

How Do I Get Started with the ShipHawk API?



Step 1: Get familiar with the API Documentation

Go to <https://shiphawk.readme.io/> and read through the Introduction. Scan through any endpoints that you may want to use.

Step 2: Sign up for a Basic account and get your Sandbox API key

Once you sign up, look for the API link on the left navbar and grab your Sandbox key.



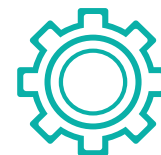
Step 3: Download our Postman collection and test out a few sample API requests

- First, get some Rates. Make sure to put your API key in the X-API-Key header for authentication.
- Access the sandbox api environment using <https://sandbox.shiphawk.com/api/v4/rates/>
- Try rating a Parcel object with dimensions of 10x10x10 and 5 lbs. Then book a Shipment.
- You can also use the built-in API Explorer inside the documentation.
- Log into your Dashboard to see the shipment you've booked.

Step 4: Develop your integration

Decide where you need real-time rates, booking, and tracking. You can call the API from your online shopping cart, customer relationship management system, ERP, or order management system.

If you happen to be using Ruby, check out our gem at <https://github.com/ShipHawk/shiphawk-ruby>



Step 5: Move to Production

Get your production key and start calling calling shiphawk.com instead of sandbox.shiphawk.com.