

Access control - KMC

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About

Kaltura supports several publication restrictions to control content access based on business needs. These restrictions can be applied individually or set automatically for groups of items during upload via a bulk upload CSV file or using Kaltura's APIs. See [Kaltura API](#) documentation.

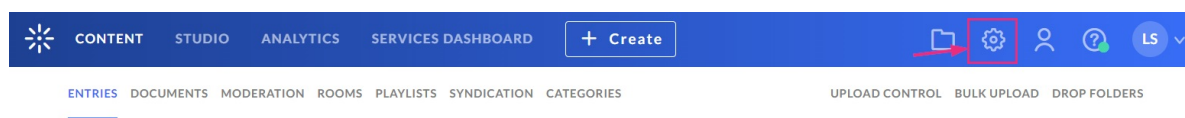
An Access Control Profile lets you define where your content can be displayed or viewed, including specific domains, countries, and IP addresses. Use the Access Control tab to view or create profiles.

Controlled access provides authentication and authorization using a Partner ID and one of two "secrets" to generate a Kaltura Session token (KS) for API calls.

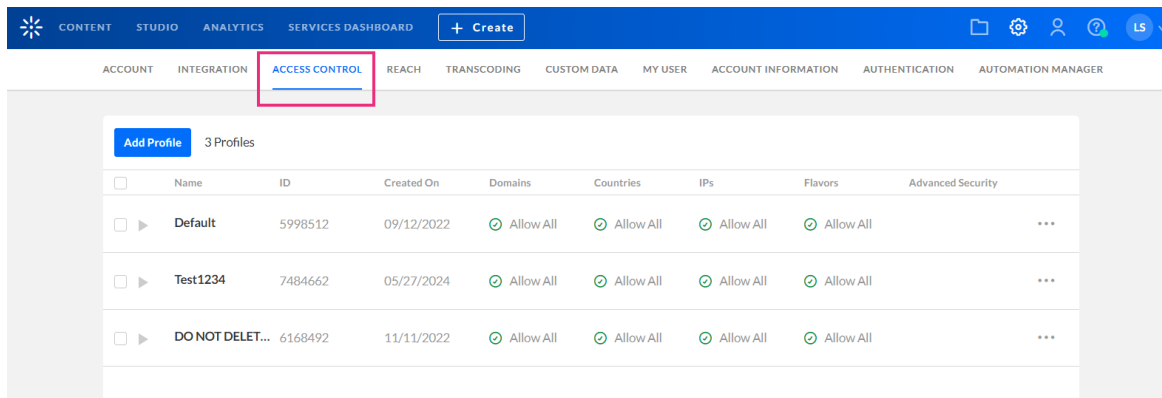
You can also segregate content for different user groups and audiences, creating channels for specific users while making other content public. Access profiles help manage groups and users based on your identity management system.

View profiles

1. Log into your KMC.
2. Click the **settings icon**.



3. Click the **Access Control** tab.
The access control profiles page displays.



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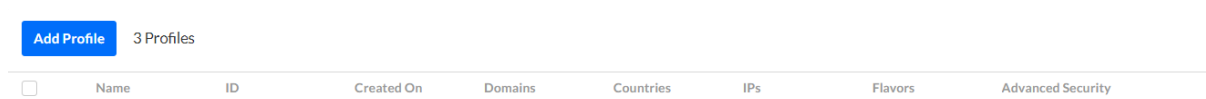
Add Profile 3 Profiles

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<input type="checkbox"/>	▶ Test1234	7484662	05/27/2024	⊙ Allow All	⊙ Allow All	⊙ Allow All	⊙ Allow All	...
<input type="checkbox"/>	▶ DO NOT DELET...	6168492	11/11/2022	⊙ Allow All	⊙ Allow All	⊙ Allow All	⊙ Allow All	...

A default profile permitting access to all is automatically set up for you.

The access control profiles page displays a table with the following information:

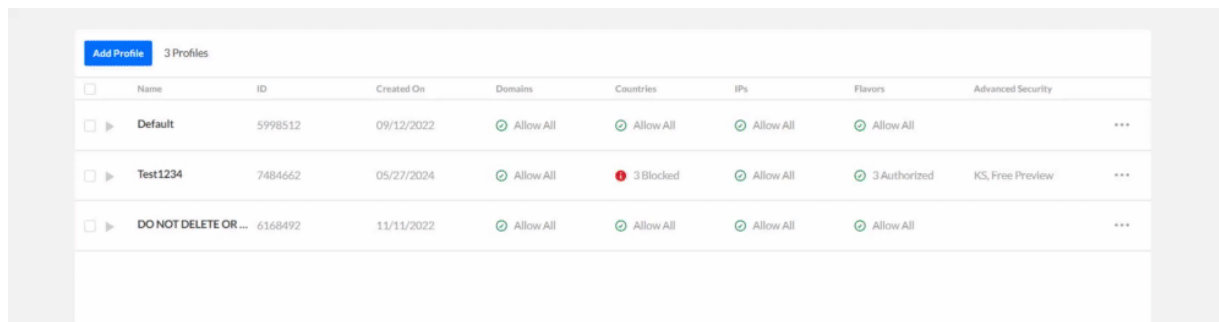
- Profile name
- Profile ID
- Created On date
- Domains, countries, IPs, and flavors allowed or blocked for that profile
- Advanced security



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Click the arrow to the left of a profile to display information about that profile.



