

IRAS API SERVICES INTERFACE SPECIFICATIONS

Property Tax Services

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1. Introduction

The Inland Revenue Authority of Singapore (IRAS) provides application programming interface (API) services to allow application developers to submit and retrieve tax related matters using HTTP requests. Most of the APIs will be in the form of a JSON web service which reduces client/server coupling and thus enabling easier integration between IRAS' service with external developers. This document serves to help developers consume the API services provided by IRAS.

2. Registration at API Portal

Application developers are required to register for an account at <https://apisandbox.iras.gov.sg/> to subscribe to IRAS API services for Sandbox Testing and an account at <https://apiservices.iras.gov.sg/> to subscribe to IRAS API services for Production.

A computer-generated email will be sent to the subscriber's email account for account activation.

3. API Services

IRAS will provide several API services for public consumption. The following sections describe the request and response for each of the services.

The table below shows the list of Property Tax API services currently available in IRAS.

| S/No | Name of API Services | Description | URL |
|------|------------------------------|---|---|
| 1 | Property Tax Balance Enquiry | This service enables a taxpayer to retrieve the property tax payable on his property by simply entering the property address and his or her co-owner's identification number. | For Sandbox Testing: https://apisandbox.iras.gov.sg/iras/sb/PTTaxBal/PtyTaxBalSearch For Production Usage: https://apiservices.iras.gov.sg/iras/prod/PTTaxBal/PtyTaxBalSearch |

3.1 General Information

3.1.1 Production Usage

Approval is required to use the services.

Developers are required to test in the Sandbox environment and send the sample test data to the Authority before the Authority will grant approval for production usage .

The following parameters must be populated in the HTTP header:

| | |
|----------------------------|--|
| X-IBM-Client-Id | String containing the client ID of the application invoking IRAS API. This value will be provided to the application vendor by IRAS. |
| X-IBM-Client-Secret | String containing the client secret of the application invoking IRAS API. This value will be provided to the application vendor by IRAS. |

3.1.2 Common Interface Information

- JSON is case sensitive by specifications.
- All date strings are to be represented in compliance to the [ISO-8601](#) standard.
- All properties follow the camel-case convention.
- Unless stated as optional, all JSON object properties must be specified.
- Unless otherwise specified, all JSON services are invoked using HTTP verb POST
- JSON strings are to be enclosed with double quotes (") and NOT single quotes (')

3.1.3 Common Request Payload

All request payloads share the following common field:

| | | |
|-----------------|--------|--|
| clientID | String | This has to match the client id that is passed in via the HTTP headers |
|-----------------|--------|--|

3.1.4 Common Response Payload

All response payloads share the following common fields:

| | | |
|-------------------|---------|--|
| data | Object | The data property will be populated differently based on the API that is being invoked. |
| returnCode | Integer | 10 : Success - The request was successfully processed 20 : Warning - The request was successfully processed. However, there are non-fatal issues. Please refer to the "info" object for diagnostic information 30 : Failure – The request was not processed. Refer to "info" object for error information |

| | | |
|-----------------------------------|---------|--|
| info | Object | This complex object holds any diagnostic information that will allow developers to debug their failed requests. |
| info.message | String | Diagnostic message in the event of warning or error. |
| Info.messageCode | Integer | Integer code signifying the type of error or warning. 850301 : Arguments error – There is an error with one of the arguments provided. 850302 : Generic error – There is an exception within the service. 850303 : Service is inactive. 850304 : Service is not authorized for usage based on the provided credentials. 400348 : Property record not found. 400349 : You do not have access to this property. 10454 : Property is not in Valuation List. |
| info.fieldInfoList | Array | An array for FieldInfo objects |
| info.fieldInfoList.field | String | Name of the field that resulted in a warning / error |
| Info.fieldInfoList.message | String | Diagnostic message provided to aid consumer’s developers |

