

Submitting Telemetry Data to Element

Issue

- I am unable to allow Element's telemetry upload to take place and need to submit my telemetry data to Element.

Environment

- Element Server Suite

Resolution

By default, ESS servers connected to the internet will automatically send telemetry to Element. Please allow this to happen by making sure you have not blocked `ems.element.io` on port 443 from your homeserver. If you are air-gapped or need to block `ems.element.io`, then please follow the resolution below to manually submit telemetry.

In order to gather telemetry data, you will need to use the `element-telemetry-export.py` script, which comes with the installer.

To do this, run:

```
cd ~/.element-enterprise-server/installer/lib  
/usr/bin/env python3 ./element-telemetry-export.py
```

You will be prompted for an access token:

```
Matrix user access token not specified in the "MATRIX_USER_ACCESS_TOKEN" environment variable.  
Please provide the access token and hit enter:
```

You will need to provide a valid access token for a user who has access to the telemetry room. This can be found by logging in to Element Web as this user, going to "All Settings", then clicking "Help & About" and finally expanding the section for "Access Token".

Settings



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Versions

Element version: 1.11.26 
Olm version: 3.2.12

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Advanced

Homeserver is <https://hs.element.demo>
[object Object]

▼ Access Token

Your access token gives full access to your account. Do not share it with anyone.

[syt_a2FiYm90dA_DwleMviZbXrYWLbeuJwp_41pSGP](#) 

[Clear cache and reload](#)

Provide the access token to the prompt and hit enter.

Once you have done this, you will have some messages that look similar to:

```
2023-04-18 15:36:41,580: INFO: Parsing configuration file (/home/karl1/.element-enterprise-server/config/telemetry-config.json)
2023-04-18 15:36:41,581: INFO: Performing Matrix sync with homeserver (https://hs.element.demo)
2023-04-18 15:36:41,643: INFO: Scanning page 1
2023-04-18 15:36:41,716: INFO: Scanning page 2
2023-04-18 15:36:41,782: INFO: Writing 19 telemetry events to ZIP file (/home/karl1/.element-enterprise-server/installer/lib/telemetry_2023-04-18.zip)
2023-04-18 15:36:41,783: INFO: Saving some internal state (for next time)
```

and you will have a new zip file in this directory with a date stamp in the format `telemetry_YYYY-MM-DD.zip`. In my case, I have `telemetry_2023-04-18.zip`.

If you are having SSL connectivity issues with the exporter, you may wish to either disable TLS verification or provide a CA certificate to the exporter with these optional command line parameters:

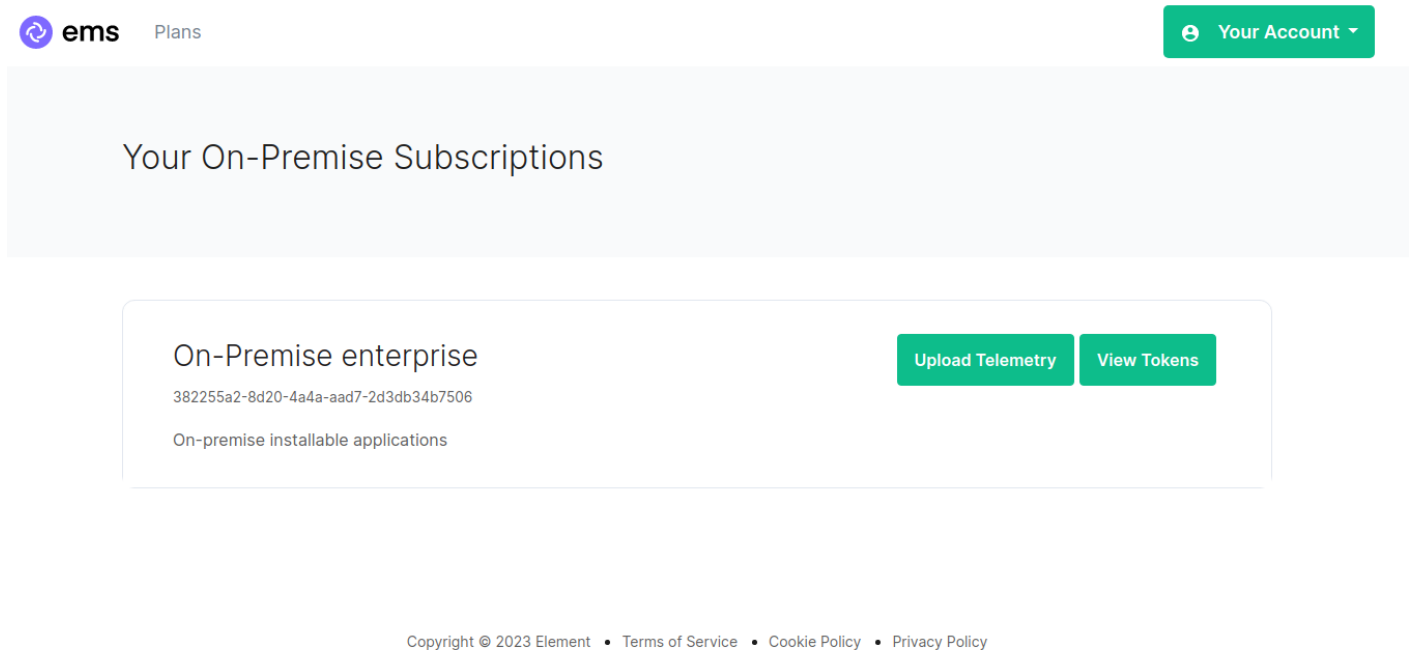
```
--disable-tls-verification
```

Do not check SSL certificate validity when querying the Matrix server

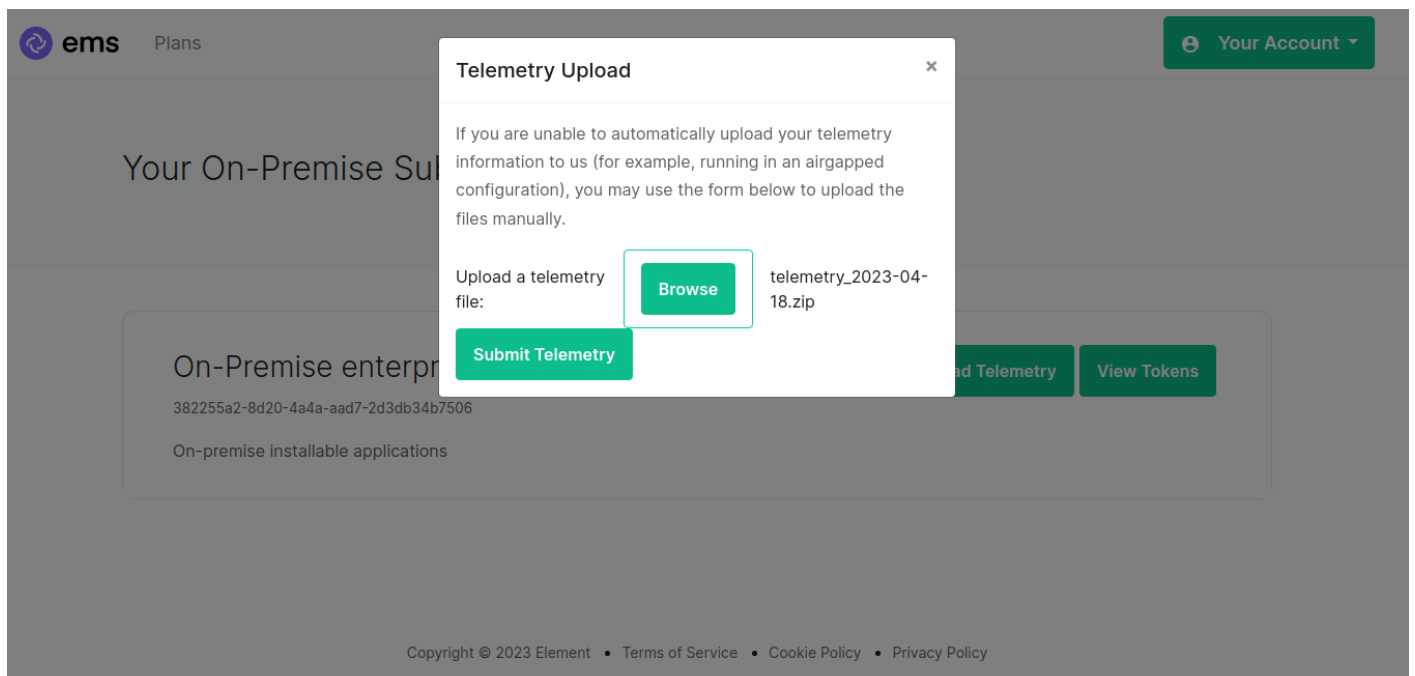
```
--ca-cert-path CA_CERT_PATH
```

Specify the path to the CA file (or a directory) to use when verifying Matrix server's SSL certificate. Consult README.md for more details

