponse acquisitionPointIdentity="ExampleESAM" acquisitionSignalID="3"</pre>
duration="PT30S">
 <ns2:SegmentModify>
      <ns2:FirstSegment>
        <ns2:Tag value="#EXT-X-OUT:4,SpliceType=VOD_DAI,Action=REPLACE,</pre>
PAID=amazon.com/TEST2014020500000347,Acds=BA" />
      </ns2:FirstSegment>
      <ns2:SpanSegment>
        <ns2:Tag value="#EXT-X-OUT-CONT:${secondsFromSignal}/4,
SpliceType=VOD_DAI, Action=REPLACE, PAID=amazon.com/TEST2014020500000346, Acds=BA"
adapt="true" />
      </ns2:SpanSegment>
      <ns2:LastSegment>
        <ns2:Tag value="#EXT-X-CUE-IN:4,SpliceType=VOD_DAI" locality="after"</pre>
adapt="true" />
      </ns2:LastSegment>
    </ns2:SegmentModify>
</ns2:ManifestResponse>
<ns2:ManifestResponse acquisitionPointIdentity="ExampleESAM"</pre>
acquisitionSignalID="4"></ns2:ManifestResponse>
</ns2:ManifestConfirmConditionNotification>
```

# Including SCTE-35 information in your HLS manifest

For outputs in an HLS package, you can have the service include information in the HLS manifest about the SCTE-35 markers that are in each of the outputs.

#### To include SCTE-35 information in your HLS manifest (console)

- 1. Open the MediaConvert console at https://console.aws.amazon.com/mediaconvert.
- 2. Choose **Create new job**.
- 3. Set up your input, output groups, and outputs for video and audio, following the procedure in Configuring SCTE-35 passthrough or Inserting SCTE-35 with ESAM.
- 4. Enable ad markers in each of your **Apple HLS** output groups.
  - a. In the **Job** pane on the left, under **Output groups**, choose **Apple HLS**.
  - b. In the **Apple HLS group settings** section, choose **Advanced**.
  - c. Choose **Container settings**, then scroll down to find the **PID controls** section.
  - d. In the Ad markers section, choose one or both of Elemental and SCTE-35 enhanced.

For sample manifests created with each setting selected, see <u>Sample manifest: Elemental</u> ad markers and Sample manifest: SCTE-35 enhanced ad markers.

- 5. If the source of your ad markers is an ESAM document, set these additional settings:
  - a. Make sure that you entered XML for **Manifest confirm condition notification XML** during the procedure in <u>Specifying SCTE-35 markers using ESAM XML</u>.

When you want SCTE-35 markers in the output transport stream as well as in the manifest, use dataPassThrough attributes set to "true". When you don't want markers in the transport stream, don't include dataPassThrough attributes.

- b. For each output in each of your Apple HLS output groups, set **SCTE-35 source** to **Passthrough**.
  - i. In the Job pane on the left, under Output groups, Apple HLS, choose an output.
  - ii. In the **Output settings** section, choose **Transport stream settings**.
  - iii. For SCTE-35 source, choose Passthrough.

#### Sample manifest: Elemental ad markers

To generate the following sample manifest, choose **Apple HLS group settings**, **Advanced**, **Ad markers**, **Elemental**:

#EXTM3U #EXT-X-VERSION:3 #EXT-X-TARGETDURATION:12 #EXT-X-MEDIA-SEQUENCE:1 #EXT-X-PLAYLIST-TYPE:VOD #EXTINF:10.000, file\_60p\_1\_00001.ts #EXT-X-CUE-OUT:30.000 #EXTINF:2.000, file\_60p\_1\_00002.ts #EXT-X-CUE-OUT-CONT:2.000/30 #EXTINF:12.000, file\_60p\_1\_00003.ts #EXT-X-CUE-OUT-CONT:14.000/30 #EXTINF:12.000, file\_60p\_1\_00004.ts #EXT-X-CUE-OUT-CONT:26.000/30 #EXTINF:4.000, file\_60p\_1\_00005.ts #EXT-X-CUE-IN #EXTINF:8.000, file\_60p\_1\_00006.ts #EXTINF:12.000, file\_60p\_1\_00007.ts #EXTINF:12.000, file\_60p\_1\_00008.ts #EXTINF:3.000, file\_60p\_1\_00009.ts #EXT-X-CUE-OUT:30.000 #EXTINF:9.000, file\_60p\_1\_00010.ts #EXT-X-CUE-OUT-CONT:9.000/30 #EXTINF:12.000, file\_60p\_1\_00011.ts #EXT-X-CUE-OUT-CONT:21.000/30 #EXTINF:9.000, file\_60p\_1\_00012.ts

#EXT-X-CUE-IN #EXTINF:3.000, file\_60p\_1\_00013.ts #EXTINF:12.000, file\_60p\_1\_00014.ts #EXTINF:12.000, file\_60p\_1\_00015.ts #EXTINF:3.000, file\_60p\_1\_00016.ts #EXTINF:9.000, file\_60p\_1\_00017.ts #EXTINF:12.000, file\_60p\_1\_00018.ts #EXTINF:12.000, file\_60p\_1\_00019.ts #EXTINF:12.000, file\_60p\_1\_00020.ts #EXTINF:12.000, file\_60p\_1\_00021.ts #EXTINF:12.000, file\_60p\_1\_00022.ts #EXTINF:12.000, file\_60p\_1\_00023.ts #EXTINF:10.067, file\_60p\_1\_00024.ts #EXT-X-ENDLIST

#### Sample manifest: SCTE-35 enhanced ad markers

To generate the following sample manifest, choose **Apple HLS group settings**, **Advanced**, **Ad markers**, **SCTE-35 enhanced**:

```
#EXTM3U
#EXT-X-VERSION:3
#EXT-X-TARGETDURATION:12
#EXT-X-MEDIA-SEQUENCE:1
#EXT-X-PLAYLIST-TYPE:VOD
#EXTINF:10.000,
file_60p_1_00001.ts
#EXT-OATCLS-SCTE35:/DAnAAAAAAAAAP/wBQb+AA27oAARAg9DVUVJAAAAAX+HCQA0AAE0xUZn
#EXT-X-CUE-OUT:30.000
#EXTINF:2.000,
file_60p_1_00002.ts
```

#EXT-X-CUE-OUT-CONT:ElapsedTime=2.000,Duration=30,SCTE35=/DAnAAAAAAAAAAP/wBQb +AA27oAARAg9DVUVJAAAAAX+HCQA0AAE0xUZn #EXTINF:12.000, file\_60p\_1\_00003.ts #EXT-X-CUE-OUT-CONT:ElapsedTime=14.000,Duration=30,SCTE35=/DAnAAAAAAAAAAP/wBQb +AA27oAARAg9DVUVJAAAAAX+HCQA0AAE0xUZn #EXTINF:12.000, file\_60p\_1\_00004.ts #EXT-X-CUE-OUT-CONT:ElapsedTime=26.000,Duration=30,SCTE35=/DAnAAAAAAAAAAP/wBQb +AA27oAARAg9DVUVJAAAAAX+HCQA0AAE0xUZn #EXTINF:4.000, file\_60p\_1\_00005.ts #EXT-OATCLS-SCTE35:/DAnAAAAAAAAAAP/wBQb+ADbugAARAg9DVUVJAAAAAX+HCQA1AAA3v5+Q #EXT-X-CUE-IN #EXTINF:8.000, file\_60p\_1\_00006.ts #EXTINF:12.000, file\_60p\_1\_00007.ts #EXTINF:12.000, file\_60p\_1\_00008.ts #EXTINF:3.000, file\_60p\_1\_00009.ts #EXT-OATCLS-SCTE35:/DAnAAAAAAAAAAP/wBQb+AGb/MAARAq9DVUVJAAAAAn+HCQA0AALMua1L #EXT-X-CUE-OUT:30.000 #EXTINF:9.000, file\_60p\_1\_00010.ts #EXT-X-CUE-OUT-CONT:ElapsedTime=9.000,Duration=30,SCTE35=/DAnAAAAAAAAAAAA/WBQb+AGb/ MAARAg9DVUVJAAAAAn+HCQA0AALMua1L #EXTINF:12.000, file\_60p\_1\_00011.ts #EXT-X-CUE-OUT-CONT:ElapsedTime=21.000,Duration=30,SCTE35=/DAnAAAAAAAAAAAP/wBQb+AGb/ MAARAg9DVUVJAAAAAn+HCQA0AALMua1L #EXTINF:9.000, file\_60p\_1\_00012.ts #EXT-OATCLS-SCTE35:/DAnAAAAAAAAAAP/wBQb+AJAyEAARAq9DVUVJAAAAAn+HCQA1AABStd4A #EXT-X-CUE-IN #EXTINF:3.000, file\_60p\_1\_00013.ts #EXTINF:12.000, file\_60p\_1\_00014.ts #EXTINF:12.000, file\_60p\_1\_00015.ts #EXTINF:3.000, file\_60p\_1\_00016.ts

#EXTINF:9.000, file\_60p\_1\_00017.ts #EXTINF:12.000, file\_60p\_1\_00018.ts #EXTINF:12.000, file\_60p\_1\_00019.ts #EXTINF:12.000, file\_60p\_1\_00020.ts #EXTINF:12.000, file\_60p\_1\_00021.ts #EXTINF:12.000, file\_60p\_1\_00022.ts #EXTINF:12.000, file\_60p\_1\_00023.ts #EXTINF:10.067, file\_60p\_1\_00024.ts #EXT-X-ENDLIST

# Configuring ad avail blanking

You can enable ad avail blanking to remove video content, remove any captions, and mute audio during the portions of the output that are marked as available for ads (ad avails).

You set up SCTE-35 markers in each output individually, but you enable or disable ad avail blanking for every output in the job. To use ad avail blanking, you have to both set up SCTE-35 markers and enable ad avail blanking, as described in the following procedure.

#### To enable ad avail blanking (console)

- 1. Open the MediaConvert console at <u>https://console.aws.amazon.com/mediaconvert</u>.
- 2. Choose **Create new job**.
- 3. Set up your input, output groups, and outputs for video and audio, following the procedure in Configuring SCTE-35 passthrough or Inserting SCTE-35 with ESAM.
- 4. In the left navigation pane, under **Job settings**, choose **Settings**.
- 5. Under Global processors, enable Ad avail blanking.
- 6. Optionally, under Blanking image, provide a URI to an image input file that is stored in Amazon S3 or on an HTTP(S) server. For Amazon S3 inputs, you can specify the URI directly or choose Browse to select from your Amazon S3 buckets. For HTTP(S) inputs, provide the URL to your input video file. For more information, see HTTP input requirements.

If you specify an image here, the service inserts the image on all video frames inside the ad avail. If you don't specify an image, the service uses a black slate instead.

Blanking images must be .png or .bmp files that are the same size or smaller, in pixels, as the output video resolution.

# **SCTE-35** limitations

Limitations to SCTE-35 support are as follows:

- You can either specify insertion points using ESAM XML or pass through SCTE-35 messages from the input. You can't do both.
- AWS Elemental MediaConvert supports only time\_signal messages, not splice\_insert messages.
- The service inserts SCTE-35 messages only into the following outputs:
  - Outputs in File group output groups with MPEG-2 Transport Stream set for Container.

Set the container for each output under **Output settings**, **Container**.

- Outputs in DASH ISO output groups.
- Outputs in Apple HLS output groups.
- Outputs in **CMAF** output groups.
- The service forces Instantaneous Decoder Refresh (IDR) frames at the insertion points specified in your ESAM XML document for the following output codecs: MPEG-2, MPEG-4 AVC (H.264), or HEVC (H.265).

In the <u>MediaConvert console</u>, go to **Encoding settings**, **Video**, and then set the codec for each output in the **Video codec** section.

• DASH ISO and CMAF DASH output groups only support single-period manifest outputs.

# Setting up timecodes

AWS Elemental MediaConvert manages transcoded video frames by their timecode. The service uses the timecodes from the input and output timelines that it constructs to line up the elements of your output assets. For information about which features are affected by each type of timeline, and about how timelines work, see How MediaConvert uses timelines to assemble jobs.

There are three distinct groups of timecode settings, located in three different places on the console:

• Input timecode settings

The input setting **Timecode source** affects the input timeline.

• Job-wide timecode configuration

The **Timecode configuration** settings under **Job settings** affect the output timeline.

• Output timecode settings

The timecode settings under **Output** determine whether and how timecode information appears in each output. These settings affect only what is included in the outputs; they don't determine what timecodes are.

To provide frame accuracy for video inputs, MediaConvert uses timecodes that specify frames by frame number, not by millisecond. All timecodes are in the following 24-hour format with a frame number: HH:MM:SS:FF. For drop frame, MediaConvert uses a semicolon before the frame number: HH:MM:SS;FF.

When you specify an input clip for an audio-only input, the last numbers in the timecode that you enter correspond to hundredths of a second. For example, 00:00:30:75 is the same as 30.75 seconds.

#### Topics

- Adjusting the input timeline with the input timecode source
- Adjusting the output timeline with the job-wide timecode configuration
- Inserting timecode metadata
- Burning in timecodes on the video frames

# Adjusting the input timeline with the input timecode source

The value for **Timecode source** that you specify in an input's settings affects the input timeline for that input. For information about which features are affected by the input timeline, see <u>Input</u> <u>timelines</u>.

#### To adjust the input Timecode source setting (console)

- 1. On the **Create job** page, in the **Job** pane on the left, choose an input.
- 2. Under **Video selector**, **Timecode source**, specify whether MediaConvert reads timecodes from the input or generates them. MediaConvert can generate timecodes starting from zero or from a starting timecode that you specify. Here are the options for **Timecode source**:
  - **Embedded**: The service uses any timecodes embedded in the input video. This is the default value.

#### Note

Don't choose this value unless your input video has embedded timecodes.

- Start at 0: The service sets the timecode of the first frame of the input to 00:00:00:00.
- **Specified start**: The service sets the timecode of the first frame of the input to the value that you specify in the setting **Start timecode**.

Regardless of the source, timecodes are in the following 24-hour format with a frame number: HH:MM:SS:FF.

#### To adjust the input TimecodeSource (Timecode source) setting (API, SDK, and AWS CLI)

• In your JSON job specification, set a value for TimecodeSource, located in Settings, Inputs.

Choose a value for TimecodeSource as follows:

• **EMBEDDED**: The service uses any timecodes embedded in the input video. This is the default value.

#### 🚯 Note

Don't choose this value unless your input video has embedded timecodes.

- **ZEROBASED**: The service sets the timecode of the first frame of the input to 00:00:00:00.
- **SPECIFIEDSTART**: The service sets the timecode of the first frame of the input to the value that you specify in the setting **Start timecode**.

# Adjusting the output timeline with the job-wide timecode configuration

The values that you specify for the job-wide **Timecode configuration** settings affect the output timeline. For information about which features are affected by the output timeline, see <u>Output</u> <u>timeline</u>.

#### To adjust the job-wide timecode configuration (console)

- 1. On the **Create job** page, in the **Job** pane on the left, choose **Settings**.
- 2. In the **Timecode configuration** section, for **Source**, choose one of the following values:
  - **Embedded**: The service uses any timecodes that are embedded in the video.
  - **Start at 0**: The service ignores any embedded timecodes and assigns the first video frame the timecode 00:00:00:00 (HH:MM:SS:FF).
  - **Specified start**: The service ignores any embedded timecodes and assigns the first video frame the value that you provide for **Start Timecode**.

The **Start Timecode** field appears when you choose **Specified start**.

If you use the API or an SDK, you can find this setting in the JSON file of your job. The setting name is Source, located inside Settings, TimecodeConfig.

If you don't choose a value for **Source**, the service defaults to **Embedded**.

#### 🚯 Note

If your input video doesn't have embedded timecodes and you set **Source** to **Embedded** or keep **Source** unspecified, your output won't have timecodes. This means that features that require a timecode-based start time, such as sidecar captions and graphic overlays, won't appear in your output.

#### 3. Set a value for Anchor Timecode.

If you use an editing platform that relies on an anchor timecode, use **Anchor timecode** to specify a point at which the input and output frames have the same timecode. Use the following 24-hour format with a frame number: HH:MM:SS:FF. This setting ignores frame rate conversion.

The system behavior for **Anchor timecode** varies depending on your setting for **Source**:

• If you choose **Start at 0** for **Source**, the anchor frame is the timecode that you provide in **Anchor timecode**, counting from 00:00:00:00.

For example, if you set **Anchor timecode** to 01:00:05:00, the anchor frame is one hour and five seconds into the video.

• If you choose **Embedded** for **Source**, the anchor frame is the timecode that you provide in **Anchor timecode**, counting from the first embedded timecode.

For example, if your embedded timecodes start at 01:00:00:00 and you set **Anchor timecode** to 01:00:05:00, the anchor frame is five seconds into the video.

• If you choose **Specified start** for **Source**, the anchor frame is the timecode that you provide in **Anchor timecode**, counting from the timecode that you specify for the first frame.

For example, if you specify 00:30:00:00 as your start timecode and you set **Anchor timecode** to 01:00:05:00, the anchor frame is thirty minutes and five seconds into the video.

If you use the API or an SDK, you can find this setting in the JSON file of your job. The setting name is Anchor, located in Settings, TimecodeConfig.

If you don't set a value for **Anchor timecode**, the service doesn't use any anchor timecode.

4. Under **Timestamp offset**, provide a date. This setting applies only to outputs that support a program-date-time stamp. Use **Timestamp offset** to overwrite the timecode date without affecting the time and frame number. This setting has no effect unless you also include the program-date-time stamp in the output.

If you use the API or an SDK, you can find this setting in the JSON file of your job. The setting name is TimestampOffset, located in Settings, TimecodeConfig.

#### To adjust the job-wide timecode configuration (API, SDK, and AWS CLI)

- In your JSON job specification, set a value for <u>Source</u>, located inside Settings, TimecodeConfig. Choose one of the following values:
  - EMBEDDED: The service uses any timecodes that are embedded in the video.

- **ZEROBASED**: The service ignores any embedded timecodes and assigns the first video frame the timecode 00:00:00:00 (HH:MM:SS:FF).
- **SPECIFIEDSTART**: The service ignores any embedded timecodes and assigns the first video frame the value that you provide for **Start Timecode**.

The **Start Timecode** field appears when you choose **Specified start**.

If you don't choose a value for **Source**, the service defaults to **Embedded**.

#### 🚯 Note

If your input video doesn't have embedded timecodes and you set **Source** to **Embedded** or keep **Source** unspecified, your output won't have timecodes. This means that features that require a timecode-based start time, such as sidecar captions and graphic overlays, won't appear in your output.

2. Optional. In your JSON job specification, set a value for Anchor, located in Settings, TimecodeConfig.

If you use an editing platform that relies on an anchor timecode, use Anchor to specify a point at which the input and output frames have the same timecode. Use the following 24-hour format with a frame number: HH:MM:SS:FF. This setting ignores frame rate conversion.

The system behavior for Anchor varies depending on your setting for Source:

• If you choose ZEROBASED for Source, the anchor frame is the timecode that you provide in Anchor, counting from 00:00:00:00.

For example, if you set Anchor to 01:00:05:00, the anchor frame is one hour and five seconds into the video.

• If you choose EMBEDDED for Source, the anchor frame is the timecode that you provide in Anchor, counting from the first embedded timecode.

For example, if your embedded timecodes start at 01:00:00:00 and you set Anchor to 01:00:05:00, the anchor frame is five seconds into the video.

• If you choose SPECIFIEDSTART for Source, the anchor frame is the timecode that you provide in Anchor, counting from the timecode that you specify for the first frame.

For example, if you specify 00:30:00:00 as your start timecode and you set Anchor to 01:00:05:00, the anchor frame is thirty minutes and five seconds into the video.

 Optional. In your JSON job specification, set a value for TimestampOffset, located in Settings, TimecodeConfig. Specify the date in the following format: YYYY-MM-DD. For example, 2008-06-26.

This setting applies only to outputs that support a program-date-time stamp. Use **Timestamp offset** to overwrite the timecode date without affecting the time and frame number. This setting has no effect unless you also include the program-date-time stamp in the output.

# Inserting timecode metadata

The **Timecode insertion** setting determines whether a given output has timecodes embedded in its metadata. MediaConvert automatically puts this information in the appropriate place, depending on the output codec. For MPEG-2 and QuickTime codecs, such as Apple ProRes, the service inserts the timecodes in the video I-frame metadata. For H.265 (HEVC) and H.264 (AVC), the service inserts the timecodes in the supplemental enhancement information (SEI) picture timing message.

#### To include timecode metadata in an output (console)

- 1. On the **Create job** page, in the **Job** pane on the left, choose an output.
- 2. Under **Stream settings**, **Timecode insertion**, choose **Insert** to include timecode metadata. Choose **Disabled** to omit timecode metadata.

#### To include timecode metadata in an output (API, SDK, and AWS CLI)

 In your JSON job specification, set a value for <u>TimecodeInsertion</u>, located in Settings, OutputGroups, Outputs, VideoDescription.

Use PIC\_TIMING\_SEI to include timecode metadata. Use DISABLED to omit timecode metadata.

# Burning in timecodes on the video frames

The **Timecode burn-in** setting determines whether a given output has visible timecodes inscribed into the video frames themselves. The timecodes are not an overlay, but rather a permanent part of the video frames.

#### To burn in timecodes in an output (console)

- 1. On the **Create job** page, in the **Job** pane on the left, choose an output.
- 2. Under Stream settings, Preprocessors, choose Timecode burn-in.
- 3. Optionally, provide values for the **Prefix**, **Font size**, and **Position** settings. Even if you don't provide these values, timecodes are burned into your output using these default values:
  - Prefix: no prefix
  - Font size: Extra Small (10)
  - Position: Top Center

For details about each of these settings, choose the Info link next to Timecode burn-in.

#### To burn in timecodes in an output (API, SDK, and AWS CLI)

- In your JSON job specification, include the setting <u>TimecodeBurnin</u>. TimecodeBurnin is located in Settings, OutputGroups, Outputs, VideoDescription, VideoPreprocessors.
- 2. Optionally, provide values for the settings that are children of TimecodeBurnin. If you don't provide these values, timecodes are burned into your output using these default values:
  - Prefix: no prefix
  - FontSize: 10
  - Position: TOP\_CENTER

# Generating black video

This guide shows you how to generate black video with AWS Elemental MediaConvert. To generate black video, you can add an input and include **Video generator**, or create a video output from an input that doesn't have video.

Workflows to consider when generating black video:

- Insert black video at the beginning of your content.
- Insert black video between two inputs.
- Insert black video at the end of your content.
- Create a black video track for an audio-only or captions-only input.
- Any previous combination.

#### Topics

- How to generate black video
- Feature limitations for Video generator

### How to generate black video

In the following steps, you will include **Video generator** to generate a black video. When you do, also specify a numerical value for **Duration** in milliseconds from 50 to 86400000. This creates a video input with black frames for that duration without an audio track.

Alternatively, MediaConvert automatically creates black video when the following conditions are met:

- Your input doesn't have video. Examples include:
  - Audio-only inputs
  - Captions-only inputs (in sidecar formats)
- Your output includes a video track.

In the previous examples, the duration of the black video that you generate will match the duration of the input audio or captions.

#### Generate black video by adding an input with Video generator specified.

- 1. In the **Input** pane, toggle on **Video generator**.
- 2. Specify a value for **Duration** in milliseconds.
- 3. After defining the rest of your job settings, choose **Create**.

#### Create a black video track for an audio-only input.

- 1. In the **Input** pane, keep **Input file URL** blank.
- 2. Under Audio selectors, Audio Selector 1, switch on External file.
- 3. Enter the URL of your audio input.
  - If your input has both audio and video, MediaConvert ignores the input video.
- 4. Under **Audio selectors**, specify any other required input audio settings.
- 5. See <u>Step 3: Create output groups</u> and <u>Step 4: Create outputs</u> to set up your outputs.
  - a. You must include a video track in your output.
  - b. You must include an audio track in your output, with **Audio source** set to the **Audio selector** specified from step 2, shown previously.
- 6. After defining the rest of your job settings, choose **Create**.
- 7. MediaConvert automatically creates black video with the same duration as the input audio selector.

#### Create a black video track for a captions-only input.

- 1. In the **Input** pane, keep **Input file URL** blank.
- 2. Next to **Captions selectors**, choose **Add captions selector**.
- 3. In **Captions Selector 1**, under **Source**, choose a sidecar captions format.
  - Non-sidecar captions formats are not supported.
- 4. Enter the URL of your captions input.
- 5. See <u>Step 3: Create output groups</u> and <u>Step 4: Create outputs</u> to set up your outputs.
  - a. You must include a video track in your output.
  - b. You must include a captions track in your output, with **Captions source** set to the **Captions selector** specified from step 2 above.
- 6. After defining the rest of your job settings, choose **Create**.
- 7. MediaConvert automatically creates black video, with the same duration as the input **Captions selector**.

### **Video Generator FAQ**

#### Q: What if my job generates black video and I set my output frame rate to Follow source?

If your job does not include any other inputs, there is no input frame rate for MediaConvert to follow. You must specify an output frame rate.

If your job includes any other inputs with video, MediaConvert uses the frame rate from the first video input.

#### Q: What if my job generates black video I don't define an output resolution?

If your job does not include any other inputs, there is no input resolution for MediaConvert to follow. Specify an output resolution.

If your job includes any other inputs with video, MediaConvert uses the resolution from the first video input.

## Feature limitations for Video generator

The following feature is unavailable when you generate black video:

• Accelerated transcoding

# Using video overlays

With the **Video overlays** feature, you can layer video content from multiple videos simultaneously. You can also dynamically move or resize video content over time.

Video overlays allow for many creative possibilities. Some examples of common workflows might include the following:

- Provide alternate footage for a scene.
- Blank out content, such as content captured during a live broadcast or content you don't have the rights to.
- Shrink your primary content while an ad plays.

#### Topics

How to overlay a full screen video

- How to shrink content during ad playback (picture-in-picture)
- How to shrink content during ad playback (merge squeeze)
- Video overlay feature limitations

## How to overlay a full screen video

The following procedure describes how to display a full screen video overlay for a duration that you specify.

#### MediaConvert console

#### To add a video overlay by using the MediaConvert console:

- 1. Open the <u>Create job</u> page in the MediaConvert console.
- 2. Specify an input video. For more information, see *Step 1: Input files* in <u>Configuring jobs</u>.
- 3. In the settings for your input, next to **Video overlays**, choose **Add overlay**.
- 4. Specify an Input file URL.
- 5. Specify a **Start timecode**.
- 6. Specify an **End timecode**.
- 7. Optionally add any **Input clips** for your video overlay.

#### API, SDK, or AWS Command Line Interface (AWS CLI)

To specify a video overlay using the API, SDK, or AWS Command Line Interface (AWS CLI), include VideoOverlays in your job settings JSON.

The following is an excerpt of a job settings JSON that specifies a full screen video overlay at timecode 00:10:00:00 for one minute from a clipped input:

```
{
   "Settings": {
    "Inputs": [
      {
        "VideoOverlays": [
        {
            "Input": {
               "FileInput": "s3://amzn-s3-demo-bucket/overlay.mp4",
               "InputClippings": [
```



# How to shrink content during ad playback (picture-in-picture)

The following procedure describes how to reduce the size of your primary content (to 20 percent) while displaying an advertisement in full screen. In steps 3 through 7, you specify a full screen ad. In steps 8 through 12, you temporarily shrink your base input video.

#### MediaConvert console

#### To add a video overlay by using the MediaConvert console:

- 1. Open the Create job page in the MediaConvert console.
- 2. Specify an input video. For more information, see *Step 1: Input files* in <u>Configuring jobs</u>.
- 3. In the settings for your input, next to Video overlays, choose Add overlay.
- 4. Specify an Input file URL for your ad file.
- 5. Specify a **Start timecode**.
- 6. Specify an **End timecode**.
- 7. Optionally add any Input clips for your video overlay.
- 8. Add a separate overlay by choosing **Add overlay**. This overlay provides the animated resizing transitions for your base input video.
- 9. Choose Add transition.
- 10. In the **Transition**, specify the following: **Height**: 20, **Width**: 20, **X position**: 75, **Y position**: 75, specify a **Start timecode**, and specify an **End timecode**.

- 11. Choose Add transition.
- 12. In the Transition, specify the following: Height: 100, Width: 100, X position: 0, Y position:
  0, specify a Start timecode some time after the previous transition, and specify an End timecode.

#### API, SDK, or AWS Command Line Interface (AWS CLI)

To specify a video overlay using the API, SDK, or AWS Command Line Interface (AWS CLI), include VideoOverlays in your job settings JSON.

The following is an excerpt of a job settings JSON that specifies a full screen ad and temporarily reduces the size of your base input video:

```
{
  "Settings": {
    "Inputs": [
      {
        "VideoOverlays": [
          {
            "EndTimecode": "00:00:18:00",
            "InitialPosition": {
              "Height": 100,
              "Unit": "PERCENTAGE",
              "Width": 100,
              "XPosition": 0,
              "YPosition": 0
            },
            "Input": {
              "FileInput": "s3://amzn-s3-demo-bucket/advertisement.mp4",
              "InputClippings": [
                {
                  "EndTimecode": "00:01:15:02",
                  "StartTimecode": "00:00:45:00"
                }
              ],
              "TimecodeSource": "ZEROBASED"
            },
            "StartTimecode": "00:00:13:00"
          },
          {
            "Transitions": [
              {
```

```
"EndPosition": {
                   "Height": 20,
                   "Unit": "PERCENTAGE",
                   "Width": 20,
                   "XPosition": 75,
                   "YPosition": 75
                 },
                 "EndTimecode": "00:00:13:40",
                 "StartTimecode": "00:00:13:00"
              },
              {
                 "EndPosition": {
                   "Height": 100,
                   "Unit": "PERCENTAGE",
                   "Width": 100,
                   "XPosition": 0,
                   "YPosition": 0
                 },
                 "EndTimecode": "00:00:18:00",
                 "StartTimecode": "00:00:17:40"
              }
            ]
          }
        ]
      }
    ]
  }
}
```

## How to shrink content during ad playback (merge squeeze)

The following procedure describes how to reduce the size of your primary content (to 75 percent) while displaying an advertisement beneath it. In steps 3 through 12, you specify a full screen ad. In steps 12 through 17, you temporarily shrink your base input video.

#### MediaConvert console

#### To add a video overlay by using the MediaConvert console:

- 1. Open the <u>Create job</u> page in the MediaConvert console.
- 2. Specify an input video. For more information, see Step 1: Input files in Configuring jobs.
- 3. In the settings for your input, next to **Video overlays**, choose **Add overlay**.

- 4. Specify an Input file URL for your ad file.
- 5. Specify a **Start timecode**.
- 6. Specify an **End timecode**.
- 7. For Initial position, specify the following: Height: 125, Width: 125, X position: -25, Y position: 0, Unit: Percentage, specify a Start timecode, and specify an End timecode.
- 8. Choose Add transition.
- In the Transition, specify the following: Height: 100, Width: 100, X position: 0, Y position: 0, Unit: Percentage, specify a Start timecode, and specify an End timecode.
- 10. Choose Add transition.
- 11. In the Transition, specify the following: Height: 125, Width: 125, X position: -25, Y position:
  0, Unit: Percentage, specify a Start timecode, and specify an End timecode.
- 12. Optionally add any Input clips for your video overlay.
- 13. Add a separate overlay by choosing **Add overlay**. This overlay provides the animated resizing transitions for your base input video.
- 14. Choose Add transition.
- 15. In the **Transition**, specify the following: **Height**: 75, **Width**: 75, **X position**: 25, **Y position**: 0, **Unit**: Percentage, specify a **Start timecode**, and specify an **End timecode**.
- 16. Choose Add transition.
- In the Transition, specify the following: Height: 100, Width: 100, X position: 0, Y position: 0, Unit: Percentage, specify a Start timecode some time after the previous transition, and specify an End timecode.

#### API, SDK, or AWS Command Line Interface (AWS CLI)

To specify a video overlay using the API, SDK, or AWS Command Line Interface (AWS CLI), include VideoOverlays in your job settings JSON.

The following is an excerpt of a job settings JSON that specifies a full screen ad and temporarily reduces the size of your base input video:

```
"InitialPosition": {
    "Height": 125,
    "Unit": "PERCENTAGE",
    "Width": 125,
    "XPosition": -25,
    "YPosition": 0
 },
  "Input": {
    "FileInput": "s3://amzn-s3-demo-bucket/advertisement.mov"
 },
  "Transitions": [
    {
      "EndPosition": {
        "Height": 100,
        "Unit": "PERCENTAGE",
        "Width": 100,
        "XPosition": 0,
        "YPosition": 0
      },
      "EndTimecode": "00:00:14:00",
      "StartTimecode": "00:00:13:00"
    },
    {
      "EndPosition": {
        "Height": 125,
        "Unit": "PERCENTAGE",
        "Width": 125,
        "XPosition": -25,
        "YPosition": 0
      },
      "EndTimecode": "00:00:19:30",
      "StartTimecode": "00:00:18:30"
    }
 ]
},
{
  "Transitions": [
    {
      "EndPosition": {
        "Height": 75,
        "Unit": "PERCENTAGE",
        "Width": 75,
        "XPosition": 25,
        "YPosition": 0
```



## Video overlay feature limitations

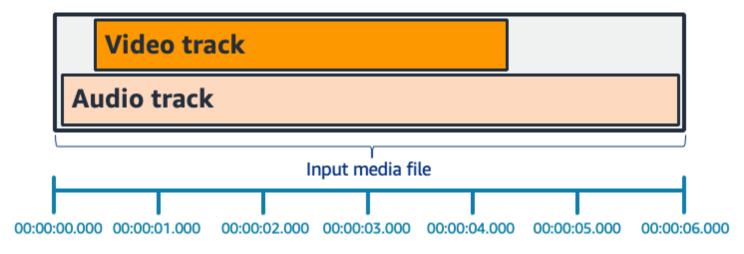
Video overlays have the following restrictions:

- MediaConvert does not support audio playback or separate captions for video overlays. During a video overlay, any audio or captions from your base input video will continue uninterrupted.
- Video overlays are specific to individual video inputs. For example, if your job settings include three video inputs, you can add an individual video overlay to Input 1, Input 2, and/or Input 3. You cannot however add a single video overlay that spans across all three inputs.
- You can include up to 99 video overlays in your job settings and up to 99 input clips in each video overlay.
- MediaConvert does not support transparency for video overlays. Any alpha channels present in your input will be black in your output.
- For consistency in color and formatting in your output video image, we recommend that you specify video overlay files with accurate and complete color metadata.

# Padding video with black video frames

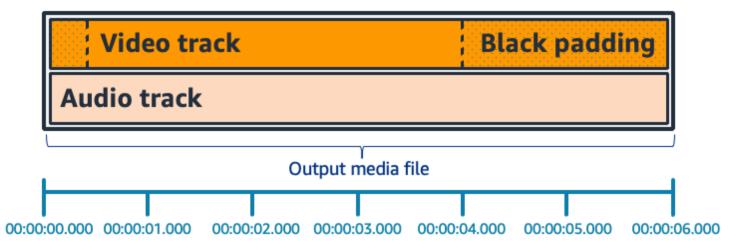
AWS Elemental MediaConvert can pad video tracks with black video frames so that video and audio durations align.

Input media files might have audio and video tracks with different durations. In the following horizontal bar graph, the audio track starts before the video track and ends after it.



You can use **Pad video** to lengthen the video track. In the **Input** pane, under **Video selector**, choose **Video correction** and set **Pad video** to Black. Depending on your input, this generates black video frames at the beginning, end, or both the beginning and end, of your video.

In the following horizontal bar graph, black frames fill in the beginning and end of the video to match the length of the audio.



# Pad video FAQ

# Q: Since video frames and audio samples have different rates, will AWS Elemental MediaConvert ever generate partial video frames?

MediaConvert generates full video frames.

If you have a downstream workflow that is sensitive to very small duration differences between video and audio, set **Audio duration** to Match video duration in your output video settings.

# Q: What if the starting presentation timestamps (PTS) in my input video and audio tracks are different?

If your input video starts at 10 seconds and has a 30 second duration, and your input audio starts at 0 seconds and also has a 30 second duration, then 10 seconds of black video will be added to the beginning.

#### Q: What if the audio in my input starts *after* the video? Or the audio ends before the video?

Audio silence is inserted at the beginning or end to align with the start or end of the video.

#### Q: Can I use input clipping instead to align audio and video durations?

Yes, input clipping can help accomplish the same task of aligning audio and video durations. But keep in mind that input clipping also removes audio or video content from the input.

## Feature limitations for video padding

The following feature is unavailable when you pad with black video:

• Accelerated transcoding

# Using video rotation in AWS Elemental MediaConvert

For most inputs, you can choose how AWS Elemental MediaConvert rotates your video. You can either specify the rotation or set the rotation to automatic. Automatic rotation uses any rotation metadata contained in the input files. Some cameras, often those in smartphones, record this rotation metadata when you turn the camera before you begin recording your video. This rotation metadata, sometimes referred to as rotation atoms or boxes, provides rotation metadata to the player device that is used for viewing the video. MediaConvert can automatically detect this rotation metadata and rotate your video during transcoding so that it appears correctly on all players.

## 🚺 Tip

If your video outputs are rotated in a way that you don't expect, a likely cause is that your input video has rotation metadata but your job settings don't specify that the service should use it. Try setting **Rotate** to **Automatic**. Find this setting on the **Create job** page, under **Input**, in the **Video selector** section.

## Topics

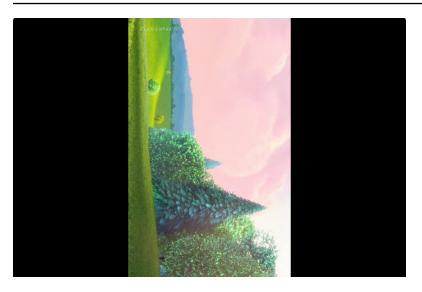
- <u>Configuring manual video rotation</u>
- <u>Configuring automatically detected rotation</u>
- Input file requirements for video rotation

## **Configuring manual video rotation**

When you specify the rotation for your input, AWS Elemental MediaConvert rotates the video from your input clockwise the amount that you specify. This rotation applies to all outputs in the job. You can rotate clockwise by 90, 180, or 270 degrees. The following image shows a video output from a job that specifies a 90-degree rotation.

## 1 Note

AWS Elemental MediaConvert doesn't pass through rotation metadata. Regardless of how you set **Rotate**, job outputs don't have rotation metadata.



#### To specify the rotation of your video

- 1. On the **Create job** page, in the **Job** pane on the left, in the **Inputs** section, choose the input that you want to rotate.
- 2. In the **Video selector** section on the left, for **Rotate**, choose the amount of clockwise rotation that you want.

If you use the API or an SDK, you can find this setting in the JSON file of your job. The setting name is rotate. Find the <u>rotate</u> property in the AWS Elemental MediaConvert API Reference.

## 1 Note

AWS Elemental MediaConvert doesn't rotate images and motion images that you overlay. If you use the image inserter feature or the motion image inserter feature with the rotate feature, rotate your overlay before you upload it. Specify the position of your overlays as you want them to appear on the video after rotation.

## Configuring automatically detected rotation

If your video has embedded rotation metadata, AWS Elemental MediaConvert can detect it and automatically rotate your video content so that it's oriented correctly in your outputs.

## (i) Note

AWS Elemental MediaConvert doesn't pass through rotation metadata. Regardless of how you set **Rotate**, job outputs don't have rotation metadata.

## To enable automatic rotation

- 1. Check that your input container is .mov or .mp4 and that your input has rotation metadata.
- 2. On the **Create job** page, in the **Job** pane on the left, in the **Inputs** section, choose the input that has rotation metadata.
- 3. In the Video selector section on the left, for Rotate, choose Automatic.

## 🚺 Note

AWS Elemental MediaConvert doesn't rotate images and motion images that you overlay. If you use the image inserter feature or the motion image inserter feature with the rotate feature, rotate your overlay before you upload it. Specify the position of your overlays as you want them to appear on the video after rotation.

## Input file requirements for video rotation

You can use rotation for inputs that have the following video characteristics:

- Progressive video
- Chroma subsampling scheme 4:2:2 or 4:2:0

In addition to the general input restrictions for the rotate feature, to use *automatic* rotation your input file must conform to these limitations:

- Input container: .mov or .mp4
- Rotation metadata specifying 90, 180, or 270-degree rotation

If your rotation metadata is within one degree less or more than the values listed here, the service will round to a supported value.

## 🚯 Note

If your input file has rotation metadata that specifies a rotation other than those listed here, the service defaults to no rotation.

# Video scaling behavior and aspect ratios

You can choose how AWS Elemental MediaConvert scales your input video image to the output resolution that you specify by using **Scaling behavior**.

The following tables show how **Scaling behavior**, **Scaling padding**, **Height**, and **Width** interact to change the output image.

## Topics

- Configuring default scaling (Fit with padding)
- <u>Configuring stretch to output scaling</u>
- Configuring fit scaling
- <u>Configuring fit without upscaling scaling</u>
- Configuring fill scaling

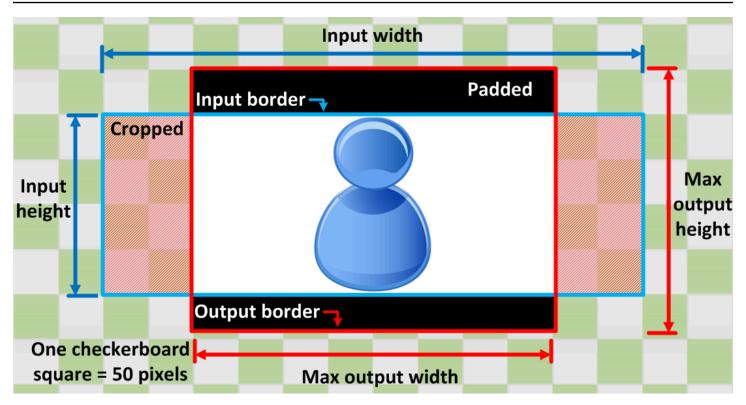
## Configuring default scaling (Fit with padding)

If you choose **Default (Fit with padding)** for your **Scaling behavior**, MediaConvert scales your video image to your output resolution. Then, if your input resolution has a different aspect ratio than your output resolution, MediaConvert pads your video image until it matches the dimensions of your output resolution.

For example, if your input file is 1280 pixels by 720 pixels and you specify an output resolution that is 640 pixels by 480 pixels, MediaConvert reduces the image size to 640x360 and then pads the top and bottom of the image so that the final video resolution is 640x480. MediaConvert does not use cropping for the **Default** scaling behavior.

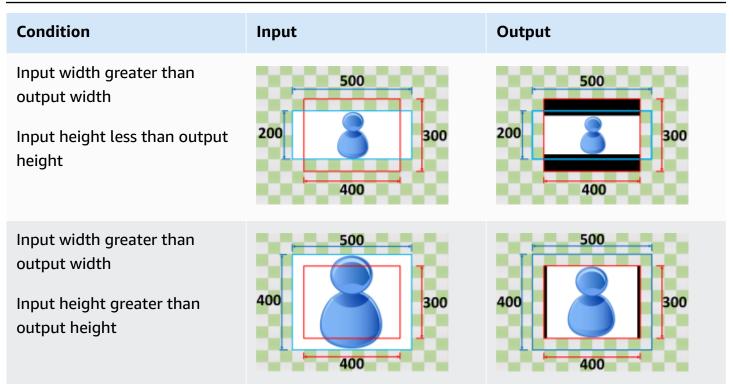
## Key

The following key graphic shows input and output image width, height, cropping, and padding. In this key graphic, input dimensions (on the top and left) are in blue and output dimensions (on the right and bottom) are in red.



The following table shows example image scaling behavior when your input and output resolutions differ. For details about to read the images, reference the previous key graphic.

Condition	Input	Output
Input width less than output width Input height less than output height	200 200 400	200 300
Input width less than output width Input height greater than output height	200 300	200 400 300 400



## Configuring stretch to output scaling

If you choose **Stretch to output** for your **Scaling behavior**, MediaConvert stretches or shrinks your video image to your output resolution.

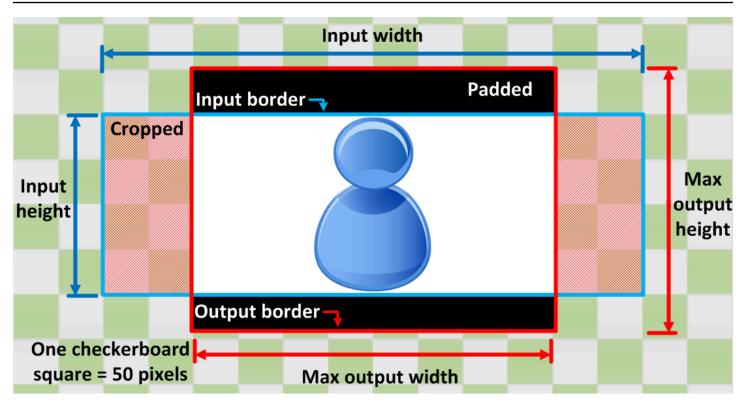
For example, if your input image is 200 pixels by 200 pixels and you want an output resolution that is 300 pixels by 400 pixels, MediaConvert increases the size of your input image to 300 pixels by 400 pixels, distorting the proportions of your output image. MediaConvert does not use padding or cropping for the **Stretch to output** scaling behavior.

## 🔥 Important

If your input resolution has a different aspect ratio than your output resolution, your output image will be distorted when compared to your input image.

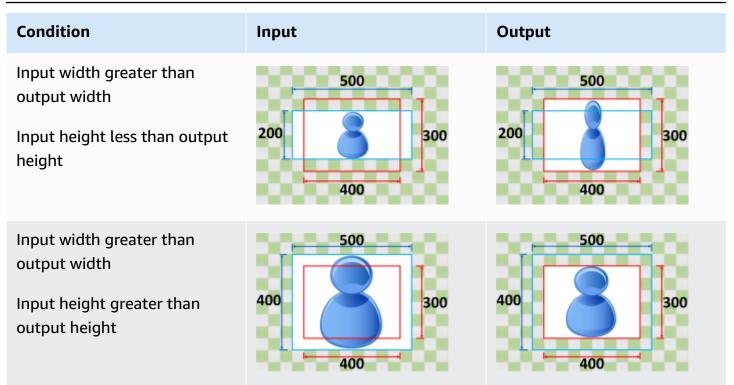
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The following table shows example image scaling behavior when your input and output resolutions differ. For details about to read the images, reference the previous key graphic.

Condition	Input	Output
Input width less than output width Input height less than output height	200 300	200 300
Input width less than output width Input height greater than output height	400	400



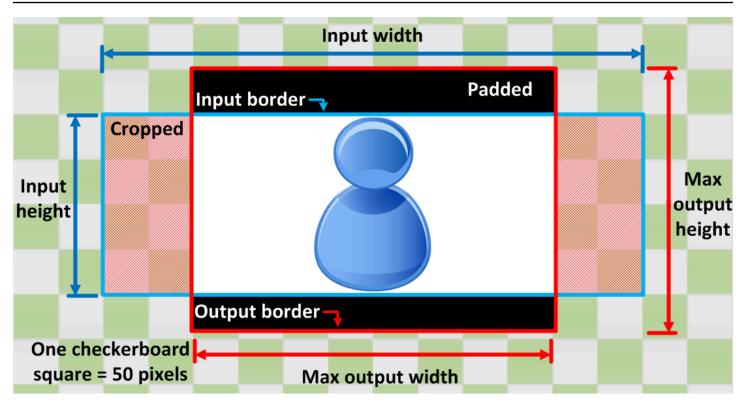
## **Configuring fit scaling**

If you choose **Fit** for your **Scaling behavior**, MediaConvert scales your input image until it fits inside the dimensions of your output resolution, without exceeding the dimensions of your output resolution.

For example, if your input file is 200 pixels by 200 pixels and you want an output resolution that is 300 pixels by 400 pixels, MediaConvert increases the image to 300 pixels by 300 pixels. MediaConvert does not add padding to your output when you choose **Fit**.

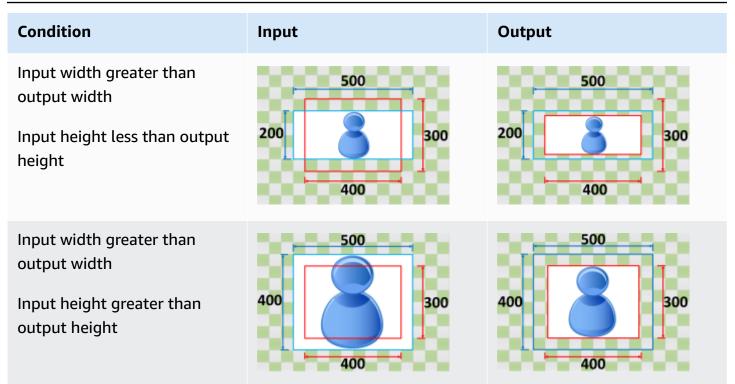
## Key

The following key graphic shows input and output image width, height, cropping, and padding. In this key graphic, input dimensions (on the top and left) are in blue and output dimensions (on the right and bottom) are in red.



The following table shows example image scaling behavior when your input and output resolutions differ. For details about to read the images, reference the previous key graphic.

Condition	Input	Output
Input width less than output width Input height less than output height	200 300	200 300
Input width less than output width Input height greater than output height	200 400 400	200 400 400



## Configuring fit without upscaling scaling

If you choose **Fit without upscaling** for your **Scaling behavior**, MediaConvert decreases the size of your input image until it fits inside the dimensions of your output resolution, without going over any of the dimensions of your output resolution. If your input image is smaller than your output image, MediaConvert does not increase the size of your image.

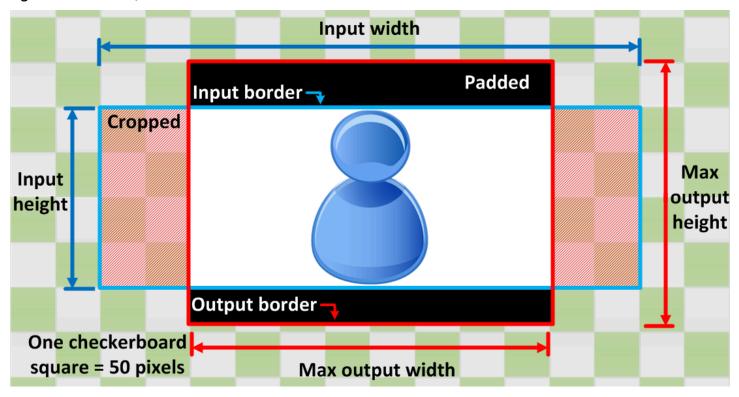
For example, if your input image is 400 pixels by 400 pixels and you want an output resolution that is 200 pixels by 300 pixels, MediaConvert shrinks your input image to 200 pixels by 200 pixels. MediaConvert does not add padding when you choose **Fit without upscaling**.

## 1 Note

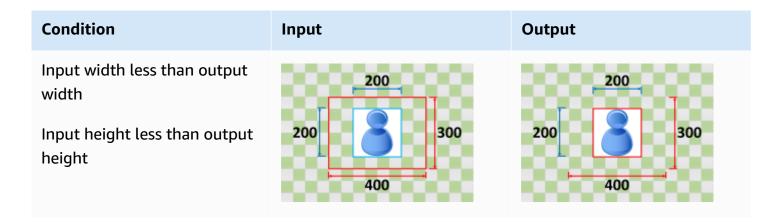
You cannot choose **Fit without upscaling** when you enable **Automated ABR** in **Apple HLS**, **DASH**, or **CMAF** output groups.

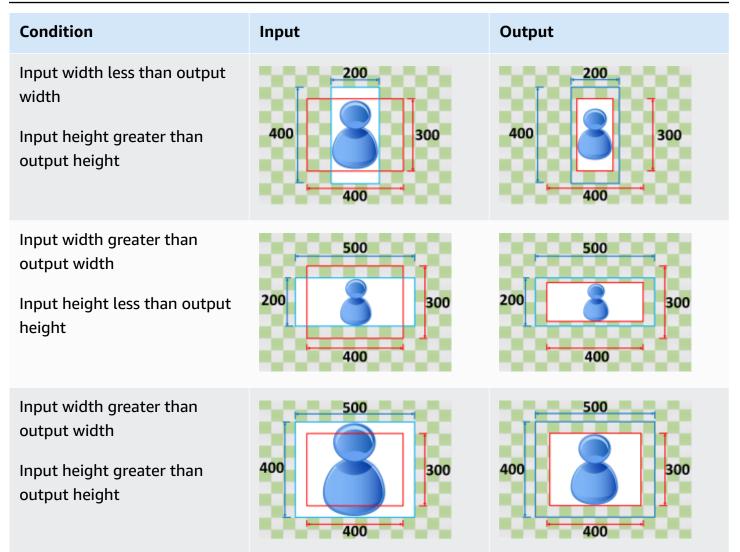
Key

The following key graphic shows input and output image width, height, cropping, and padding. In this key graphic, input dimensions (on the top and left) are in blue and output dimensions (on the right and bottom) are in red.



The following table shows example image scaling behavior when your input and output resolutions differ. For details about to read the images, reference the previous key graphic.





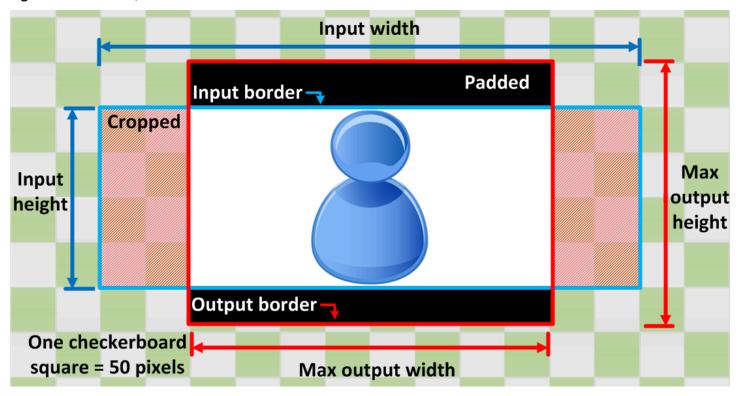
## **Configuring fill scaling**

If you choose **Fill** for your **Scaling behavior**, MediaConvert scales your input image until it fills the dimensions of your output resolution, and crops anything that exceeds the dimensions of your output resolution.

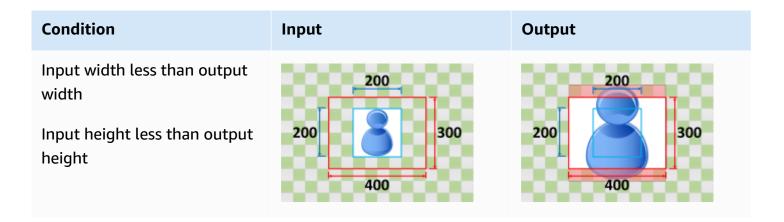
For example, if your input file is 200 pixels by 200 pixels and you want an output resolution that is 300 pixels by 400 pixels, MediaConvert increases the size of your input image to 400 pixels by 400 pixels, crops off the top and bottom 50 pixels, and returns a 300 pixel by 400 pixel file. MediaConvert does not add padding to your output when you choose **Fill**.

Key

The following key graphic shows input and output image width, height, cropping, and padding. In this key graphic, input dimensions (on the top and left) are in blue and output dimensions (on the right and bottom) are in red.



The following table shows example image scaling behavior when your input and output resolutions differ. For details about to read the images, reference the previous key graphic.



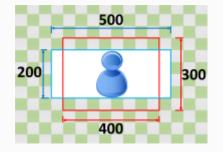
Condition	Input	Output
Input width less than output width Input height greater than output height	200 300	400

Input width greater than output width

Input height less than output height

Input width greater than output width

Input height greater than output height

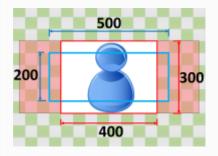


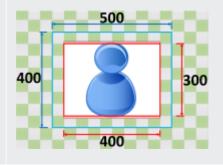
500

400

300

400





# Troubleshooting

This chapter describes errors and warnings that you can use to troubleshoot AWS Elemental MediaConvert.

Errors occur when your job runs into a problem that results in an ERROR status. Alternatively, you receive warnings when an issue occurs in your job but the job still completes. For more information about job statuses, see <u>Monitoring MediaConvert job progress</u>.

Each error and warning has both a code and a message. The code uniquely identifies the issue, and the message briefly explains what happened. For more details, including possible causes and recommended next steps, find your error or warning in the following sections.

If you contact the <u>AWS Support Center</u> for troubleshooting purposes, have the following information available:

- The AWS Region that you used for the job
- The job ID
- Your AWS account ID
- Your source content, if applicable and available
- Any other details about the problem that might assist with troubleshooting

## Topics

- Error codes
- Warning codes

# **Error codes**

MediaConvert returns error codes when transcoding jobs run into problems. You can use Amazon EventBridge to track the error codes that the service returns.

MediaConvert charges your account only when a job reaches the COMPLETED status. You don't pay for jobs that end in an ERROR status.

The following provides detailed information about error codes and messages that MediaConvert returns, their possible causes, and solutions. To find information about an error, you can quickly find the error code using the following links. Details for each error are available after the table.

#### **Error codes**

1010 | 1020 | 1021 | 1022 | 1030 | 1040 | 1041 | 1042 | 1043 | 1056 | 1060 | 1075 | 1076 | 1080 | 1091 | 1092 | 1093 | 1401 | 1404 | 1432 | 1433 | 1434 | 1515 | 1517 | 1522 | 1550 | 1601 | 1602 | 1603 | 1700 | 1999 | 3400 | 3401 | 3403 | 3404 | 3408 | 3450 | 3451 | 3452 | 3453 | 3454 | 3455 | 3456 | 3457 | 3458 | 3999

The following is a list of error codes, troubleshooting steps, and related error messages:

#### 1010 | File access error

MediaConvert can't open one or more of your input files.

What this means: MediaConvert tried to access your input file but couldn't open it. This typically happens when the file is inaccessible, corrupted, or in an unsupported format. This could be because of IAM permission issues, an unsupported file type, or an incorrect Amazon S3 path.

To resolve this issue:

- Verify that the file path is correct.
- Verify that your IAM role has proper permissions to access the file.
- Verify that your input file is in a supported format.
- Try downloading the file to verify it's not corrupted.
- Try playing the file in a media player to verify its integrity.

For more information about supported input formats and codecs, see <u>Supported input formats</u>.

Example error messages:

Unable to open input file [s3://amzn-s3-demo-bucket/VIDEO.MP4]: Failed probe/open: [No parser found for container]]

Unable to open input file [*https://amzn-s3-demo-bucket.s3.region-code.amazonaws.com/ MANIFEST.M3U8*]: [Failed probe/open: [The manifest file at this URL isn't formed correctly: [*https://amzn-s3-demo-bucket.s3.region-code.amazonaws.com/MANIFEST.M3U8*]. It contains more than one #EXT-X-VERSION tag. Fix the manifest and resubmit your job.]]

Unable to open input file [*https://amzn-s3-demo-bucket.s3.region-code.amazonaws.com/ MANIFEST.M3U8*]: [Failed probe/open: [The version of the manifest file at this URL is more recent than we support: [https://amzn-s3-demo-bucket.s3.region-code.amazonaws.com/ MANIFEST.M3U8]. We support versions up to [4].]]

Unable to open input file [*https://amzn-s3-demo-bucket.s3.region-code.amazonaws.com/ MANIFEST.M3U8*]: [Failed probe/open: [The child manifest at this URL isn't formed correctly: [*https://amzn-s3-demo-bucket.s3.region-code.amazonaws.com/VARIANT.M3U8*]. It specifies a larger segment duration in #EXTINF than in #EXT-X-TARGETDURATION. The problem is on this line: [#EXTINF:13,]. Fix the manifest and resubmit your job.]]

Failed to initialize pipeline [Caption file [s3://amzn-s3-demo-bucket/CAPTIONS.VTT] does not appear to be the correct type.]. (IS)

Failed to download s3://amzn-s3-demo-bucket/IMAGE.PNG

## 1020 | Missing video error

MediaConvert can't find any video in your input stream.

What this means: MediaConvert was able to open your file but couldn't locate any video content within it. The file might be audio-only or have a video track that's formatted incorrectly.

To resolve this issue:

- Verify that your file actually contains video content.
- Verify that the video codec is supported by MediaConvert.
- Try re-encoding the file with a standard video codec.

For more information about supported video codecs and containers, see <u>Supported input</u> <u>formats</u>.

Example error messages:

Your input file [*s3://amzn-s3-demo-bucket/VIDEO.MP4*] doesn't have video that the transcoder can consume. Check your input video codec against this list of supported input video codec and container combinations: <u>https://docs.aws.amazon.com/mediaconvert/latest/ug/reference-codecs-containers-input-video</u>.

Video sync did not read enough good frames to process successfully

No video found in program [1]

No video found for stream index [1] with PID [256].

Invalid program id specified for job. 0 is not a valid program id.

#### 1021 | Missing audio error

MediaConvert can't find any audio in your input stream.

What this means: MediaConvert was able to open your file but couldn't locate any audio content within it. The file might be video-only or have an audio track that's formatted incorrectly.

To resolve this issue:

- Verify that your file actually contains audio content.
- Verify that you've selected the correct audio track in your job settings.
- Verify that the audio codec is supported by MediaConvert.

For more information about supported audio codecs and containers, see <u>Supported input</u> formats.

Example error messages:

No audio frames decoded on [selector-(Audio Selector 1)-track-1-drc]

Demuxer and decoder cancelled on [selector-(*Audio Selector 1*)-track-1-drc] before any frames were decoded

#### 1022 | Timecode error

MediaConvert could not find or read timecode in your input.

What this means: MediaConvert was looking for a specific type of timecode in your input file but couldn't find it. This happens when you've configured your job to use a timecode source that doesn't exist in your file.

To resolve this issue:

- Modify your Embedded timecode override setting to None.
- Use a different timecode source that exists in your input.
- Modify your timecode source to "Start at 0" if your file doesn't have embedded timecodes.

For more information about timecode configuration options, see Setting up timecodes.

Example error messages:

You set Embedded timecode override (embeddedTimecodeOverride) to Use MDPM (USE\_MDPM), but no MDPM timecode was found in your input. Leave Embedded timecode override blank, or set to None (NONE), and resubmit your job.

#### 1030 | Unsupported codec error

MediaConvert doesn't support the codec or container of the input file.

What this means: Your input file uses a video or audio codec that MediaConvert cannot process. Not all media formats are supported, even if they play in standard media players.

To resolve this issue:

- Review the list of supported input codecs and containers.
- If possible, obtain your content in a different format.

For more information about supported input formats and codecs, see Supported input formats.

Example error messages:

Audio codec [adpcm\_ms] for track [1] is not a supported input audio codec

Unsupported video input: [High 4:4:4 Predictive profile is unsupported]

Video codec [unknown] is not a supported input video codec

Video codec [*svq1*] is not a supported input video codec

#### 1040 | Job settings compatibility error

One or more of the job's encoding settings aren't supported in the combination specified. Or, the encoding settings aren't compatible with the input.

What this means: Your job settings contain incompatible options or require information that's missing from your input file. For example, you might be trying to use settings that only work with certain input types.

- Review the specific error message for details about which settings are problematic.
- Specify required settings like resolution or framerate instead of using "Follow source".
- Verify that your output settings are compatible with your chosen codec.
- Verify that your input and output paths are different.

For more information about configuring job settings correctly, see <u>Tutorial: Configuring job</u> <u>settings</u>.

Example error messages:

You did not specify resolution for Video description [1] and there is no input resolution to follow. To resolve: Specify a width and height, and resumbit your job.

You did not specify framerate for Video description [1] and there is no input framerate to follow. To resolve: Specify framerate, and resumbit your job.

Invalid audio track specified for audio\_selector [1]. Audio track [1] not found in input container.

video\_description [1] is not a valid AVC-Intra operating point. Invalid frame rate [30/1]. Supported frame rates for AVC Intra class 100, 1920x1080, PROGRESSIVE are [25/1, 60000/1001, 30000/1001, 24000/1001, 50/1]

Invalid resolution [640 x 1159], only even values are supported. video\_description [1].

video\_description [1] is not a valid AVC-Intra operating point. Invalid frame rate [30/1]. Supported frame rates for AVC Intra class 100, 1920x1080, PROGRESSIVE are [25/1, 60000/1001, 30000/1001, 24000/1001, 50/1]

Frame rate is set to follow, but there is no frame rate information in the input stream info

Duplicate input and output path [s3://amzn-s3-demo-bucket/VIDEO.MP4] found in job.

Error initializing encoder for video target [1] [initialization failed: Invalid level specified for the selected framerate or resolution.]

## 1041 | Acceleration compatibility error

Your job settings aren't compatible with accelerated transcoding.

What this means: You've enabled accelerated transcoding, but some of your job settings aren't supported with this feature. Accelerated transcoding has specific requirements and limitations.

- Review the specific error message for details about incompatible settings.
- Modify your job settings as suggested in the error message.
- Review the complete list of accelerated transcoding requirements.

• Consider disabling accelerated transcoding if you need the incompatible features.

For more information about accelerated transcoding requirements and limitations, see Accelerated transcoding job settings requirements.

Example error messages:

Your job settings aren't compatible with accelerated transcoding. Adjust your job settings as follows: [Disable interpolated frame rate conversion in the following output: [1]. Disable inverse telecine by choosing Deinterlace as the deinterlacer mode in the following output: [2].]

#### 1042 | Acceleration requirement error

This job doesn't require enough processing power to benefit from accelerated transcoding.

What this means: Your job is too small or simple to see meaningful benefits from accelerated transcoding. The overhead of setting up acceleration might actually make the job take longer.

To resolve this issue:

- Disable accelerated transcoding for this job.
- Consider using accelerated transcoding for more complex jobs that would take 10 or more minutes to run.
- Consider batching smaller jobs together if appropriate.

Example error messages:

This job doesn't require enough processing power to benefit from accelerated transcoding. Disable accelerated transcoding, and resubmit your job.

#### 1043 | Acceleration input error

MediaConvert can't use accelerated transcoding with your input files.

What this means: Your input files aren't compatible with accelerated transcoding. This feature only works with certain input formats.

To resolve this issue:

- Disable accelerated transcoding for this job.
- Review the compatible input requirements.

Example error messages:

Your input files aren't compatible with accelerated transcoding. Disable accelerated transcoding and resubmit your job.

## 1056 | File open error

The service can't open an input or output file.

What this means: MediaConvert attempted to access your file but encountered an error. This could be because of permission issues, file corruption, or unsupported file formats.

To resolve this issue:

- Verify your IAM permissions for both input and output locations.
- Verify that your file isn't corrupted by downloading it.
- Verify that you're using a supported file format.
- Use the Browse button in the console to verify the correct S3 path.

Example error messages:

Demuxer: [The transcoder can't read this media segment: [*https://amzn-s3-demo-bucket.s3.region-code.amazonaws.com/SEGMENT\_00001.TS*]. The segment is listed in this HLS child manifest: [*https://amzn-s3-demo-bucket.s3.region-code.amazonaws.com/MANIFEST.M3U8*]. Check the segment to make sure that it's formed correctly and not corrupt.]

MGILoaderMOV [*s3://amzn-s3-demo-bucket/VIDEO.MOV*] file contains unsupported pixel format.

MGILoaderMOV unable to open [s3://amzn-s3-demo-bucket/VIDEO.MOV] file : [-1094995529]

## 1060 | Timecode clipping error

The start and end timecodes specified for an input clip don't exist in the associated input stream.

What this means: You've set up input clipping with timecodes that don't match what's available in your input file. This often happens when your file's embedded timecodes don't start at 00:00:00:00.

- Set both the input Timecode source and the Timecode configuration Source under Job settings to Start at 0.
- Modify your clip start and end times to match the actual timecodes in your file.

- Use the embedded timecodes in your file as a reference when setting clip points.
- Use a media analysis tool to check the actual duration and timecode range of your input.

For more information about how MediaConvert handles timecodes and input timelines, see Input timelines.

Example error messages:

The clipping start timecode [00:12:55;00] was not found in input number [1]

Decoder closed. No pictures decoded.

Demuxer unable to seek to clipping start timecode [00:16:37:00]

The clipping region [00:00:00:00] to [00:00:07:12] was not found in input number [1]

#### 1075 | Demux structure error

MediaConvert couldn't recover from a problematic file when demuxing.

What this means: Your input file has structural issues that prevent MediaConvert from properly reading it. The file might be corrupted, incomplete, or created with non-standard settings.

To resolve this issue:

- Verify that you've provided a supported input format.
- Verify that your file was completely uploaded to Amazon S3.
- Try re-encoding or remuxing your source file before submitting the job.
- If the issue persists, contact Support.

For more information about supported input formats and requirements, see <u>Supported input</u> formats.

Example error messages:

Unable to open input file [s3://amzn-s3-demo-bucket/file.mp4]: [Failed probe/open: [no moov box found in file]]

Error initializing demux info for file [*s3://amzn-s3-demo-bucket/audio.mp4*] (Incompatible audio stream)

Demuxer: [elst box outside of track]

Error initializing demux info for file [s3://amzn-s3-demo-bucket/captions.vtt] (Incompatible container headers)

Demuxer: [invalid AVC header]

## 1076 | File truncation error

MediaConvert couldn't read from one of the input files. The file might have an unexpected end of file.

What this means: MediaConvert started reading your input file but encountered an abrupt end, suggesting the file is truncated or incomplete.

To resolve this issue:

- Verify that your file was completely uploaded to Amazon S3.
- Verify if the file plays correctly in a media player.
- Try re-encoding or re-exporting the file from its source.
- Verify that your input file is valid and that it's truncated properly.

For more information about troubleshooting file upload issues, see <u>Troubleshooting Amazon S3</u> upload issues.

Example error messages:

Demuxer: [ReadPacketData File read failed - end of file hit at length [93524619]. Is file truncated?]

Audio input pipeline error: [Demuxer: [ReadPacketData File read failed - end of file hit at length [123251788]. Is file truncated?]]

## 1080 | MXF configuration error

There is a problem in the way that the MXF output settings are configured in your job.

What this means: Your MXF output settings contain invalid or incompatible options. MXF is a professional format with strict requirements for valid files.

- Review your MXF output settings for invalid combinations.
- Verify that your video and audio settings comply with MXF specifications.

• Consider using an MXF profile preset as a starting point.

For more information about MXF output requirements and specifications, see <u>Creating MXF</u> <u>outputs</u>.

Example error messages:

MXF\_muxer [1]: BadFilePath (status 0x7)

#### 1091 | Output encryption error

There was an error encrypting one or more of the job outputs.

What this means: MediaConvert couldn't apply the DRM or encryption you specified. This typically happens because of permission issues or problems with your encryption configuration.

To resolve this issue:

- Verify that the IAM role you chose has permission to invoke SPEKE.
- Verify that your SPEKE API endpoint is correctly configured and accessible.
- Review the specific error message for details about the encryption failure.
- See guidance on proper role configuration.

For more information about setting up DRM encryption, see <u>Content encryption and DRM in</u> AWS Elemental MediaConvert.

Example error messages:

SPEKE keyserver request failed:-Unable to parse response xml Response code [200]HTTP/1.1 200 OK Date:...

SPEKE keyserver request failed:-Response code [403]HTTP/1.1 403 Forbidden Date:...

SPEKE keyserver request failed:-Response code [500]HTTP/1.1 500 Internal Server Error Date...

SPEKE keyserver request failed:-OpenSSL SSL\_connect: Connection reset by peer in connection to abcdefg123.execute-api.us-west-2.amazonaws.com:443

[GenerateKey] Failed to find key [0] for [https://abcdefg123.execute-api.apsouth-1.amazonaws.com/UAT/encryptionKeys]

#### 1092 | Audio decode error

MediaConvert can't decode one or more of your input audio streams.

What this means: While your audio format is technically supported, there's something unusual or corrupted in your specific audio stream that prevents MediaConvert from processing it.

To resolve this issue:

- Verify if the audio plays correctly in a media player.
- Try extracting and re-encoding just the audio portion of your file.
- Verify that your audio stream uses standard settings for its codec.
- MediaConvert supports the codec and container, but there is a problem with the audio source that prevents the transcoder from reading it.

Example error messages:

Decoder: [Dolby decoder error: The transcoder couldn't decode the audio frame header in the first 100 frames of your input. Your audio source is either corrupt or in a format that the transcoder doesn't support. For a list of supported audio inputs, see the documentation. For MediaConvert, see https://docs.aws.amazon.com/mediaconvert/latest/ug/reference-codecs-containers-input.html.]

## 1093 | Audio description error

MediaConvert encountered an error with audio description settings.

What this means: You've configured audio description (AD) settings incorrectly. When using AD features, you need to specify both the AD audio channel and a valid AD data channel.

To resolve this issue:

- Specify the correct channel in your input that contains your AD data stream.
- If your input doesn't have AD data, remove both AD audio channel and AD data channel settings.
- Review the documentation for proper configuration.

For more information about configuring audio descriptions correctly, see Audio descriptions.

Example error messages:

You specified an audio description (AD) data channel that does not contain an AD data stream. This is required when you specify an AD audio channel. To resolve: Specify the channel in your input that contains your AD data stream, or remove both AD audio channel and AD data channel from your output remix settings. Then resubmit your job.

#### 1401 | S3 access denied error

Amazon S3 denied access to a file or bucket.

What this means: MediaConvert doesn't have permission to read from your input location or write to your output location. This is typically because of incorrect IAM permissions or bucket policies.

To resolve this issue:

- Verify the bucket policies on your input and output Amazon S3 buckets.
- Verify that the IAM role you specified in your job has the necessary permissions.
- Make sure the IAM user creating the job has appropriate permissions.
- See Set Up IAM Permissions for guidance.

For more information about Amazon S3 access permissions and bucket policies, see <u>Using</u> bucket policies and user policies in the *Amazon S3 User Guide*.

Example error messages:

Unable to open input file [*s3://amzn-s3-demo-bucket/file.webm*]: [Failed probe/open: [Can't read input stream: [Failed to read data: Access denied to [*s3://amzn-s3-demo-bucket/file.webm*]]]]

Demuxer: [Failed to read data: Error caching file]

Unable to write to output file [*s3://amzn-s3-demo-bucket/file\_00001.ts*]: [Failed to write data: Access Denied]

Audio input pipeline error: [Demuxer: [Failed to read data: Error caching file]]

#### 1404 | File not found error

MediaConvert could not find a file or Amazon S3 bucket.

What this means: The Amazon S3 file or bucket you specified in your job doesn't exist or MediaConvert can't access it. This could be because of a typo in the path, a missing file, or permission issues.

- Verify that the Amazon S3 bucket and file paths are correct.
- Verify that the files actually exist in the specified location.

- Verify that your IAM role has permission to access the bucket.
- Try using the console's Browse button to select your files.

For more information about Amazon S3 buckets and access control, see <u>Working with Amazon</u> S3 buckets and Using bucket policies and user policies in the Amazon S3 documentation.

Example error messages:

Unable to open input file [*s3://amzn-s3-demo-bucket/file.mp4*]: [Failed probe/open: [Can't read input stream: [Failed to read data: HeadObject failed]]]

#### 1432 | IAM role permission error

The role specified in your MediaConvert job settings doesn't have the necessary permissions or has another problem.

What this means: The IAM role you provided exists but doesn't have the permissions MediaConvert needs to access your resources.

To resolve this issue:

- Verify that your IAM role has the correct policy attachments.
- Verify that the role has permission to access your Amazon S3 buckets.
- Make sure the role has MediaConvert listed as a trusted entity.
- See Set Up IAM Permissions for guidance.

For more information about setting up IAM roles with proper permissions for MediaConvert, see <u>Set Up IAM Permissions</u>.

Example error messages:

Unable to open input file [*s3://amzn-s3-demo-bucket/file.mp4*]: [Failed probe/open: [Can't read input stream: [Failed to read data: Invalid role provided in RESOURCE\_ROLE\_ARN]]]

#### 1433 | IAM role missing error

The role specified in your MediaConvert job settings doesn't exist.

What this means: You've provided an IAM role ARN that MediaConvert can't find. The role might have been deleted or you might have a typo in the ARN.

- Verify that the IAM role exists in your AWS account.
- Verify that there aren't any typos in the role ARN.
- Create a new role if necessary using the guidance in <u>Set Up IAM Permissions</u>.
- Verify that the job has the right IAM role specified.

For more information about creating and configuring IAM roles for MediaConvert, see <u>Set Up</u> IAM Permissions.

Example error messages:

Unable to assume role. Check that the role exists and that MediaConvert is a trusted entity.

#### 1434 | IAM trust policy error

The role specified in your MediaConvert job settings doesn't have the necessary permissions.

What this means: MediaConvert can't assume the IAM role you provided. This typically happens when the role's trust policy doesn't include MediaConvert as a trusted service.

To resolve this issue:

- Verify that your IAM role has a trust relationship with MediaConvert.
- Verify that the trust policy is correctly formatted.
- See <u>Set Up IAM Permissions</u> for guidance on configuring the trust relationship.
- Verify that the job has the right IAM role specified and that the role has MediaConvert as a trusted entity.

For more information about setting up trust relationships for IAM roles, see <u>Set Up IAM</u> <u>Permissions</u>.

Example error messages:

Unable to open input file *s3://amzn-s3-demo-bucket/file.mp4*]: [Failed probe/open: [Can't read input stream: [Failed to read data: AssumeRole failed]]]

#### 1515 | IAM role format error

The role specified in your MediaConvert job settings doesn't have the necessary permissions or is malformed.

What this means: There's a problem with the IAM role ARN you provided. It might be incorrectly formatted or missing required permissions.

To resolve this issue:

- Verify that the role ARN is correctly formatted.
- Verify that the role has the necessary permissions.
- Make sure the role has MediaConvert listed as a trusted entity.
- See <u>Set Up IAM Permissions</u> for guidance.
- Verify that the job has the right IAM role specified and that the role has the correct permissions.

For more information about IAM role ARN format and permissions, see Set Up IAM Permissions.

Example error messages:

Invalid role ARN format. Please check the role ARN and try again.

#### 1517 | S3 Write Error

MediaConvert encountered an error when writing to Amazon S3.

What this means: A call to Amazon S3 failed during the writing/uploading process of output files.

To resolve this issue:

- Verify that the IAM role you specified has s3:PutObject permissions for the destination bucket.
- Verify bucket policies that might be restricting write operations to the destination bucket.
- Ensure the destination bucket exists and is in the correct AWS Region.
- Verify network connectivity to Amazon S3 endpoints.

For more information about Amazon S3 permissions and access control, see <u>Access control in</u> Amazon S3.

#### 1522 | Processing timeout error

There is an unexpected timeout with this job.

What this means: Your job took longer than the maximum allowed processing time and was terminated. This is an internal system limitation rather than an issue with your content or settings.

- Contact Support for assistance.
- Consider breaking very large jobs into smaller segments.

Example error messages:

An internal error has occurred and your job timed out. Contact Support.

#### 1550 | Acceleration system error

There is an unexpected internal error with accelerated transcoding.

To resolve this issue:

- Try running the job again without accelerated transcoding.
- If the issue persists, contact Support.

For more information about accelerated transcoding, see Accelerated transcoding.

Example error messages:

Acceleration fault

#### 1601 | Nielsen Watermark Error

MediaConvert encountered an error with Nielsen Watermarking.

What this means: There was an error during the Nielsen audio watermarking process. Nielsen watermarking embeds inaudible identification codes into audio content for audience measurement purposes.

To resolve this issue:

- Verify that your Nielsen watermarking settings are correctly configured.
- Verify that you have valid Nielsen credentials and parameters.
- Ensure the audio input is compatible with Nielsen watermarking requirements.
- Contact Nielsen support if the problem persists.

For more information about Nielsen watermarking in MediaConvert, see <u>Working with Nielsen</u> watermarking.

#### 1602 | NexGuard Watermark Error

MediaConvert encountered an error with NexGuard Watermarking.

What this means: There was an error during the NexGuard watermarking process. NexGuard watermarking embeds forensic tracking information into video content for content protection and piracy tracking.

To resolve this issue:

- Verify that your NexGuard watermarking settings are correctly configured.
- Verify that your video input meets NexGuard's requirements.
- Ensure you have a valid NexGuard license.
- Contact NexGuard support if the problem persists.

## 1603 | Kantar Watermark Error

MediaConvert encountered an error with Kantar Watermarking.

What this means: There was an error during the Kantar audio watermarking process. Kantar watermarking embeds inaudible identification codes into audio content for audience measurement purposes.

To resolve this issue:

- Verify that your Kantar watermarking settings are correctly configured.
- Verify that your audio input meets Kantar's requirements for sample rate, bit depth, and channel count.
- Ensure you have a valid Kantar license.
- Contact Kantar support if the problem persists.

For more information about Kantar watermarking in MediaConvert, see <u>Using Kantar for audio</u> watermarking.

## 1700 | Dolby Preprocessor Error

MediaConvert encountered an error with the Dolby Vision preprocessor.

What this means: There was an error during the Dolby Vision preprocessing stage. Dolby Vision processing requires specific metadata and configuration to properly handle HDR content.

- Verify that your input file contains valid Dolby Vision metadata.
- Verify that your Dolby Vision settings are correctly configured.
- Ensure your input file meets the requirements for Dolby Vision processing.

• If the problem persists, contact Support.

For more information about Dolby Vision processing in MediaConvert, see <u>Creating Dolby Vision</u> outputs with AWS Elemental MediaConvert.

Example error messages:

Your input [%i] contains invalid Dolby Vision metadata on frame X. To resolve: Check your input for valid Dolby Vision metadata. Then resubmit your job.

#### 1999 | Unexpected system error

There is an unexpected error.

What this means: MediaConvert encountered an internal error. This is a general error code for unexpected issues.

To resolve this issue:

- Review the specific error message for any actionable information.
- For audio/video sync issues, try setting Audio duration to Match video duration.
- If the error persists, contact Support.

Example error messages:

Your input has a low framerate and audio that continues past the end of the video. MediaConvert could not synchronize audio and video, and could not create an output. To resolve: Set Audio duration to Match video duration in the output audio container settings, or manually trim your input so that audio and video durations exactly match. Then resubmit your job.

Post Transcode work failed. See previous log messages for the reason for failure.

Unknown error

Job failed with unexpected error: std::bad\_alloc

Video sync did not find a valid series of timestamps in the input

Could not commit single file

Video pipeline failed to start

#### empty error message

Encoder runtime error on gpu [0] pipeline [Error processing GOP data in reorder FIFO].

#### 3400 | HLS manifest error

Your HLS input doesn't conform to the requirements for MediaConvert supported HLS inputs.

What this means: There's a problem with your HLS manifest file or its referenced segments. Common issues include malformed manifests, unsupported features, or URL length limitations.

To resolve this issue:

- Review the specific error message for details about the HLS issue.
- Verify that your manifest file follows the HLS specification.
- Ensure your manifest file size is under 16 MB.
- Review HLS input requirements.

For more information about HTTP input requirements and HLS manifest specifications, see <u>HLS</u> input requirements.

Example error messages:

3400: MediaConvert can't open the following HLS input*https://amzn-s3-demo-bucket.s3.region-code.amazonaws.com/...excessively\_long\_example\_URL\_truncated\_for\_docs.../index.m3u8*. The input URL exceeded a character count limit of 900 characters. Reduce the character count to 900 characters or less, and resubmit your job. To find the input URL character count, combine the input you entered with the individually referenced files within the HLS manifest. For example, if your input is https://www.example.com/manifest.m3u8?key1=value1&key2=value2, and lists a segment with the path file/path/segment\_ts\_720\_0001.ts, the input URL will be https://www.example.com/file/path/segment\_ts\_720\_0001.ts?key1=value1&key2=value2 which is 80 characters long.

3400: MediaConvert can't open the following HLS input: *https://amzn-s3-demo-bucket.s3.region-code.amazonaws.com/HLS/manifest.m3u8*. This manifest is malformed: *https://amzn-s3-demo-bucket.s3.region-code.amazonaws.com/HLS/sub-manifest.m3u8*. Fix the manifest and then resubmit your job.

3400: MediaConvert can't open the following HLS input: *https://amzn-s3-demo-bucket.s3.region-code.amazonaws.com/HLS/manifest.m3u8*. The file size of this manifest is larger than MediaConvert supports: *https://amzn-s3-demo-bucket.s3.region-*

*code.amazonaws.com/HLS/sub-manifest.m3u8*. MediaConvert supports manifest file sizes up to 16 MB.

3400: MediaConvert can't open the following input: *https://amzn-s3-demo-bucket.s3.region-code.amazonaws.com/HLS/manifest.m3u8*. Reason:...

#### 3401 | HTTP authentication error

You specified an HTTP(S) URL for an input file that requires authentication.

What this means: Your HTTP input is password-protected or requires authentication, but MediaConvert doesn't support passing credentials to HTTP servers.

To resolve this issue:

- Remove authentication requirements from your HTTP server for this file.
- Download the file and upload it to Amazon S3 instead.

For more information about HTTP input requirements and limitations, see <u>HTTP input</u> requirements.

Example error messages:

3401: Access to '*https://amzn-s3-demo-bucket.s3.region-code.amazonaws.com/ index.m3u8REMOVED=true*' requires authorization.

#### 3403 | HTTP forbidden error

You specified an HTTP URL for an input file, but the HTTP server refuses the request.

What this means: The HTTP server hosting your input file is actively refusing the connection. This could be because of access restrictions or server configuration issues.

To resolve this issue:

- Verify that the URL is correct.
- Contact the team managing the HTTP server about access permissions.
- Consider downloading the file and uploading it to Amazon S3 instead.

For more information about HTTP input requirements and limitations, see <u>HTTP input</u> requirements.

Example error messages:

3403: Access to '*https://amzn-s3-demo-bucket.s3.region-code.amazonaws.com/ index.m3u8REMOVED=true*' is forbidden.

## 3404 | HTTP not found error

You specified an HTTP URL for an input file, but the HTTP server doesn't have the file.

What this means: The HTTP server can't find the file at the location you specified. The file might have been moved, renamed, or deleted.

To resolve this issue:

- Verify that there aren't any typos in the URL.
- Verify that the file exists at the specified location.
- Verify if the file has been moved or renamed.

For more information about HTTP input requirements and troubleshooting, see <u>HTTP input</u> requirements.

Example error messages:

3404: 'https://amzn-s3-demo-bucket.s3.region-code.amazonaws.com/ index.m3u8REMOVED=true' not found.

## 3408 | HTTP upload error

You specified an HTTP URL for an input file, but the upload failed for a reason that is unrelated to errors 3401, 3403, and 3404.

What this means: There was an unexpected issue when MediaConvert tried to access your HTTP input. This could be because of network problems, server configuration issues, or other HTTP-related errors.

To resolve this issue:

- Try accessing the URL directly to verify it works.
- Contact the team managing the HTTP server.
- Consider downloading the file and uploading it to Amazon S3 instead.
- If the issue persists, contact Support.

For more information about HTTP input requirements and troubleshooting, see <u>HTTP input</u> requirements.

Example error messages:

3408: Error uploading file from HTTP source: Connection timed out.

#### 3450 | HTTP server error

You specified an HTTP URL for an input file, but the HTTP server returned an error or failed.

What this means: The HTTP server encountered an internal error when MediaConvert tried to access your file. This is an issue with the server hosting your content rather than with MediaConvert.

To resolve this issue:

- Contact the team responsible for the HTTP server.
- Try accessing the file directly to see if you get the same error.
- Consider downloading the file and uploading it to Amazon S3 instead.

For more information about HTTP input requirements and troubleshooting, see <u>HTTP input</u> requirements.

Example error messages:

3450: Error encountered when accessing: 's3://amzn-s3-demo-bucket/file.mp4'.

#### 3451 | HTTP connection error

You specified an HTTP URL for an input file, but MediaConvert couldn't connect to the HTTP server.

What this means: MediaConvert couldn't establish a connection to the HTTP server. The server might be down, unreachable, or the URL might be incorrect.

To resolve this issue:

- Verify that the URL is correct.
- Verify if the server is online and accessible.
- Try accessing the URL directly from a browser.
- Consider downloading the file and uploading it to Amazon S3 instead.

For more information about HTTP input requirements and network connectivity, see <u>HTTP input</u> requirements.

Example error messages:

3451: Server could not be reached when accessing: 's3://amzn-s3-demo-bucket/file.mp4'.

#### 3457 | Input policy restriction error

You specified an input location that your policy disallows.

What this means: Your AWS account has an input policy that restricts which input locations MediaConvert can use, and your specified input location violates this policy.

To resolve this issue:

- Use an input location that complies with your organization's policies.
- Contact your AWS administrator if you need an exception to the policy.
- Transfer your content to an approved input location.
- Specify an allowed input location and resubmit your job.

For more information about input policies and restrictions, see <u>How to allow or disallow input</u> <u>location types using an Input policy</u>.

Example error messages:

3457: You specified an input location that your policy disallows: 's*3://amzn-s3-demo-bucket/ file.mp4*. Specify an allowed input location and resubmit your job.

#### 3452 | Malformed URL with spaces error

The URL you specified for your HTTP input is malformed.

What this means: The HTTP URL you provided doesn't follow proper URL formatting standards and cannot be processed by MediaConvert.

To resolve this issue:

- Verify that your URL is properly formatted with the correct protocol (http:// or https://).
- Ensure the URL doesn't contain spaces or other unsupported characters.
- Test the URL in a web browser to verify it's accessible.

For more information about HTTP input requirements, see <u>HTTP input requirements</u>.

Example error messages:

3452: URL 'http://example.com/invalid url with spaces' is malformed.

#### 3453 | HTTP redirect error

MediaConvert can't follow redirects when accessing your HTTP input.

What this means: Your HTTP input URL redirects to another location, but MediaConvert doesn't support following HTTP redirects for security and reliability reasons.

To resolve this issue:

- Use the final destination URL directly instead of a redirecting URL.
- Contact the server administrator to get the direct URL to your content.
- Consider downloading the file and uploading it to Amazon S3 instead.

For more information about HTTP input requirements, see HTTP input requirements.

Example error messages:

3453: MediaConvert can't follow redirects when accessing your input: *http://example.com/redirect-url*. For information about HTTP(S) input requirements, see https://docs.aws.amazon.com/mediaconvert/latest/ug/upload-input-files.html#http-input-requirements.

#### 3454 | DNS resolution error

Name resolution failed when accessing your HTTP input.

What this means: MediaConvert cannot resolve the domain name in your HTTP URL to an IP address. The domain might not exist, be temporarily unavailable, or have DNS configuration issues.

To resolve this issue:

- Verify that the domain name in your URL is correct and exists.
- Check if the domain is accessible from other locations.
- Wait and retry if this is a temporary DNS issue.
- Consider using an IP address instead of a domain name if possible.

For more information about HTTP input requirements, see <u>HTTP input requirements</u>.

Example error messages:

3454: Name resolution failed when accessing: '*http://nonexistent-domain.example.com/ video.mp4*'.

#### 3455 | SSL/TLS error

SSL failures encountered when accessing your HTTPS input.

What this means: MediaConvert encountered SSL/TLS certificate or connection issues when trying to access your HTTPS input. This could be due to expired certificates, certificate chain issues, or unsupported SSL configurations.

To resolve this issue:

- Verify that the SSL certificate for your HTTPS server is valid and not expired.
- Check that the certificate chain is properly configured.
- Ensure the server supports modern SSL/TLS protocols.

For more information about HTTPS input requirements, see <u>HTTP input requirements</u>.

Example error messages:

3455: SSL failures encountered when accessing: 'https://example.com/video.mp4'.

#### 3456 | Invalid HTTP server address

The HTTP server address for your input URL is invalid.

What this means: The server address portion of your HTTP URL contains invalid characters or formatting that prevents MediaConvert from connecting to it.

To resolve this issue:

- Verify that the server address in your URL is correctly formatted.
- Check for any invalid characters in the hostname or IP address.
- Ensure the port number (if specified) is valid.

For more information about HTTP input requirements, see HTTP input requirements.

Example error messages:

3456: HTTP server address '*invalid-server-address*' for URL '*http://invalid-server-address/ video.mp4*' is invalid.

#### 3458 | Ranged-GET not supported

The URL you provided doesn't support ranged-GET requests.

What this means: MediaConvert requires HTTP servers to support partial content requests (HTTP Range requests), but your server doesn't support this feature.

To resolve this issue:

- Configure your HTTP server to support ranged-GET requests.
- Download the file and upload it to Amazon S3 instead.
- Use a different HTTP server that supports ranged-GET requests.

For more information about HTTP input requirements, see HTTP input requirements.

Example error messages:

3458: The URL you provided doesn't support ranged-GET requests: '*http://example.com/ video.mp4*'.

#### **3999 | HTTP unexpected error**

There was an unexpected error related to retrieving your input file from an HTTP server.

What this means: MediaConvert encountered an unexpected issue when trying to access your HTTP input. This is a general error code for HTTP-related problems that don't fit other specific error categories.

To resolve this issue:

- Try downloading the file manually to verify it's accessible.
- If you can download it, upload it to Amazon S3 and use that as your input.
- If you can't download it, contact the team managing the HTTP server.
- If you can download it but still get this error with Amazon S3, contact Support.

For more information about HTTP input requirements and troubleshooting, see <u>HTTP input</u> requirements.

Example error messages:

3999: Unexpected error when accessing HTTP input: Internal server error.

## Warning codes

AWS Elemental MediaConvert returns warning codes when transcoding jobs run into problems that do not prevent the job from completing. You can use Amazon EventBridge to track the warning

codes that the service returns. For more information, see <u>Using EventBridge with AWS Elemental</u> MediaConvert.

The following provides detailed information about warning codes and messages that MediaConvert returns, their possible causes, and solutions. To find information about a warning, you can quickly find the warning code using the following links. Details for each warning are available after the table.

#### Warning codes

100000 | 220000 | 230001 | 230002 | 230004 | 230005 | 230006 | 230007 | 230008 | 240000 | 240001 | 240003 | 250001 | 250002 | 250003 | 260000 | 270000

The following is a list of warning codes and troubleshooting steps:

#### 100000 | Queue hop warning

What this means: Your job waited in its original submission queue for longer than the wait time that you specified, but it couldn't move to its new destination queue. This could be because the destination queue no longer exists or has been modified.

You control hop behavior, including Wait minutes and the Destination queue, under the **Job management Queue hopping** settings.

**Recommended actions:** 

- Check whether your destination queue still exists.
- No immediate action is required, but your job might take longer than expected to complete.

For more information, see HopDestination in the <u>API Reference</u>.

Warning message:

Your job couldn't hop from its original submission queue to its destination queue.

#### 220000 | Input incomplete warning

What this means: Your input file is missing data and your output's duration might be shorter than you expect.

**Recommended actions:** 

• Check your input for missing content.

- Verify that your file was completely uploaded to Amazon S3.
- Try re-uploading the file if necessary.

Warning message:

Your input file is truncated.

#### 230001 | Input color metadata warning

What this means: MediaConvert could not follow your input's color space because your input has missing or incomplete color metadata. Color metadata includes color primaries, transfer function, and matrix coefficients.

Your output might have missing or inaccurate color metadata which can cause players to inaccurately display the video contents. If you specified Color space conversion in the output Color corrector, note that MediaConvert could not convert the color space and might have written inaccurate color metadata.

**Recommended actions:** 

- Manually specify your input's Color space and set Color space usage to Force.
- Check your output for color accuracy issues.

For more information, see ColorSpace in the <u>API Reference</u>.

Warning message:

Your input's color metadata is missing or incomplete.

#### 230002 | Audio duration correction warning

What this means: There is something wrong with the 'stts' time-to-sample table in your input file container's audio track, and MediaConvert can't apply audio duration correction.

**Recommended actions:** 

• Check your output for any audio video synchronization issues.

For more information about audio duration correction, see the <u>API Reference</u>.

Warning message:

MediaConvert can't apply audio duration correction to your input.

#### 230004 | Input media header warning

What this means: The 'mdhd' media header atom in your input is incomplete or is missing data. MediaConvert expects the 'mdhd' atom to be 32 bytes or 20 bytes.

MediaConvert might not read your input correctly, which could affect the quality or accuracy of your output.

**Recommended actions:** 

• Check the accuracy and quality of your output, including the total file duration and any language codes.

Warning message:

Your input is missing information in its 'mdhd' media header atom.

#### 230005 | Input color sample range warning

What this means: MediaConvert could not follow your input's color sample range because your input has missing or incomplete color sample range metadata.

Your output might have missing or inaccurate color sample range metadata which can cause players to inaccurately display the video contents. If you specified Color space conversion or Sample range conversion in the output Color corrector, note that your output's sample range might be inaccurate.

Recommended actions:

- Manually specify your input's Sample range.
- Check your output for color accuracy issues.

For more information, see SampleRange in the <u>API Reference</u>.

Warning message:

MediaConvert can't find color sample range metadata in your input.

#### 230006 | Input audio warning

What this means: There's something wrong with your input's file structure or audio stream. The file might be corrupted or use non-standard encoding settings.

Your output might be missing audio content that MediaConvert couldn't decode.

Recommended actions:

- Check your input for corruption or other audio encoding issues.
- Verify that your output contains all expected audio content.

#### Warning message:

MediaConvert can't decode a portion of your input audio.

#### 230007 | Input fragmented MP4 warning

What this means: When your input is a fragmented MP4, each MOOF fragment (Movie Fragment Box) should increment sequentially. Your input has fragments that are out of order, which might cause playback issues.

Recommended actions:

• Check your output for any discontinuities or playback issues.

Warning message:

Your fragmented MP4 input has MOOF fragments that are out of order.

#### 230008 | Input MP4 decode warning

What this means: Your MP4 input might have corrupt NAL units in the AVC1 atom, and MediaConvert couldn't decode all of the video stream.

Recommended actions:

• Check your video output for issues, including problems with color, missing scene information, or gray frames.

Warning message:

MediaConvert can't decode a portion of your MP4 input's video stream.

#### 240000 | Output audio silence warning

What this means: Your input audio track has missing, corrupt, or unexpected data. MediaConvert had to add silence to maintain proper synchronization.

**Recommended actions:** 

- Check your output for any audio video synchronization issues.
- Verify that the audio quality meets your expectations.

Warning message:

MediaConvert added at least 100 milliseconds of audio silence to keep audio and video in sync.

## 240001 | Output dropped audio warning

What this means: Your input audio and video tracks were not properly synchronized. MediaConvert had to remove some audio content to maintain proper synchronization.

**Recommended actions:** 

- Check your output for any audio video synchronization issues.
- Verify that no important audio content was lost.

Warning message:

MediaConvert dropped at least 100 milliseconds of audio to align audio and video.

## 240003 | Output HDR10+ limited range warning

What this means: You specified a full range HDR10+ output, but MediaConvert could only write it with a limited range because of technical constraints.

**Recommended actions:** 

- Specify how MediaConvert converts the color sample range by using the Color corrector preprocessor. Set Sample range conversion to Limited range squeeze or Limited range clip.
- Check your output for any color accuracy issues.

Warning message:

MediaConvert converted your full range input into a limited range HDR10+ output.

#### 250001 | Input caption font warning

What this means: You submitted an input caption with a font that MediaConvert doesn't support. MediaConvert will use a generic font instead.

**Recommended actions:** 

- Check your output captions to ensure they display correctly with the generic font.
- If font appearance is critical, consider modifying your input captions to use a supported font.

Warning message:

Your input captions have an unsupported font.

## 250002 | Input Dolby CBI bitrate warning

What this means: You submitted a Dolby CBI input with a bitrate that MediaConvert doesn't support. MediaConvert will automatically increase it to a supported bitrate.

**Recommended actions:** 

- Check that the application generating your DOLBY CBI input is current and up to date.
- Verify that the audio quality in your output meets your expectations.

Warning message:

Your Dolby CBI input has an unsupported bitrate.

## 250003 | Output Saliency aware encoding warning

What this means: MediaConvert only applies Saliency aware encoding to outputs that are 720p or higher in resolution that use Single Pass HQ or Multi Pass HQ Quality tuning levels.

Use Saliency aware encoding to improve the perceptual video quality of your output by allocating more encoding bits to the prominent or noticeable parts of your content. You might receive this warning message for jobs that specify Saliency aware encoding within an Automated ABR output, or for jobs that use certain Presets or Templates.

Note that this warning is informational only, and no action is required if the output quality meets your needs.

**Recommended actions:** 

- Ensure your outputs are 720p or higher in resolution.
- Use Single Pass HQ or Multi Pass HQ Quality tuning levels.

Warning message:

MediaConvert can't apply Saliency aware encoding to one or more of your outputs.

#### 260000 | Video decoder buffer underflow warning

What this means: The bitrate you specified for your output transport stream container is too low. It's less than the combined maximum bitrate of all output streams. This causes video decoder buffer underflow.

**Recommended actions:** 

• Increase the container's bitrate to accommodate all the streams within it.

- Alternatively, decrease the bitrate for the video, audio, and data streams.
- Consider enabling the "Prevent buffer underflow" setting, although this can result in reduced output video quality whenever MediaConvert prevents decoder buffer underflows.

Warning message:

Your output transport stream exceeded the bitrate that you specified.

## 270000 | Amazon S3 throttle warning

What this means: While MediaConvert was writing your output files to your destination bucket, it was throttled by Amazon S3. This happens when you exceed your request rate limit to Amazon S3.

Recommended actions:

- Check for any other applications that are making simultaneous requests to the same Amazon
   S3 bucket and consider limiting them.
- Your job might stall or take longer than expected to complete, but no immediate action is required.
- For frequent issues, consider contacting Support about increasing your Amazon S3 request rate limits.

For more information, see <u>Troubleshooting Amazon S3</u>.

Warning message:

MediaConvert received a 503 Slow Down error code from Amazon S3 while writing your output to your destination bucket.

# Monitoring AWS Elemental MediaConvert

You can track a job's progress, including the status, phase, and percentage of completion. For information, see <u>Monitoring MediaConvert job progress</u>.

You can monitor the *status* of your jobs and their percent completion in these places:

## AWS Elemental MediaConvert jobs page

The <u>MediaConvert console</u> shows the following details about your jobs: Job ID, Queue, Status, Submit time, Start Time, Transcode duration, Job percent complete, Finish time, Warnings, Inputs, First input file name, First input file path, Output groups, and First output group destination.

Optionally, you can filter jobs according to **Status** or **Queue**.

## Amazon EventBridge

With EventBridge, you can get more detailed information about the status of your jobs, including any API calls, percent completion of the probing, transcoding, and uploading phases. AWS Elemental MediaConvert sends these events to the default event bus in the EventBridge service. You can create rules to monitor MediaConvert programmatically using other AWS services. For more information, see Using Amazon EventBridge with MediaConvert.

MediaConvert emits metrics, events, and warnings data (when applicable) when a job completes. You can use this data to evaluate the success of a job, even if it completes without error. Data that can be used to evaluate a job, or even a trend in multiple jobs, can be found in these places:

## MediaConvert Jobs page

In the MediaConvert console, you can see your job completion status and view any warnings that may have occurred while transcoding. For more granular information, such as QVBR video quality statistics, instead use EventBridge.

#### MediaConvert API

Through the MediaConvert API, you can request a list of jobs, job status, and job details. For more information, see <u>Jobs</u> in the AWS Elemental MediaConvert API Reference.

With EventBridge, you can get more detailed information about the result of your completed jobs. MediaConvert provides this data through events that it sends to EventBridge. You can subscribe to these events to receive job notifications programmatically or through Amazon SNS, and take actions based on them.

For more information about using events, see <u>Using EventBridge with AWS Elemental</u> <u>MediaConvert</u>.

#### Amazon CloudWatch metrics

With Amazon CloudWatch, you can view trends in transcoding statistics across your completed jobs, including QVBR video quality. MediaConvert emits transcode statistics to CloudWatch at the end of every job.

For more information about using MediaConvert with CloudWatch metrics, see Using CloudWatch with MediaConvert.

#### AWS CloudTrail

With CloudTrail, you can get detailed information about when you perform a MediaConvert action through an API call or the MediaConvert console.

For more information about using CloudTrail, see <u>Logging AWS Elemental MediaConvert API</u> calls using AWS CloudTrail.

#### Topics

- Using EventBridge with AWS Elemental MediaConvert
- Using CloudWatch with MediaConvert
- Logging AWS Elemental MediaConvert API calls using AWS CloudTrail

# Using EventBridge with AWS Elemental MediaConvert

You can use Amazon EventBridge to monitor your AWS Elemental MediaConvert jobs. Here are some examples of what you can do with EventBridge:

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#### Get details about your job outputs

AWS Elemental MediaConvert provides details about your job outputs in the notification for the COMPLETE event. This information includes the location and file names of the job's media files and manifests. For details, see Events with COMPLETE status.

For information about job metrics sent to Amazon CloudWatch, see <u>Using CloudWatch with</u> MediaConvert.

#### Set up email notifications for job status changes

To set up an EventBridge event rule, see Tutorial: Setting up email notifications for failed jobs.

For a list of all job status change notifications that you can set up event rules for, see <u>List of</u> <u>MediaConvert EventBridge events</u>.

#### Monitor the progress of your job

STATUS\_UPDATE events provide information about what phase your job is in (PROBING, TRANSCODING, and UPLOADING). For some jobs, MediaConvert provides an estimate of how far your job has progressed. This estimate is shown as a percentage of the total time from when your job leaves its queue to when your output files appear in your output Amazon S3 bucket.

For more information about STATUS\_UPDATE events, see the table of event types in <u>List of</u> <u>MediaConvert EventBridge events</u>.

For information about adjusting the frequency of status updates, see <u>Adjust the status update</u> interval.

#### Automatically initiate post-processing with an AWS Lambda function

You can set up EventBridge so that an AWS Lambda function initiates your post-processing code after your job finishes. For more information about using AWS Lambda with AWS Elemental MediaConvert, see one of these resources:

- For experienced cloud architects, see the <u>Video on demand on AWS</u> post on the AWS Answers blog.
- For developers new to MediaConvert and Lambda, see the <u>Automating MediaConvert jobs</u> with Lambda tutorial on GitHub.

#### Get details about jobs you create or other MediaConvert operations

By default, MediaConvert does not emit an EventBridge event for new jobs that you create or any other MediaConvert operation that you perform. To receive EventBridge events in these cases, you first must create an AWS CloudTrail trail.

For more information, see Working with CloudTrail trails.

#### Note

EventBridge delivers each event from the MediaConvert event stream at least once. MediaConvert does not require any additional permissions to deliver events to EventBridge.

#### Topics

- Setting up EventBridge rules
- Monitoring MediaConvert job progress
- List of MediaConvert EventBridge events

## Setting up EventBridge rules

To set up Amazon EventBridge rules: Create a rule that links the event from AWS Elemental MediaConvert and the target service that responds to your job status change, such as Amazon Simple Notification Service (Amazon SNS) or AWS Lambda.

For a tutorial on setting up an EventBridge rule with AWS Elemental MediaConvert, see <u>Tutorial</u>: <u>Setting up email notifications for failed jobs</u>.

For a list of the events that MediaConvert sends in the EventBridge event stream, see <u>List of</u> <u>MediaConvert EventBridge events</u>.

For more general information about using EventBridge, see the Amazon EventBridge User Guide.

For troubleshooting information, see <u>Troubleshooting Amazon EventBridge</u> in the Amazon EventBridge User Guide.

#### Topics

• Tutorial: Setting up email notifications for failed jobs

- Step 1: Create a topic in Amazon SNS
- Step 2: Specify an event pattern in an EventBridge rule
- Step 3: Add the Amazon SNS topic and finish your rule
- Step 4: Test your rule

## **Tutorial: Setting up email notifications for failed jobs**

In this tutorial, you configure an EventBridge event rule that captures events when a job status changes to ERROR and then notifies you about the event. To do this, you first create a topic in Amazon SNS that will send you an email notification about the failed job. Next, you create a rule in EventBridge by defining an event source and referencing the Amazon SNS topic (the "target").

## Step 1: Create a topic in Amazon SNS

The first part of setting up an EventBridge rule is preparing the rule target. In this case, that means creating and subscribing to an Amazon SNS topic.

#### To create an Amazon SNS topic

- 1. Open the Amazon SNS console at https://console.aws.amazon.com/sns/v3/home.
- 2. In the navigation pane, choose **Topics**, and then choose **Create topic**.
- 3. For Type, choose Standard.
- 4. For Name, enter MediaConvertJobErrorAlert, and then choose Create topic.
- 5. Choose the topic **Name** for the topic that you just created to view the **Topic details**.
- 6. On the **MediaConvertJobErrorAlert Topic details** page, in the **Subscriptions** section, choose **Create subscription**.
- 7. For **Protocol**, choose **Email**. For **Endpoint**, enter the email address that you want Amazon SNS to send the notification to.
- 8. Choose **Create subscription**.
- 9. You will receive a notification email from Amazon SNS. When you receive it, choose the **Confirm subscription** link in the email.

## Step 2: Specify an event pattern in an EventBridge rule

This step shows how to specify your event pattern in an EventBridge rule. This rule will capture events sent by MediaConvert when a job status changes to ERROR.

#### To set up an event pattern in an EventBridge rule

- 1. Open the Amazon EventBridge console at <a href="https://console.aws.amazon.com/events/">https://console.aws.amazon.com/events/</a>.
- In the navigation pane, choose Rules. Keep the default Event bus and then choose Create rule.
- 3. For Name, enter MediaConvertJobStateError, and then choose Next.
- 4. In the **Event pattern** section, starting with **Event source** choose the following settings:
  - Event source: AWS services
  - AWS service: MediaConvert
  - Eventtype: MediaConvert Job State Change
  - Event type, Specific state(s): ERROR
- 5. An **Event pattern** box will look like the following example.

