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## Alibaba Cloud Message Queue Quick Start









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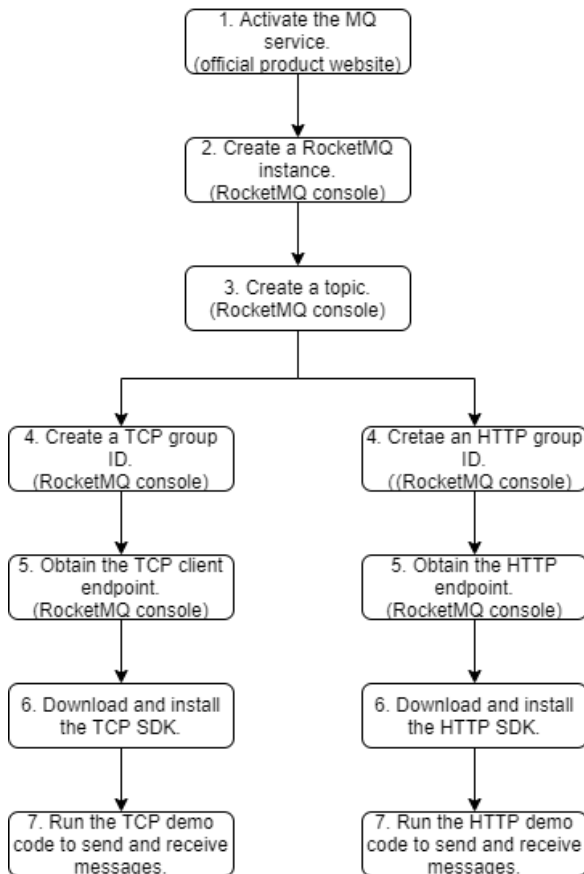
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# 1. Overview

Message Queue for Apache RocketMQ provides multi-language client SDKs for sending and subscribing to messages over TCP and HTTP. This topic describes how to use the multi-language SDKs to send and subscribe to messages over TCP and HTTP.

## Procedure

Depending on the protocol you select, the procedure is as follows.



## Instructions

- A TCP client SDK and an HTTP client SDK provided by Message Queue for Apache RocketMQ are different from each other. Therefore, the group IDs of TCP-based instances cannot be used for HTTP-based instances and vice versa.
- If a Message Queue for Apache RocketMQ has a TCP endpoint and an HTTP endpoint, you must obtain a TCP SDK and an HTTP SDK separately to use the endpoints. SDKs of TCP-based instances cannot be used for HTTP-based instances and vice versa.
- If your application uses Message Queue for Apache RocketMQ across domains, we recommend that you use HTTP.

## What to do next

- [Use TCP SDKs to send and subscribe to messages](#)
- [Use HTTP SDKs to send and subscribe to messages](#)

## 2. Call TCP SDKs to send and subscribe to messages

### 2.1. Activate Message Queue for Apache RocketMQ

Before you use Message Queue for Apache RocketMQ, you must activate it on the Alibaba Cloud official website.

#### Prerequisites

You have created an Alibaba Cloud account and passed real-name verification.

#### Procedure

1. Go to the [Message Queue for Apache RocketMQ product details page](#).
2. On the page that appears, click **Log In** in the upper-right corner.
3. On the **Sign In** page, enter your Alibaba Cloud account and password, and click **Sign In**.
4. On the product details page, click **Buy Now**.  
You are redirected to the Message Queue for Apache RocketMQ console.
5. In the **Note** dialog box, click **activate Message Queue first >>**.
6. On the **Confirm Order** page, read the order content and service agreement, select **I agree with the Message Queue Service Agreement**, and then click **Activate Now**.

#### What's next

You can click **Console** to create resources. For more information, see [Create resources](#).

## 2.2. Create resources

Before you call a TCP SDK to send and subscribe to messages, you must create resources in the Message Queue for Apache RocketMQ console. You need to enter the resource information when calling the SDK.

#### Prerequisites

[Activate Message Queue for Apache RocketMQ](#)

#### Context

Message Queue for Apache RocketMQ provides SDKs for multiple programming languages to send and subscribe to messages over TCP and HTTP. To use Message Queue for Apache RocketMQ, you must create an instance, a topic, and a group ID. Due to client differences, a group ID cannot be used for both TCP clients and HTTP clients. Therefore, you must create group IDs for

TCP clients and HTTP clients separately.