3.2 Property Tax Balance Enquiry Service

3.2.1 Request Payload

| | | |
|----------------------|--------------------------------------|---|
| clientID | As per section 3.1.3 | |
| criteria | String | Search Criteria: 1 = Search by building address <i>(blkHouseNo, streetName, ownerTaxRefID are required fields)</i> 2 = Search by property tax reference number <i>(pptyTaxRefNo is a required field)</i> 3 = Search by postal code <i>(postalCode, ownerTaxRefID are required fields)</i> <i>Note: The rest of the fields not mentioned are optional.</i> |
| blkHouseNo | String | Blk/House Number |
| streetName | String | Street Name |
| postalCode | String | Postal Code |
| storeyNo | String | Storey Number |
| unitNo | String | Unit Number |
| ownerTaxRefID | String | Owner Tax Reference ID |
| pptyTaxRefNo | String | Property Tax Reference Number |

Sample JSON request payload

```
{
  "clientID": "{YOUR_CLIENT_ID}",
  "pptyTaxRefNo": "4143149E",
  "postalCode": "",
  "criteria": "2",
  "blkHouseNo": "",
  "streetName": "",
  "storeyNo": "",
  "unitNo": "",
  "ownerTaxRefID": ""
}
```

3.2.2 Response Payload

| | | |
|------------------------------------|--------------------------------------|--|
| data | Object | The object payload containing the property tax balance information |
| data.propertyDescription | String | The description of the property. |
| data.propertyTaxReferenceNo | String | The property tax reference number. |
| data.outstandingBalance | Number | The outstanding property tax balance. <i>Note: data.outstandingBalance <= 0 indicates that there is no outstanding balance.</i> |
| data.paymentByGiro | String | A “Yes” or “No” indicator of whether payment is by GIRO. |
| returnCode | As per section 3.1.4 | |
| info | | |

| | |
|-----------------------------------|--|
| info.message | |
| Info.messageCode | |
| info.fieldInfoList | |
| info.fieldInfoList.field | |
| Info.fieldInfoList.message | |

Sample success JSON response payload

```

{
  "returnCode": 10,
  "info": {
    "fieldInfoList": []
  },
  "data": {
    "outstandingBalance": "2844.00",
    "paymentByGiro": "No",
    "propertyDescription": "",
    "propertyTaxReferenceNo": "4143149E"
  }
}

```

Sample error JSON response payload

```

{
  "returnCode": 30,
  "info": {
    "fieldInfoList": [
      {
        "field": "PptyTaxRefNo",
        "message": "Value is not valid"
      }
    ],
    "message": "Arguments Error",
    "messageCode": 850301
  }
}

```

3.3 Sandbox Testing

As explained in [section 2](#), developers can first create an account in the Sandbox environment to make API calls to our Sandbox URL. This allows the developers to mimic the characteristics of our production environment and create a simulated response from our API.

3.3.1 Property Tax Balance Enquiry Service

| <u>Input</u> | <u>Expected Output</u> |
|--|---|
| <pre>{ "clientID": "YOUR_CLIENT_ID", "pptyTaxRefNo": "", "postalCode": "", "criteria": "1", "blkHouseNo": "151B", "streetName": "KINGS RD", "storeyNo": "09", "unitNo": "05", "ownerTaxRefID": "T9100002J" }</pre> | <pre>{ "returnCode": 10, "info": { "fieldInfoList": [] }, "data": { "outstandingBalance": "2844.00", "paymentByGiro": "Yes", "propertyDescription": "151B KINGS RD #09-05", "propertyTaxReferenceNo": "0200320A" } }</pre> |
| <pre>{ "clientID": "YOUR_CLIENT_ID", "pptyTaxRefNo": "", "postalCode": "", "criteria": "1", "blkHouseNo": "151B", "streetName": "KINGS RD", "storeyNo": "09", "unitNo": "08", "ownerTaxRefID": "T9100004G" }</pre> | <pre>{ "returnCode": 10, "info": { "fieldInfoList": [] }, "data": { "outstandingBalance": "-500.00", "paymentByGiro": "Yes", "propertyDescription": "151B KINGS RD #09-08", "propertyTaxReferenceNo": " 0200323U" } }</pre> |
| <pre>{ "clientID": "YOUR_CLIENT_ID", "pptyTaxRefNo": "", "postalCode": "268159", "criteria": "3", "blkHouseNo": "", "streetName": "", "storeyNo": "09", "unitNo": "07", "ownerTaxRefID": "T9100002J" }</pre> | <pre>{ "returnCode": 20, "info": { "fieldInfoList": [], "message": "Property record not found", "messageCode": 400348 } }</pre> |
| <pre>{ "clientID": "YOUR_CLIENT_ID", "pptyTaxRefNo": "", "postalCode": "", "criteria": "1", "blkHouseNo": "151B", "streetName": "KINGS RD", "storeyNo": "09", "unitNo": "05", "ownerTaxRefID": "T9100003I" }</pre> | <pre>{ "returnCode": 20, "info": { "fieldInfoList": [], "message": "You do not have access to this property", "messageCode": 400349 } }</pre> |
| <pre>{ "clientID": "YOUR_CLIENT_ID", "pptyTaxRefNo": "", "postalCode": "268159", "criteria": "3", }</pre> | <pre>{ "returnCode": 10, "info": { "fieldInfoList": [] }, }</pre> |

