



# Configure Page Identification and Naming

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You can configure the display names by which various pages and iframes are referred to and sorted in Controller lists and dashboards.

You can:

- Use the AppDynamics default naming rule, which you can leave as is or modify.
- Create custom include rules to override the default convention.
- Create custom exclude rules to exclude from monitoring pages that meet certain criteria.
- Disable the default naming configuration and use only your custom include rule(s).

 In this topic, the term "pages" includes iframes and base pages.

No matter how the page is named, AppDynamics always reports the page name in lowercase.

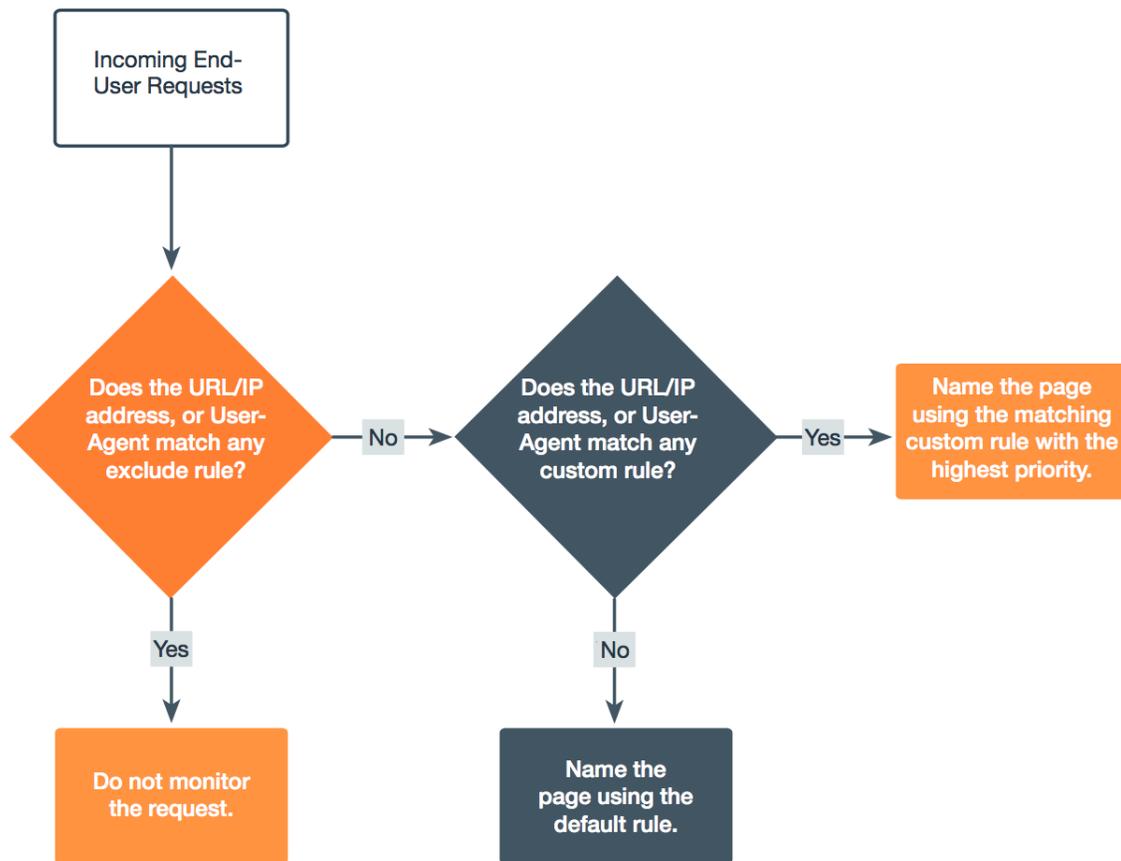
## Access Exclude/Include Rules

1. Open the browser application in which you are interested.
2. On the left navigation bar, click **Configuration**.
3. Click **Instrumentation >**.
4. From the **Base Page and iFrames** tab, you can define include/exclude rules or modify the **Default Naming Configuration**.