## Network access restrictions

When you use

Message Queue for Apache RocketMQ

, note the following network access restrictions:

- A topic can be accessed only by a producer or consumer with a group ID created on the same instance and the same region as the topic. For example, when a topic is created on instance A in the **China (Hangzhou)** region, the topic can be accessed only by the producer and consumer with a group ID created on instance A in the **China (Hangzhou)** region.
- If you want to use Message Queue for Apache RocketMQ over Internet, you can create both the topic and group ID on an instance in the **Internet** region. Producers and consumers can be deployed on a local server or an ECS instance in any region, provided that the local server or ECS instance can access the Internet. For more information about regions, see .

## Create an instance

As a virtual machine (VM) resource of

Message Queue for Apache RocketMQ

, an instance stores the topics and group IDs of messages.

1. Log on to the Message Queue for Apache RocketMQ console.
2. In the top navigation bar, select a region, such as **China (Hangzhou)**.
3. In the left-side navigation pane, click **Instances**.
4. On the **Instances** page, click **+**.
5. In the **Create Instance** dialog box, set **Instance Type**, **Instance Name**, and **Description**, and click **OK**.



Create an instance ✕

**!** 1. For more information about instantiation, see [resource isolation optimization](#).  
2. The ons-client client must be upgraded to the latest version (JAVA: 1.8.0. Final, C++: 1.1.2, Net: 1.1.3). For more information, see [release notes](#).

\* Instance type:  Standard edition instance  Platinum Edition instance

**i** 1. Have independent namespaces, resource naming ensures uniqueness within instances, and **logical** isolation between different instances.  
2. A maximum of eight instances can be created in each region. Once created, the region cannot be modified.

Region: 🇨🇳 华东1 (杭州) ▾

\* Instance name:  0/64  
The length is limited to 3 ~ 64 characters, which can be Chinese, English, numbers, hyphens (-), and underscores (\_).

\* Description:  0/128

Confirm Cancel

For more information about the billing of Standard Edition and Platinum Edition instances, see .

After the instance is created, it appears on the Instances page.

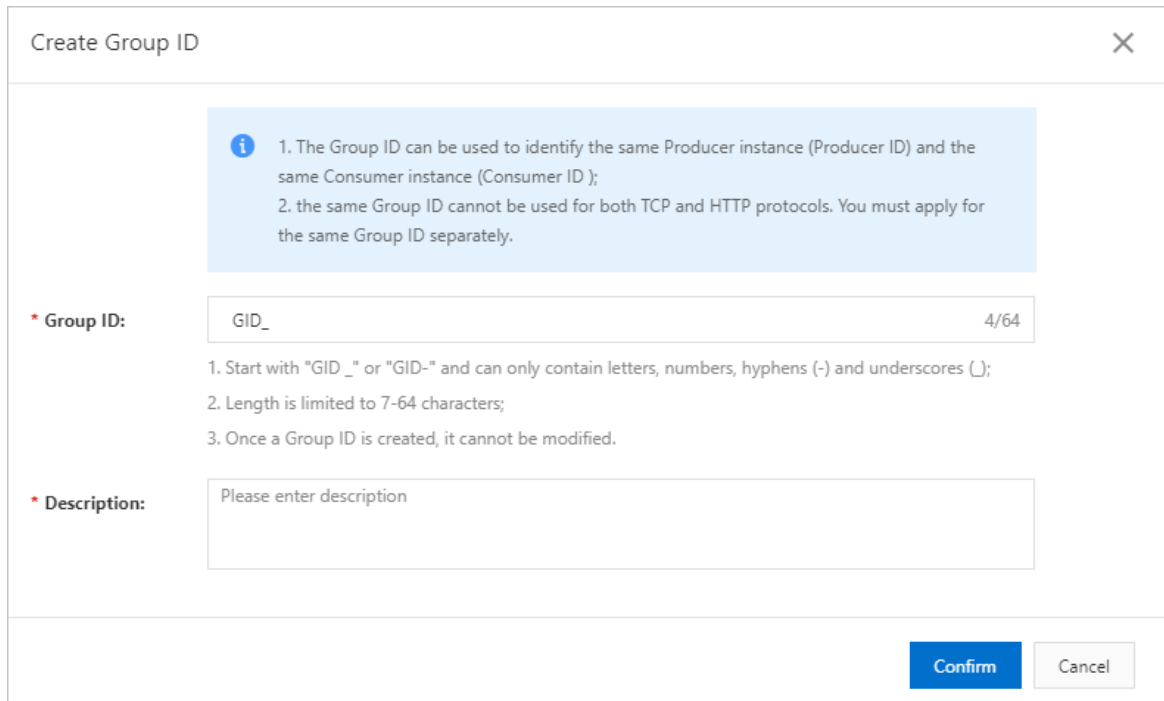
## Create a group ID

After you have created an instance and a topic, you need to create a group ID for the message consumer or producer.

