



# **VAULT Dock**

Application Documentation

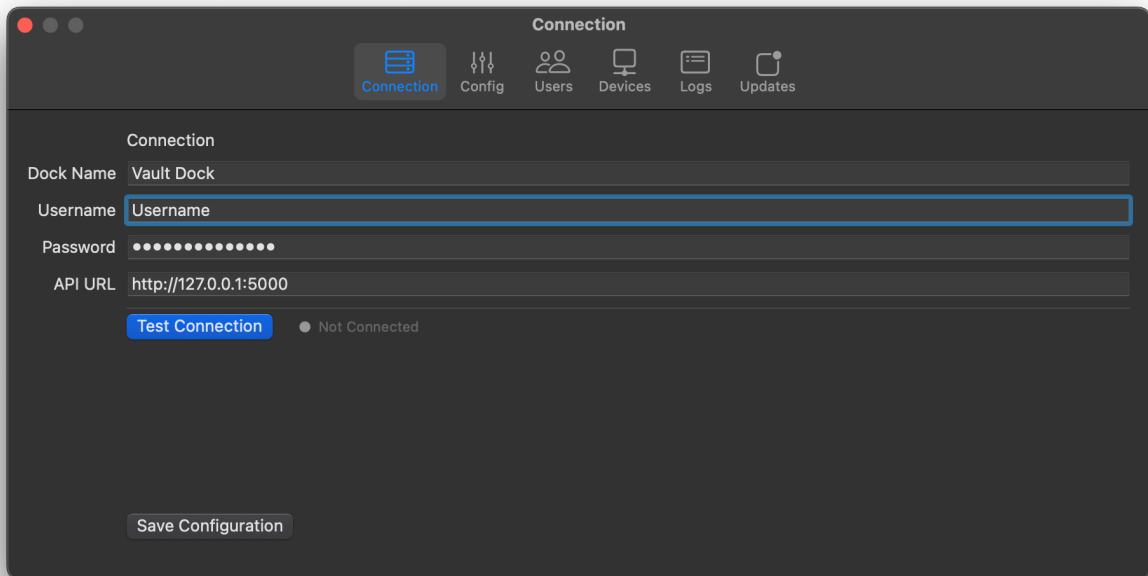
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# Connection Parameters

Connection parameters allow you to set up MDM provider connection.



The screenshot shows a dark-themed application window titled "Connection". At the top, there is a navigation bar with icons and labels for "Connection" (active), "Config", "Users", "Devices", "Logs", and "Updates". Below the navigation bar, the "Connection" section contains the following fields:

- Dock Name:** A text field containing "Vault Dock".
- Username:** A text field containing "Username", which is highlighted with a blue border.
- Password:** A password field represented by a series of dots.
- API URL:** A text field containing "http://127.0.0.1:5000".

Below these fields, there is a blue button labeled "Test Connection" and a status indicator consisting of a grey circle followed by the text "Not Connected". At the bottom of the window, there is a button labeled "Save Configuration".

**Dock Name:** VAULT Dock device name, this is the name the app sets to MDM location parameter for docked iPads. Default to macOS device name.