```
{
   "source": ["aws.mediaconvert"],
   "detail-type": ["MediaConvert Job State Change"],
   "detail": {
      "status": ["ERROR"]
   }
}
```

This code defines an EventBridge event rule that matches any event where the job status changes to ERROR. For more information about event patterns, see <u>Events and event patterns</u> in the *Amazon CloudWatch User Guide*.

6. Choose Next.

## Step 3: Add the Amazon SNS topic and finish your rule

Add the Amazon SNS topic that you created in step 1 to the EventBridge rule that you started in step 2.

#### To add the Amazon SNS topic and finish the EventBridge rule

- 1. In the **Select target(s)** section, under **Select a target**, choose **SNS topic**.
- 2. For **Topic**, choose **MediaConvertJobErrorAlert**.
- 3. Choose Next.

- 4. Optionally add tags. Then choose Next.
- 5. Review your settings. Then choose **Create rule**.

## Step 4: Test your rule

To test your rule, submit a job that you know will cause an error. For example, specify an input location that does not exist. If you configured your event rule correctly, you should receive an email with the event text message in a few minutes.

#### To test the rule

- Open the AWS Elemental MediaConvert console at <u>https://console.aws.amazon.com/</u> mediaconvert.
- 2. Submit a new MediaConvert job. For more information, see <u>Tutorial: Configuring job settings</u>.
- 3. Check the email account that you specified when you set up your Amazon SNS topic. Confirm that you received an email notification for the job error.

## Monitoring MediaConvert job progress

MediaConvert provides status information for each job that you create. You can monitor a job's status to determine what is happening with your job, track its progress, or toubleshoot issues.

#### Topics

- Job statuses
- How to find a job's status
- Job phases

## Job statuses

Each job you submit will progress through a number of different possible statuses. Successful jobs end with a COMPLETE status, and unsuccessful jobs end with an ERROR or CANCELED status.

#### Successful jobs

A successful job results in all of its outputs being written to your Amazon S3 bucket. The following list contains details about the different statuses successful jobs go through:

- 1. SUBMITTED: Jobs that you created in the MediaConvert console or through a <u>CreateJob</u> operation that MediaConvert hasn't started processing.
- 2. INPUT\_INFORMATION: MediaConvert read details about your input or inputs.
- 3. PROGRESSING: MediaConvert began processing your job.
- STATUS\_UPDATE: MediaConvert has been processing your job for at least a minute or longer. Jobs with this status go through three different *job phases*. For more information, see <u>the</u> <u>section called "Job phases"</u>.
- 5. COMPLETE: MediaConvert completed your job and all of your outputs were saved to your Amazon S3 bucket.

Successful jobs may also include <u>NEW\_WARNING</u> or <u>QUEUE\_HOP</u> statuses.

#### Unsuccessful jobs

An unsuccessful job results in no outputs being written to your Amazon S3 bucket, although it may initially progress similar to a successful job. Unsuccessful jobs have one of the the following two statuses:

- ERROR: MediaConvert had an issue processing your job. For more information, see <u>the section</u> <u>called "Error codes"</u>.
- CANCELED: You canceled a job in the MediaConvert console or through a CancelJob operation.

## How to find a job's status

To view a list of all job statuses in the current Region, open the <u>Jobs</u> page in the MediaConvert console. Or submit a GetJob or ListJobs operation.

AWS CloudTrail records details about each create job request you make. CloudTrail only emits an EventBridge event for SUBMITTED jobs if you also create a CloudTrail trail. For more information, see <u>Working with CloudTrail trails</u> and <u>Accessing AWS service events via AWS CloudTrail</u>.

MediaConvert emits an EventBridge event when a job begins processing and then whenever its status changes, for example if it changes from PROGRESSING to COMPLETE or ERROR. For list of EventBridge events, see the section called "List of MediaConvert EventBridge events".

## Job phases

If a job's status is PROGRESSING for over a minute, MediaConvert emits a STATUS\_UPDATE event with the current job *phase*. A job phase provides details about what is happening with a job. Job phases progress through the following order:

- 1. PROBING: When your job is in the PROBING phase, MediaConvert reads the information from your input files that the service needs for transcoding.
- 2. TRANSCODING: When your job is in the TRANSCODING phase, the service demuxes, decodes, encodes, and remuxes your content. In some jobs, the service begins uploading outputs to your output Amazon S3 bucket during this phase. The phase ends when all transcoding is complete.
- 3. UPLOADING: When your job is in the UPLOADING phase, the service uploads your transcoded outputs to your output Amazon S3 bucket. In the case of outputs that the service begins to upload during the TRANSCODING phase, the UPLOADING phase begins when the transcoding is done. It continues until all uploads are finished.

To view a job's phase, open the <u>Jobs</u> page in the MediaConvert console, check the <u>STATUS\_UPDATE</u> <u>EventBridge event</u>, or submit a GetJob or ListJobs operation.

## List of MediaConvert EventBridge events

AWS Elemental MediaConvert emits an event to Amazon EventBridge when the status of a job changes. You can create <u>EventBridge rules</u> for any of these events.

Most jobs will only emit a few of these events, with the most common being: INPUT\_INFORMATION, PROGRESSING, and COMPLETE.

For more information about each event type, choose the link in the **Event** column.

## MediaConvert events

Event	Sent when	Contains
INPUT_INFORMATION	Soon after MediaConvert begins processing the job.	Media information, such as frame height and width, frame rate, and codec.

Event	Sent when	Contains
		Information from MediaConv ert about all inputs in a single event.
PROGRESSING	A job moves from the SUBMITTED state to the PROGRESSING state.	Basic job details.
<u>STATUS_UPDATE</u>	Approximately one minute after MediaConvert begins processing the job. Sent approximately every minute after that, until the job is completed or encounters an error.	Job progress expressed in the number of frames transcode d since the beginning of the job.
<u>COMPLETE</u>	A job is completed and MediaConvert writes all outputs successfully without errors.	Warnings and output information about the completed job.
CANCELED	A job is canceled.	Basic job details.
ERROR	A job has an error. At least one output has an error.	The error code or codes and any messages. Includes any other ephemeral job information about the job's error status.
NEW_WARNING	A warning condition arises.	The warning code or codes and any warning messages.
QUEUE_HOP	When a job hops queues.	The ARNs for both queues and the job's priority within the queue.

## 🚯 Note

MediaConvert does not emit a SUBMITTED event. To receive an EventBridge event any time you make an API call, including calls from the MediaConvert console, you must create a AWS CloudTrail trail. For more information, see <u>Accessing AWS service events via AWS</u> <u>CloudTrail and Working with CloudTrail trails</u>.

When MediaConvert sends an event to EventBridge, the following fields are present in the resulting JSON.

- version Currently 0 (zero) for all events.
- id A Version 4 UUID generated for every event.
- detail-type The type of event that's being sent.
- source Identifies the service that generated the event.
- **account** The 12-digit AWS account ID that ran the job.
- time The time the event occurred.
- **region** Identifies the AWS Region of the job.
- **resources** A JSON array that contains the Amazon Resource Name (ARN) of the job.
- **detail** A JSON object that contains information about the job.

The following sections contain event message details, JSON responses, and event patterns for every EventBridge event that MediaConvert emits.

## Topics

- Events with INPUT\_INFORMATION status
- Events with PROGRESSING status
- Events with STATUS\_UPDATE status
- Events with COMPLETE status
- Events with CANCELED status
- Events with ERROR status
- Events with NEW\_WARNING status
- Events with QUEUE\_HOP status

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## Events with INPUT\_INFORMATION status

MediaConvert sends the event for INPUT\_INFORMATION after a job begins processing and after MediaConvert reads information about your input. The event primarily contains media information about your input, such as frame height and width, frame rate, and codec.

MediaConvert includes information about all of your inputs in a single event.

The following JSON is an example event containing the INPUT\_INFORMATION status for a job with a single input.