- A group ID must be unique within an instance.
- Group IDs and topics implement N:N mapping. A consumer can subscribe to multiple topics and a topic can be subscribed to by multiple consumers. A producer can send messages to multiple topics and a topic can receive messages from multiple producers.

**?** **Note** A group ID is required for consumers but is optional for producers.

1. On the details page of the target instance, click **Groups** in the left-side navigation pane.
2. On the **Groups** page, choose **TCP > Create Group ID**.
3. In the **Create Group ID** dialog box, set **Group ID** and **Description**, and click **OK**.



Create Group ID

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2. the same Group ID cannot be used for both TCP and HTTP protocols. You must apply for the same Group ID separately.

\* Group ID:  4/64

1. Start with "GID\_-" or "GID-" and can only contain letters, numbers, hyphens (-) and underscores (\_);  
2. Length is limited to 7-64 characters;  
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\* Description:

**Confirm** **Cancel**

After the group ID is created, it appears in the group ID list.

## Create a topic

A topic is the first-level identifier for classifying messages in

Message Queue for Apache RocketMQ

. For example, you can create a topic named Topic\_Trade for transactional messages. The message producer sends messages to Topic\_Trade and the message consumer subscribes to Topic\_Trade to consume messages.

- Topics cannot be used across instances. For example, Topic A created in Instance A cannot be used in Instance B.
- A topic name must be unique within an instance.
- We recommend that you create different topics to send different types of messages. For example, create Topic A for normal messages, Topic B for transactional messages, and Topic C for scheduled and delayed messages.

1. On the details page of the target instance, choose **Topics > Create Topic** from the left-side navigation pane.
2. In the **Create Topic** dialog box, set **Topic**, select **Normal Message** for **Message Type**, enter **Description**, and click **OK**.

### Create Topic ✕

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2. For more information about Topic resource usage, see [billing details](#) . If you no longer use the Topic, delete it in time to avoid unnecessary charges.

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1. "CID" and "GID" are reserved fields for Group ID. Topic naming cannot start with "CID" and "GID".  
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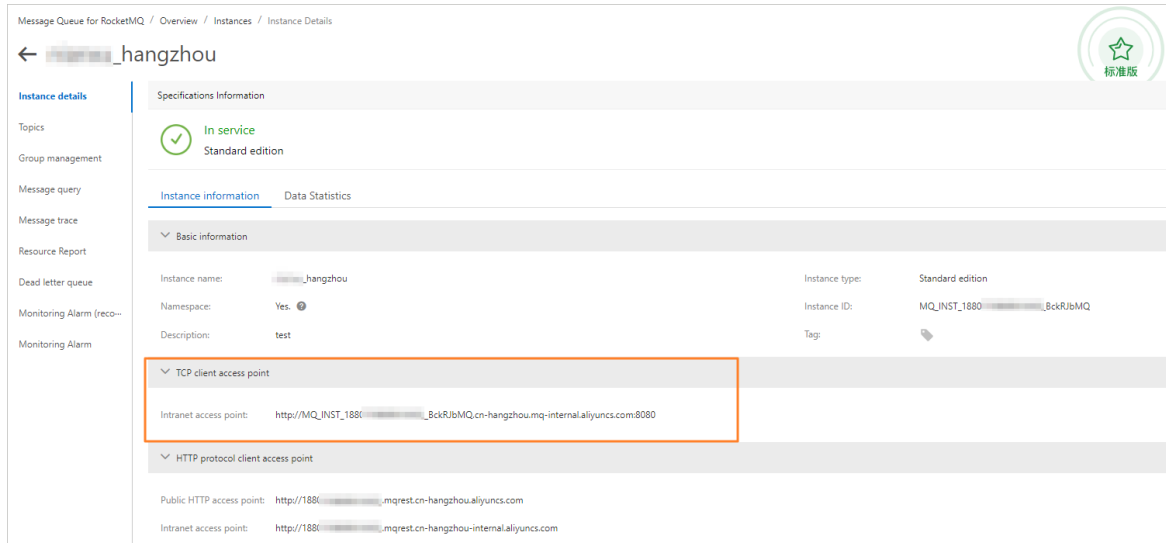
\* **Description:**  0/128

For more information about message types, see [Message types](#).  
After the topic is created, it appears in the topic list.