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|---|--|
| <pre>"blkHouseNo": "", "streetName": "", "storeyNo": "09", "unitNo": "05", "ownerTaxRefID": "T9100002J" }</pre> | <pre>"data": { "outstandingBalance": "2844.00", "paymentByGiro": "Yes", "propertyDescription": "151B KINGS RD #09-05", "propertyTaxReferenceNo": "0200320A" }</pre> |
| <pre>{ "clientID": "YOUR_CLIENT_ID", "pptyTaxRefNo": "0200320A", "postalCode": "", "criteria": "2", "blkHouseNo": "", "streetName": "", "storeyNo": "", "unitNo": "", "ownerTaxRefID": "" }</pre> | <pre>{ "returnCode": 10, "info": { "fieldInfoList": [] }, "data": { "outstandingBalance": "2844.00", "paymentByGiro": "Yes", "propertyDescription": "", "propertyTaxReferenceNo": "0200320A" } }</pre> |
| <pre>{ "clientID": "YOUR_CLIENT_ID", "pptyTaxRefNo": "0200321P", "postalCode": "", "criteria": "2", "blkHouseNo": "", "streetName": "", "storeyNo": "", "unitNo": "", "ownerTaxRefID": "" }</pre> | <pre>{ "returnCode": 20, "info": { "fieldInfoList": [], "message": "Property is not in Valuation List", "messageCode": 10454 } }</pre> |

4. Sample Code (C#)

```

using System;
using System.Net;
using System.IO;
using System.Text;

// jsonData – contains data from Section 3.1.1 of this document
public static void callWebAPI(string jsonData, string url)
{
    try
    {
        var httpWebRequest = (HttpWebRequest)WebRequest.Create(url);
        httpWebRequest.ContentType = "application/json";
        httpWebRequest.Method = "POST";

        //Step 1: Enter the Client-Id given by IRAS
        httpWebRequest.Headers["X-IBM-Client-Id "] = "{YOUR_CLIENT_ID}";
        //Step 2: Enter the Client-Secret given by IRAS
        httpWebRequest.Headers["X-IBM-Client-Secret"] = "{YOUR_CLIENT_SECRET}";

        // Step 3: Call API using POST
        using (var streamWriter = new StreamWriter(httpWebRequest.GetRequestStream()))
        {
            streamWriter.Write(jsonData);
            streamWriter.Flush();
            streamWriter.Close();
        }

        // Step 3a: Output response
        var httpResponse = (HttpWebResponse)httpWebRequest.GetResponse();
        using (var streamReader = new StreamReader(httpResponse.GetResponseStream()))
        {
            var result = streamReader.ReadToEnd();
            //print the received response
            Console.WriteLine(result);
        }
    }
    catch (WebException e)
    {
        if (!string.IsNullOrEmpty(e.Message))
        {
            // Step 3b: Print general errors
            Console.WriteLine("Exception - ");
            Console.WriteLine(e.Message);
        }

        if (e.Response != null)
        {
            // Step 3c: Print Output response exception
            Stream receiveStream = e.Response.GetResponseStream();
            StreamReader readStream = new StreamReader(receiveStream, Encoding.UTF8);
            // print the error received from Server
            Console.WriteLine("Response error received - ");
            Console.WriteLine(readStream.ReadToEnd());
        }
    }
}

```