**Username:** User name for the MDM service provider.

**Password:** Password for the MDM service provider.

**API URL:** API address of an MDM service provider.

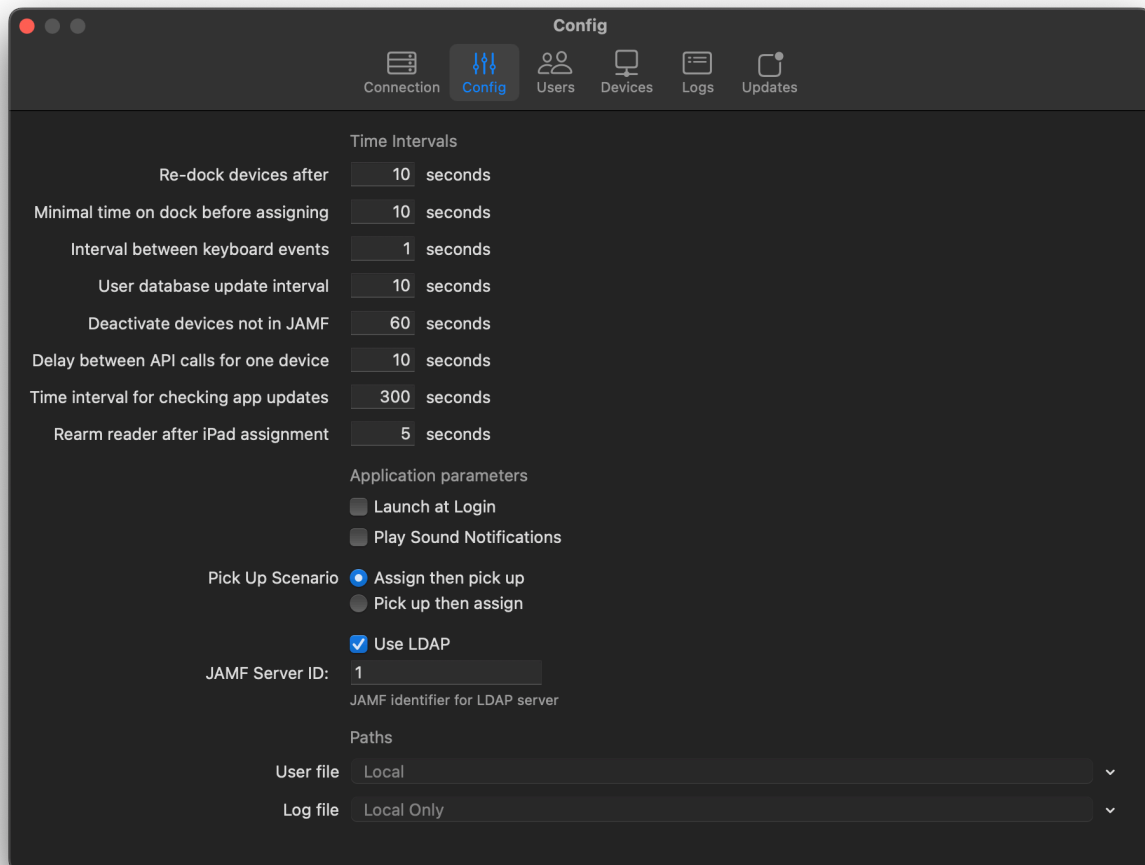
The **[Test Connection]** button and the connection status icon show if the provided parameters are correct and the connection between the app and MDM server can be established.

The **[Save Configuration]** button saves the current configuration.

# Configuration

Configuration tab is designed for fine-tuning application's behavior and contains time intervals for various events managed by the application.

The view of the configuration page depends on the type of your app distribution: the App Store version of the application doesn't allow you to set up Paths parameters for user file and log file on the Config screen.



## Time Intervals

The value shown are the defaults and it is recommended not to adjust them.

**Re-dock devices after:** a time interval (in seconds) to pick up an assigned iPad from the dock; if the iPad remains docked after that time interval, the app resets the iPad in MDM and marks it as “docked”.

**Minimal time on dock before assigning:** a time interval (in seconds) after iPad is placed on the dock and before it can be assigned.

**Interval between keyboard events:** the maximum time interval (in seconds) for card readers that emulate keyboard between two separate keystrokes.

**User database update interval:** a time interval (in seconds) between user database updates from a CSV file.

**Deactivate devices not in Jamf:** a time interval (in seconds) to ignore devices not registered in MDM; the app will not attempt to assign them for that time interval, providing time to remove the device or register in an MDM provider software.

**Delay between API calls for one device:** a time interval (in seconds) that allows docked devices to process MDM update notifications.

**Time interval for checking app updates:** a time interval (in seconds) between software updates.

## Application Parameters

**Launch at Login:** whether the app starts automatically at login.

**Play Sound Notifications:** toggles voice announcements for errors and connection status.

**Pick Up Scenario:** switches between device assignment scenarios:

- **Assign then pick up:** after the user scans their card, assigns one of available devices, and then the user pick up the assigned device.
- **Pick up then assign:** after the user scans their card, lets the user pick up one of available devices, and then assigns the device to the user.