To save any configuration changes, click **Save**.

## Evaluation Logic for Exclude/Include Rules

This is the order in which AppDynamics evaluates the page naming rules.



## Default Page Naming Rules

If you enable the default naming configuration and do not modify it, AppDynamics identifies and names your pages using the first two segments of the page URL.

You can modify the default configuration by double-clicking **Default Naming Configuration** in the **Include Rules** section. This opens the **Include Rule** popup, where you can select the dropdown list **using parts of the URL** to include the protocol or domain in the name, use different segments of the URL, or include query parameters or anchors in the name.

Include Rule ✕

Enabled

**Name Pages**

using parts of the URL ▼

Show Protocol (Ex: http, https, etc)

Show Domain (Ex: mywebsite.com)

Show Full Domain  Show Sub-domain

**Path Segments**

Don't use path segments

Use first  segments

Use last  segments

Use segment numbers  ⓘ

Query String Parameters to use in Page Name (Optional)

**What part of anchor should be used in Page Name**

Don't use the anchor

Use first  segments

Use last  segments

Use segment numbers  ⓘ

You can also choose the dropdown **using a Regex match on the URL** to match page names by running a regular expression.

Include Rule ✕

Enabled

**Name Pages**

using a Regex match on the URL ▼

Use regex on the URL  and use groups  ⓘ

If you do not want to use the default convention at all, disable it by clearing the **Enabled** checkbox. In this case, you must configure at least one custom page naming rule so that AppDynamics can identify and name pages.

## Custom Include Rules

You can create custom include rules for identifying and naming pages.

To create a custom include naming rule, from the **Include Rules** section, click **Add**. Then you use the same **Include Rule** popup to configure the custom include rule to identify and name the page.

The order of the include rules in the list determines the priority of the rules: The rules at the top are evaluated first, and the rules at the bottom are evaluated last. You cannot change the priority of **Default Naming Configuration**, but you can modify or disable it.

## Guidelines for Using Regular Expressions in Include Rules

When using regular expressions to match URLs in your include rules, you should note the following:

- URL strings are case-sensitive. So, although the page names displayed in [Pages & Ajax Requests](#) are converted to lowercase, your regular expressions still need to match the case used in URLs that your include rule are trying to capture.
- Your regular expression should match the entire URL, from beginning to end, not just a section; otherwise, the rule will not match. This differs from using regular expressions in [custom match rules for naming transactions](#), which only need to match sections of the URL.
- Beacons for older browsers (primarily Internet Explorer 6-8) are sent using image requests, and therefore, have an inherent length limitation. To manage this limitation, Browser RUM does not support URLs longer than 180 characters, page names longer than 50 characters, and user data longer than 128 characters for these browsers.

## Example Include Rule

Suppose you have multiple pages that include the string `search/r/region` in their URLs, such as `search/r/region01`, `search/r/region23`, etc., and you want to name all the pages from that set as a single-page named `search/r/region`. By selecting the dropdown **using a Regex match on the URL**, you can enter a regular expression to remove the domain name and the number at the end of the URL, grouping all your `/search/r/region` URLs into one set. Because all the URLs contain `search/r/region`, AppDynamics now collects information for them all under the single-page name `search/r/region`. Otherwise, AppDynamics uses the default page naming rule or a rule with higher priority.

### Include Rule

Enabled

Rule Name

Criteria  
This Include Rule applies to any URL that Contains

Name Pages  
using a Regex match on the URL

Use regex on the URL  and use groups  ⓘ

Cancel OK

## Custom Page Exclude Rules

You can configure custom exclude rules for pages in the same way you configure include rules. Any page with a URL matching the configuration is excluded from monitoring.

### Exclude Rule

Enabled

Rule Name

Criteria  
This Exclude Rule applies to any URL that Contains

Cancel OK