```
{
    "version": "0",
    "id": "1234abcd-12ab-34cd-56ef-1234567890ab",
    "detail-type": "MediaConvert Job State Change",
    "source": "aws.mediaconvert",
    "account": "111122223333",
    "time": "2022-12-19T19:07:12Z",
    "region": "us-west-2",
    "resources": [
        "arn:aws:mediaconvert:us-west-2:111122223333:jobs/1671476818694-phptj0"
    ],
    "detail": {
        "timestamp": 1671476832075,
        "accountId": "111122223333",
        "queue": "arn:aws:mediaconvert:us-west-2:111122223333:queues/Default",
        "jobId": "1671476818694-phptj0",
        "status": "INPUT_INFORMATION",
        "userMetadata": {},
        "inputDetails": [
            {
                "id": 1,
                "uri": "s3://amzn-s3-demo-bucket/file/file.mp4",
                "audio": [
                    {
                         "channels": 2,
                         "codec": "AAC",
                         "language": "UND",
                         "sampleRate": 44100,
                         "streamId": 2
                    }
                ],
                "video": [
```

}		<pre>{     "bitDepth": 8,     "codec": "H_264",     "colorFormat": "YUV_420",     "fourCC": "avc1",     "frameRate": 24,     "height": 1080,     "interlaceMode": "PROGRESSIVE",     "sar": "1:1",     "standard": "UNSPECIFIED",     "streamId": 1,     "width": 1920 }</pre>
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You can use the following sample JSON to create an EventBridge event pattern for jobs with a status of INPUT\_INFORMATION.

```
{
   "source": ["aws.mediaconvert"],
   "detail-type": ["MediaConvert Job State Change"],
   "detail": {
      "status": ["INPUT_INFORMATION"]
   }
}
```

#### **Events with PROGRESSING status**

MediaConvert sends the event for PROGRESSING when a job moves from the SUBMITTED state to the PROGRESSING state.

#### Note

After a job has been in the PROGRESSING status for 48 hours, the service puts it into an ERROR state and stops working on it. You are not billed for jobs that end in an ERROR state.

The following JSON is an example event containing the PROGRESSING status for a job.

```
{
    "version": "0",
    "id": "1234abcd-12ab-34cd-56ef-1234567890ab",
    "detail-type": "MediaConvert Job State Change",
    "source": "aws.mediaconvert",
    "account": "111122223333",
    "time": "2022-12-19T19:20:21Z",
    "region": "us-west-2",
    "resources": [
        "arn:aws:mediaconvert:us-west-2:111122223333:jobs/1671477617078-2886ye"
    ],
    "detail": {
        "timestamp": 1671477621654,
        "accountId": "111122223333",
        "queue": "arn:aws:mediaconvert:us-west-2:111122223333:queues/Default",
        "jobId": "1671477617078-2886ve",
        "status": "PROGRESSING",
        "userMetadata": {}
    }
}
```

You can use the following sample JSON to create an EventBridge event pattern for jobs with a status of PROGRESSING.

```
{
    "source": ["aws.mediaconvert"],
    "detail-type": ["MediaConvert Job State Change"],
    "detail": {
        "status": ["PROGRESSING"]
    }
}
```

## **Events with STATUS\_UPDATE status**

MediaConvert sends the event for STATUS\_UPDATE approximately one minute after it begins processing a job. By default, updates are sent approximately every minute after that, until the service finishes transcoding or encounters an error.

You can optionally specify a different update frequency in your job, with the **Status update interval** setting. For more frequent updates, you can choose 10, 12, 15, 20, or 30 seconds. For

fewer updates, you can choose anywhere from 2 to 10 minutes, in increments of one minute. For more information, see Adjust the status update interval.

A STATUS\_UPDATE event contains information about your job's current phase. When available, it contains job and phase percent completion.

Job phases are as follows:

- During PROBING, the service reads information about the input while it prepares to transcode.
- During TRANSCODING, the service demuxes, decodes, encodes, and remuxes your content. In some jobs, the service begins uploading outputs to your output Amazon S3 bucket during this phase, as well. The phase ends when all transcoding is complete.
- During UPLOADING, the service uploads the remaining transcoded outputs to your Amazon S3 bucket.

The following JSON is an example event containing the STATUS\_UPDATE status for a job.

```
{
    "version": "0",
    "id": "1234abcd-12ab-34cd-56ef-1234567890ab",
    "detail-type": "MediaConvert Job State Change",
    "source": "aws.mediaconvert",
    "account": "111122223333",
    "time": "2022-12-19T19:21:21Z",
    "region": "us-west-2",
    "resources": [
        "arn:aws:mediaconvert:us-west-2:111122223333:jobs/1671477617078-2886ye"
    ],
    "detail": {
        "timestamp": 1671477681737,
        "accountId": "111122223333",
        "queue": "arn:aws:mediaconvert:us-west-2:111122223333:queues/Default",
        "jobId": "1671477617078-2886ye",
        "status": "STATUS_UPDATE",
        "userMetadata": {},
        "framesDecoded": 353,
        "jobProgress": {
            "phaseProgress": {
                "PROBING": {
                    "status": "COMPLETE",
                    "percentComplete": 100
```



You can use the following sample JSON to create an EventBridge event pattern for jobs with a status of STATUS\_UPDATE.

```
{
    "source": ["aws.mediaconvert"],
    "detail-type": ["MediaConvert Job State Change"],
    "detail": {
        "status": ["STATUS_UPDATE"]
    }
}
```

## Adjust the status update interval

By default, AWS Elemental MediaConvert sends STATUS\_UPDATE events to Amazon EventBridge approximately once per minute. These status updates provide information about how your job is progressing. You can adjust the status update interval by specifying a different update frequency in your job.

## To specify the STATUS\_UPDATE frequency

- 1. On the **Create job** page, in the **Job** pane on the left, in the **Job settings** section, choose **AWS integration**.
- 2. In the AWS integration section on the right, for Status update interval (sec), choose interval, in seconds, between updates.

If you use the API or an SDK, you can find this setting in the JSON file of your job. The setting name is statusUpdateInterval.

## **Events with COMPLETE status**

MediaConvert sends the event for COMPLETE when all outputs are written to Amazon S3 without errors. It contains both warnings and output information for the completed job. For more information about output file names and paths, see Output file names and paths.

The following JSON is an example event containing the COMPLETE status for a job.

```
{
    "version": "0",
    "id": "1234abcd-12ab-34cd-56ef-1234567890ab",
    "detail-type": "MediaConvert Job State Change",
    "source": "aws.mediaconvert",
    "account": "111122223333",
    "time": "2022-12-19T19:07:12Z",
    "region": "us-west-2",
    "resources": [
        "arn:aws:mediaconvert:us-west-2::jobs/1671476818694-phptj0"
    ],
    "detail": {
        "timestamp": 1671476832124,
        "accountId": "111122223333",
        "queue": "arn:aws:mediaconvert:us-west-2:111122223333:queues/Default",
        "jobId": "1671476818694-phptj0",
        "status": "COMPLETE",
        "userMetadata": {},
        "warnings": [
            {
                "code": 000000,
                "count": 1
            }
        ],
        "outputGroupDetails": [
            {
                "outputDetails": [
                    {
                         "outputFilePaths": [
                             "s3://amzn-s3-demo-bucket/file/file.mp4"
                         ],
                         "durationInMs": 30041,
```

```
"videoDetails": {
                              "widthInPx": 1920,
                              "heightInPx": 1080,
                              "qvbrAvgQuality": 7.38,
                              "qvbrMinQuality": 7,
                              "qvbrMaxQuality": 8,
                              "qvbrMinQualityLocation": 2168,
                              "qvbrMaxQualityLocation": 25025
                         }
                     }
                 ],
                 "type": "FILE_GROUP"
            }
        ],
        "paddingInserted": 0,
        "blackVideoDetected": 10,
        "blackSegments": [
             {
                 "start": 0,
                 "end": 10
            }
        ]
    }
}
```

COMPLETE events contain additional information about your job and outputs. The following table lists and describes the different properties available in job event message details.

#### **COMPLETE** event message details

Property	Data type	Details
paddingInserted	integer	The total duration of blank frames MediaConvert inserted across all outputs in your job, in milliseconds. Video padding inserts blank frames to help keep audio and video durations aligned. Large paddingInserted values show that more blank

Property	Data type	Details
		frames were inserted. These values also show to what extend your input audio tracks start late, or end early, or both.
qvbrAvgQuality	float	The average video quality of your Quality-Defined Variable Bitrate (QVBR) output.
		Included for QVBR outputs only.
qvbrMinQuality	float	The minimum video quality detected in your QVBR output.
		Included for QVBR outputs only.
qvbrMaxQuality	float	The maximum video quality detected in your QVBR output.
		Included for QVBR outputs only.

Property	Data type	Details
qvbrMinQualityLoca tion	integer	The location in your output where qvbrMinQuality was detected, in milliseconds. You can use qvbrMinQu alityLocation while reviewing your output video quality and bandwidth usage. Included for QVBR outputs only.
qvbrMaxQualityLoca tion	integer	The location in your output where qvbrMaxQuality was detected, in milliseconds. You can use qvbrMaxQu alityLocation while reviewing your output video quality and bandwidth usage. Included for QVBR outputs only.
warnings code	array integer	Any warning codes seen in the job and the number of times they occurred.
count	integer	For more information, see <u>Warning codes</u> .

Property	Data type	Details
blackVideoDetected	integer	The total duration of black video frames in your outputs that are also present in your inputs, in milliseconds. blackVideoDetected does not include any black frames inserted by MediaConvert.
blackVideoSegments start end	array integer integer	The location or locations in your output where black video frames were detected. Each segment of black video in your output is shown with its own start and end. blackVideoSegments does not include any black frames inserted by MediaConvert.
averageBitrate	integer	The average bitrate of your video output, calculated by dividing the duration by the total bits.

You can use the following sample JSON to create an EventBridge event pattern for jobs with a status of COMPLETE.