## Obtain endpoints

After creating resources in the console, you need to obtain the endpoint of the instance in the console. To access services in an instance or a region when sending or subscribing to messages, you need to configure the endpoints for the producer and consumer.

1. On the details page of the target instance, click **Instance Details** in the left-side navigation pane.
2. On the **Instance Information** tab page that appears by default, find the **TCP Endpoint** section, and click the target TCP endpoint to copy it.



- The endpoint displayed in the console is the endpoint of a specific instance in a region. Different instances in the same region have different endpoints.
- Only the instances in the Internet region have public TCP endpoints. Instances in other regions only have internal TCP endpoints.
- TCP endpoints cannot be used across regions. For more information, see [Configure the TCP internal endpoint](#).

**Note** HTTP and TCP endpoints cannot be used interchangeably.

After completing the preceding preparations, you can run the sample code and use Message Queue for Apache RocketMQ to send and subscribe to messages.

### What's next

[Call TCP SDKs to send and subscribe to messages](#)

## 2.3. Call TCP SDKs to send and subscribe to messages

After you create all the resources in the console, you can call a TCP SDK to send and subscribe to messages in Message Queue for Apache RocketMQ

### Prerequisites

- [Create resources](#)
- [Create an AccessKey pair](#)

### Download and install a TCP SDK

We recommend that you use the following multi-language TCP SDKs provided by

Message Queue for Apache RocketMQ

. Obtain the client SDK in a specific language as needed.

## Call TCP SDKs to send messages

After you obtain the client SDK in a specific language, you can run the following sample code to send messages.

On the Topics page, find the target topic and click **Send Message** in the **Actions** column.

[Java](#)[.NET](#)[C/C++](#)

## Check whether messages are sent

After a message is sent, you can check its sending status in the console by performing the following operations:

1. On the details page of the target instance, choose **Message Query > By Topic** from the left-side navigation pane.
2. In the search box, enter the topic to which the message is sent, and click **Search** to check its sending status.

**Stored At** indicates the time when the Message Queue for Apache RocketMQ

broker stores the message. If the message can be queried out, the message has been sent to the Message Queue for Apache RocketMQ broker.



**Notice** This step demonstrates the situation where Message Queue for Apache RocketMQ

is used for the first time and the consumer has not been started yet. Therefore, no consumption data is displayed in the message status information. To start the consumer and subscribe to messages, go to the next step. For more information about the message status, see [Query messages](#) and [Query a message trace](#).

## Call TCP SDKs to subscribe to messages

Once a message is sent, you need to start the consumer to subscribe to the message. Run the following sample code as needed to start the consumer and test message subscription. You must set related parameters correctly according to the instructions.

[Java](#)[.NET](#)[C/C++](#)

## Check whether the message subscription is successful

After the preceding steps are completed, you can check whether the consumer has been started in the console, that is, whether the message subscription is successful.

1. In the left-side navigation pane, choose **Groups > TCP**.
2. Find the target group ID and click **Subscription** in the **Actions** column.  
If the value of **Online** is **Yes** and the value of **Subscription Consistency** is **Yes**, the subscription is successful.

## 3. Call HTTP SDKs to send and subscribe to messages

### 3.1. Activate Message Queue for Apache RocketMQ

You can use Message Queue for Apache RocketMQ after activating it at the Alibaba Cloud website.

#### Prerequisites

You have created an Alibaba Cloud account and passed real-name verification.

#### Procedure

1. Go to the [Message Queue for Apache RocketMQ product page](#).
2. Click **Log In** in the upper-right corner of the page.
3. On the **Logon** page, enter your Alibaba Cloud account and password, and click **Sign In**.
4. On the product page, click **Buy Now**.  
You are redirected to the Message Queue for Apache RocketMQ console.
5. In the **Note** dialog box, click **Activate Message Queue>>**.
6. On the **Confirm Order** page, select **I have read and agree to the Message Queue Terms of Service**, and then click **Activate Now**.