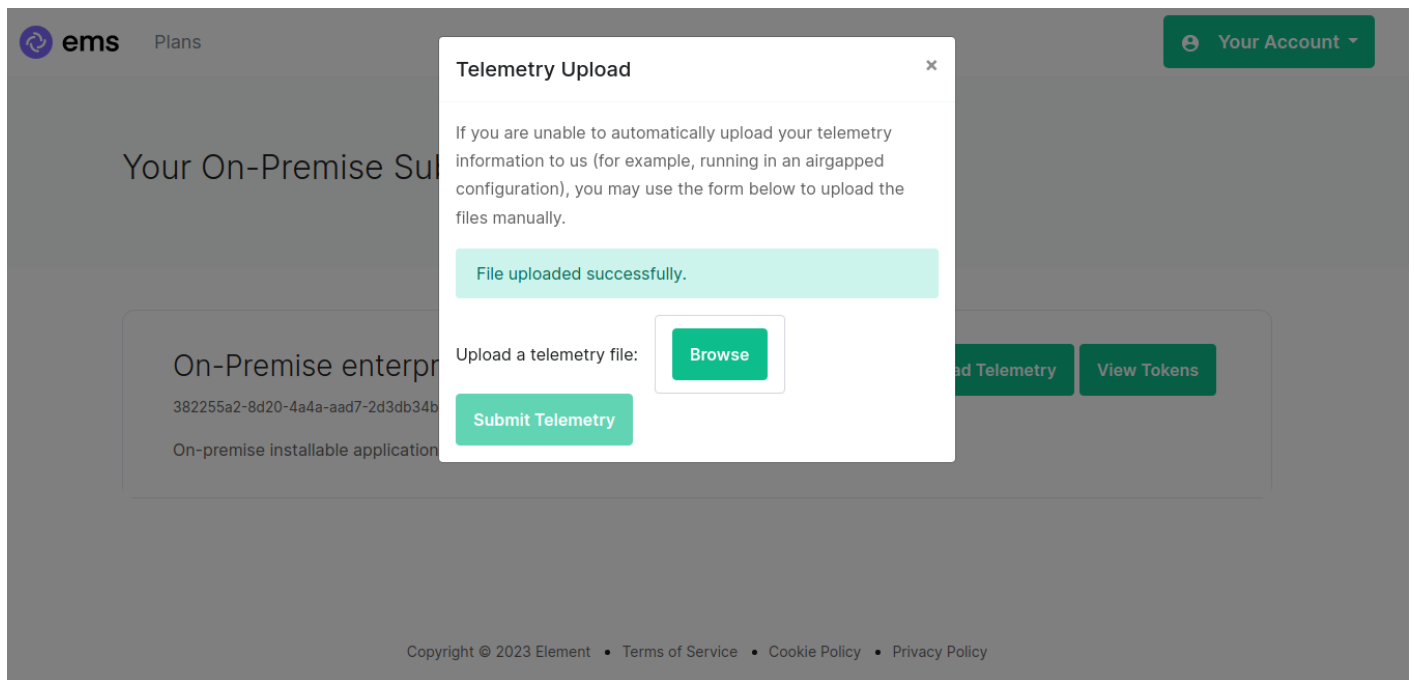
I can now browse to <https://ems.element.io/on-premise/subscriptions> and click "Upload Telemetry" next to the subscription that I wish to upload the data for:



I can then browse for my telemetry file and click "Submit Telemetry":



Once successful, you will see this screen:



You can then close the upload window.

Root Cause

- Some environments do not allow telemetry data to be uploaded to Element. This is caused by blocking access from the homeserver to `ems.element.io` on port 443.

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