```
{
    "source": ["aws.mediaconvert"],
    "detail-type": ["MediaConvert Job State Change"],
    "detail": {
        "status": ["COMPLETE"]
```

}

The EventBridge job COMPLETE notification includes details about your output in JSON. This information includes the file names and paths for the outputs of the job—including manifests and media assets.

The files that AWS Elemental MediaConvert creates depends on the output groups that you set up in the job. For example, DASH ISO packages contain an .mpd manifest and .mp4 media fragment files.

You can find output file name and path information in the following properties:

playlistFilePaths

A list of the Amazon S3 file paths to the multivariant playlists.

#### outputFilePaths

The file path to either the media or the manifest, depending on the output group type.

#### type

The type of output group, which determines what files are listed in the playlistFilePaths and outputFilePaths.

The following table summarizes the values for these properties, depending on the output group type.

Туре	playlistFilePaths	outputFilePaths
FILE_GROUP (standard output)	not returned	File name and path of the media file.
		Example:s3://amzn-s3- demo-bucket/file/ file.mp4

Туре	playlistFilePaths	outputFilePaths
FILE_GROUP (with additional frame capture output)	not returned	File name and path of the final captured image.
		Example:s3://amzn- s3-demo-bucket/fr ameoutput/file.000 0036.jpg
HLS_GROUP	File name and path of the multivariant playlist. Example: s3://amzn-	File name and path of the manifests for the individual outputs.
	s3-demo-bucket/hls/	Examples:
	main.m3u8	<ul> <li>s3://amzn-s3-demo- bucket/hls/mainv1. m3u8</li> </ul>
		<ul> <li>s3://amzn-s3-demo- bucket/hls/mainv2. m3u8</li> </ul>
DASH_ISO_GROUP	File name and path of the manifest.	not returned
	Example:s3://amzn- s3-demo-bucket/da sh/1.mpd	

Туре	playlistFilePaths	outputFilePaths
CMAF_GROUP	<pre>File name and path for each of the top-level manifests. Examples: • s3://amzn-s3-demo- bucket/cmaf/1.mpd • s3://amzn-s3-demo- bucket/cmaf/1.m3u8</pre>	not returned
MS_SMOOTH_GROUP	<pre>File name and path of the server-side manifest. Example: s3://amzn- s3-demo-bucket/sm ooth/1.ism</pre>	<pre>File name and path of the video manifests for each of the individual outputs. Examples: • s3://amzn-s3-demo- bucket/smooth/1_va .ismv • s3://amzn-s3-demo- bucket/smooth/2_va .ismv</pre>

For sample responses in JSON for each output group type, see the following topics:

## Topics

- File group
- File group with a frame capture output
- Apple HLS group
- DASH ISO group
- CMAF group
- Microsoft Smooth Streaming group

### File group

{

The following is an Amazon EventBridge sample event for a job with a COMPLETE status. The example includes output file path information for a file group.

```
"detail": {
    "status": "COMPLETE",
    "paddingInserted": 0,
    "blackVideoDetected": 10,
    "blackSegments": [
        "start": 0,
        "end": 10
    ],
    "outputGroupDetails": [
        {
            "outputDetails": [
                {
                    "outputFilePaths": [
                         "s3://amzn-s3-demo-bucket/file/file.mp4"
                    ],
                    "durationInMs": 180041,
                    "videoDetails": {
                         "averageBitrate": 200000,
                         "widthInPx": 1280,
                         "heightInPx": 720,
                         "qvbrAvgQuality": 7.38,
                         "qvbrMinQuality": 7,
                         "qvbrMaxQuality": 8,
                         "qvbrMinQualityLocation": 2168,
                         "qvbrMaxQualityLocation": 25025
                    },
                }
            ],
            "type": "FILE_GROUP"
        }
    ],
    "timestamp": 1536964380391,
    "accountId": "111122223333",
    "queue": "arn:aws:mediaconvert:us-west-2:111122223333:queues/Default",
    "jobId": "1536964333549-opn151",
    "userMetadata": {},
    "warnings": [
        {
```

```
"code": 000000,
                "count": 1
            }
        ],
    },
    "version": "0",
    "id": "1234abcd-12ab-34cd-56ef-1234567890ab",
    "detail-type": "MediaConvert Job State Change",
    "source": "aws.mediaconvert",
    "account": "111122223333",
    "time": "2018-09-14T21:54:31Z",
    "region": "us-west-2",
    "resources": [
        "arn:aws:mediaconvert:us-west-2:111122223333:jobs/1536961999428-kxngbl"
    ]
}
```

### í) Note

QVBR statistics are only available when your video output uses Quality-Defined Variable Bitrate (QVBR) rate control.

## File group with a frame capture output

This guide provides an Amazon EventBridge example event for a job with a COMPLETE status. It also shows output file path information for a file group with a frame capture output.

A *frame capture output* is an output that you set up to create still images of video. You set it up similar to a regular **File group** output group. However, you remove the audio component, choose **No container** for the container, and then choose **Frame capture to JPEG** for the video codec.

#### Note

You can create frame capture outputs only in jobs that also have a regular audio and video output. MediaConvert doesn't support jobs that consist only of a frame capture output.

When you create a frame capture output, the COMPLETE status includes the outputFilePaths property. This tells you the file name and path of the final captured image.

# 🚺 Tip

Because the service includes automatic numbering in the frame capture file names, you can infer all the image names from the final one. For example, if your outputFilePaths value is s3://amzn-s3-demo-bucket/frameoutput/file.0000036.jpg, you can infer that there are 35 other images in the same location, named file.0000001, file.0000002, and so on.

The following is an EventBridge sample event for a job with a COMPLETE status. It includes output file path information for a file group with a frame capture output.

```
{
    "detail": {
        "status": "COMPLETE",
        "paddingInserted": 0,
        "blackVideoDetected": 10,
        "blackSegments": [
                 {
                     "start": 0,
                     "end": 10
                 }
        ],
        "outputGroupDetails": [
            {
                 "outputDetails": [
                     {
                         "outputFilePaths": [
                              "s3://amzn-s3-demo-bucket/frameoutput/file.0000036.jpg"
                         ],
                         "durationInMs": 185000,
                         "videoDetails": {
                              "widthInPx": 1280,
                              "heightInPx": 720
                         }
                     }
                 ],
                 "type": "FILE_GROUP"
            },
            {
                 "outputDetails": [
                     ſ
```

```
"outputFilePaths": [
                             "s3://amzn-s3-demo-bucket/file/file.mp4"
                         ],
                         "durationInMs": 180041,
                         "blackVideoDurationInMs": 0,
                         "videoDetails": {
                             "widthInPx": 1280,
                             "heightInPx": 720,
                             "averageQVBRScore": 7.38,
                             "minimumQVBRScore": 7,
                             "maximumQVBRScore": 8,
                             "minimumQVBRScoreLocationInMs": 2168,
                             "maximumQVBRScoreLocationInMs": 25025
                        }
                    }
                ],
                "type": "FILE_GROUP"
            }
        ],
        "timestamp": 1536964380391,
        "accountId": "111122223333",
        "queue": "arn:aws:mediaconvert:us-west-2:111122223333:queues/Default",
        "jobId": "1536964333549-opn151",
        "userMetadata": {},
        "warnings": [
            {
                "code": 000000,
                "count": 1
            }
        ]
    },
    "version": "0",
    "id": "1234abcd-12ab-34cd-56ef-1234567890ab",
    "detail-type": "MediaConvert Job State Change",
    "source": "aws.mediaconvert",
    "account": "111122223333",
    "time": "2018-09-14T21:54:31Z",
    "region": "us-west-2",
    "resources": [
        "arn:aws:mediaconvert:us-west-2:111122223333:jobs/1536961999428-kxngbl"
    ]
}
```

# (i) Note

Quality-Defined Variable Bitrate (QVBR) statistics are only available when your video output uses QVBR rate control.

# Apple HLS group

The following is an Amazon EventBridge sample event for a job with a COMPLETE status. It includes output file path information for an Apple HLS group.

```
{
    "detail": {
        "status": "COMPLETE",
        "paddingInserted": 0,
        "blackVideoDetected": 10,
        "blackSegments": [
            {
                "start": 0,
                "end": 10
            }
        ],
        "outputGroupDetails": [
            {
                "outputDetails": [
                    {
                         "outputFilePaths": [
                             "s3://amzn-s3-demo-bucket/hls/mainv2.m3u8"
                         ],
                         "durationInMs": 180041,
                         "blackVideoDurationInMs": 0,
                         "videoDetails": {
                             "widthInPx": 426,
                             "heightInPx": 240,
                             "averageQVBRScore": 7.38,
                             "minimumQVBRScore": 7,
                             "maximumQVBRScore": 8,
                             "minimumQVBRScoreLocationInMs": 2168,
                             "maximumQVBRScoreLocationInMs": 25025
                         }
                    },
                    {
```

```
"outputFilePaths": [
                         "s3://amzn-s3-demo-bucket/hls/mainv1.m3u8"
                    ],
                    "durationInMs": 180041,
                    "blackVideoDurationInMs": 0,
                    "videoDetails": {
                         "widthInPx": 1280,
                         "heightInPx": 720,
                         "averageQVBRScore": 7.38,
                         "minimumQVBRScore": 7,
                         "maximumQVBRScore": 8,
                         "minimumQVBRScoreLocationInMs": 2168,
                         "maximumQVBRScoreLocationInMs": 25025
                    }
                }
            ],
            "type": "HLS_GROUP",
            "playlistFilePaths": [
                "s3://amzn-s3-demo-bucket/hls/main.m3u8"
            ]
        }
    ],
    "timestamp": 1536964380391,
    "accountId": "111122223333",
    "queue": "arn:aws:mediaconvert:us-west-2:111122223333:queues/Default",
    "jobId": "1536964333549-opn151",
    "userMetadata": {},
    "warnings": [
        {
            "code": 000000,
            "count": 1
        }
    ]
},
"version": "0",
"id": "1234abcd-12ab-34cd-56ef-1234567890ab",
"detail-type": "MediaConvert Job State Change",
"source": "aws.mediaconvert",
"account": "111122223333",
"time": "2018-09-14T21:54:31Z",
"region": "us-west-2",
"resources": [
    "arn:aws:mediaconvert:us-west-2:111122223333:jobs/1536961999428-kxngbl"
]
```

}

#### Note

Quality-Defined Variable Bitrate (QVBR) statistics are only available when your video output uses QVBR rate control.

# DASH ISO group

The following is an Amazon EventBridge sample event for a job with a COMPLETE status. It includes output file path information for a DASH ISO group.

```
{
    "detail": {
        "status": "COMPLETE",
        "paddingInserted": 0,
        "blackVideoDetected": 10,
        "blackSegments": [
            {
                "start": 0,
                "end": 10
            }
        ],
        "outputGroupDetails": [
            {
                "outputDetails": [
                    {
                         "durationInMs": 180041,
                         "blackVideoDurationInMs": 0,
                         "videoDetails": {
                             "widthInPx": 1280,
                             "heightInPx": 720,
                             "averageQVBRScore": 7.38,
                             "minimumQVBRScore": 7,
                             "maximumQVBRScore": 8,
                             "minimumQVBRScoreLocationInMs": 2168,
                             "maximumQVBRScoreLocationInMs": 25025
                         }
                    }
                ],
                "type": "DASH_ISO_GROUP",
```

```
"playlistFilePaths": [
                    "s3://amzn-s3-demo-bucket/dash/1.mpd"
                ]
            }
        ],
        "timestamp": 1536964380391,
        "accountId": "111122223333",
        "queue": "arn:aws:mediaconvert:us-west-2:111122223333:queues/Default",
        "jobId": "1536964333549-opn151",
        "userMetadata": {},
        "warnings": [
            {
                "code": 000000,
                "count": 1
            }
        ]
    },
    "version": "0",
    "id": "1234abcd-12ab-34cd-56ef-1234567890ab",
    "detail-type": "MediaConvert Job State Change",
    "source": "aws.mediaconvert",
    "account": "111122223333",
    "time": "2018-09-14T21:54:31Z",
    "region": "us-west-2",
    "resources": [
        "arn:aws:mediaconvert:us-west-2:111122223333:jobs/1536961999428-kxngbl"
    ]
}
```

#### Note

Quality-Defined Variable Bitrate (QVBR) statistics are only available when your video output uses QVBR rate control.

## **CMAF** group

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The following is an EventBridge sample event for a job with a COMPLETE status. It includes output file path information for a CMAF group.

```
"detail": {
```

```
"status": "COMPLETE",
"paddingInserted": 0,
"blackVideoDetected": 10,
"blackSegments": [
   {
        "start": 0,
        "end": 10
    }
],
"outputGroupDetails": [
    {
        "outputDetails": [
            {
                    "durationInMs": 180041,
                    "blackVideoDurationInMs": 0,
                    "videoDetails": {
                        "widthInPx": 1280,
                        "heightInPx": 720,
                        "averageQVBRScore": 7.38,
                        "minimumQVBRScore": 7,
                         "maximumQVBRScore": 8,
                         "minimumQVBRScoreLocationInMs": 2168,
                        "maximumQVBRScoreLocationInMs": 25025
                    }
            }
        ],
        "type": "CMAF_GROUP",
        "playlistFilePaths": [
            "s3://amzn-s3-demo-bucket/cmaf/1.mpd",
            "s3://amzn-s3-demo-bucket/cmaf/1.m3u8"
        ]
   }
],
"timestamp": 1536964380391,
"accountId": "111122223333",
"queue": "arn:aws:mediaconvert:us-west-2:111122223333:queues/Default",
"jobId": "1536964333549-opn151",
"userMetadata": {},
"warnings": [
    {
        "code": 000000,
        "count": 1
   }
]
```

```
},
    "version": "0",
    "id": "1234abcd-12ab-34cd-56ef-1234567890ab",
    "detail-type": "MediaConvert Job State Change",
    "source": "aws.mediaconvert",
    "account": "111122223333",
    "time": "2018-09-14T21:54:31Z",
    "region": "us-west-2",
    "resources": [
        "arn:aws:mediaconvert:us-west-2:111122223333:jobs/1536961999428-kxngbl"
]
```

## Note

Quality-Defined Variable Bitrate (QVBR) statistics are only available when your video output uses QVBR rate control.

# Microsoft Smooth Streaming group

The following is an EventBridge sample event for a job with a COMPLETE status. It includes output file path information for a Microsoft Smooth Streaming group.

```
{
    "detail": {
        "status": "COMPLETE",
        "paddingInserted": 0,
        "blackVideoDetected": 10,
        "blackSegments": [
            {
                 "start": 0,
                "end": 10
            }
        ],
        "outputGroupDetails": [
            {
                 "outputDetails": [
                     {
                         "outputFilePaths": [
                             "s3://amzn-s3-demo-bucket/smooth/1_va.ismv"
                         ],
```

```
"durationInMs": 180041,
                    "blackVideoDurationInMs": 0,
                    "videoDetails": {
                         "widthInPx": 1280,
                         "heightInPx": 534,
                         "averageQVBRScore": 7.38,
                         "minimumQVBRScore": 7,
                         "maximumQVBRScore": 8,
                         "minimumQVBRScoreLocationInMs": 2168,
                         "maximumQVBRScoreLocationInMs": 25025
                    }
                }
            ],
            "type": "MS_SMOOTH_GROUP",
            "playlistFilePaths": [
                "s3://amzn-s3-demo-bucket/smooth/1.ism"
            ]
        }
    ],
    "timestamp": 1536964380391,
    "accountId": "111122223333",
    "queue": "arn:aws:mediaconvert:us-west-2:111122223333:queues/Default",
    "jobId": "1536964333549-opn151",
    "userMetadata": {},
    "warnings": [
        {
            "code": 000000,
            "count": 1
        }
    ]
},
"version": "0",
"id": "1234abcd-12ab-34cd-56ef-1234567890ab",
"detail-type": "MediaConvert Job State Change",
"source": "aws.mediaconvert",
"account": "111122223333",
"time": "2018-09-14T21:54:31Z",
"region": "us-west-2",
"resources": [
    "arn:aws:mediaconvert:us-west-2:111122223333:jobs/1536961999428-kxngbl"
]
```

}

## 🚯 Note

Quality-Defined Variable Bitrate (QVBR) statistics are only available when your video output uses QVBR rate control.

# **Events with CANCELED status**

MediaConvert sends the event for CANCELED when the job is canceled. It contains basic job details including timestamp, accountID, queue, jobId, and userMetadata.

The following JSON is an example event containing the CANCELED status for a job.

```
{
    "version": "0",
    "id": "1234abcd-12ab-34cd-56ef-1234567890ab",
    "detail-type": "MediaConvert Job State Change",
    "source": "aws.mediaconvert",
    "account": "111122223333",
    "time": "2018-01-07T23:35:20Z",
    "region": "us-west-2",
    "resources": ["arn:aws:mediaconvert:us-west-2:111122223333:jobs/1515368087458-
qnoxtd"],
    "detail": {
        "timestamp": 1515368120764,
        "accountId": "111122223333",
        "queue": "arn:aws:mediaconvert:us-west-2:111122223333:queues/Default",
        "jobId": "1515368087458-qnoxtd",
        "status": "CANCELED",
        "userMetadata": {}
    }
}
```

You can use the following sample JSON to create an EventBridge event pattern for jobs with a status of CANCELED.

```
{
    "source": ["aws.mediaconvert"],
    "detail-type": ["MediaConvert Job State Change"],
    "detail": {
        "status": ["CANCELED"]
    }
```

}

# **Events with ERROR status**

MediaConvert sends the event for ERROR when at least one output has an error. It contains the error code or codes, messages, and warnings or other ephemeral job information about the job's error status. For more information about error codes, see Error codes.

The following JSON is an example event containing the ERROR status for a job.

```
{
    "version": "0",
    "id": "1234abcd-12ab-34cd-56ef-1234567890ab",
    "detail-type": "MediaConvert Job State Change",
    "source": "aws.mediaconvert",
    "account": "111122223333",
    "time": "2018-01-07T23:35:20Z",
    "region": "us-west-2",
    "resources": ["arn:aws:mediaconvert:us-west-2:111122223333:jobs/1515368087458-
qnoxtd"],
    "detail": {
        "timestamp": 1515368120764,
        "accountId": "111122223333",
        "queue": "arn:aws:mediaconvert:us-west-2:111122223333:queues/Default",
        "jobId": "1515368087458-qnoxtd",
        "status": "ERROR",
        "errorCode": 1040,
        "errorMessage": "Example error message",
        "userMetadata": {}
    }
}
```

You can use the following sample JSON to create an EventBridge event pattern for jobs with a status of ERROR.

```
{
    "source": ["aws.mediaconvert"],
    "detail-type": ["MediaConvert Job State Change"],
    "detail": {
        "status": ["ERROR"]
    }
}
```

# **Events with NEW\_WARNING status**

MediaConvert sends an event for NEW\_WARNING when a warning condition arises. A warning condition doesn't stop the job from running. It contains the submission queue ARN, the job ID, and a warning message. Warning messages inform you about conditions that don't stop the job but might indicate that the job is not progressing as you planned.

For example, a job that you set up to hop queues reaches the wait time that you specified, but can't hop.

NEW\_WARNING only contains the most recent warning message. It doesn't report previous warnings, even if those warning conditions are still in effect.

For more information about warning messages, see Warning codes.

The following JSON is an example event containing the NEW\_WARNING status for a job.

```
{
    "version": "0",
    "id": "1234abcd-12ab-34cd-56ef-1234567890ab",
    "detail-type": "MediaConvert Job State Change",
    "source": "aws.mediaconvert",
    "account": "111122223333",
    "time": "2018-01-07T23:35:20Z",
    "region": "us-west-2",
    "resources": ["arn:aws:mediaconvert:us-west-2:111122223333:jobs/1515368087458-
qnoxtd"],
    "detail": {
        "timestamp": 1515368120764,
        "accountId": "111122223333",
        "queue": "arn:aws:mediaconvert:us-west-2:111122223333:queues/Default",
        "jobId": "1515368087458-qnoxtd",
        "status": "NEW_WARNING",
        "warningCode": "000000",
        "warningMessage": "Example warning message",
        "userMetadata": {}
    }
}
```

You can use the following sample JSON to create an EventBridge event pattern for jobs with a status of NEW\_WARNING.

```
{
   "source": ["aws.mediaconvert"],
   "detail-type": ["MediaConvert Job State Change"],
   "detail": {
      "status": ["NEW_WARNING"]
   }
}
```

# **Events with QUEUE\_HOP status**

MediaConvert sends the QUEUE\_HOP event when a job hops queues. It contains the ARNs for both queues and the job's priority within the queues.

Both priority and previous Priority will be the same unless the queue hopping configuration specifies a new priority to give to the job as it hops queues.

The following JSON is an example event containing the QUEUE\_HOP status for a job.

```
{
    "version": "0",
    "id": "1234abcd-12ab-34cd-56ef-1234567890ab",
    "detail-type": "MediaConvert Job State Change",
    "source": "aws.mediaconvert",
    "account": "111122223333",
    "time": "2018-01-07T23:35:20Z",
    "region": "us-west-2",
    "resources": ["arn:aws:mediaconvert:us-west-2:111122223333:jobs/1515368087458-
qnoxtd"],
    "detail": {
        "timestamp": 1515368120764,
        "accountId": "111122223333",
        "queue": "arn:aws:mediaconvert:us-west-2:111122223333:queues/Default",
        "previousQueue": "arn:aws:mediaconvert:us-west-2:111122223333:queues/
Alternate",
        "priority": 0,
        "previousPriority": 0,
        "jobId": "1515368087458-gnoxtd",
        "status": "QUEUE_HOP",
        "userMetadata": {}
    }
}
```

You can use the following sample JSON to create an EventBridge event pattern for jobs with a status of QUEUE\_HOP.

```
{
    "source": ["aws.mediaconvert"],
    "detail-type": ["MediaConvert Job State Change"],
    "detail": {
        "status": ["QUEUE_HOP"]
    }
}
```

# Using CloudWatch with MediaConvert

You can use Amazon CloudWatch to gather metrics about your AWS Elemental MediaConvert jobs. Here are some examples of what you can do with CloudWatch:

# Get details about your requests, queues, jobs, and outputs

Metrics are grouped according to dimension, including Operation metrics, Queue metrics, and Job metrics.

- Operation metrics include any errors that occur when you interact with MediaConvert.
- *Queue metrics* include details about all of your jobs in a given queue, like the total number of jobs, or the total duration of your outputs.
- *Job metrics* include details about your outputs that you can use to identify trends, statistics, or potential issues with your video workflow.

For more information, see List of MediaConvert CloudWatch metrics.

## Create CloudWatch dashboards and alarms

You can create CloudWatch dashboards to track things for a job queue. For example, you can track transcoding jobs that have completed or that have errors. You can also use metrics such as StandbyTime to create alarms to detect if there is a large backlog for a job queue. For more information, see <u>Creating dashboards and alarms for AWS Elemental MediaConvert using</u> Amazon CloudWatch.

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# List of MediaConvert CloudWatch metrics

AWS Elemental MediaConvert sends the following metrics to CloudWatch at the end of every job.

Metric name	Unit	Description
Errors	Count	Tracks errors encountered when making a particular API call.
		Operations include: CreateJob , GetJob, ListJobs, ListPresets , ListQueues , ListTagsForResourc e , and Subscribe
AudioOutputDuration	Milliseconds	The number of milliseconds of audio-only output for a queue.
SDOutputDuration	Milliseconds	The number of milliseconds of standard definition (SD) output for a queue.
		For the definition of each video resolutio n category, see the <u>AWS Elemental</u> <u>MediaConvert pricing page</u> .
HDOutputDuration	Milliseconds	The number of milliseconds of high-defi nition (HD) output for a queue.
		For the definition of each video resolutio n category, see the <u>AWS Elemental</u> <u>MediaConvert pricing page</u> .
UHDOutputDuration	Milliseconds	The number of milliseconds of ultra-high- definition (UHD) output for a queue.
		For the definition of each video resolutio n category, see the <u>AWS Elemental</u> <u>MediaConvert pricing page</u> .

Metric name	Unit	Description
8KOutputDuration	Milliseconds	The number of milliseconds of 8K output for a queue.
		For the definition of each video resolutio n category, see the <u>AWS Elemental</u> <u>MediaConvert pricing page</u> .
JobsCompletedCount	Count	The number of jobs completed in a queue.
JobsCanceled	Count	The number of jobs canceled in a queue.
JobsErroredCount	Count	The number of jobs that failed because of invalid inputs, such as a request to transcode a file that is not in the specified input bucket.
StandbyTime	Milliseconds	The amount of time a job is in a queue before MediaConvert starts processing it, in milliseconds.
TranscodingTime	Milliseconds	The number of milliseconds for MediaConvert to complete transcoding.
BlackVideoDetected	Milliseconds	The total duration of black video frames in your output that are also present in your input in milliseconds.
		BlackVideoDetected does not include any black frames inserted by MediaConvert.
BlackVideoDetectedRatio	Ratio	The ratio of black video frames to the total duration of your output.
		Higher ratios show outputs with more black frames.

Metric name	Unit	Description
LongestBlackSegmen tDetected	Milliseconds	The location in your output with the longest continuous segment of black video frames, in milliseconds.
VideoPaddingInserted	Milliseconds	The total duration of blank frames MediaConvert inserted across all outputs in your job, in milliseconds.
		Video padding inserts blank frames to help keep audio and video durations aligned. Large VideoPaddingInsert ed values show that more blank frames were inserted. They also show to what extent your input audio tracks either start late, end early, or both.
VideoPaddingInsert Ra edRatio	Ratio	The ratio of blank frames MediaConvert inserted to the overall duration of your output.
		Higher ratios may signal audio video sync issues in your input.
AvgBitrateTop	Bits per second	The average bitrate of the highest bitrate output in the output group.
AvgBitrateBottom	Bits per second	The average bitrate of the lowest bitrate output in the output group.
QVBRAvgQualityHigh Bitrate	Score	The average QVBR quality score of the highest bitrate output in the output group.
QVBRAvgQualityLowB itrate	Score	The average QVBR quality score of the lowest bitrate output in the output group.

Metric name	Unit	Description
QVBRMinQualityHigh Bitrate	Score	The minimum QVBR quality score of the highest bitrate output in the output group.
QVBRMinQualityLowB itrate	Score	The minimum QVBR quality score of the lowest bitrate output in the output group.

# Logging AWS Elemental MediaConvert API calls using AWS CloudTrail

AWS Elemental MediaConvert integrates with AWS CloudTrail, a service that provides a record of operations taken by a user, role, or an AWS service. CloudTrail captures all operations (API calls) you perform, including those from the MediaConvert Console, as events. Events contain information about requests to MediaConvert, including the IP address, who made the request, when it was made, the MediaConvert operation, and additional details. For more information about CloudTrail events, see <u>What are CloudTrail events</u>?

A few examples of what CloudTrail can help you find include: when you submitted a create job request, who deleted a queue, or what tags were added to a resource.

For a complete list of all MediaConvert operations you can perform, see the <u>MediaConvert API</u> <u>Reference</u>.

To learn more about CloudTrail, see the AWS CloudTrail User Guide.

# Topics

- Finding information about MediaConvert in CloudTrail
- Understanding CloudTrail management events for MediaConvert

# Finding information about MediaConvert in CloudTrail

You can view, search, and download events from the last 90 days in <u>Event history</u> in the CloudTrail console. For more information, see <u>Working with CloudTrail Event history</u>.

For an ongoing record of CloudTrail events beyond the last 90 days, you must create a CloudTrail *trail* or CloudTrail Lake event data store.

# CloudTrail trails

With CloudTrail trails, CloudTrail delivers log files for events to an Amazon S3 bucket. Additionally, you can configure other AWS services to <u>further analyze and act upon the</u> <u>event data</u> collected. When you create a trail, CloudTrail <u>also emits each event to Amazon</u> <u>EventBridge</u>. For more information about CloudTrail trails, see Working with CloudTrail trails.

### CloudTrail Lake event data stores

With CloudTrail Lake event data stores, CloudTrail provides a searchable store of event data. For more information, see <u>Working with CloudTrail Lake</u>.

# Understanding CloudTrail management events for MediaConvert

<u>Management events</u> provide information about management operations that are performed on resources in your AWS account. These are also known as control plane operations, or MediaConvert operations. By default, CloudTrail logs all management events.

CloudTrail management events represent a single request from any source. They include information about where a request originated, who made the request, when the request was made, the MediaConvert operation, and other important details.

For details about the contents of these events, see CloudTrail record contents.

## Origin

Events include the source IP address under sourceIPAddress, AWS Region under awsRegion, and user agent (browser or client info) under userAgent to help you find where a request originated.

## Identity

Events include identity information, under userIdentity, to help you find who made the request. You can use this information to determine the following:

- Whether the request was made with root user or user credentials.
- Whether the request was made on behalf of an IAM Identity Center user.

- Whether the request was made with temporary security credentials for a role or federated user.
- Whether the request was made by another AWS service.

For more information, including a list of relevant fields, see the <u>CloudTrail userIdentity element</u>.

### Time

Events include a time stamp, under eventTime.

#### MediaConvert operation

Events include the MediaConvert operation under eventName. For example, CreateJob when you submit a new job, or CreateQueue when you request a new Queue.

#### Other important details

Some events include specific details about your MediaConvert request under requestParameters, as well as MediaConvert's response under responseElements.

For example, if you submit a CreateJob request, the requestParameters field will include the JSON for the job settings that you submitted. If successful, the event also includes the complete and validated job settings JSON, as well as the job ID, under responseElements.

For another example, if you submit a CreateQueue request, the requestParameters field will include the the queue settings that you submitted. If successful, the event will also include the queue ARN under responseElements.

## 🚯 Note

MediaConvert only supports recording management events in CloudTrail, it does not support data events. For details about these event types, and their differences, see <u>CloudTrail concepts</u>.

# **Example events**

The following examples show a CloudTrail event for the CreateJob, CreateQueue, DeleteQueue, and TagResource operations. CloudTrail also records all other <u>MediaConvert</u> operations, though they are not shown here.

#### Example event: CreateJob

```
{
    "eventVersion": "1.09",
    "userIdentity": {
        "type": "AssumedRole",
        "principalId": "AKIAIOSFODNN7EXAMPLE:example-admin",
        "arn": "arn:aws:sts::111122223333:assumed-role/admin/example-admin",
        "accountId": "111122223333",
        "accessKeyId": "AKIAIOSFODNN7EXAMPLE",
        "sessionContext": {
            "sessionIssuer": {
                "type": "Role",
                "principalId": "AKIAIOSFODNN7EXAMPLE",
                "arn": "arn:aws:iam::111122223333:role/admin",
                "accountId": "111122223333",
                "userName": "admin"
            },
            "attributes": {
                "creationDate": "2024-04-04T17:30:19Z",
                "mfaAuthenticated": "false"
            }
        }
    },
    "eventTime": "2024-04-04T17:45:26Z",
    "eventSource": "mediaconvert.amazonaws.com",
    "eventName": "CreateJob",
    "awsRegion": "us-west-2",
    "sourceIPAddress": "203.0.113.100",
    "userAgent": "Mozilla/5.0 (Macintosh; Intel Mac OS X 10_15_7) AppleWebKit/537.36
 (KHTML, like Gecko) Chrome/123.0.0.0 Safari/537.36",
    "requestParameters": {
        "settings": {...},
        "accelerationSettings": {
            "mode": "DISABLED"
        },
        "role": "arn:aws:iam::111122223333:role/service-role/
MediaConvert_Default_Role",
        "clientRequestToken": "1712252705233-zyxwvut",
        "statusUpdateInterval": "SECONDS_60",
        "billingTagsSource": "JOB",
        "priority": 0,
        "queue": "arn:aws:mediaconvert:us-west-2:111122223333:queues/Default"
    },
```

```
"responseElements": {
        "job": {
            "arn": "arn:aws:mediaconvert:us-west-2:111122223333:jobs/1712252725875-
defhgi",
            "id": "1712252725875-defhgi",
            "createdAt": 1712252726,
            "queue": "arn:aws:mediaconvert:us-west-2:111122223333:queues/Default",
            "role": "arn:aws:iam::111122223333:role/service-role/
MediaConvert_Default_Role",
            "settings": {...},
            "status": "SUBMITTED",
            "timing": {
                "submitTime": 1712252726
            },
            "billingTagsSource": "JOB",
            "accelerationSettings": {
                "mode": "DISABLED"
            },
            "statusUpdateInterval": "SECONDS_60",
            "priority": 0,
            "accelerationStatus": "NOT_APPLICABLE",
            "messages": {
                "info": [],
                "warning": []
            },
            "clientRequestToken": "1712252705233-abcDEF"
        }
    },
    "requestID": "1234abcd-12ab-34cd-56ef-1234567890ab",
    "eventID": "0987dcba-09fe-87dc-65ba-ab0987654321",
    "readOnly": false,
    "eventType": "AwsApiCall",
    "managementEvent": true,
    "recipientAccountId": "111122223333",
    "eventCategory": "Management"
}
```

#### Example event: CreateQueue