**Use LDAP:** fetch user information from LDAP server (via Jamf connection)

**Jamf Server ID:** The Jamf-defined identifier for the LDAP server used when **Use LDAP** is enabled. It is the **id** parameter in the address line on the LDAP server page.

## Paths

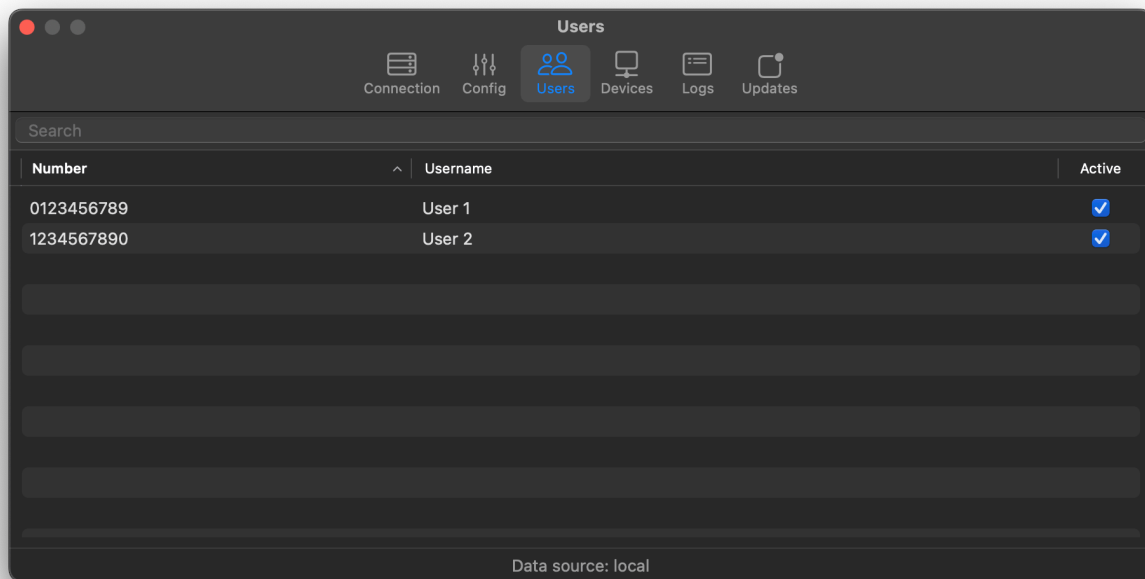
Only available in the direct app.

**User file:** when set, provides a remote source of users registered with the app; otherwise, the app uses internal database.

**Log file:** when set, the app logs internal events and errors to the file.

# Users

Users tab displays a list of users the app can assign to iPads.



Cards not on this list won't be assigned to iPads.

When **User File** parameter is set, this table is disabled for editing and managed by the user file. When **Use LDAP** parameter is set, this table is disabled for editing and managed by the LDAP server.

User file format (CSV):

Columns:

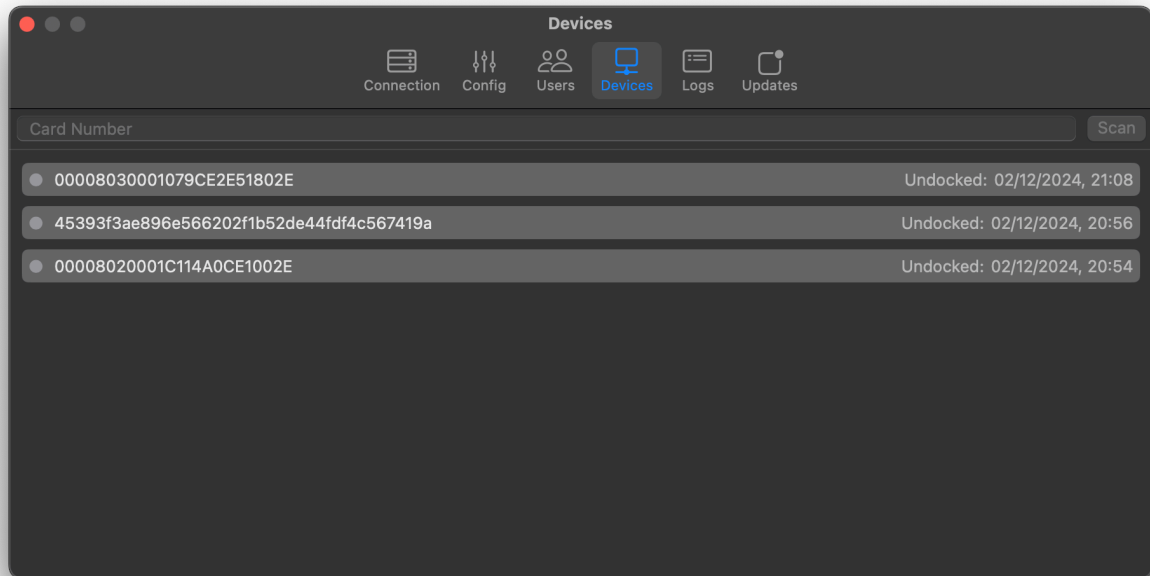
- **card**: card number
- **username**: user name in MDM