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Create a profile

1. On the access control profiles page, click **Add Profile**.

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The **Add Access Control Profile** window displays.

Add Access Control Profile
Cancel
Save

Profile Name
*

Description

Authorized Domains

☒ All Domains

☐ Selected Domains Only

Enter Domain

☐ Block Selected Domains

Enter Domain

Authorized Countries

☒ All Countries

2. Enter an informative **Profile Name** and **Description** for the profile.

3. Configure the rest of the settings as explained below:

Authorized Domains

Restricting content playback to specific domains helps prevent unauthorized sharing or scraping of your content. You can create a "white list" of approved domains where your content can be played, and a "black list" of domains where playback is denied. You can also use a combination of both to control where your content is accessible.

Select one of the following options:

- **All Domains** – Content will display in all domains.

- **Selected Domains Only** - Enter the sites where you want Kaltura content to be displayed. Press **Enter** after each domain you add to continue.
- **Block Selected Domains** - Enter the sites or list of domains that are not allowed to display Kaltura content. Press **Enter** after each domain you add to continue.



If you're using Access Control Profiles and embedding a V7 player, remember that **domain restriction isn't supported with Iframe embeds**. This is because the referrer is always taken from the parent domain, and Iframes don't have access to parent domains.

Authorized Countries

You can set geographic restrictions by creating a "white list" or a "black list" of specific locations. This limits or enables playback attempts of content for users in these areas. For instance, if you set geo-restrictions for a Kaltura Player entry with Spain on the white list, it'll only be playable by viewers in Spain, regardless of the domain it's on.

Select one of the following options:

- **All Countries** - Content will be displayed in all countries.
- **Selected Countries Only** - Select one or more approved countries that will be allowed to display content. You can also use the search field to find a country.
- **Block Selected Countries** - Select one or more countries that will not be allowed to display content. You can also use the search field to find a country.

Click any of the selected boxes again to undo the selection.

☒ Selected Countries Only

☐ Block Selected Countries

Authorized IPs

☒ All IPs

☐ Selected IPs Only

6 Countries Selected

☐ Cuba

☐ Cape Verde

☐ Cyprus

☐ Czech Republic

☒ Germany

Enter IP

Authorized IPs

Restrict content viewing by specifying IP addresses or ranges. Decide which IP ranges can access the content.

Select one of the following options:

- **All IPs** – Content will be displayed for all IP addresses.
- **Selected IPs Only** - Enter the approved IPs. Press **Enter** after each addition.
- **Block Selected IPs** - Enter IPs that should be excluded from content viewing. Press **Enter** after each addition.

Authorized Flavors

You can control content view by flavors, deciding which ones are allowed for playback, download, and DRM licensing. This adds an extra layer of security enforced by the Kaltura server, enhancing player tag-based flavor controls.

Select one of the following options:

- **All Flavors** – content will not be restricted by access control for any flavors
- **Selected Flavors Only** - Select the flavors that will display content.
- **Block Selected Flavors** - Select the flavors that should be excluded from content viewing.

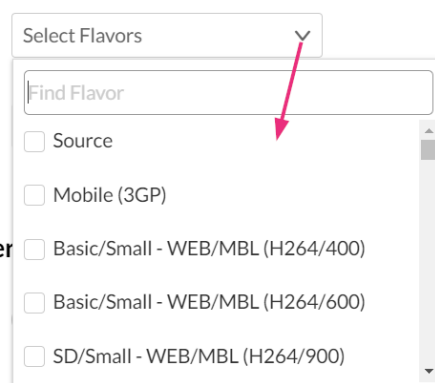
Click any of the selected boxes again to undo the selection.

Authorized Flavors

- ☐ All Flavors
- ☒ Selected Flavors Only
- ☐ Block Selected Flavors

Advanced Security and Pay per view

Secure this video with server side secret.



Advanced Security and Pay-per-view

This provides a higher level of security , relevant for pay-per-view models and premium content.

Restricting a Kaltura Session

When user authentication is handled externally to Kaltura, an Advanced Kaltura Session (KS) based Access Control mechanism is recommended. Here's how it works:

An external entitlement mechanism determines user entitlements and generates a valid Kaltura Session when necessary. This process is used in scenarios such as paid content with non-Kaltura payment gateways or single-sign-on systems using LDAP or other authentication mechanisms.

For enhanced security, a Kaltura Player marked with tokenized access requires a “session token” for each playback. This token can only be created by a developer with valid credentials and expires after a limited time. Thus, even if an attempt to grab the item’s direct URL is successful, the playback session will soon expire, and without valid credentials, regeneration of a new token will not be possible.

Tokenized access effectively prevents unauthorized content access and sharing, safeguarding against scraping of content from your website or re-sharing on unauthorized sites.

Pay-per-view

You can enable paid programming with a video preview, and easy, on-the-fly payment options for full video access.

