

Hide play/pause buttons on the player

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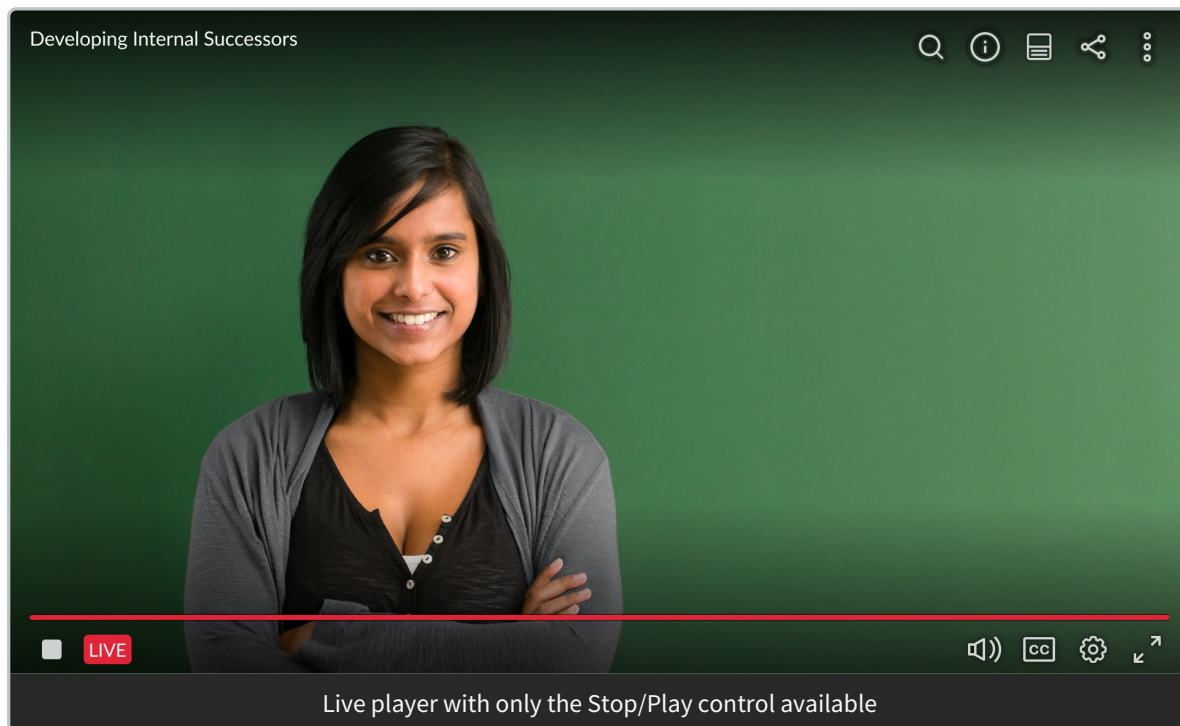
 This article is designated for all users.

About

You can configure the player to show or hide the play/pause button for VOD and live playback. This ensures the player only shows controls that work for the current content.

When the button is hidden, viewers can't pause, stop, or resume playback using the control bar, clicking the video, or keyboard shortcuts.

Volume controls remain available.



Setup

To learn how to hide the play / pause button in the player configuration, see [Set play / pause button visibility](#).

Features

The play and pause behavior depends on the content type and whether [DVR](#) is enabled.

VOD playback

- **Play/pause shown** – Viewers can pause and resume the video.
- **Play/pause hidden** – The video plays continuously. Viewers can't pause or resume playback.

Live playback with DVR enabled

- **Play/pause shown** – Viewers can pause the live stream, resume playback, and seek within the DVR window.
- **Play/pause hidden** – The player stays on the live feed. Viewers can't pause or seek back in the stream.

Live playback without DVR

- **Play/stop shown** – The control appears as a **Stop** button.
 - Clicking **Stop** interrupts the stream.
 - Clicking **Play** reconnects to the live feed.
- **Play/stop hidden** – The stream continues to play live. Viewers can't stop or pause playback.



When the play/pause or play/stop control is hidden, playback can't be controlled using mouse clicks or keyboard input. Volume controls are not affected and remain available.