Example:

```
card,username
0123456789,User 1
1234567890,User 2
```

# Devices

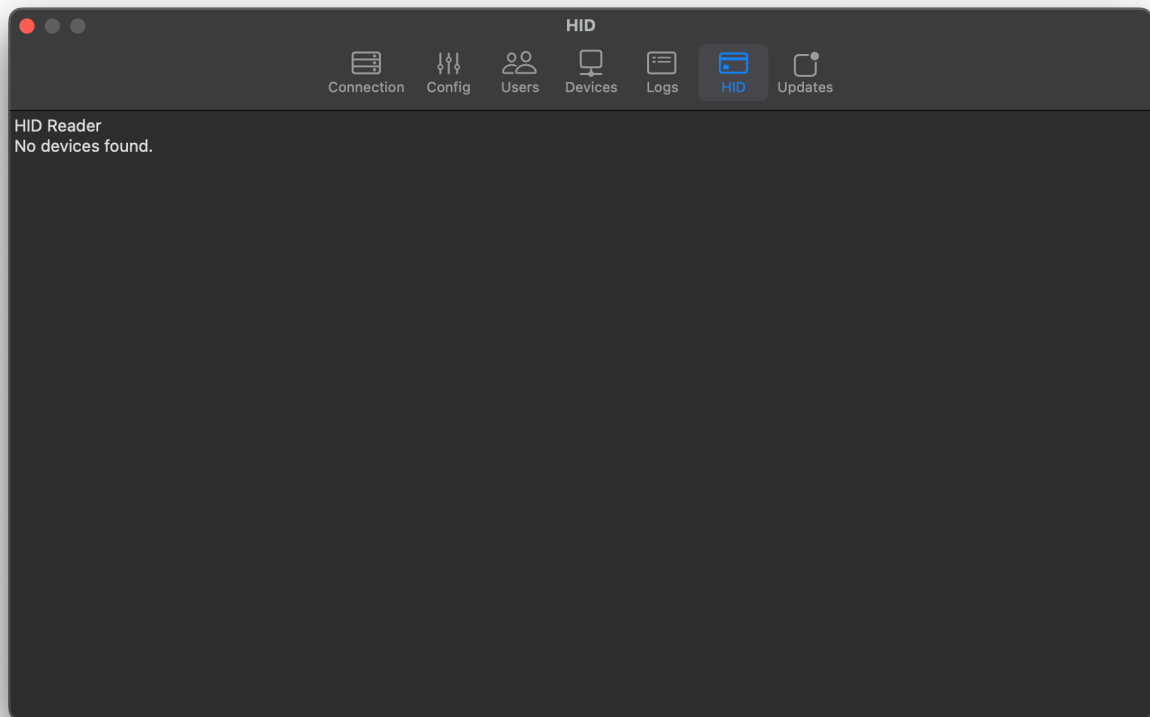
Devices tab shows a list of devices docked, undocked, assigned and unassigned.



