# Express Capture vs Capture

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This article is designated for all users.

## About

**Capture** and **Express Capture** both let you create and upload recordings to Kaltura. Express Capture is designed for quick recordings from a supported desktop browser, while Capture is an installed desktop application with additional recording and presentation tools.

## Express Capture

- **Browser-based recording:** Record directly from a supported desktop browser without installing an application.
- **Camera, microphone, and screen capture:** Record one camera, one screen, and audio.
- **Quick recording workflow:** Preview the recording, record it again, download a local copy, or upload it to Kaltura.
- **Basic recording tools:** Pause and resume recording, but no annotation, whiteboard, or resolution controls are available.
- **Desktop only:** Express Capture is not supported on mobile devices or tablets, including iPhones and iPads.

## Capture

- **Installed desktop application:** Capture must be downloaded and installed on your computer.
- **Multiple recording sources:** Record up to two cameras, two screens, and audio.
- **Presentation tools:** Use annotations and the whiteboard while recording, and automatically generate chapters from PowerPoint presentations.
- **Recording controls:** Pause and resume recording and select the camera and screen-capture resolution.
- **Offline recording:** Record without an internet connection and upload the recording when a connection is available.

## Which tool should I use?

Use **Express Capture** for quick recordings from a supported desktop browser when

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you don’t need to install an application or use advanced recording tools.

Use **Capture** for more complex recordings that require multiple sources, annotations, a whiteboard, PowerPoint chapter generation, resolution controls, or offline recording.

## Feature comparison

| **Feature** | Express Capture | Kaltura Capture |
|---|---|---|
| Deployment method | Desktop browser | Installed desktop application |
| Audio capture | Yes | Yes |
| Camera capture | Yes, one camera | Yes, up to two cameras |
| Screen capture | Yes, one screen | Yes, up to two screens |
| Annotations and whiteboard | No | Yes |
| Automatically generate chapters from PowerPoint | No | Yes |
| Deploy through SCCM (System Center Configuration Manager) | No | Yes |
| Pause and resume recording | Yes | Yes |
| Save a recording to your computer | Yes, using **Download a Copy** | Yes |
| Select camera and screen-capture resolution | No | Yes |
| VDI (Virtual Desktop Infrastructure) compatibility | Yes* | No |

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*In a virtual desktop environment, Express Capture works only if the browser can access your camera and microphone. Support depends on how the virtual desktop is configured.

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