#### What's next

You can click **Console** to create resources. For more information, see [Create resources](#).

## 3.2. Create resources

Before you call an HTTP SDK to send and subscribe to messages, create resources in the Message Queue for Apache RocketMQ console.

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[Activate Message Queue for Apache RocketMQ](#)

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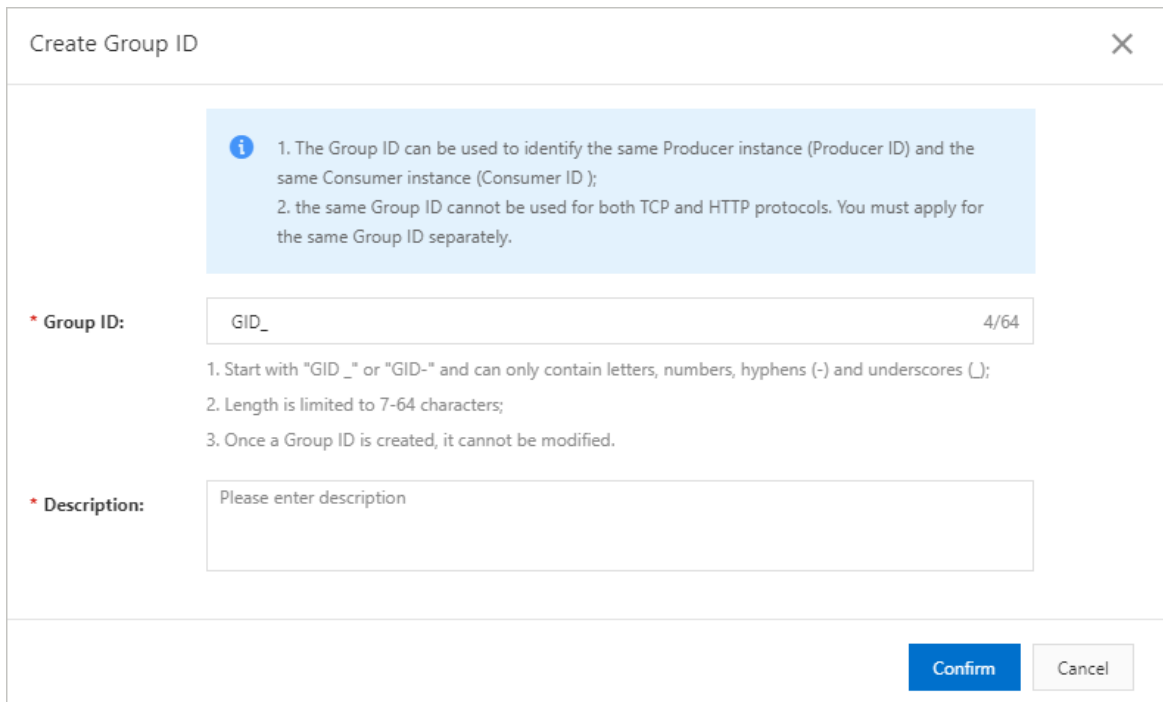
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 **Note** A group ID is required for consumers but is optional for producers.