- Gray dot next to the device ID means the device is not docked at the moment.
- Orange dot next to the device ID means the device is awaiting synchronization with MDM.
- Green dot next to the device ID means the device is docked and ready to be assigned.
- White dot next to the device ID means the device is assigned and can be taken from the dock.

# HID

Show communication log for HID card readers



The HID tab is not visible by default, but can be enabled for troubleshooting via Terminal with this line.

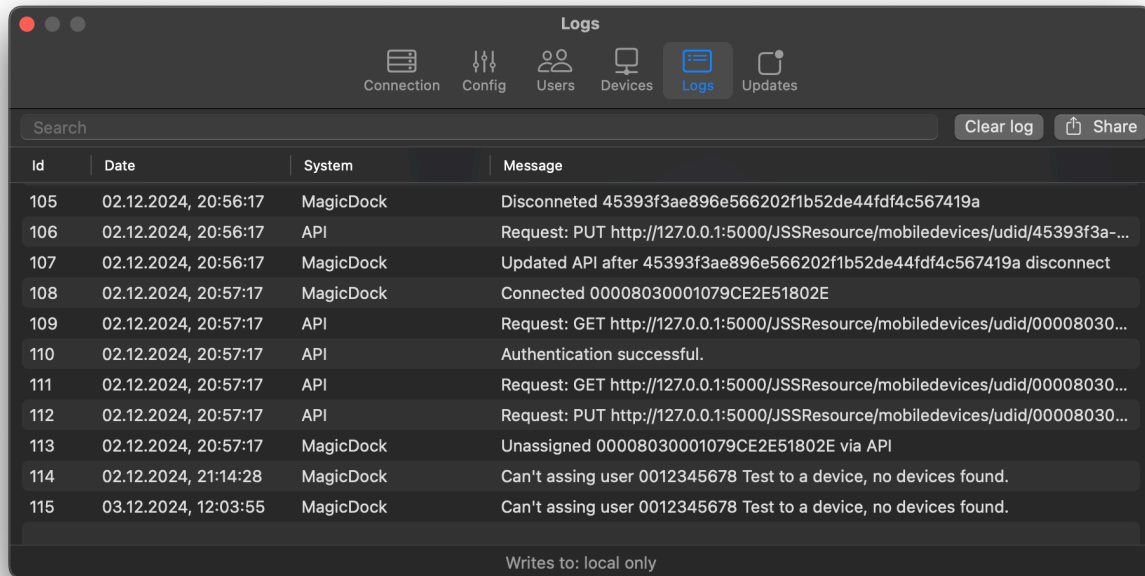
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defaults write com.psbhq.Dock showHIDTab -bool YES
```

HID log is limited to 1000 lines and is cleared every time the app is closed.



# Logs

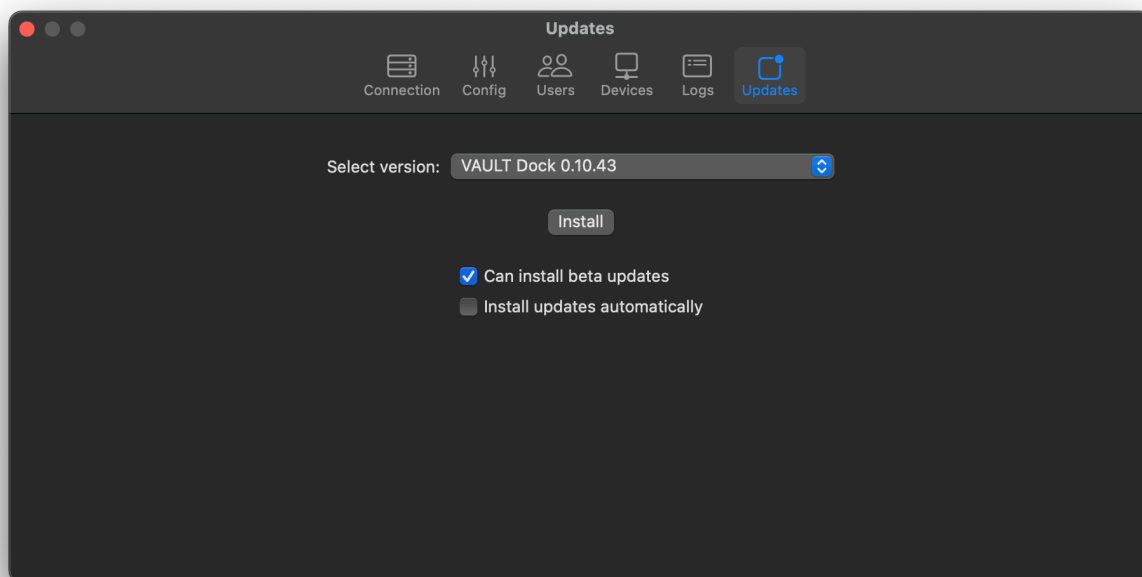
Logs tab shows recent application logs.



Logs are limited to 1000 lines.

# Updates

Updates tab provides a way to switch between application releases. The tab is visible in direct app only.



**Can install beta updates:** Allows to install beta releases of the app.

**Install updates automatically:** checks for newer versions of the app periodically and updates the app automatically if a newer version is published.

## Configuration Parameters

VAULT Dock's configuration is securely stored in macOS Keychain and can't be accessed via default values. However, to help with the initial application configuration, it is possible to pre-set these values; they will be read on the app start, and their values will be transferred to Keychain.

Below is a list of recognized parameters and their intended use. Unless stated otherwise, string parameters should be set via defaults write ... -string "Value", booleans via -bool, and numeric values (time intervals, integers) via -int or -float.

- **hasPerformedInitialConfiguration** - (Boolean) controls the initial Settings screen appearance.
- **dockName** - (String) VAULT Dock device name.
- **clientAPIURL** - (String) MDM URL.
- **username** - (String) API username.
- **password** - (String) API password.
- **minimalDockTime** - (Integer) Minimal time (in seconds) on dock before assigning the device.