```
{
    "eventVersion": "1.05",
    "userIdentity": {
        "type": "IAMUser",
```

```
"principalId": "AKIAIOSFODNN7EXAMPLE",
       "arn": "arn:aws:iam::111122223333:user/testuser",
       "accountId": "111122223333",
       "accessKeyId": "AKIAIOSFODNN7EXAMPLE",
       "userName": "testUser",
       "sessionContext": {
           "attributes": {
               "mfaAuthenticated": "false",
               "creationDate": "2018-07-10T14:01:57Z"
           }
       },
       "invokedBy": "signin.amazonaws.com"
   },
   "eventTime": "2018-07-10T16:49:13Z",
   "eventSource": "mediaconvert.amazonaws.com",
   "eventName": "CreateQueue",
   "awsRegion": "eu-west-1",
   "sourceIPAddress": "203.0.113.100",
   "userAgent": "Mozilla/5.0 (Windows NT 10.0; Win64; x64) AppleWebKit/537.36 (KHTML,
like Gecko) Chrome/67.0.3396.99 Safari/537.36",
   "requestParameters": {
       "name": "QueueName",
       "description": "Example queue description.",
       "tags": {}
   },
   "responseElements": {
       "queue": {
           "arn": "arn:aws:mediaconvert:eu-west-1:111122223333:queues/QueueName",
           "createdAt": 1531241353,
           "lastUpdated": 1531241353,
           "type": "CUSTOM",
           "status": "ACTIVE",
           "description": "",
           "name": "QueueName",
           "submittedJobsCount": 0,
           "progressingJobsCount": 0
       }
   },
   "requestID": "1234abcd-12ab-34cd-56ef-1234567890ab",
   "eventID": "0987dcba-09fe-87dc-65ba-ab0987654321",
   "readOnly": false,
   "eventType": "AwsApiCall",
   "recipientAccountId": "111122223333"
```

}

#### Example event: DeleteQueue

```
{
    "eventVersion": "1.05",
    "userIdentity": {
        "type": "IAMUser",
        "principalId": "AKIAIOSFODNN7EXAMPLE",
        "arn": "arn:aws:iam::111122223333:user/testuser",
        "accountId": "111122223333",
        "accessKeyId": "AKIAIOSFODNN7EXAMPLE",
        "userName": "testuser",
        "sessionContext": {
            "attributes": {
                "mfaAuthenticated": "false",
                "creationDate": "2018-07-10T14:01:57Z"
            }
        },
        "invokedBy": "signin.amazonaws.com"
    },
    "eventTime": "2018-07-10T15:36:29Z",
    "eventSource": "mediaconvert.amazonaws.com",
    "eventName": "DeleteQueue",
    "awsRegion": "eu-west-1",
    "sourceIPAddress": "203.0.113.100",
    "userAgent": "Mozilla/5.0 (Windows NT 10.0; Win64; x64) AppleWebKit/537.36 (KHTML,
 like Gecko) Chrome/67.0.3396.99 Safari/537.36",
    "requestParameters": {
        "name": "QueueName"
    },
    "responseElements": null,
    "requestID": "1234abcd-12ab-34cd-56ef-1234567890ab",
    "eventID": "0987dcba-09fe-87dc-65ba-ab0987654321",
    "readOnly": false,
    "eventType": "AwsApiCall",
    "recipientAccountId": "111122223333"
}
```

#### Example event: TagResource

{

```
"eventVersion": "1.05",
```

```
"userIdentity": {
        "type": "IAMUser",
        "principalId": "AKIAIOSFODNN7EXAMPLE",
        "arn": "arn:aws:iam::111122223333:user/testuser",
        "accountId": "111122223333",
        "accessKeyId": "AKIAIOSFODNN7EXAMPLE",
        "userName": "testuser"
    },
    "eventTime": "2018-07-10T18:44:27Z",
    "eventSource": "mediaconvert.amazonaws.com",
    "eventName": "TagResource",
    "awsRegion": "eu-west-1",
    "sourceIPAddress": "203.0.113.100",
    "userAgent": "Mozilla/5.0 (Windows NT 10.0; Win64; x64) AppleWebKit/537.36 (KHTML,
 like Gecko) Chrome/67.0.3396.99 Safari/537.36",
    "requestParameters": {
        "arn": "arn:aws:mediaconvert:eu-west-1:111122223333:queues/ExampleQueue",
        "Tags": {
            "CostCenter": "Example-Tag"
        }
    },
    "responseElements": null,
    "requestID": "1234abcd-12ab-34cd-56ef-1234567890ab",
    "eventID": "0987dcba-09fe-87dc-65ba-ab0987654321",
    "readOnly": false,
    "eventType": "AwsApiCall",
    "recipientAccountId": "111122223333"
}
```

# **Tagging AWS Elemental MediaConvert resources**

A *tag* is a label that you assign or that AWS assigns to an AWS resource. Each tag consists of a *key* and a *value*. For tags that you assign, you define the key and value. For example, you might define the key as "stage" and the value as "test." Tags help you to identify and organize your AWS resources. Tags that you assign to AWS Elemental MediaConvert jobs, job templates, queues, and presets are integrated with tags across AWS services.

Popular use cases for these tags are as follows:

- You can activate these tags on the AWS Billing and Cost Management dashboard, and then set up a monthly cost allocation report. For more information, see <u>Setting up resources for cost</u> <u>allocation through tagging</u>.
- You can allow or deny resource-level access to your resources using AWS Identity and Access Management (IAM). For more information, see <u>Controlling access to AWS resources using</u> resource tags in the *IAM User Guide*.

#### Topics

- <u>Setting up AWS Elemental MediaConvert resources for cost allocation through tagging</u>
- Adding tags when you create an AWS Elemental MediaConvert resource
- Adding tags to an existing AWS Elemental MediaConvert resource
- Viewing tags on an AWS Elemental MediaConvert resource
- Editing tags on an AWS Elemental MediaConvert resource
- Removing tags from an AWS Elemental MediaConvert resource
- <u>Restrictions for tags on AWS Elemental MediaConvert resources</u>
- Using metadata tags with AWS Elemental MediaConvert jobs

# Setting up AWS Elemental MediaConvert resources for cost allocation through tagging

For all outputs that you produce using an on-demand queue, you can use the AWS Billing and Cost Management dashboard to set up a monthly cost allocation report. This report shows what AWS charges you for transcoding, sorted by resource. You can set up your jobs so that your job outputs are sorted by tags on the job or on a resource that you use to create the job. That is, you can sort your bill by the tags that you put on the job, on the queue that you submit the job to, on the job template that you create the job from, or on the output presets that you use to set up the individual outputs of the job.

## To set up cost allocation through tagging for your AWS Elemental MediaConvert charges

- 1. Tag the resources that you intend to sort your bill by. For instructions, see the other topics in this chapter.
- 2. Create your transcoding jobs, specifying how you want your costs allocated as follows:
  - a. On the **Create job** page, in the **Job** pane on the left, under **Job settings**, choose **AWS integration**.
  - In the Job settings section on the right, under AWS integration, for Billing tag source, choose which tags you want to use to sort the job's outputs. You can choose to sort by tags on a resource that you use to create the job—job template, output preset, or queue. Or you can choose Job to sort by the tags on the job itself.

## 🚺 Note

Jobs, and the tags on them, persist for only 90 days. If your workflow references tags over longer periods of time, use tags on the queue, job template, or output preset rather than tags on the job.

- 3. Activate these tags on the AWS Billing and Cost Management dashboard. For more information, see <u>Activating user-defined cost allocation tags</u> in the *Billing and Cost Management User Guide*.
- 4. Set up your report. For more information, see <u>Monthly cost allocation report</u> in the *Billing and Cost Management User Guide*.

# Adding tags when you create an AWS Elemental MediaConvert resource

The following procedures show you how to add tags to your MediaConvert queues, job templates, and output presets when you create them.

# Topics

# Adding tags when creating a resource (console)

You can add tags when you create a queue, job template, or output preset.

#### To add tags when you create a queue, job template, or output preset (console)

- 1. Follow the steps in one of the following procedures to begin creating the resource, but don't save the resource:
  - Tutorial: Configuring job settings
  - Creating a queue
  - Creating a template
  - Creating a preset
  - Creating a preset, based on a system preset
- 2. Find the Tags section in the relevant location:
  - For jobs on the Create job page, after you choose Settings from the Job section on the left
  - For queues at the bottom of the Create queue page
  - For output presets at the bottom of the Create preset page
  - For job templates at the bottom of the Create job template page, after you choose
     Settings from the Job section on the left
- 3. In the **Tags** section, choose **Add**.
- 4. For **Tag key**, enter a name for the tag. For **Tag value**, enter a value for the tag.
- 5. Choose **Create** to save the new resource with its tags.

# Adding tags when creating a resource (API and AWS CLI)

When you create a job, job template, output preset, or queue using the AWS Elemental MediaConvert API or the AWS CLI, submit your JSON specification for the resource as usual. Include tags as shown in the following JSON example, in tags:

```
{
    "name": "Job Template Test with Resource Tags",
    "description": "Job Template Test",
    "tags":{
        "Company": "Banana",
        "Stage": "Production"
```

},
"settings":{

# Adding tags to an existing AWS Elemental MediaConvert resource

The following procedure shows you how to add tags to existing job templates, output presets, or queues using the AWS Elemental MediaConvert console. You can't use the console to add tags to existing jobs.

For information about adding tags using the API, see the POST method in the <u>Tags</u> endpoint section of the *MediaConvert API Reference*.

#### 🚯 Note

Tags on your MediaConvert resources don't appear in the JSON response to a GET request on the resource. Instead, send a GET request to the Tags endpoint. If you send your request directly to the API, rather than using an SDK, you must URL encode the resource ARN.

## To add tags to job templates, output presets, and queues (console)

- 1. Open the MediaConvert console at https://console.aws.amazon.com/mediaconvert.
- 2. Choose the three-bar icon on the left to access the left navigation pane.
- 3. Choose Output presets, Job templates, or Queues.
- 4. Choose the name of the specific resource that you want to add a tag to.
- 5. Choose the **Update**, **Edit queue**, or **Update preset** button in the upper right.
- 6. In the **Tags** section at the bottom of the page, choose **Add**.
- 7. For **Tag key**, enter a name for the tag. For **Tag value**, enter a value for the tag.
- 8. Choose Save.

# Viewing tags on an AWS Elemental MediaConvert resource

The following procedure shows you how to view tags on existing queues, job templates, and output presets using the AWS Elemental MediaConvert console.

To do this using the API, see the GET method in the <u>Tags arn</u> endpoint section of the *MediaConvert API Reference*. If you send your request directly to the API, rather than using an SDK, you must URL encode the resource ARN.

### To view tags for queues, job templates, and output presets (console)

- 1. Open the MediaConvert console at https://console.aws.amazon.com/mediaconvert.
- 2. Choose the three-bar icon on the left to access the left navigation pane.
- 3. Choose Job templates, Output presets, or Queues.
- 4. Choose the name of the specific resource that has tags that you want to view.
- 5. View the tags for the resource in the **Tags** section at the bottom of the page.

# Editing tags on an AWS Elemental MediaConvert resource

The following procedure shows you how to edit tags on existing job templates, output presets, and queues using the AWS Elemental MediaConvert console. You can't edit tags on existing jobs.

To do this using the API, see the POST method in the <u>Tags</u> endpoint section of the *MediaConvert API Reference*.

## To edit tags for job templates, output presets, and queues (console)

- 1. Open the MediaConvert console at https://console.aws.amazon.com/mediaconvert.
- 2. Choose the three-bar icon on the left to access the left navigation pane.
- 3. Choose Job templates, Output presets, or Queues.
- 4. Choose the name of the specific resource that has tags that you want to change.
- 5. Choose the **Update**, **Edit queue**, or **Update preset** button in the upper right.
- 6. In the **Tags** section at the bottom of the page, edit any values for **Tag key** and **Tag values** that you want to change.
- 7. Choose Save.

# Removing tags from an AWS Elemental MediaConvert resource

The following procedure shows you how to remove tags from existing job templates, output presets, and queues using the AWS Elemental MediaConvert console.

To do this using the API, see the PUT method in the <u>Tags</u> endpoint section of the *MediaConvert API Reference*.

## To remove tags from a job template, output preset, or queue (console)

- 1. Open the MediaConvert console at https://console.aws.amazon.com/mediaconvert.
- 2. Choose the three-bar icon on the left to access the left navigation pane.
- 3. Choose Job templates, Output presets, or Queues.
- 4. Choose the name of the specific resource that has tags that you want to change.
- 5. Choose the **Update**, **Edit queue**, or **Update preset** button in the upper right.
- 6. Next to any tag that you want to delete, choose **Remove**.
- 7. Choose Save.

# **Restrictions for tags on AWS Elemental MediaConvert resources**

The following basic restrictions apply to tags:

- Maximum number of tags per resource 50.
- Maximum Key length 128 Unicode characters.
- Maximum Value length 256 Unicode characters.
- Valid values for Key and Value Uppercase and lowercase letters in the UTF-8 character set, numbers, space, and the following characters: \_ . : / = + and @.
- Tag keys and values are case sensitive.
- Don't use the aws: prefix for either keys or values. It's reserved for AWS use.

# Using metadata tags with AWS Elemental MediaConvert jobs

Unless you have existing integrations or workflows that rely on metadata (userMetadata) tags, we recommend that you use standard AWS tags for both automatic integration with AWS services and for custom integrations and workflows. For more information, see <u>Tagging AWS Elemental</u> <u>MediaConvert resources</u>.

A *tag* is a label that you assign or that AWS assigns to an AWS resource. Each tag consists of a *key* and a *value*. For tags that you assign, you define the key and value. For example, you might define the key as "stage" and the value as "test." Tags help you to identify and organize your AWS

resources. Metadata tags that you assign to AWS Elemental MediaConvert jobs appear in Amazon EventBridge notifications.

You add metadata tags to jobs in one of the following ways:

- Through the MediaConvert console on the **Job settings** page, in the **Metadata** pane.
- Through the MediaConvert API in your job settings JSON payload. Include tags as shown in the following JSON snippet, in userMetadata. For more information, see the <u>Jobs</u> endpoint section of the *MediaConvert API Reference*.

```
{
    "name": "Job Template Test with Resource Tags",
    "description": "Job Template Test",
    "userMetadata":{
        "Company": "Banana",
        "Stage": "Production"
    },
    "settings":{
}
```

# AWS Elemental MediaConvert job tag restrictions

The following basic restrictions apply to tags on jobs:

- Maximum number of tags per job 10.
- Maximum Key length 128 Unicode characters.
- Maximum Value length 256 Unicode characters.
- Valid values for Key and Value Uppercase and lowercase Unicode letters in any language, numbers, space, and the following characters: \_ . : / = + - and @.
- Tag keys and values are case sensitive.
- Don't use the aws: prefix for either keys or values. It's reserved for AWS use.

# Security in AWS Elemental MediaConvert

Cloud security at AWS is the highest priority. As an AWS customer, you benefit from a data center and network architecture that is built to meet the requirements of the most security-sensitive organizations.

Security is a shared responsibility between AWS and you. The <u>shared responsibility model</u> describes this as security *of* the cloud and security *in* the cloud:

- Security of the cloud AWS is responsible for protecting the infrastructure that runs AWS services in the AWS Cloud. AWS also provides you with services that you can use securely. Third-party auditors regularly test and verify the effectiveness of our security as part of the <u>AWS</u> <u>compliance programs</u>. To learn about the compliance programs that apply to AWS Elemental MediaConvert, see AWS Services in scope by compliance program.
- Security in the cloud Your responsibility is determined by the AWS service that you use. You are also responsible for other factors including the sensitivity of your data, your company's requirements, and applicable laws and regulations.

This documentation helps you understand how to apply the shared responsibility model when using MediaConvert. The following topics show you how to configure MediaConvert to meet your security and compliance objectives. You also learn how to use other AWS services that help you to monitor and secure your MediaConvert resources.

# Topics

- General AWS data protection
- Identity and Access Management for AWS Elemental MediaConvert
- Setting up access for other AWS accounts to your AWS Elemental MediaConvert outputs
- How to allow or disallow input location types
- <u>Compliance validation for AWS Elemental MediaConvert</u>
- <u>Resilience in AWS Elemental MediaConvert</u>
- Infrastructure security in AWS Elemental MediaConvert

# **General AWS data protection**

The AWS <u>shared responsibility model</u> applies to data protection in AWS Elemental MediaConvert. As described in this model, AWS is responsible for protecting the global infrastructure that runs all of the AWS Cloud. You are responsible for maintaining control over your content that is hosted on this infrastructure. You are also responsible for the security configuration and management tasks for the AWS services that you use. For more information about data privacy, see the <u>Data Privacy</u> <u>FAQ</u>. For information about data protection in Europe, see the <u>AWS Shared Responsibility Model</u> and <u>GDPR</u> blog post on the *AWS Security Blog*.

For data protection purposes, we recommend that you protect AWS account credentials and set up individual users with AWS IAM Identity Center or AWS Identity and Access Management (IAM). That way, each user is given only the permissions necessary to fulfill their job duties. We also recommend that you secure your data in the following ways:

- Use multi-factor authentication (MFA) with each account.
- Use SSL/TLS to communicate with AWS resources. We require TLS 1.2 and recommend TLS 1.3.
- Set up API and user activity logging with AWS CloudTrail. For information about using CloudTrail trails to capture AWS activities, see <u>Working with CloudTrail trails</u> in the AWS CloudTrail User Guide.
- Use AWS encryption solutions, along with all default security controls within AWS services.
- Use advanced managed security services such as Amazon Macie, which assists in discovering and securing sensitive data that is stored in Amazon S3.
- If you require FIPS 140-3 validated cryptographic modules when accessing AWS through a command line interface or an API, use a FIPS endpoint. For more information about the available FIPS endpoints, see Federal Information Processing Standard (FIPS) 140-3.

We strongly recommend that you never put confidential or sensitive information, such as your customers' email addresses, into tags or free-form text fields such as a **Name** field. This includes when you work with MediaConvert or other AWS services using the console, API, AWS CLI, or AWS SDKs. Any data that you enter into tags or free-form text fields used for names may be used for billing or diagnostic logs. If you provide a URL to an external server, we strongly recommend that you do not include credentials information in the URL to validate your request to that server.

## Identity and Access Management for AWS Elemental MediaConvert

AWS Identity and Access Management (IAM) is an AWS service that helps an administrator securely control access to AWS resources. IAM administrators control who can be *authenticated* (signed in) and *authorized* (have permissions) to use MediaConvert resources. IAM is an AWS service that you can use with no additional charge.

#### Topics

- <u>Audience</u>
- Authenticating with identities
- Managing access using policies
- How AWS Elemental MediaConvert works with IAM
- Identity-based policy examples for AWS Elemental MediaConvert
- <u>Cross-service confused deputy prevention</u>
- Troubleshooting AWS Elemental MediaConvert identity and access

## Audience

How you use AWS Identity and Access Management (IAM) differs, depending on the work that you do in MediaConvert.

**Service user** – If you use the MediaConvert service to do your job, then your administrator provides you with the credentials and permissions that you need. As you use more MediaConvert features to do your work, you might need additional permissions. Understanding how access is managed can help you request the right permissions from your administrator. If you cannot access a feature in MediaConvert, see Troubleshooting AWS Elemental MediaConvert identity and access.

**Service administrator** – If you're in charge of MediaConvert resources at your company, you probably have full access to MediaConvert. It's your job to determine which MediaConvert features and resources your service users should access. You must then submit requests to your IAM administrator to change the permissions of your service users. Review the information on this page to understand the basic concepts of IAM. To learn more about how your company can use IAM with MediaConvert, see How AWS Elemental MediaConvert works with IAM.

**IAM administrator** – If you're an IAM administrator, you might want to learn details about how you can write policies to manage access to MediaConvert. To view example MediaConvert identity-based policies that you can use in IAM, see <u>Identity-based policy examples for AWS Elemental</u> MediaConvert.

## Authenticating with identities

Authentication is how you sign in to AWS using your identity credentials. You must be *authenticated* (signed in to AWS) as the AWS account root user, as an IAM user, or by assuming an IAM role.

You can sign in to AWS as a federated identity by using credentials provided through an identity source. AWS IAM Identity Center (IAM Identity Center) users, your company's single sign-on authentication, and your Google or Facebook credentials are examples of federated identities. When you sign in as a federated identity, your administrator previously set up identity federation using IAM roles. When you access AWS by using federation, you are indirectly assuming a role.

Depending on the type of user you are, you can sign in to the AWS Management Console or the AWS access portal. For more information about signing in to AWS, see <u>How to sign in to your AWS</u> <u>account</u> in the AWS Sign-In User Guide.

If you access AWS programmatically, AWS provides a software development kit (SDK) and a command line interface (CLI) to cryptographically sign your requests by using your credentials. If you don't use AWS tools, you must sign requests yourself. For more information about using the recommended method to sign requests yourself, see <u>AWS Signature Version 4 for API requests</u> in the *IAM User Guide*.

Regardless of the authentication method that you use, you might be required to provide additional security information. For example, AWS recommends that you use multi-factor authentication (MFA) to increase the security of your account. To learn more, see <u>Multi-factor authentication</u> in the *AWS IAM Identity Center User Guide* and <u>AWS Multi-factor authentication in IAM</u> in the *IAM User Guide*.

#### AWS account root user

When you create an AWS account, you begin with one sign-in identity that has complete access to all AWS services and resources in the account. This identity is called the AWS account *root user* and is accessed by signing in with the email address and password that you used to create the account. We strongly recommend that you don't use the root user for your everyday tasks. Safeguard your

root user credentials and use them to perform the tasks that only the root user can perform. For the complete list of tasks that require you to sign in as the root user, see <u>Tasks that require root</u> user credentials in the *IAM User Guide*.

#### **Federated identity**

As a best practice, require human users, including users that require administrator access, to use federation with an identity provider to access AWS services by using temporary credentials.

A *federated identity* is a user from your enterprise user directory, a web identity provider, the AWS Directory Service, the Identity Center directory, or any user that accesses AWS services by using credentials provided through an identity source. When federated identities access AWS accounts, they assume roles, and the roles provide temporary credentials.

For centralized access management, we recommend that you use AWS IAM Identity Center. You can create users and groups in IAM Identity Center, or you can connect and synchronize to a set of users and groups in your own identity source for use across all your AWS accounts and applications. For information about IAM Identity Center, see <u>What is IAM Identity Center?</u> in the AWS IAM Identity Center User Guide.

#### IAM users and groups

An <u>IAM user</u> is an identity within your AWS account that has specific permissions for a single person or application. Where possible, we recommend relying on temporary credentials instead of creating IAM users who have long-term credentials such as passwords and access keys. However, if you have specific use cases that require long-term credentials with IAM users, we recommend that you rotate access keys. For more information, see <u>Rotate access keys regularly for use cases that require long-</u> term credentials in the *IAM User Guide*.

An <u>IAM group</u> is an identity that specifies a collection of IAM users. You can't sign in as a group. You can use groups to specify permissions for multiple users at a time. Groups make permissions easier to manage for large sets of users. For example, you could have a group named *IAMAdmins* and give that group permissions to administer IAM resources.

Users are different from roles. A user is uniquely associated with one person or application, but a role is intended to be assumable by anyone who needs it. Users have permanent long-term credentials, but roles provide temporary credentials. To learn more, see <u>Use cases for IAM users</u> in the *IAM User Guide*.

#### IAM roles

An <u>IAM role</u> is an identity within your AWS account that has specific permissions. It is similar to an IAM user, but is not associated with a specific person. To temporarily assume an IAM role in the AWS Management Console, you can <u>switch from a user to an IAM role (console)</u>. You can assume a role by calling an AWS CLI or AWS API operation or by using a custom URL. For more information about methods for using roles, see <u>Methods to assume a role</u> in the *IAM User Guide*.

IAM roles with temporary credentials are useful in the following situations:

- Federated user access To assign permissions to a federated identity, you create a role and define permissions for the role. When a federated identity authenticates, the identity is associated with the role and is granted the permissions that are defined by the role. For information about roles for federation, see <u>Create a role for a third-party identity provider</u> (federation) in the *IAM User Guide*. If you use IAM Identity Center, you configure a permission set. To control what your identities can access after they authenticate, IAM Identity Center correlates the permission set to a role in IAM. For information about permissions sets, see <u>Permission sets</u> in the *AWS IAM Identity Center User Guide*.
- **Temporary IAM user permissions** An IAM user or role can assume an IAM role to temporarily take on different permissions for a specific task.
- Cross-account access You can use an IAM role to allow someone (a trusted principal) in a different account to access resources in your account. Roles are the primary way to grant crossaccount access. However, with some AWS services, you can attach a policy directly to a resource (instead of using a role as a proxy). To learn the difference between roles and resource-based policies for cross-account access, see Cross account resource access in IAM in the IAM User Guide.
- **Cross-service access** Some AWS services use features in other AWS services. For example, when you make a call in a service, it's common for that service to run applications in Amazon EC2 or store objects in Amazon S3. A service might do this using the calling principal's permissions, using a service role, or using a service-linked role.
  - Forward access sessions (FAS) When you use an IAM user or role to perform actions in AWS, you are considered a principal. When you use some services, you might perform an action that then initiates another action in a different service. FAS uses the permissions of the principal calling an AWS service, combined with the requesting AWS service to make requests to downstream services. FAS requests are only made when a service receives a request that requires interactions with other AWS services or resources to complete. In this case, you must have permissions to perform both actions. For policy details when making FAS requests, see Forward access sessions.

- Service role A service role is an <u>IAM role</u> that a service assumes to perform actions on your behalf. An IAM administrator can create, modify, and delete a service role from within IAM. For more information, see <u>Create a role to delegate permissions to an AWS service</u> in the *IAM User Guide*.
- Service-linked role A service-linked role is a type of service role that is linked to an AWS service. The service can assume the role to perform an action on your behalf. Service-linked roles appear in your AWS account and are owned by the service. An IAM administrator can view, but not edit the permissions for service-linked roles.
- Applications running on Amazon EC2 You can use an IAM role to manage temporary credentials for applications that are running on an EC2 instance and making AWS CLI or AWS API requests. This is preferable to storing access keys within the EC2 instance. To assign an AWS role to an EC2 instance and make it available to all of its applications, you create an instance profile that is attached to the instance. An instance profile contains the role and enables programs that are running on the EC2 instance to get temporary credentials. For more information, see Use an IAM role to grant permissions to applications running on Amazon EC2 instances in the IAM User Guide.

## Managing access using policies

You control access in AWS by creating policies and attaching them to AWS identities or resources. A policy is an object in AWS that, when associated with an identity or resource, defines their permissions. AWS evaluates these policies when a principal (user, root user, or role session) makes a request. Permissions in the policies determine whether the request is allowed or denied. Most policies are stored in AWS as JSON documents. For more information about the structure and contents of JSON policy documents, see <u>Overview of JSON policies</u> in the *IAM User Guide*.

Administrators can use AWS JSON policies to specify who has access to what. That is, which **principal** can perform **actions** on what **resources**, and under what **conditions**.

By default, users and roles have no permissions. To grant users permission to perform actions on the resources that they need, an IAM administrator can create IAM policies. The administrator can then add the IAM policies to roles, and users can assume the roles.

IAM policies define permissions for an action regardless of the method that you use to perform the operation. For example, suppose that you have a policy that allows the iam:GetRole action. A user with that policy can get role information from the AWS Management Console, the AWS CLI, or the AWS API.

#### **Identity-based policies**

Identity-based policies are JSON permissions policy documents that you can attach to an identity, such as an IAM user, group of users, or role. These policies control what actions users and roles can perform, on which resources, and under what conditions. To learn how to create an identity-based policy, see Define custom IAM permissions with customer managed policies in the *IAM User Guide*.

Identity-based policies can be further categorized as *inline policies* or *managed policies*. Inline policies are embedded directly into a single user, group, or role. Managed policies are standalone policies that you can attach to multiple users, groups, and roles in your AWS account. Managed policies include AWS managed policies and customer managed policies. To learn how to choose between a managed policy or an inline policy, see <u>Choose between managed policies and inline policies</u> in the *IAM User Guide*.

#### **Resource-based policies**

Resource-based policies are JSON policy documents that you attach to a resource. Examples of resource-based policies are IAM *role trust policies* and Amazon S3 *bucket policies*. In services that support resource-based policies, service administrators can use them to control access to a specific resource. For the resource where the policy is attached, the policy defines what actions a specified principal can perform on that resource and under what conditions. You must <u>specify a principal</u> in a resource-based policy. Principals can include accounts, users, roles, federated users, or AWS services.

Resource-based policies are inline policies that are located in that service. You can't use AWS managed policies from IAM in a resource-based policy.

#### Access control lists (ACLs)

Access control lists (ACLs) control which principals (account members, users, or roles) have permissions to access a resource. ACLs are similar to resource-based policies, although they do not use the JSON policy document format.

Amazon S3, AWS WAF, and Amazon VPC are examples of services that support ACLs. To learn more about ACLs, see <u>Access control list (ACL) overview</u> in the *Amazon Simple Storage Service Developer Guide*.

#### Other policy types

AWS supports additional, less-common policy types. These policy types can set the maximum permissions granted to you by the more common policy types.

- Permissions boundaries A permissions boundary is an advanced feature in which you set the maximum permissions that an identity-based policy can grant to an IAM entity (IAM user or role). You can set a permissions boundary for an entity. The resulting permissions are the intersection of an entity's identity-based policies and its permissions boundaries. Resource-based policies that specify the user or role in the Principal field are not limited by the permissions boundary. An explicit deny in any of these policies overrides the allow. For more information about permissions boundaries, see <u>Permissions boundaries for IAM entities</u> in the *IAM User Guide*.
- Service control policies (SCPs) SCPs are JSON policies that specify the maximum permissions for an organization or organizational unit (OU) in AWS Organizations. AWS Organizations is a service for grouping and centrally managing multiple AWS accounts that your business owns. If you enable all features in an organization, then you can apply service control policies (SCPs) to any or all of your accounts. The SCP limits permissions for entities in member accounts, including each AWS account root user. For more information about Organizations and SCPs, see <u>Service</u> <u>control policies</u> in the AWS Organizations User Guide.
- Resource control policies (RCPs) RCPs are JSON policies that you can use to set the maximum available permissions for resources in your accounts without updating the IAM policies attached to each resource that you own. The RCP limits permissions for resources in member accounts and can impact the effective permissions for identities, including the AWS account root user, regardless of whether they belong to your organization. For more information about Organizations and RCPs, including a list of AWS services that support RCPs, see <u>Resource control policies (RCPs)</u> in the AWS Organizations User Guide.
- Session policies Session policies are advanced policies that you pass as a parameter when you
  programmatically create a temporary session for a role or federated user. The resulting session's
  permissions are the intersection of the user or role's identity-based policies and the session
  policies. Permissions can also come from a resource-based policy. An explicit deny in any of these
  policies overrides the allow. For more information, see <u>Session policies</u> in the *IAM User Guide*.

#### **Multiple policy types**

When multiple types of policies apply to a request, the resulting permissions are more complicated to understand. To learn how AWS determines whether to allow a request when multiple policy types are involved, see Policy evaluation logic in the *IAM User Guide*.

#### How AWS Elemental MediaConvert works with IAM

Before you use IAM to manage access to MediaConvert, learn what IAM features are available to use with MediaConvert.

#### IAM features you can use with AWS Elemental MediaConvert

IAM feature	MediaConvert support
Identity-based policies	Yes
Resource-based policies	No
Policy actions	Yes
Policy resources	Yes
Policy condition keys (service-specific)	Yes
ACLs	No
ABAC (tags in policies)	Partial
Temporary credentials	Yes
Forward access sessions (FAS)	Yes
Service roles	Yes
Service-linked roles	No

To get a high-level view of how MediaConvert and other AWS services work with most IAM features, see <u>AWS services that work with IAM</u> in the *IAM User Guide*.

#### Identity-based policies for MediaConvert

#### Supports identity-based policies: Yes

Identity-based policies are JSON permissions policy documents that you can attach to an identity, such as an IAM user, group of users, or role. These policies control what actions users and roles can perform, on which resources, and under what conditions. To learn how to create an identity-based policy, see Define custom IAM permissions with customer managed policies in the *IAM User Guide*.

With IAM identity-based policies, you can specify allowed or denied actions and resources as well as the conditions under which actions are allowed or denied. You can't specify the principal in an identity-based policy because it applies to the user or role to which it is attached. To learn about all of the elements that you can use in a JSON policy, see <u>IAM JSON policy elements reference</u> in the *IAM User Guide*.

#### Identity-based policy examples for MediaConvert

To view examples of MediaConvert identity-based policies, see <u>Identity-based policy examples for</u> <u>AWS Elemental MediaConvert</u>.

#### **Resource-based policies within MediaConvert**

#### Supports resource-based policies: No

Resource-based policies are JSON policy documents that you attach to a resource. Examples of resource-based policies are IAM *role trust policies* and Amazon S3 *bucket policies*. In services that support resource-based policies, service administrators can use them to control access to a specific resource. For the resource where the policy is attached, the policy defines what actions a specified principal can perform on that resource and under what conditions. You must <u>specify a principal</u> in a resource-based policy. Principals can include accounts, users, roles, federated users, or AWS services.

To enable cross-account access, you can specify an entire account or IAM entities in another account as the principal in a resource-based policy. Adding a cross-account principal to a resource-based policy is only half of establishing the trust relationship. When the principal and the resource are in different AWS accounts, an IAM administrator in the trusted account must also grant the principal entity (user or role) permission to access the resource. They grant permission by attaching an identity-based policy to the entity. However, if a resource-based policy grants access to a principal in the same account, no additional identity-based policy is required. For more information, see Cross account resource access in IAM in the *IAM User Guide*.

#### Policy actions for MediaConvert

#### Supports policy actions: Yes

Administrators can use AWS JSON policies to specify who has access to what. That is, which **principal** can perform **actions** on what **resources**, and under what **conditions**.

The Action element of a JSON policy describes the actions that you can use to allow or deny access in a policy. Policy actions usually have the same name as the associated AWS API operation. There are some exceptions, such as *permission-only actions* that don't have a matching API operation. There are also some operations that require multiple actions in a policy. These additional actions are called *dependent actions*.

Include actions in a policy to grant permissions to perform the associated operation.

To see a list of MediaConvert actions, see <u>Actions defined by AWS Elemental MediaConvert</u> in the *Service Authorization Reference*.

Policy actions in MediaConvert use the following prefix before the action:

```
MediaConvert
```

To specify multiple actions in a single statement, separate them with commas.