Secure this video with server side secret - switch toggle to 'Yes' to enable

Allow Free Preview of - check the box to enable

Followed by a prompt to pay for continued viewing - Enter the amount of time in seconds for the free preview display

Advanced Security and Pay per-view ?

Secure this video with server side secret.

☐ No

☐ Allow Free Preview of

00:00

Followed by a prompt to pay for continued viewing

When you have finished configuring your new access control profile, click **Save**.

Edit a profile

1. On the Access Control Profiles page, click the three dots to the right of the desired profile and select **Edit**.

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The Edit Access Control Profile window displays.

2. Modify the profile according to the sections described in [Create a profile](#).

Delete a profile

1. On the Access Control Profiles page, click the three dots to the right of the desired profile and select **Delete**.

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A confirmation message displays: *After deleting an Access Control Profile, all entries that were associated with the profile will revert to the default profile. Are you sure you want to delete the following Access Control Profile(s):Test1234?*

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Yes

No

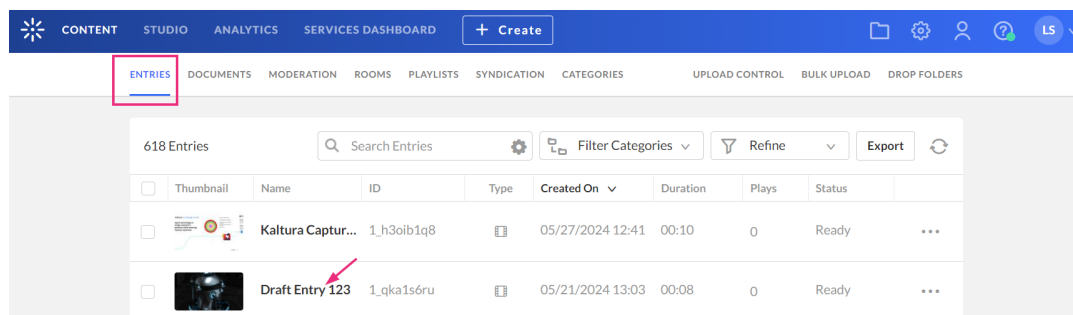
2. Click **Yes** to delete.

The profile is immediately deleted.

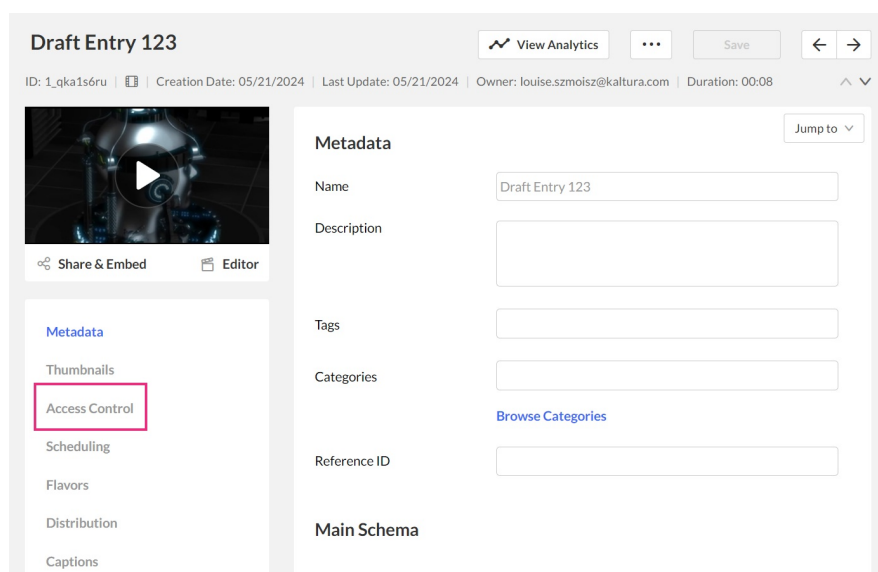
Assign a profile to an entry

1. Under the **Entries** tab, click on the entry to which you want to assign an Access

Control Profile.



2. The entry details page displays.
3. Navigate to the Access Control tab.



4. Select an existing profile from the drop-down menu.

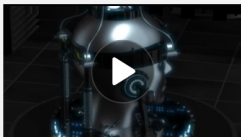
Access Control Profiles

Access Control Profile	Default
Profile Name	Default
Description	Test1234
Domains	Any Domain
Countries	Any Country
IPs	Any IP
Flavors	Any Flavor
Advanced Security	

5. Click **Save**.

Draft Entry 123
View Analytics
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 Save
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ID: 1_gka1s6ru | Creation Date: 05/21/2024 | Last Update: 05/21/2024 | Owner: louise.szmoisz@kaltura.com | Duration: 00:08



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Access Control Profiles

Access Control Profile	Test1234
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Description	
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Countries	Any Country
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Advanced Security	

Assign a profile to multiple entries via bulk upload

- Add the access control profile ID (as shown below) to the **accessControlProfileId** in your CSV file or XML file.

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For more information see [The Kaltura Media Access Control Model](#).