1. On the details page of the target instance, click **Groups** in the left-side navigation pane.
2. On the **Groups** page, choose **HTTP > Create Group ID**.
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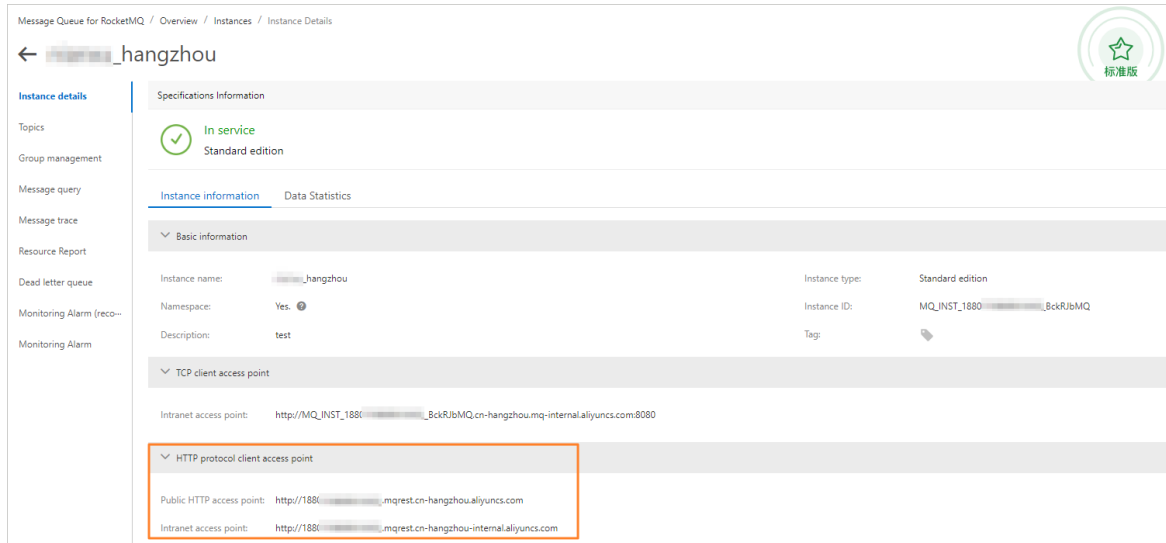
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After creating resources in the console, you need to obtain the endpoint of the instance in the console. To access services in an instance or a region when sending or subscribing to messages, you need to configure the endpoints for the producer and consumer.

1. On the details page of the target instance, click **Instance Details** in the left-side navigation pane.
2. On the **Instance Information** tab that appears by default, go to the **HTTP Endpoint** section and click the endpoint of the target HTTP client to copy it.



The HTTP endpoint displayed in the console is the endpoint of a region, instead of a specific instance. You need to configure an ID for the instance when sending and subscribing to messages.

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### What's next

[Call HTTP SDKs to send and subscribe to normal messages](#)

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Message Queue for Apache RocketMQ


### Prerequisites

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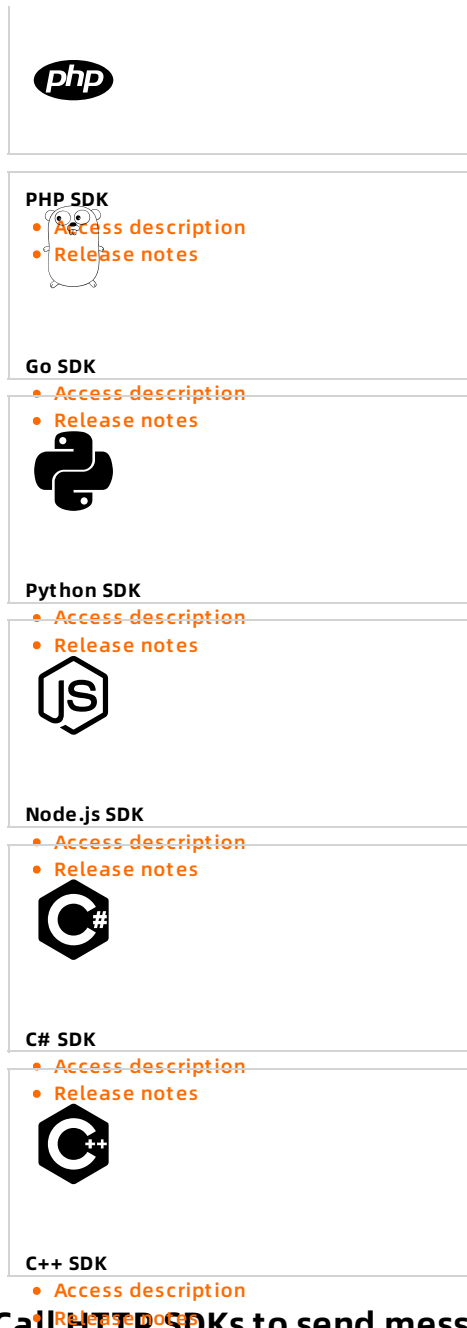
Message Queue for Apache RocketMQ

provides the following multi-language HTTP SDKs. Download and install the client SDK in a specific language as needed.



**Java SDK**

- [Access description](#)
- [Release notes](#)



The screenshot displays a vertical list of SDK options for sending and receiving messages. Each option includes a language logo, the SDK name, and links to 'Access description' and 'Release notes'.