```
"Action": [
"MediaConvert:action1",
"MediaConvert:action2"
]
```

To view examples of MediaConvert identity-based policies, see <u>Identity-based policy examples for</u> <u>AWS Elemental MediaConvert</u>.

#### Policy resources for MediaConvert

#### Supports policy resources: Yes

Administrators can use AWS JSON policies to specify who has access to what. That is, which **principal** can perform **actions** on what **resources**, and under what **conditions**.

The Resource JSON policy element specifies the object or objects to which the action applies. Statements must include either a Resource or a NotResource element. As a best practice, specify a resource using its <u>Amazon Resource Name (ARN)</u>. You can do this for actions that support a specific resource type, known as *resource-level permissions*.

For actions that don't support resource-level permissions, such as listing operations, use a wildcard (\*) to indicate that the statement applies to all resources.

"Resource": "\*"

To see a list of MediaConvert resource types and their ARNs, see <u>Resources defined by AWS</u> <u>Elemental MediaConvert</u> in the *Service Authorization Reference*. To learn with which actions you can specify the ARN of each resource, see <u>Actions defined by AWS Elemental MediaConvert</u>.

To view examples of MediaConvert identity-based policies, see <u>Identity-based policy examples for</u> <u>AWS Elemental MediaConvert</u>.

#### Policy condition keys for MediaConvert

#### Supports service-specific policy condition keys: Yes

Administrators can use AWS JSON policies to specify who has access to what. That is, which **principal** can perform **actions** on what **resources**, and under what **conditions**.

The Condition element (or Condition *block*) lets you specify conditions in which a statement is in effect. The Condition element is optional. You can create conditional expressions that use <u>condition operators</u>, such as equals or less than, to match the condition in the policy with values in the request.

If you specify multiple Condition elements in a statement, or multiple keys in a single Condition element, AWS evaluates them using a logical AND operation. If you specify multiple values for a single condition key, AWS evaluates the condition using a logical OR operation. All of the conditions must be met before the statement's permissions are granted.

You can also use placeholder variables when you specify conditions. For example, you can grant an IAM user permission to access a resource only if it is tagged with their IAM user name. For more information, see IAM policy elements: variables and tags in the *IAM User Guide*. AWS supports global condition keys and service-specific condition keys. To see all AWS global condition keys, see <u>AWS global condition context keys</u> in the *IAM User Guide*.

To see a list of MediaConvert condition keys, see <u>Condition keys for AWS Elemental MediaConvert</u> in the *Service Authorization Reference*. To learn with which actions and resources you can use a condition key, see <u>Actions defined by AWS Elemental MediaConvert</u>.

To view examples of MediaConvert identity-based policies, see <u>Identity-based policy examples for</u> <u>AWS Elemental MediaConvert</u>.

#### ACLs in MediaConvert

#### Supports ACLs: No

Access control lists (ACLs) control which principals (account members, users, or roles) have permissions to access a resource. ACLs are similar to resource-based policies, although they do not use the JSON policy document format.

#### ABAC with MediaConvert

#### Supports ABAC (tags in policies): Partial

Attribute-based access control (ABAC) is an authorization strategy that defines permissions based on attributes. In AWS, these attributes are called *tags*. You can attach tags to IAM entities (users or roles) and to many AWS resources. Tagging entities and resources is the first step of ABAC. Then you design ABAC policies to allow operations when the principal's tag matches the tag on the resource that they are trying to access.

ABAC is helpful in environments that are growing rapidly and helps with situations where policy management becomes cumbersome.

To control access based on tags, you provide tag information in the <u>condition element</u> of a policy using the aws:ResourceTag/key-name, aws:RequestTag/key-name, or aws:TagKeys condition keys.

If a service supports all three condition keys for every resource type, then the value is **Yes** for the service. If a service supports all three condition keys for only some resource types, then the value is **Partial**.

For more information about ABAC, see <u>Define permissions with ABAC authorization</u> in the *IAM User Guide*. To view a tutorial with steps for setting up ABAC, see <u>Use attribute-based access control</u> (ABAC) in the *IAM User Guide*.

#### Using temporary credentials with MediaConvert

#### Supports temporary credentials: Yes

Some AWS services don't work when you sign in using temporary credentials. For additional information, including which AWS services work with temporary credentials, see <u>AWS services that</u> work with IAM in the *IAM User Guide*.

You are using temporary credentials if you sign in to the AWS Management Console using any method except a user name and password. For example, when you access AWS using your company's single sign-on (SSO) link, that process automatically creates temporary credentials. You also automatically create temporary credentials when you sign in to the console as a user and then switch roles. For more information about switching roles, see <u>Switch from a user to an IAM role</u> (console) in the *IAM User Guide*.

You can manually create temporary credentials using the AWS CLI or AWS API. You can then use those temporary credentials to access AWS. AWS recommends that you dynamically generate temporary credentials instead of using long-term access keys. For more information, see <u>Temporary security credentials in IAM</u>.

#### Forward access sessions for MediaConvert

#### Supports forward access sessions (FAS): Yes

When you use an IAM user or role to perform actions in AWS, you are considered a principal. When you use some services, you might perform an action that then initiates another action in a different service. FAS uses the permissions of the principal calling an AWS service, combined with the requesting AWS service to make requests to downstream services. FAS requests are only made when a service receives a request that requires interactions with other AWS services or resources to complete. In this case, you must have permissions to perform both actions. For policy details when making FAS requests, see Forward access sessions.

#### Service roles for MediaConvert

#### Supports service roles: Yes

A service role is an <u>IAM role</u> that a service assumes to perform actions on your behalf. An IAM administrator can create, modify, and delete a service role from within IAM. For more information, see Create a role to delegate permissions to an AWS service in the *IAM User Guide*.

#### 🔥 Warning

Changing the permissions for a service role might break MediaConvert functionality. Edit service roles only when MediaConvert provides guidance to do so.

#### Service-linked roles for MediaConvert

#### Supports service-linked roles: No

A service-linked role is a type of service role that is linked to an AWS service. The service can assume the role to perform an action on your behalf. Service-linked roles appear in your AWS account and are owned by the service. An IAM administrator can view, but not edit the permissions for service-linked roles.

For details about creating or managing service-linked roles, see <u>AWS services that work with IAM</u>. Find a service in the table that includes a Yes in the **Service-linked role** column. Choose the **Yes** link to view the service-linked role documentation for that service.

## Identity-based policy examples for AWS Elemental MediaConvert

By default, users and roles don't have permission to create or modify MediaConvert resources. They also can't perform tasks by using the AWS Management Console, AWS Command Line Interface (AWS CLI), or AWS API. To grant users permission to perform actions on the resources that they need, an IAM administrator can create IAM policies. The administrator can then add the IAM policies to roles, and users can assume the roles.

To learn how to create an IAM identity-based policy by using these example JSON policy documents, see <u>Create IAM policies (console)</u> in the *IAM User Guide*.

For details about actions and resource types defined by MediaConvert, including the format of the ARNs for each of the resource types, see <u>Actions, resources, and condition keys for AWS Elemental</u> <u>MediaConvert</u> in the *Service Authorization Reference*.

#### Topics

- Policy best practices
- <u>Using the MediaConvert console</u>
- Allow users to view their own permissions

- Example policy: Basic MediaConvert policy
- Example policy: Resource-level access control
- Example policy: Tag-based access control using resource tags

#### **Policy best practices**

Identity-based policies determine whether someone can create, access, or delete MediaConvert resources in your account. These actions can incur costs for your AWS account. When you create or edit identity-based policies, follow these guidelines and recommendations:

- Get started with AWS managed policies and move toward least-privilege permissions To get started granting permissions to your users and workloads, use the AWS managed policies that grant permissions for many common use cases. They are available in your AWS account. We recommend that you reduce permissions further by defining AWS customer managed policies that are specific to your use cases. For more information, see <u>AWS managed policies</u> or <u>AWS</u> managed policies for job functions in the *IAM User Guide*.
- **Apply least-privilege permissions** When you set permissions with IAM policies, grant only the permissions required to perform a task. You do this by defining the actions that can be taken on specific resources under specific conditions, also known as *least-privilege permissions*. For more information about using IAM to apply permissions, see <u>Policies and permissions in IAM</u> in the *IAM User Guide*.
- Use conditions in IAM policies to further restrict access You can add a condition to your policies to limit access to actions and resources. For example, you can write a policy condition to specify that all requests must be sent using SSL. You can also use conditions to grant access to service actions if they are used through a specific AWS service, such as AWS CloudFormation. For more information, see <u>IAM JSON policy elements: Condition</u> in the *IAM User Guide*.
- Use IAM Access Analyzer to validate your IAM policies to ensure secure and functional permissions – IAM Access Analyzer validates new and existing policies so that the policies adhere to the IAM policy language (JSON) and IAM best practices. IAM Access Analyzer provides more than 100 policy checks and actionable recommendations to help you author secure and functional policies. For more information, see <u>Validate policies with IAM Access Analyzer</u> in the *IAM User Guide*.
- Require multi-factor authentication (MFA) If you have a scenario that requires IAM users or a root user in your AWS account, turn on MFA for additional security. To require MFA when API operations are called, add MFA conditions to your policies. For more information, see <u>Secure API</u> access with MFA in the *IAM User Guide*.

For more information about best practices in IAM, see <u>Security best practices in IAM</u> in the *IAM User Guide*.

#### Using the MediaConvert console

To access the AWS Elemental MediaConvert console, you must have a minimum set of permissions. These permissions must allow you to list and view details about the MediaConvert resources in your AWS account. If you create an identity-based policy that is more restrictive than the minimum required permissions, the console won't function as intended for entities (users or roles) with that policy.

You don't need to allow minimum console permissions for users that are making calls only to the AWS CLI or the AWS API. Instead, allow access to only the actions that match the API operation that they're trying to perform.

To ensure that users and roles can still use the MediaConvert console, also attach the MediaConvert *ConsoleAccess* or *ReadOnly* AWS managed policy to the entities. For more information, see Adding permissions to a user in the *IAM User Guide*.

The following sample policy grants the IAM user permissions to all AWS Elemental MediaConvert actions (such as ListJobs, CreateJob, and so on) on all MediaConvert resources (such as jobs, queues, and output presets). It also grants the IAM actions required for the IAM user to specify the service role that MediaConvert will assume in order to run the job. It also grants Amazon S3 actions that allow the IAM user to use the **Browse** button to choose input and output locations. The Amazon S3 permissions aren't required to run the job; without them, the IAM user can specify the URL of the bucket instead. In this example, the account number is *11112223333* and the role name is *MediaConvertRole*.

```
{
    "Version": "2012-10-17",
    "Statement": [
        {
            "Sid": "mediaconvertActions",
            "Effect": "Allow",
            "Action": "mediaconvert:*",
            "Resource": "*"
        },
        {
            "Sid": "iamListRoles",
            "Effect": "Allow",
            "Effect": "Allow",
            "Sid": "iamListRoles",
            "Effect": "Allow",
            "Effect": "Allow",
            "Sid": "iamListRoles",
            "Effect": "Allow",
            "Effect": "Allow
```

```
"Action": "iam:ListRoles",
      "Resource": "*"
    },
    {
      "Sid": "iamPassRole",
      "Effect": "Allow",
      "Action": "iam:PassRole",
      "Resource": "arn:aws:iam::111122223333:role/MediaConvertRole",
      "Condition": {
        "StringLike": {
            "iam:PassedToService": "mediaconvert.amazonaws.com"
        }
    },
    {
      "Sid": "s3Actions",
      "Effect": "Allow",
      "Action": [
        "s3:ListBucket",
        "s3:GetBucketLocation",
        "s3:ListAllMyBuckets"
      ],
      "Resource": "*"
    }
  ]
}
```

#### Allow users to view their own permissions

This example shows how you might create a policy that allows IAM users to view the inline and managed policies that are attached to their user identity. This policy includes permissions to complete this action on the console or programmatically using the AWS CLI or AWS API.

```
{
    "Version": "2012-10-17",
    "Statement": [
        {
            "Sid": "ViewOwnUserInfo",
            "Effect": "Allow",
            "Action": [
            "iam:GetUserPolicy",
            "iam:ListGroupsForUser",
            "iam:ListAttachedUserPolicies",
            "iam:ListUserPolicies",
            "Iam:ListUserPolicies",
```



#### Example policy: Basic MediaConvert policy

The following example policy grants the basic permissions to operate AWS Elemental MediaConvert. In this example, the account number is *111122223333* and the role name is *MediaConvertRole*. If you are using encryption, or if your Amazon S3 buckets have default encryption enabled, you need additional permissions. For more information, see <u>Protecting your</u> media assets with encryption and DRM using AWS Elemental MediaConvert.

```
{
    "Version": "2012-10-17",
    "Statement": [
        {
            "Sid": "mediaconvertActions",
            "Effect": "Allow",
            "Action": "mediaconvert:*",
            "Resource": "*"
        },
        {
            "Sid": "iamListRoles",
            "Effect": "Allow",
            "Action": "iam:ListRoles",
            "Action": "Iam:ListRoles"
```

```
"Resource": "*"
    },
    {
      "Sid": "iamPassRole",
      "Effect": "Allow",
      "Action": "iam:PassRole",
      "Resource": "arn:aws:iam::111122223333:role/MediaConvertRole",
      "Condition": {
        "StringLike": {
            "iam:PassedToService": "mediaconvert.amazonaws.com"
        }
    },
    {
      "Sid": "s3Actions",
      "Effect": "Allow",
      "Action": [
        "s3:ListBucket",
        "s3:GetBucketLocation",
        "s3:ListAllMyBuckets"
      ],
      "Resource": "*"
    }
  ]
}
```

#### Example policy: Resource-level access control

The following example policy grants permissions to certain AWS Elemental MediaConvert resources in your account. In this example, the account number is *012345678910*. It allows the following actions, in any partition and Region:

- View the details of all queues in the account at once.
- View all the jobs that have been submitted to the queue "myQueue" at once.
- Create a job and submit it to the queue "myQueue", referencing any presets with names that start with "allow" and referencing any job template.
- Create a job template referencing the queue "myQueue" and any presets with names that start with "allow".

#### 🚯 Note

You can't grant cross-account permissions to AWS Elemental MediaConvert resources, such as queues, output presets, and jobs. You can grant cross-account permissions to your input and output media files stored in Amazon S3.

```
{
    "Version": "2012-10-17",
    "Statement": [
        {
            "Sid": "AllowListQueues",
            "Effect": "Allow",
            "Action": "mediaconvert:ListQueues",
            "Resource": "*"
        },
        {
            "Sid": "AllowListJobsInQueue",
            "Effect": "Allow",
            "Action": "mediaconvert:ListJobs",
            "Resource": "arn:*:mediaconvert:*:012345678910:queues/myQueue"
        },
        {
            "Sid": "AllowCreateLimitedJobs",
            "Effect": "Allow",
            "Action": [
                "mediaconvert:CreateJob",
                "mediaconvert:CreateJobTemplate"
            ],
            "Resource": [
                "arn:*:mediaconvert:*:012345678910:queues/myQueue",
                "arn:*:mediaconvert:*:012345678910:presets/allow*",
                "arn:*:mediaconvert:*:012345678910:jobTemplates/*"
            ]
        }
    ]
}
```

#### Example policy: Tag-based access control using resource tags

The following policy grants access to all actions on all MediaConvert resources in the account, unless the action listed under DenyMediaConvertWithResourceTag is tagged with the key access and has a value denied or a value that starts with the string "deny".

#### Note

This policy demonstrates the IAM principle that, in the case where policies both allow and deny action on a resource, the denial takes precedence. Therefore, the IAM user with this attached policy can't perform the denied actions, even if they have a different policy that allows administrative permissions to all MediaConvert resources.

```
{
    "Version": "2012-10-17",
    "Statement": [
        {
            "Sid": "AllowMediaConvert",
            "Effect": "Allow",
            "Action": "mediaconvert:*",
            "Resource": "*"
        },
        {
            "Sid": "DenyMediaConvertWithResourceTag",
            "Effect": "Deny",
            "Action": [
                "mediaconvert:DeleteJobTemplate",
                "mediaconvert:GetQueue",
                "mediaconvert:UpdateQueue",
                "mediaconvert:DeleteQueue",
                "mediaconvert:GetPreset",
                "mediaconvert:ListTagsForResource",
                "mediaconvert:GetJobTemplate",
                "mediaconvert:UntagResource",
                "mediaconvert:UpdateJobTemplate",
                "mediaconvert:DeletePreset",
                "mediaconvert:TagResource",
                "mediaconvert:UpdatePreset"
            ],
            "Resource": "*",
```

```
"Condition": {
    "StringLike": {
        "aws:ResourceTag/access": [
            "deny*",
            "denied"
        ]
        }
    }
}
```

## **Cross-service confused deputy prevention**

The *confused deputy* problem is a security issue. It occurs when an entity, that doesn't have permission to perform an action, can coerce a more-privileged entity to perform the action. In AWS, cross-service impersonation can result in the confused deputy problem. Cross-service impersonation can occur when one service (the *calling service*) calls another service (the *called service*). The calling service can be manipulated to use its permissions to act on another customer's resources in a way it should not otherwise have permission to access. To prevent this, AWS provides tools that help you protect your data for all services with service principals that have been given access to resources in your account.

We recommend using the <u>aws:SourceArn</u> and <u>aws:SourceAccount</u> global condition context keys in resource policies to limit the permissions that AWS Elemental MediaConvert gives another service to the resource. If the aws:SourceArn value does not contain the account ID you must use both global condition context keys to limit permissions. If you use both global condition context keys and the aws:SourceArn value contains the account ID, the aws:SourceAccount value and the account in the aws:SourceArn value must use the same account ID when used in the same policy statement. Use aws:SourceArn if you want only one resource to be associated with the cross-service access. Use aws:SourceAccount if you want to allow any resource in that account to be associated with the cross-service use.

The value of aws:SourceArn must be the ARN of the MediaConvert queue.

The most effective way to protect against the confused deputy problem is to use the aws:SourceArn global condition context key with the full ARN of the resource. If you don't know the full ARN of the resource or if you are specifying multiple resources, use the aws:SourceArn

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global context condition key with wildcards (\*) for the unknown portions of the ARN. For example, arn:aws:mediaconvert:\*:123456789012:\*.

The following example shows how you can use the aws:SourceArn and aws:SourceAccount global condition context keys in MediaConvert to prevent the confused deputy problem.

```
{
  "Version": "2012-10-17",
  "Statement": {
    "Sid": "ConfusedDeputyPreventionExamplePolicy",
    "Effect": "Allow",
    "Principal": {
      "Service": "mediaconvert.amazonaws.com"
    },
    "Action": "sts:AssumeRole",
    "Condition": {
      "ArnLike": {
        "aws:SourceArn": "arn:aws:mediaconvert:*:123456789012:queues/Default"
      },
      "StringEquals": {
        "aws:SourceAccount": "123456789012"
      }
    }
  }
}
```

#### Troubleshooting AWS Elemental MediaConvert identity and access

Use the following information to help you diagnose and fix common issues that you might encounter when working with MediaConvert and IAM.

#### Topics

- <u>I am not authorized to perform an action in MediaConvert</u>
- I am not authorized to perform iam:PassRole
- I want to allow people outside of my AWS account to access my MediaConvert resources

#### I am not authorized to perform an action in MediaConvert

If you receive an error that you're not authorized to perform an action, your policies must be updated to allow you to perform the action. The following example error occurs when the mateojackson IAM user tries to use the console to view details about a fictional *my-example-widget* resource but doesn't have the fictional MediaConvert: *GetWidget* permissions.

```
User: arn:aws:iam::123456789012:user/mateojackson is not authorized to perform:
  MediaConvert:GetWidget on resource: my-example-widget
```

In this case, the policy for the mateojackson user must be updated to allow access to the *myexample-widget* resource by using the MediaConvert: *GetWidget* action.

If you need help, contact your AWS administrator. Your administrator is the person who provided you with your sign-in credentials.

#### I am not authorized to perform iam:PassRole

If you receive an error that you're not authorized to perform the iam: PassRole action, your policies must be updated to allow you to pass a role to MediaConvert.

Some AWS services allow you to pass an existing role to that service instead of creating a new service role or service-linked role. To do this, you must have permissions to pass the role to the service.

The following example error occurs when an IAM user named marymajor tries to use the console to perform an action in MediaConvert. However, the action requires the service to have permissions that are granted by a service role. Mary does not have permissions to pass the role to the service.

```
User: arn:aws:iam::123456789012:user/marymajor is not authorized to perform: iam:PassRole
```

In this case, Mary's policies must be updated to allow her to perform the iam: PassRole action.

If you need help, contact your AWS administrator. Your administrator is the person who provided you with your sign-in credentials.

## I want to allow people outside of my AWS account to access my MediaConvert resources

You can create a role that users in other accounts or people outside of your organization can use to access your resources. You can specify who is trusted to assume the role. For services that support

resource-based policies or access control lists (ACLs), you can use those policies to grant people access to your resources.

To learn more, consult the following:

- To learn whether MediaConvert supports these features, see <u>How AWS Elemental MediaConvert</u> works with IAM.
- To learn how to provide access to your resources across AWS accounts that you own, see Providing access to an IAM user in another AWS account that you own in the IAM User Guide.
- To learn how to provide access to your resources to third-party AWS accounts, see <u>Providing</u> access to AWS accounts owned by third parties in the *IAM User Guide*.
- To learn how to provide access through identity federation, see <u>Providing access to externally</u> authenticated users (identity federation) in the *IAM User Guide*.
- To learn the difference between using roles and resource-based policies for cross-account access, see <u>Cross account resource access in IAM</u> in the *IAM User Guide*.

# Setting up access for other AWS accounts to your AWS Elemental MediaConvert outputs

When you follow the usual setup for permissions as described in <u>Setting up IAM permissions</u>, only users that belong to your AWS account can access your output files.

In some cases, you might want to allow users of other AWS accounts access to the outputs of your jobs. For example, you might run transcoding jobs on behalf of one of your customers, and you might want that customer to have access to the outputs of the jobs. You can do this in one of the following ways:

• Grant access to your Amazon S3 bucket.

When you do this, MediaConvert writes your output files to your bucket, and you grant another account access to your bucket.

• Have MediaConvert write your output files to a bucket owned by another account.

You can have MediaConvert apply an Amazon S3 canned access control list (ACL) to your outputs. A canned ACL is a predefined ACL that includes the necessary permissions.

When you do this, you still own the output file, but MediaConvert grants access to the outputs to the owner of the bucket.

#### Topics

- Granting access to your output Amazon S3 bucket
- Writing your outputs to an Amazon S3 bucket in another account

#### Granting access to your output Amazon S3 bucket

Suppose that you want the outputs of your MediaConvert jobs to reside in an Amazon S3 bucket that you own, but you want users that belong to another AWS account to have access to them. To grant access, you can add an Amazon S3 bucket policy to your output bucket.

For a tutorial about how to grant this access, see <u>Example 2: Bucket owner granting cross-account</u> <u>bucket permissions</u> in the *Amazon Simple Storage Service User Guide*.

The following example bucket policy grants access to your output bucket:

```
{
    "Id": "Policy1572454561447",
    "Version": "2012-10-17",
    "Statement": [
        {
            "Sid": "Stmt1572454547712",
            "Action": [
                 "s3:GetObject"
            ],
            "Effect": "Allow",
            "Resource": "arn:aws:s3:::amzn-s3-demo-bucket/*",
             "Principal": {
                 "AWS": [
                     "111122223333"
                 ]
            }
        }
    ]
}
```

#### Writing your outputs to an Amazon S3 bucket in another account

When you want the outputs of your MediaConvert jobs to reside in an Amazon S3 bucket that is owned by another AWS account, you work together with the administrator of that account to add a bucket permissions policy that grants you access to write the files and to add an Amazon S3 canned access control list (ACL) to the outputs. Then you set up your MediaConvert job to write to that bucket and to automatically add the canned ACL bucket-owner-full-control as it does so.

The result of this setup is that you own the files, but they reside in another account's bucket. The owner of the bucket has full access to the files.

#### To write your outputs to a bucket owned by another account

 Work with an administrator of the other account to add a bucket policy to the Amazon S3 bucket that you want to write your output files to. For more information, see <u>How do I add an</u> <u>S3 Bucket policy?</u> in the Amazon Simple Storage Service User Guide.

The following example bucket policy grants the necessary permissions:

```
{
    "Version": "2012-10-17",
    "Id": "Policy1570060985561",
    "Statement": [
        {
            "Sid": "Stmt1570060984261",
            "Effect": "Allow",
            "Principal": {
                "AWS": [
                     "arn:aws:iam::111122223333:role/MediaConvertRole"
                ]
            },
            "Action": [
                "s3:GetObject",
                "s3:GetObjectAcl",
                "s3:ListBucket",
                "s3:PutObject",
                "s3:PutObjectAcl"
            ],
            "Resource": [
                "arn:aws:s3:::bucket",
```

}

```
"arn:aws:s3:::bucket/*"
]
}
]
```

- 2. For any job that writes outputs to that bucket, apply the **Bucket owner full control** ACL as follows:
  - a. Set up your job as usual. For more information, see Tutorial: Configuring job settings.
  - b. Specify the other account's Amazon S3 bucket for your output **Destination**. On the **Create** job page, in the Job pane on the left, choose an output group. In the group settings section on the right, find **Destination**.
  - c. Enable Access control, and then choose Bucket owner full control for Canned access control list.

## How to allow or disallow input location types

AWS Elemental MediaConvert supports Amazon S3, HTTPS, and HTTP input location types for your input media and files. You can allow or disallow access to one or more of these input location types by using a MediaConvert policy.

By default, each Region in your AWS account does not have a policy and MediaConvert allows all supported input location types. You only need to create an input policy if you want to disallow access to one or more of these input location types.

To prevent jobs from running with a disallowed input location type, create a MediaConvert *Input policy*.

Additionally, to prevent jobs from being submitted to the MediaConvert API if an Input policy isn't in place, create an IAM policy using *condition keys*. You can apply these IAM policies to IAM roles across your organization.

The following sections describe how to create an Input policy and how to use IAM condition keys to allow or disallow input location types.

#### Topics

- How to allow or disallow input location types using an Input policy
- How to use IAM condition keys with Input policies

### How to allow or disallow input location types using an Input policy

To create or change a policy, submit a **put-policy** command using the API, SDK, or Command Line Interface (CLI) and include the policy in JSON. Visit the <u>MediaConvert API Reference</u> to learn more about supported policy commands and expected response codes.

The following is an example of how to submit a policy using the CLI. This example allows jobs with Amazon S3 and HTTPS inputs, and disallows jobs with HTTP inputs:

```
aws mediaconvert put-policy --policy '{"S3Inputs":"ALLOWED", "HttpsInputs":"ALLOWED",
"HttpInputs":"DISALLOWED"}'
```

If you don't specify an input location in the policy JSON, MediaConvert will treat the input location as ALLOWED. Here is another example that allows jobs with Amazon S3 and HTTPS inputs, and disallows jobs with HTTP inputs:

```
aws mediaconvert put-policy --policy '{"HttpInputs":"DISALLOWED"}'
```

Note that the put-policy command overwrites any existing policy in the Region.

#### **Retrieve the current policy**

To retrieve the current policy in JSON, submit a get-policy command:

```
aws mediaconvert get-policy
```

#### Delete the current policy

To delete the current policy and allow all inputs (reverting to the default behavior), submit a **delete-policy** command:

aws mediaconvert delete-policy

#### What happens when you try to submit a job with a disallowed input location?

If you attempt to submit a job that specifies an input location that your policy disallows, MediaConvert will instead return an HTTP 400 (BadRequestException) error. The error message will be: You specified an input location that your policy disallows. Specify an allowed input location and resubmit your job. Since MediaConvert prevents these jobs from being submitted, they will not appear in your job history.

If you submit a job that specifies an input location that is allowed, but the job requires accessing another input location that is disallowed, your job will fail. For example, you might encounter this if you specify an Apple HLS manifest on an allowed Amazon S3 location that references other input segment files on a disallowed HTTP location. The job failure error code will be 3457 and the message will be: You specified an input location that your policy disallows. Specify an allowed input location and resubmit your job.

## How to use IAM condition keys with Input policies

When you include a *condition key* in your IAM policy that you use to submit create job requests, IAM checks if your account has an Input policy that matches that condition. The condition you specify must match your account's Input policy for the API request to be authorized. You can use any of the following boolean condition keys:

- HttpInputsAllowed
- HttpsInputsAllowed
- S3InputsAllowed

When using condition keys, consider the following scenarios:

If the condition and Input policy match, for example if you set **HTTPInputsAllowed** to *true* and your account's Input policy allows HTTP inputs, then your create job request will be submitted to the MediaConvert API.

If the condition and Input policy do not match, for example if you set **HTTPInputsAllowed** to *false* and your account's Input policy allows HTTP inputs, then your create job request will not be submitted to the MediaConvert API. You will receive following error message instead: "message": "User: arn:aws:iam::111122223333:user/User is not authorized to perform: mediaconvert:CreateJob on resource: arn:aws:mediaconvert:us-west-2:111122223333:user/Default"

If the condition and Input policy match, for example if you set **HTTPInputsAllowed** to *false* and your account's Input policy *disallows* HTTP inputs, then your create job request will be submitted to the MediaConvert API. However, the API will then return an HTTP 400 (BadRequestException)

error. The error message will be: You specified an input location that your policy disallows. Specify an allowed input location and resubmit your job.

For more information about using IAM condition keys, see <u>IAM JSON policy elements: Condition</u> in the *IAM User Guide*.

The following JSON is an example IAM policy using MediaConvert condition keys that checks if your account has an Input policy that disallows HTTP inputs:

```
{
    "Version": "2012-10-17",
    "Statement": [
        {
            "Sid": "BlockHTTPInputsExample",
            "Effect": "Allow",
            "Action": "mediaconvert:CreateJob",
            "Resource": "*",
            "Condition": {
                "BoolIfExists": {
                     "mediaconvert:HttpInputsAllowed": false
                },
                "BoolIfExists": {
                     "mediaconvert:HttpsInputsAllowed": true
                },
                "BoolIfExists": {
                     "mediaconvert:S3InputsAllowed": true
                }
            }
        }
    ]
}
```

For more information about condition key support within MediaConvert, see <u>How AWS Elemental</u> <u>MediaConvert works with IAM</u>.

## **Compliance validation for AWS Elemental MediaConvert**

Third-party auditors assess the security and compliance of AWS Elemental MediaConvert as part of multiple AWS compliance programs. These include SOC, PCI, FedRAMP, HIPAA, and others.

To learn whether an AWS service is within the scope of specific compliance programs, see <u>AWS</u> <u>services in Scope by Compliance Program</u> and choose the compliance program that you are interested in. For general information, see AWS Compliance Programs.

You can download third-party audit reports using AWS Artifact. For more information, see Downloading Reports in AWS Artifact.

Your compliance responsibility when using AWS services is determined by the sensitivity of your data, your company's compliance objectives, and applicable laws and regulations. AWS provides the following resources to help with compliance:

- <u>Security Compliance & Governance</u> These solution implementation guides discuss architectural considerations and provide steps for deploying security and compliance features.
- <u>HIPAA Eligible Services Reference</u> Lists HIPAA eligible services. Not all AWS services are HIPAA eligible.
- <u>AWS Compliance Resources</u> This collection of workbooks and guides might apply to your industry and location.
- <u>AWS Customer Compliance Guides</u> Understand the shared responsibility model through the lens of compliance. The guides summarize the best practices for securing AWS services and map the guidance to security controls across multiple frameworks (including National Institute of Standards and Technology (NIST), Payment Card Industry Security Standards Council (PCI), and International Organization for Standardization (ISO)).
- <u>Evaluating Resources with Rules</u> in the *AWS Config Developer Guide* The AWS Config service assesses how well your resource configurations comply with internal practices, industry guidelines, and regulations.
- <u>AWS Security Hub</u> This AWS service provides a comprehensive view of your security state within AWS. Security Hub uses security controls to evaluate your AWS resources and to check your compliance against security industry standards and best practices. For a list of supported services and controls, see <u>Security Hub controls reference</u>.
- <u>Amazon GuardDuty</u> This AWS service detects potential threats to your AWS accounts, workloads, containers, and data by monitoring your environment for suspicious and malicious activities. GuardDuty can help you address various compliance requirements, like PCI DSS, by meeting intrusion detection requirements mandated by certain compliance frameworks.
- <u>AWS Audit Manager</u> This AWS service helps you continuously audit your AWS usage to simplify how you manage risk and compliance with regulations and industry standards.

## Resilience in AWS Elemental MediaConvert

The AWS global infrastructure is built around AWS Regions and Availability Zones. AWS Regions provide multiple physically separated and isolated Availability Zones, which are connected with low-latency, high-throughput, and highly redundant networking. With Availability Zones, you can design and operate applications and databases that automatically fail over between Availability Zones without interruption. Availability Zones are more highly available, fault tolerant, and scalable than traditional single or multiple data center infrastructures.

For more information about AWS Regions and Availability Zones, see <u>AWS global infrastructure</u>.

## Infrastructure security in AWS Elemental MediaConvert

As a managed service, AWS Elemental MediaConvert is protected by AWS global network security. For information about AWS security services and how AWS protects infrastructure, see <u>AWS Cloud</u> <u>Security</u>. To design your AWS environment using the best practices for infrastructure security, see <u>Infrastructure Protection</u> in *Security Pillar AWS Well-Architected Framework*.

You use AWS published API calls to access MediaConvert through the network. Clients must support the following:

- Transport Layer Security (TLS). We require TLS 1.2 and recommend TLS 1.3.
- Cipher suites with perfect forward secrecy (PFS) such as DHE (Ephemeral Diffie-Hellman) or ECDHE (Elliptic Curve Ephemeral Diffie-Hellman). Most modern systems such as Java 7 and later support these modes.

Additionally, requests must be signed by using an access key ID and a secret access key that is associated with an IAM principal. Or you can use the <u>AWS Security Token Service</u> (AWS STS) to generate temporary security credentials to sign requests.

## Understanding billing and usage in MediaConvert

When using AWS Elemental MediaConvert, you don't have to pay any upfront fees or commit to how much content you'll transcode. Like other AWS services, you pay as you go and pay only for what you use.

This section provides very general information about pricing. For detailed information, see <u>https://</u> aws.amazon.com/mediaconvert/pricing/.

AWS provides the following reports for MediaConvert:

- Billing reports Provides high-level views of all of the activity for the AWS services that you're using, including MediaConvert. With billing reports, you can also find the total number of Normalized Transcoding Minutes for MediaConvert jobs you were billed for within a billing period. For more information about billing reports, see <u>AWS Billing reports for MediaConvert</u>.
- Usage report A summary of activity for a specific service, aggregated by hour, day, or month. You can choose which usage type and operation to include, and choose how the data is aggregated. With usage reports, you can find a breakdown for which MediaConvert features you used. For more information, see AWS usage reports for MediaConvert.

The following topics provide information about billing and usage reporting for MediaConvert.

#### Topics

- AWS Billing reports for MediaConvert
- AWS usage reports for MediaConvert
- Understanding your AWS billing and usage reports for MediaConvert

## AWS Billing reports for MediaConvert

Your monthly bill from AWS separates your usage information and cost by AWS service and function. There are several AWS Billing reports available: the monthly report, the cost allocation report, and detailed billing reports. With billing reports, you can also find the total number of Normalized Transcoding Minutes for MediaConvert jobs you were billed for within a billing period. For information about how to see your billing reports, see <u>Viewing Your Bill</u> in the AWS Billing User Guide.

To track your AWS usage and provide estimated charges associated with your account, you can set up AWS Cost and Usage Reports. For more information, see <u>What are AWS Cost and Usage</u> Reports? in the AWS Data Exports Guide.

You can also download a usage report that gives more detail about your MediaConvert usage than the billing reports. For more information, see AWS usage reports for MediaConvert.

For detailed information about MediaConvert usage charges, see <u>MediaConvert Pricing</u> and the <u>MediaConvert FAQs</u>.

For information about understanding the codes and abbreviations used in the billing and usage reports for MediaConvert, see <u>Understanding your AWS billing and usage reports for</u> <u>MediaConvert</u>.

## Downloading the MediaConvert billing report

You can download a billing report as a comma-separated values (CSV) file. In addition to costs, the report also shows the total number of Normalized Transcoding Minutes for your jobs.

#### To download the billing report

- 1. Sign in to the AWS Management Console and open the MediaConvert console at <u>https://</u> console.aws.amazon.com/mediaconvert/.
- In the title bar, choose your username or account ID, and then choose Billing and Cost Management.
- 3. In the navigation pane, choose **Bills**.
- 4. Under Amazon Web Services, Inc. charges by services, Filter by service name or region name, enter Service name = Elemental MediaConvert
- 5. At the top of the page, choose **Download all to CSV**.

## AWS usage reports for MediaConvert

When you download a usage report, you can choose to aggregate usage data by hour, day, or month. The AWS Elemental MediaConvert usage report lists operations by usage type and AWS Region. For more detailed reports about your MediaConvert usage, download dynamically generated AWS usage reports. You can choose which usage type and time period to include. You can also choose how the data is aggregated. For more information about usage reports, see <u>AWS</u> Usage Report in the *AWS Data Exports User Guide*.

The MediaConvert usage report includes the following information:

- Service MediaConvert
- **UsageType** One or more of the following:
  - A code that identifies the AWS Region where you ran the job
  - A code that identifies the on-demand job tier
  - A code that identifies the MediaConvert features you used in your job
  - A code that indentifies the number of Normalized Transcode Minutes (NTM)
  - A code that identifies a reserved transcode slot (RTS)

For a detailed explanation of MediaConvert usage types, see <u>Understanding your AWS billing and</u> usage reports for MediaConvert.

#### Downloading the MediaConvert usage report

You can download a usage report as an XML or a comma-separated values (CSV) file.

#### To download the usage report

- 1. Sign in to the AWS Management Console and open the MediaConvert console at <a href="https://console.aws.amazon.com/mediaconvert/">https://console.aws.amazon.com/mediaconvert/</a>.
- In the title bar, choose your username or account ID, and then choose Billing and Cost Management.
- 3. In the navigation pane, choose **Cost explorer**.
- 4. Under **Report parameters**, **Group by**, **Dimension**, choose **Usage type**.
- 5. Under Filters, Service, choose Elemental MediaConvert.
- 6. Under **Cost and usage breakdown**, choose **Download as CSV**.

## Understanding your AWS billing and usage reports for MediaConvert

AWS Elemental MediaConvert billing and usage reports use codes and abbreviations.

A UsageType is a string with a value such as PDX-P-AVC-HD-MHQ-60-NTM, SYD-DOLBY\_VIS-HD-NTM, or DUB-B-AVC-SD-SHQ-30-NTM. For on-demand jobs, each usage type begins with a AWS Region prefix, followed by the features used, and ending with a code indicating *Normalized Transcoding Minutes* (NTM).

Normalized transcoding minutes are a calculated combination of output minutes and features used. They are MediaConvert's standardized unit for measuring service and feature usage. This means that as you use more features, your transcoding jobs contribute more towards meeting monthly shared discount thresholds. For more detailed information about NTM and monthly shared discount thresholds, see MediaConvert Pricing and the MediaConvert FAQs.

The below table maps the short billing AWS Region code to the conventional AWS Region code and name. For example, the usage named PDX-P-AVC-HD-MHQ-60-NTM indicates a job ran in uswest-2 (PDX). It also indicates professional tier billing (P), AVC video codec encoding (AVC), multipass HQ quality tuning level (MHQ), between 60 and 119 frames per second (60), and normalized transcoding minutes (NTM).

For more information, see <u>Regions and Availability Zones</u>.

Billing region code	Region name	Region code
ARN	Europe (Stockholm)	eu-north-1
AUH	Middle East (UAE)	me-central-1
вом	Asia Pacific (Mumbai)	ap-south-1
CDG	Europe (Paris)	eu-west-3
СМН	US East (Ohio)	us-east-2
СРТ	Africa (Cape Town)	af-south-1
DUB	Europe (Ireland)	eu-west-1
DXB	Middle East (UAE)	me-central-1
FRA	Europe (Frankfurt)	eu-central-1
GRU	South America (São Paulo)	sa-east-1
IAD	US East (N. Virginia)	us-east-1

Billing region code	Region name	Region code
ICN	Asia Pacific (Seoul)	ap-northeast-2
ΚΙΧ	Asia Pacific (Osaka)	ap-northeast-3
LHR	Europe (London)	eu-west-2
MEL	Asia Pacific (Melbourne)	ap-southeast-4
NRT	Asia Pacific (Tokyo)	ap-northeast-1
PDT	AWS GovCloud (US-West)	us-gov-west-1
PDX	US West (Oregon)	us-west-2
SFO	US West (N. California)	us-west-1
SIN	Asia Pacific (Singapore)	ap-southeast-1
SYD	Asia Pacific (Sydney)	ap-southeast-2
YUL	Canada (Central)	ca-central-1
ZHY	China (Ningxia)	cn-northwest-1

The following table lists usage types that appear in your billing and usage report and their abbreviations.

Usage abbreviation	Usage
120	Greater than 60 fps, but less than or equal to 120 frames per second
30	Less than or equal to 30 frames per second
4К	Greater than 1080p, but less than or equal to 2160p resolution

Usage abbreviation	Usage
60	Greater than 30 fps, but less than or equal to 60 frames per second
8K	greater than 2160p, up to and including 4320p resolution
AUD	Audio-only
AV1	AV1 video codec
AVC	AVC video codec
AVCI	AVC-Intra video codec
В	Basic tier
DOLBY	Dolby audio
DOLBY_VIS	Dolby Vision
FRAMEFORMER	FrameFormer frame rate conversion algorithm
GIF	Animated GIF
HD	Greater than or equal to 720p, but less than or equal to 1080p resolution
HDR10PLUS	HDR 10 plus
HEVC	HEVC video codec
KANTAR	Kantar watermarking
М	Multi-pass quality tuning level
MHQ	Multi-pass HQ quality tuning level
MP2	MPEG-2 video codec
NEXGUARD	NexGuard watermarking

Usage abbreviation	Usage
NIELSEN_SID_TIC	Nielsen watermarking
NTM	Normalized transcoding minute
Р	Professional tier
PASS	Video passthrough
PR	Apple ProRes video codec
PROBE	MediaConvert Probe
RTS	Reserved transcode slot
S	Single-pass quality tuning level
SD	Less than 720p resolution
SHQ	Single-pass HQ quality tuning level
VC3	VC-3 video codec
VP8	VP8 video codec
VP9	VP9 video codec
XAVC	XAVC video codec
Υ	Yearly RTS commitment

## AWS Elemental MediaConvert related information

Find links to code examples, tutorials, and other helpful information for getting started with AWS Elemental MediaConvert.

### Code examples and tutorials for AWS Elemental MediaConvert VOD solutions

Find code examples and tutorials for automating video on demand (VOD) workflows:

- <u>VOD automation toolkit</u> example code and AWS CloudFormation scripts on GitHub for automating video on demand (VOD) workflows on AWS.
- Video on demand at AWS example code, deployment guide, and AWS CloudFormation template in AWS Solutions. The workflow in this solution ingests source videos, processes the videos for playback on a wide range of devices, and stores the transcoded media files for ondemand delivery to end users through Amazon CloudFront.

Find code for a complete VOD workflow from ingest through delivery in <u>Video on demand at AWS</u> in *AWS Solutions*.

#### AWS learning resources

Explore the places to learn about using AWS services:

- <u>Classes & Workshops</u> Links to role-based and specialty courses, in addition to self-paced labs to help sharpen your AWS skills and gain practical experience.
- <u>AWS Developer Center</u> Explore tutorials, download tools, and learn about AWS developer events.
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- <u>Contact Us</u> A central contact point for inquiries concerning AWS billing, account, events, abuse, and other issues.
- <u>AWS Site Terms</u> Detailed information about our copyright and trademark; your account, license, and site access; and other topics.

# **Document history for User Guide**

The following table describes important additions to the AWS Elemental MediaConvert documentation. We also update the documentation frequently to address the feedback that you send us.

Change	Description	Date
C2PA manifests	MediaConvert added support for C2PA manifests in MP4 outputs.	June 10, 2025
Per-frame metric reports	MediaConvert added support for per-frame metric reports.	May 5, 2025
Video passthrough	MediaConvert added support for video passthrough for AVC input videos.	March 19, 2025
On-demand queues	MediaConvert updated how you manage multiple concurrent jobs within on- demand queues.	December 6, 2024
Documentation update	Navigation updates to the AWS Elemental MediaConvert User Guide.	September 27, 2024
SPEKE Version 2.0	MediaConvert added support for SPEKE Version 2.0	September 20, 2024
Understanding billing and usage	Added a new chapter with information about billing and usage within MediaConvert	September 17, 2024
Video overlay transitions	MediaConvert added support for video overlay transitions.	September 13, 2024

<u>Search jobs</u>	With AWS Elemental MediaConvert, you can search for jobs with a specific input file name.	June 20, 2024
Dolby Vision	MediaConvert added SDR and HDR10 input support for Dolby Vision Profile 8.1 outputs.	June 14, 2024
Audio description mixing	MediaConvert now supports audio description mixing.	March 6, 2024
Dolby Vision	MediaConvert added SDR input support for Dolby Vision outputs.	March 1, 2024
<u>3D LUTs</u>	MediaConvert added support for color conversion with 3D LUTs.	January 17, 2024
Video scaling behavior	MediaConvert added the following video scaling modes: <b>Fit, Fit without</b> <b>upscaling</b> , and <b>Fill</b> .	November 10, 2023
Accelerated transcoding	MediaConvert added Accelerated transcoding support for Matroska inputs.	October 20, 2023
<u>Video overlays</u>	MediaConvert added support for video overlays.	October 4, 2023
Supported output formats	Documentation update. Combined video and audio tables. Added crosslinks to containers and codecs reference tables.	October 4, 2023

Supported inputs and outputs	Added containers and codecs reference tables.	October 4, 2023
Supported input formats	Documentation update. Combined video and audio tables. Added crosslinks to containers and codecs reference tables.	October 4, 2023
Documentation update	Reorganized the User Guide.	September 19, 2023
Queues	Reorganized queues documentation, including updated procedures and AWS CLI examples.	July 19, 2023
<u>Color warnings</u>	MediaConvert added missing color metadata and sample range warnings.	July 17, 2023
Dolby Vision	MediaConvert added Image inserter support for HDR10+ inputs and Dolby Vision outputs.	June 30, 2023
AAC audio codec	We added a section that lists the supported combinati ons of coding mode, profile, sampling rate, and bitrate for the AAC codec.	May 31, 2023
MXF profile XDCAM RDD9	MediaConvert added support for MXF outputs with XDCAM RDD9 profiles.	May 19, 2023
TLS	MediaConvert API clients now require a minimum of TLS 1.2.	May 12, 2023

Encoding settings for video quality	Added additional job settings recommendations for optimized video quality.	April 25, 2023
Video passthrough	MediaConvert now supports video passthrough for I-frame only input videos.	April 24, 2023
<u>Troubleshooting</u>	AWS Elemental MediaConvert now returns warnings when transcoding jobs run into problems that do not prevent the job from completing. See the new Troubleshooting chapter for information about both warnings and errors.	April 5, 2023
<u>Monitoring AWS Elemental</u> <u>MediaConvert</u>	AWS Elemental MediaConv ert now emits more Amazon EventBridge events and Amazon CloudWatch metrics. Use them to help identify trends, statistics, or issues with your jobs and outputs.	April 5, 2023
Animated GIF input	MediaConvert added support for animated GIF as an input format.	February 28, 2023
AWS Identity and Access Management	Updated guide to align with the IAM best practices . For more information, see <u>Security best practices in IAM</u> .	February 14, 2023
VFR WEBM and MKV inputs	MediaConvert added input support for WEBM and MKV containers with variable frame rates.	February 1, 2023

Create Dolby Vision outputs from HDR10 inputs	MediaConvert added support for Dolby Vision Profile 5 outputs that are created from HDR10 inputs.	June 23, 2022
Automated ABR rules	MediaConvert added rendition size restriction rules for Automated ABR.	May 24, 2022
Video generator	MediaConvert added support for generating black video.	April 29, 2022
<u>Pad video</u>	MediaConvert added support for padding video with black video frames.	April 29, 2022
<u>Create audio-only outputs in</u> <u>a DASH container</u>	MediaConvert added support for audio-only DASH outputs	April 29, 2022
Create Dolby Vision profile 8.1 outputs	MediaConvert now supports Dolby Vision Profile 8.1 outputs, which are compatibl e with both HDR10 and Dolby Vision players.	April 29, 2022
Encoding settings for video quality	Learn how to create AWS Elemental MediaConvert jobs with encoding settings that are automatically optimized for video quality.	November 15, 2021
Allow or disallow input location types	You can now allow or disallow input location types using an Input policy.	October 8, 2021
TTML style formatting	Learn about style formatting for TTML input captions.	September 16, 2021

New partner integration for Kantar SNAP watermarking	Learn about using AWS Elemental MediaConvert to encode Kantar audio watermarks.	May 10, 2021
Add support for HLS ingest	MediaConvert now supports HLS as an input format.	March 31, 2021
Refined automatic MXF profile selection for MPEG-2 outputs	MediaConvert default automatic MXF profile selection now chooses the SMPTE-386 D10 profile when the output's encoding settings allow for it. Otherwise , MediaConvert chooses XDCAM RDD9. Learn the details about the required encoding settings for D10.	February 9, 2021
<u>New supported input audio</u> container: WMA	AWS Elemental MediaConv ert now supports WMA audio inputs.	February 9, 2021
<u>Docs-only update: Remove</u> <u>HLS ingest support docs</u>	This update corrects a documentation error that shows support for HLS ingest. MediaConvert will provide support for HLS ingest in an upcoming release.	February 9, 2021
<u>AWS Elemental MediaConvert</u> now supports HLS inputs	Learn about the package requirements, compatibl e features, and feature restrictions when you use an HLS package as input to MediaConvert.	February 9, 2021

HTTP inputs to AWS Elemental MediaConvert can now use redirects	See the updated requirements for providing your inputs to MediaConvert through HTTP.	January 7, 2021
AWS Elemental MediaConv ert simplifies setting up permissions to use the service.	You can create an AWS Identity and Access Management (IAM) role to grant permissions to the service, by following these steps within the MediaConv ert console.	January 7, 2021
<u>Learn about using the new</u> automated ABR feature.	With automated ABR, AWS Elemental MediaConvert sets up your adaptive bitrate (ABR) stack for you, based on your input. The service creates the right number of renditions, at the appropriate resolutions and bitrates.	November 11, 2020
Support for additional MXF profiles and automatic profile selection	Learn about creating MXF outputs with MediaConvert.	October 7, 2020
<u>New partner integration for</u> <u>Nielsen non-linear watermark</u> ing	Learn about using AWS Elemental MediaConvert to encode Nielsen audio watermarks.	October 7, 2020
Documentation-only update. New topics about frame rate conversion, telecine and inverse telecine, and scan type	Learn about the AWS Elemental MediaConvert settings for converting frame rate, adding and removing telecine, and converting scan type between progressive and interlaced.	October 7, 2020

New supported output container for VP8 and VP9 video	AWS Elemental MediaConv ert now supports the VP8 and VP9 video codec in DASH package outputs, in addition to the previously existing support in WebM.	August 27, 2020
<u>New supported input</u> <u>container for Opus audio</u>	AWS Elemental MediaConv ert now supports Opus audio inputs in the Matroska container, both as sidecar audio with a video output and as audio-only input. This is in addition to existing support of Opus inputs in the WebM container.	August 27, 2020
<u>New supported output</u> formats	Updated output codec and container reference table to reflect new format support. MediaConvert now supports WebM as an output container with VP8 and VP9 video codecs and Opus and Vorbis audio codecs.	June 3, 2020
<u>Queue hopping</u>	Learn about the AWS Elemental MediaConvert queue hopping feature. This feature lets you set up a job to automatically move to a different queue after waiting a specified length of time in the queue that you originally submitted it to.	April 8, 2020

You can now convert from HDR to SDR with automatic tone mapping	Learn about how AWS Elemental MediaConvert uses tone mapping to automatic ally convert from HDR formats to SDR color spaces.	March 6, 2020
<u>8k output support in AWS</u> <u>Elemental MediaConvert</u>	MediaConvert now supports up to 8k output resolution. Find more information about resolution maximums by output codec.	November 25, 2019
Use Accelerated transcoding with slow PAL	You can now use Accelerated transcoding for slow PAL jobs.	November 15, 2019
Set up access for other AWS accounts to your MediaConv ert outputs	You can now grant cross-acc ount access by writing your AWS Elemental MediaConv ert outputs to an Amazon S3 bucket owned by another AWS account and applying a canned access control list (ACL) to your outputs. This chapter also provides information about the alternative method for setting up access—granting other accounts access to your output bucket in Amazon S3.	November 15, 2019
<u>New supported input format</u>	Updated reference tables to reflect new input format support. MediaConvert now supports HEVC (H.265) in QuickTime containers as input files.	November 15, 2019

<u>New supported input captions</u> format: SMPTE-TT	Updated reference tables reflect new captions support. MediaConvert now supports SMPTE-TT captions as input.	November 15, 2019
<u>New supported captions</u> format	Updated reference tables to reflect new captions support. IMSC sidecar output captions now available in <b>CMAF</b> , <b>DASH</b> <b>ISO</b> , and <b>File group</b> output groups. You can generate these from the following input captions formats: Ancillary, Embedded, IMSC, Teletext, TTML, SCC, SCTE-20, SMI, SRT, and STL.	November 15, 2019
ESAM support in DASH outputs	You can now specify ad insertion points in DASH outputs by including Event Signaling and Managemen t (ESAM) XML documents as strings inside your AWS Elemental MediaConvert job settings.	November 15, 2019
Doc-only update: Synchroni zing sidecar captions and audio in jobs that use input clipping and stitching	Learn how MediaConvert input and output timelines synchronize video, audio, captions, and overlays in assembly workflow jobs.	November 15, 2019

Creating additional manifests	You can now set up your ABR streaming packages in MediaConvert with additional multivariant playlists that specify different subsets of your outputs.	November 15, 2019
Create Dolby Vision outputs	Learn how to create Dolby Vision outputs with MediaConvert.	November 15, 2019
Use integrated AWS tags on AWS Elemental MediaConvert resources	You can now use standard AWS tags with MediaConvert jobs the same way that you do with queues, templates , and presets. You can use these tags to sort your billing report for cost allocation purposes, to include your MediaConvert resources in resource groups with other AWS resources, and to control access to specific resources.	October 9, 2019
Use Accelerated transcoding with frame capture	You can now use Accelerat ed transcoding for jobs that include frame capture outputs.	October 9, 2019
Have AWS Elemental MediaConvert automatic ally choose Accelerated transcoding for jobs that are compatible	You can now set Accelerated transcoding to PREFERRED , to have the service fall back to standard transcodi ng when your inputs or job settings aren't compatible wi th Accelerated transcoding.	October 9, 2019

<u>Doc-only update, use cases</u> for <b>Time delta</b>	Learn about using the <b>Time</b> <b>delta</b> setting to synchronize sidecar captions with your video. See use case examples that illustrate common captions sync problems that you can fix with this setting.	September 6, 2019
<u>Align sidecar captions with</u> <u>your video after using the</u> <u>Timecode source setting</u>	When you use the input setting <b>Timecode source</b> to align your sidecar audio file with your video, make sure that your sidecar captions still line up. Learn which sidecar captions formats require adjustment and how to make any necessary adjustments.	September 6, 2019
<u>Multi-system SPEKE DRM for</u> <u>CMAF</u>	When you work with SPEKE- compliant DRM partners to enable DRM on your CMAF outputs, you can now signal up to three system IDs in your DASH manifest and one in your HLS manifest. Learn about setting up this SPEKE encryption parameter in your AWS Elemental MediaConvert job.	August 12, 2019
Export and import jobs	Learn how to export MediaConvert jobs and how to create new jobs by importing one.	August 9, 2019

Specify the priority of your jobs	Learn how to set the relative priority of your jobs when you create them.	July 30, 2019
Convert two SCC input files to embedded captions	Learn about converting dual SCC input captions to embedded format.	July 30, 2019
<u>Create audio-only outputs</u>	Learn how to create MediaConvert outputs that contain only audio, without video.	July 23, 2019
<u>HTTP inputs to AWS</u> <u>Elemental MediaConvert</u>	You can now specify an HTTP(S) URL for your primary inputs to MediaConvert transcoding jobs. Learn about HTTP(S) input requirements.	July 12, 2019
<u>Monitor output file upload</u> progress	Using CloudWatch Events, you can monitor the progress of your job with finer granulari ty. That's because now AWS Elemental MediaConvert reports percentage completio n of the job phases PROBING, UPLOADING, and TRANSCODI NG. This is in addition to reporting overall job progress in percent completion.	May 7, 2019

<u>Doc-only update, format</u> <u>identifiers</u>	Learn how to use format identifiers as variables in your job settings. For example, you can use a format identifie r to represent your input file name in a job template or output preset, so that AWS Elemental MediaConvert uses the input file name in the file path for your output.	April 24, 2019
You can now cancel an in- progress job	With AWS Elemental MediaConvert, you can cancel jobs that are already in progress.	March 13, 2019
<u>Monitor job progress</u>	With CloudWatch Events, you can now monitor AWS Elemental MediaConvert job progress by viewing the percentage of job completion. Monitoring your job's progress helps you maintain its reliabili ty, availability, and performan ce.	March 13, 2019
<u>Find information about the</u> <u>new rotate feature.</u>	For most inputs, you can now use the rotate feature to specify how the service rotates your video from input to output. You can also specify whether the service follows any rotation metadata in the input. Find information and instructions for setting rotation.	February 19, 2019

ESAM support	You can now specify ad insertion points by including Event Signaling and Management (ESAM) XML documents as strings inside your AWS Elemental MediaConvert job settings.	February 13, 2019
<u>Code examples, example</u> workflows, and other related information	Find links to code examples, tutorials, and other helpful information for getting started with AWS Elemental MediaConvert.	February 13, 2019
<u>New supported captions</u> formats	Updated reference tables to reflect new support for the following captions formats. On input: SMI, SCTE-20. On output: SCTE-20 + embedded, Embedded + SCTE-20, SMI.	November 19, 2018
Find information about the new image inserter features	You can now use the image inserter for still image overlays on individual inputs and outputs and for motion image overlays in AWS Elemental MediaConvert. This guide shows you how.	November 19, 2018

Added content key encryption to DRM encryption	Added the option to encrypt content keys. Prior to this, AWS Elemental MediaConv ert supported plaintext key delivery only. To use content key encryption, your DRM key provider must support encrypted content keys. If you enable this feature for a key provider that doesn't handle content key encryption, the operation fails.	November 19, 2018
<u>Reserved queues</u>	Learn about the new pricing option, reserved queues, in AWS Elemental MediaConv ert. With reserved queues, you pay for the transcoding capacity of the entire queue, regardless of how much or how little you use it. If you continuously or frequentl y run transcoding jobs, a reserved queue can help reduce costs.	September 27, 2018
<u>Find output file names and</u> <u>paths in EventBridge notificat</u> <u>ions</u>	You can receive output file names and paths, including manifest and media file outputs, by using Amazon EventBridge with AWS Elemental MediaConvert jobs.	September 18, 2018

Set up cost allocation reports to sort your AWS bill by the tags that you apply to AWS Elemental MediaConvert resources	You can use the tags you apply to AWS Elemental MediaConvert queues, job templates, and output presets as cost allocation tags. First activate them in the AWS Billing and Cost Managemen t dashboard, and then set up a billing report to view your AWS charges by resource.	September 7, 2018
<u>Quality-defined variable</u> <u>bitrate (QVBR) mode now</u> <u>available</u>	You can now use the QVBR rate control mode to get better video quality for the same file size, or to reduce your file sizes while maintaining video quality. Get information about how to set it up.	August 13, 2018
<u>Use AWS Elemental</u> <u>MediaConvert tags for cost</u> <u>allocation through tagging</u>	You can now activate tags on AWS Elemental MediaConvert queues, job templates, and output presets in the AWS Billing and Cost Managemen t dashboard, and then set up a monthly cost allocation report.	July 31, 2018
Tagging AWS Elemental MediaConvert resources on the console	You can now work with tags on existing AWS Elemental MediaConvert queues, job templates, and output presets in the MediaConvert console.	July 31, 2018

<u>Tagging AWS Elemental</u> <u>MediaConvert resources initial</u> <u>release</u>	You can now tag MediaConv ert resources when you create them using the MediaConv ert console, the MediaConv ert API, or the AWS CLI. You can list the tags on an existing MediaConvert resource, and add and remove tags on existing MediaConv ert resources, through the MediaConvert API and AWS CLI.	July 16, 2018
CMAF support	MediaConvert adds support for common media applicati on format (CMAF) outputs.	May 4, 2018
<u>New MediaConvert service</u> <u>release</u>	Initial documentation for the MediaConvert service.	November 27, 2017

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