

# system.alert.queryAlertHistory



Ignition version 7.6 introduced a new alarming system. All of the associated functions can be found under the [system.alarm](#) section.

## Description

This function queries one of the configured Alert Storage profiles for alert history. The filter arguments help to narrow down the results to alerts that match various criteria, most commonly a range of dates. You can use \* to match any number of characters and ? to match a single character in the filter string arguments.

**System** - The system that issued the alert.

**Path** - The path to the alert item

**Display Path** - The custom display path (if any) for the alert. Will be the Path if no Display Path is configured.

**State Name** - The state name for the alert.

**Severity** - The severity, as a string.

**Severity Code** - The severity as an integer. 0-4, low-high.

**Active** - A boolean indicating whether this alert state is still active.

**Active Timestamp** - The time at which this alert went active.

**Active Value** - The value that triggered this alert to go active.

**Cleared** - A boolean indicating whether this alert has cleared.

**Cleared Timestamp** - The time at which this alert cleared. May be null.

**Cleared Value** - The value that cleared the alert.

**Acked** - A boolean indicating whether or not this alert was been acknowledged.

**Ack Timestamp** - The time that the alert was acknowledged. May be null.

**Ack user** - The user who acknowledged the alert.

**Notes** - The notes field for the alert

**Flags** - A bitmask representing the current alert state. 0x01= Active, 0x02=Cleared, 0x04=Acknowledged. So if the alert is active and acknowledged, but not cleared, this will be 0x01 | 0x04 = 5

## Syntax

**system.alert.queryAlertHistory(storageProfile, startDate, endDate, system, path, stateName, minSeverity, maxSeverity, activeAndUnacked, activeAndAacked, clearAndUnacked, clearAndAacked, sortOrder, displayPath)**

- Parameters

**String** storageProfile - The name of the alert storage profile to query.

**Date** startDate - Earliest alert to return. Defaults to 8 hours earlier than current time if omitted.

**Date** endDate - Latest alert to return. Defaults to current time if omitted.

**String** system - Filter string to restrict results based on the alert system.

**String** path - Filter string to restrict results based on the alert path.

**String** stateName - Filter string to restrict results based on the alert state name.

**Integer** minSeverity - Minimum severity to return. Defaults to 0 (Low).

**Integer** maxSeverity - Maximum severity to return. Defaults to 4 (High).

**Boolean** activeAndUnacked - Whether or not to return alerts that are currently active and unacknowledged. Default is true.

**Boolean** activeAndAacked - Whether or not to return alerts that are currently active and have been acknowledged. Default is true.

**Boolean** clearAndUnacked - Whether or not to return alerts that are cleared and unacknowledged. Default is true.

**Boolean** clearAndAacked - Whether or not to return alerts that are cleared and have been acknowledged. Default is true.

**String** sortOrder - The sort order in which to return matching alerts. Either "asc" or "desc", referring to the alert's active timestamp. Default is "desc".

**String** displayPath - Filter string to restrict results based on the alert's display path.

- Returns

**Dataset** - A dataset containing the historical alert events from the given storage profile that matched the filter and date range arguments.

- Scope

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## Code Examples

### Code Snippet

```
#code would query an alert storage profile called "DBHistory", looking for the number of unacknowledged alerts in the last 36 hours, displaying the number to the user in a popup message.
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```
from java.util import Date
from java.util import Calendar
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cal = Calendar.getInstance()
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end = cal.getTime()
cal.add(Calendar.HOUR, -36)
start = cal.getTime()
```

```
results = system.alert.queryAlertHistory("DBHistory", start, end,
    activeAndAacked=0, clearAndAacked=0)
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if results.rowCount > 0:
    system.gui.messageBox("There are %d un-acked alerts!" % results.rowCount)
```