- PHP SDK**
  - [Access description](#)
  - [Release notes](#)
- Go SDK**
  - [Access description](#)
  - [Release notes](#)
- Python SDK**
  - [Access description](#)
  - [Release notes](#)
- Node.js SDK**
  - [Access description](#)
  - [Release notes](#)
- C# SDK**
  - [Access description](#)
  - [Release notes](#)
- C++ SDK**
  - [Access description](#)
  - [Release notes](#)

## Call HTTP SDKs to send messages

After you obtain the client SDK in a specific language, you can run the following sample code to send messages.

On the Topics page, find the target topic and click **Send Message** in the **Actions** column.



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[Java](#)[Go](#)[PHP](#)[Python](#)[Node.js](#)[C++](#)[C#](#)

```
import com.aliyun.mq.http.MQClient;
import com.aliyun.mq.http.MQConsumer;
import com.aliyun.mq.http.common.AckMessageException;
import com.aliyun.mq.http.model.Message;

import java.util.ArrayList;
import java.util.List;

public class Consumer {

    public static void main(String[] args) {
        MQClient mqClient = new MQClient(
            // The domain name used for HTTP access. (The production environment hosted on
            // Alibaba Cloud is used here as an example.)
            "${HTTP_ENDPOINT}",
            // The AccessKey ID that you created in the Alibaba Cloud console for verifying the
            // Alibaba Cloud account.
            "${ACCESS_KEY}",
            // The AccessKey secret that you created in the Alibaba Cloud console for verifying the
            // Alibaba Cloud account.
            "${SECRET_KEY}"
        );

        // The topic of the message.
        final String topic = "${TOPIC}";
        // The group ID (consumer ID) you created in the console.
        final String groupId = "${GROUP_ID}";
        // The instance ID of the topic. This parameter is null by default.
        final String instancelId = "${INSTANCE_ID}";

        final MQConsumer consumer;
        if (instancelId != null && instancelId != "") {
            consumer = mqClient.getConsumer(instancelId, topic, groupId, null);
        } else {
            consumer = mqClient.getConsumer(topic, groupId);
        }

        // Consume messages cyclically in the current thread. We recommend that you use multiple
```

```

threads to concurrently consume messages.
do {
    List<Message> messages = null;

    try {
        // Consume messages in long-polling mode.
        // In long-polling mode, if no message on the topic is available for consumption, the
        request is hung on the server for 3 seconds. If any message is available for consumption within
        the duration, a response is immediately sent to the client.
        messages = consumer.consumeMessage(
            3, // A maximum of 3 messages can be consumed at a time. The largest value is 16.
            3 // The duration of a long-polling cycle is 3 seconds. The largest value is 30 seconds.
        );
    } catch (Throwable e) {
        e.printStackTrace();
        try {
            Thread.sleep(2000);
        } catch (InterruptedException e1) {
            e1.printStackTrace();
        }
    }
    // No messages.
    if (messages == null || messages.isEmpty()) {
        System.out.println(Thread.currentThread().getName() + ": no new message, continue!
");
        continue;
    }

    // Data consumption logic.
    for (Message message : messages) {
        System.out.println("Receive message: " + message);
    }

    // If the consumption of a message is not confirmed before Message.nextConsumeTime,
    the message will be consumed again.
    // A unique timestamp is specified for the handle of a message each time the message is
    consumed.
    {
        List<String> handles = new ArrayList<String>();
        for (Message message : messages) {
            handles.add(message.getReceiptHandle());
        }

        try {
            consumer.ackMessage(handles);
        } catch (Throwable e) {
            // The consumption confirmation of some messages may fail due to timeout of the
            message handles.
            if (e instanceof AckMessageException) {
                AckMessageException errors = (AckMessageException) e;
                System.out.println("Ack message fail, requestId is: " + errors.getRequestId() + ", fail
handles:");
                if (errors.getErrorMessages() != null) {
                    for (String errorHandle : errors.getErrorMessages().keySet()) {
                        System.out.println("Handle: " + errorHandle + ", ErrorCode: " +
errors.getErrorMessages().get(errorHandle).getErrorCode()
+ ", ErrorMsg: " +
errors.getErrorMessages().get(errorHandle).getErrorMessage());
                    }
                }
                continue;
            }
        }
        e.printStackTrace();
    }
}

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    }  
  }  
}while (true);  
}  
}
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