



How to Monitor Web Sites & HTML Availability with Sentry-go

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Be Proactive, Not Reactive!

Monitoring access to web sites & key HTML pages, via your web server is quick & simple to do with Sentry-go. Once configured, the monitor will periodically verify the status of key web pages & web sites, and alert you immediately issues are detected.

To do this, follow these steps ...

- Start the Easy Access Utility or Client Console, select the monitor & click “Configure”.
[Click here for more information on configuring Sentry-go.](#)
- Select the “HTML” button to display the primary HTML configuration list.
- Click “Add” to add a new check. The properties window for the check will be displayed.

- First select the type of page you wish to access – “http://” for standard or “https://” for secure web pages.
- Next enter the URL of the web site or page you wish to access.
- Enter the port on which the web server listens – typically this is 80 for standard & 443 for secure web pages.

- Click the “Test” button to verify the connection information entered.
- Select the type of check you wish to perform ...

- Select “GET Request” to make a standard call you your web page.

If you wish to pass one or more parameters to the page, include them as part of the URL above (as would be seen on your web browser), in the format ...

<Server>/<Page>?<Param1>=<Value>&<Param2>=<Value>

Do not enter the “?” and do not encode the parameters – they will be encoded automatically at run time.

For example, www.MySite.com?txtName=Sentry&txtType=1

- Select “POST Request” to post data to the web page as though it had been submitted from another web page.

If you wish to pass one or more parameters as part of the post, include them in the “Pass these parameters” field, and not as part the URL above, using the format ...

<Param1>=<Value>&<Param2>=<Value>

Do not encode the parameters – they will be encoded automatically at run time.

- Now select the check you wish to perform & enter any optional information required.
- Click “Schedule” to perform the check at specific times (as opposed to the default no. minutes as specified at the bottom of the main list).
[Click here for more information on Scheduling Sentry-go checks.](#)
- Click “Response” to define any automatic action you wish Sentry-go to take in the event the check fails. These settings include ...
 - How many errors should occur in succession before action is taken.
 - The auto-response the monitor should take, if any, if the check fails.
 - [Click here for more information on defining automatic responses.](#)
- Click “Alert” to define the alert that should be triggered in the event the check fails. This includes ...
 - Which group should be notified of the failure.
 - How members of the group should be notified.
 - When notifications should be run etc.
 - [Click here for more information on defining alerts.](#)

More Information

If you need more help or information on this topic ...

- See [Monitoring HTML Availability.](#)
- Contact our [Support Team.](#)
- Watch [demonstrations & walkthrough videos on-line.](#)
- Visit <http://www.Sentry-go.com>.

