

# Multi-Factor Authentication API Guide

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## Introduction

Use this guide to configure the SecureAuth Authentication API to access user information, including Multi-Factor Authentication mechanisms configured for that profile.

## Prerequisites

1. Complete the steps in the [Authentication API guide](#).
2. Configure the realm to enable [Multi-Factor Authentication Methods](#).

## Endpoint

The `/users/{username}/factors` endpoint uses the **GET** method to access the end-user's profile and respond with the list of available Multi-Factor Authentication mechanisms

As a **GET** endpoint, there is no body, so no JSON parameters are required

## GET

HTTP Method	URI	Example
GET	<code>/api/v2/users/{username}/factors</code>	<code>https://secureauth.company.com/secureauth2/api/v2/users/jsmith/factors</code>

## Definitions

- **status**: The status of user ID provided (found, not\_found, invalid, etc.); will always be in response
- **message**: Additional information regarding the status; will always be in response
- **user\_id**: The user ID provided; will always be in response, whether successful or not
- **factors**: The list of available multi-factor authentication methods available to the user
  - **type**: The type of method (phone, kbq, push, etc.)
  - **id**: The SecureAuth IdP Profile Property that is mapped to the directory field containing the information required to conduct the authentication (Phone1, Email2, etc.)
    - The indexed knowledge-based questions within the Knowledge-based Questions SecureAuth IdP Property (KBQ1, KBQ2, etc.)
    - A unique identifier provided to SecureAuth IdP by the mobile device during the provisioning process (for OATH and Push)
- **value**: The information contained in the SecureAuth IdP Property / directory field (phone number, email address, device name, etc.)
- **capabilities**: The variations available for the factor that require user selection (phone call, text message, etc.)

## GET Endpoint Response Examples

Success	Fail / Error
<pre>{   "status": "found",   "message": "",   "user_id": "jsmith",   "factors": [     {       "type": "phone",       "id": "Phone1",       "value": "123-456-7890",       "capabilities": [         "call"       ]     },     {       "type": "phone",       "id": "Phone2",       "value": "987-654-3210",       "capabilities": [         "sms",         "call"       ]     },     {       "type": "email",       "id": "Email1",       "value": "jsmith@company.com"     },     {       "type": "kbq",       "id": "KBQ1",       "value": "What city were you born in?"     },     {       "type": "kbq",       "id": "KBQ2",       "value": "What was your favorite childhood game?"     },     {       "type": "kbq",       "id": "KBQ3",       "value": "What was your dream job as a child?"     },     {       "type": "kbq",       "id": "KBQ4",       "value": "Who is your personal hero?"     },     {       "type": "kbq",       "id": "KBQ5",       "value": "What is the last name of your favorite school teacher?"     }   ] }</pre>	<pre>{   "status": "not_found",   "message": "User Id was not found" } HTTP Status 404</pre>
	<pre>{   "status": "invalid_group",   "message": "User Id is not associated with a valid group." } HTTP Status 200</pre>
	<pre>{   "status": "disabled",   "message": "Account is disabled." } HTTP Status 200</pre>
	<pre>{   "status": "lock_out",   "message": "Account is locked out." } HTTP Status 200</pre>
	<pre>{   "status": "password_expired",   "message": "Password is expired." } HTTP Status 200</pre>
	<p>See <a href="#">Server Error</a> information below</p>
<p>If a server error is encountered, then the below response is returned:</p> <pre>{   "status": "server_error",   "message": "&lt;Exception message describing the issue.&gt;",   "type": "kbq" } HTTP Status 500</pre>	

### Related documentation

[Symbol-to-Accept API endpoints](#)

[Biometric API endpoints](#)

[API configuration guide](#)

[Authentication API configuration](#)