

# How to record videos for The Observer XT

You can create videos for use in The Observer XT in two ways. You can either first create videos in MediaRecorder and then make your observations offline using The Observer XT, or you can control the recording process with commands from The Observer XT while making a live observation.

## Offline observations using prerecorded video

Making offline observations in The Observer XT means carrying out an observation using a prerecorded video. The video files created by MediaRecorder can be used to observe offline in The Observer XT. No special settings are needed to use files from MediaRecorder in The Observer XT.

## Observe live and control MediaRecorder

You can score live in The Observer XT while simultaneously recording a video using MediaRecorder. You can use The Observer XT to control MediaRecorder while making an observation.

This way you can achieve the following:

- When you create an observation in The Observer XT, MediaRecorder opens and the correct configuration file is loaded.
- When you start an observation in The Observer XT, video recording with MediaRecorder starts.
- When you stop an observation in The Observer XT, video recording with MediaRecorder stops.
- The recorded videos are automatically linked to the observation in The Observer XT and synchronized with the events.

See [MediaRecorder with The Observer XT](#)

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