- **timeIntervalToUndock** - (Integer) A time interval (in seconds) to take an assigned iPad from the dock; it becomes unassigned after that interval again.
- **cardReaderTimeIntervalBetweenKeyboardEvents** - (Integer) The maximum time interval between keystrokes for keyboard-emulating card readers. Any interval larger than that will be considered a different card reading.
- **userDatabaseUpdateTimeInterval** - (Integer) Time interval for internal database updates from a CSV file.
- **deviceDeactivationTimeInterval** - (Integer) Time-out interval for devices not in MDM
- **deviceAPICallsDelayTimeInterval** - (Integer) Delay between two consecutive API calls for one device.
- **updatesFetchingTimeInterval** - (Integer) Time interval for fetching application updates.
- **timeIntervalToRearmAfterSoundNotification** - (Integer) After a sound notification (success/failure tone), how long to wait before re-enabling card reading.
- **pickUpScenario** - (Integer) Determines how devices are assigned vs. physically picked up.
  - 0 = "Assign then pick up" (default)
  - 1 = "Pick up then assign."
- **canPlaySoundNotifications** - (Boolean) Allows the application to play sound notifications for various events.
- **canFetchLDAPUsers** - (Boolean) Enables fetching user information from an LDAP server via Jamf.
- **LDAPServerIdentifier** - (String) The Jamf-defined identifier for the LDAP server used when canFetchLDAPUsers is enabled.
- **canInstallBetaUpdates** - (Boolean) Enables checking for and installing beta versions of updates.
- **isAutomaticUpdatesEnabled** - (Boolean) Allows the application to automatically install new updates.
- **enableKeyboardEmulatingCardReaders** - (Boolean) Allows the app to accept input from keyboard-emulating card readers.
- **showHIDTab** - (Boolean) Enables or hides an internal diagnostics tab for HID devices.

You can set the values with **defaults write com.psbhq.Dock parameterName "Parameter Value"** command, for example:

```
defaults write com.psbhq.Dock dockName "VAULT Dock"
```

Please ensure the low power mode is disabled in macOS settings **Energy → Low Power Mode**, and **Prevent automatic sleeping when the display is off**, **Wake for network access**, and **Start up automatically after a power failure** are enabled.