**Setting up GitHub Copilot for your organization**

Follow these steps to set up GitHub Copilot in your organization.

**Who can use this feature?**

Organization owners

Organizations with a subscription to Copilot Enterprise or Copilot Business

[**1. Subscribe your organization to GitHub Copilot**](https://docs.github.com/en/copilot/setting-up-github-copilot/setting-up-github-copilot-for-your-organization#1-subscribe-your-organization-to-github-copilot)

Set up a subscription to Copilot Business for your organization. See "[Subscribing to Copilot for your organization](https://docs.github.com/en/copilot/managing-copilot/managing-github-copilot-in-your-organization/subscribing-to-copilot-for-your-organization)."

If your organization is part of an enterprise that has a Copilot Enterprise or Copilot Business subscription, your enterprise owner can instead enable Copilot for your organization. You can request access from your enterprise owner by going to <https://github.com/settings/copilot> and requesting access under "Get Copilot from an organization."

[**2. Set policies**](https://docs.github.com/en/copilot/setting-up-github-copilot/setting-up-github-copilot-for-your-organization#2-set-policies)

Control which Copilot features are available in your organization. See "[Managing policies for Copilot in your organization](https://docs.github.com/en/copilot/managing-copilot/managing-github-copilot-in-your-organization/managing-github-copilot-features-in-your-organization/managing-policies-for-copilot-in-your-organization)."

[**3. Set up networking (if necessary)**](https://docs.github.com/en/copilot/setting-up-github-copilot/setting-up-github-copilot-for-your-organization#3-set-up-networking-if-necessary)

If your organization members connect through an HTTP proxy server or firewall, ensure that key URLs are added to the allowlist for the proxy server or firewall. See "[Configuring your proxy server or firewall for Copilot](https://docs.github.com/en/copilot/managing-copilot/managing-github-copilot-in-your-organization/configuring-your-proxy-server-or-firewall-for-copilot)."

You may also need to install custom SSL certificates on your members' machines. See "[Configuring network settings for GitHub Copilot](https://docs.github.com/en/copilot/managing-copilot/configure-personal-settings/configuring-network-settings-for-github-copilot#-installing-custom-certificates)."

[**4. Grant access to members**](https://docs.github.com/en/copilot/setting-up-github-copilot/setting-up-github-copilot-for-your-organization#4-grant-access-to-members)

Enable Copilot for some or all members of your organization. See "[Granting access to Copilot for members of your organization](https://docs.github.com/en/copilot/managing-copilot/managing-github-copilot-in-your-organization/managing-access-to-github-copilot-in-your-organization/granting-access-to-copilot-for-members-of-your-organization)."

To help drive adoption of Copilot in your organization, think about what teams or members are most excited about Copilot or could benefit the most from Copilot. You may want to enable Copilot for those members before enabling Copilot for your whole organization. This can help you discover blockers, demonstrate early success, and set your organization up for a successful Copilot rollout.

Alternatively, you can set up a self-serve workflow using the API. See "[Add teams to the Copilot subscription for an organization](https://docs.github.com/en/rest/copilot/copilot-user-management?apiVersion=2022-11-28#add-teams-to-the-copilot-subscription-for-an-organization)" and "[Add users to the Copilot subscription for an organization](https://docs.github.com/en/rest/copilot/copilot-user-management?apiVersion=2022-11-28#add-users-to-the-copilot-subscription-for-an-organization)" in the REST API documentation.

[**5. Share onboarding material**](https://docs.github.com/en/copilot/setting-up-github-copilot/setting-up-github-copilot-for-your-organization#5-share-onboarding-material)

* **Share onboarding material**: Share onboarding material with each member that you granted Copilot access to. See "[Setting up GitHub Copilot for yourself](https://docs.github.com/en/copilot/setting-up-github-copilot/setting-up-github-copilot-for-yourself)" and "[Best practices for using GitHub Copilot](https://docs.github.com/en/copilot/using-github-copilot/best-practices-for-using-github-copilot)."
* **Encourage adoption**: Encouragement from leadership can help drive adoption of Copilot in your organization. Consider messaging your support of Copilot and how it can help your organization.
* **Set up training sessions or workshops**: Training sessions or workshops can help members learn how to use Copilot effectively.

[**6. Enhance the Copilot experience**](https://docs.github.com/en/copilot/setting-up-github-copilot/setting-up-github-copilot-for-your-organization#6-enhance-the-copilot-experience)

Enhance the Copilot experience for your organization by:

* **Indexing repositories** to improve Copilot's responses relating to GitHub repositories *(Copilot Enterprise only)*. See "[Indexing repositories for Copilot Chat](https://docs.github.com/en/copilot/managing-copilot/managing-github-copilot-in-your-organization/managing-github-copilot-features-in-your-organization/indexing-repositories-for-copilot-chat)."
* **Setting up knowledge bases** for use with Copilot Chat *(Copilot Enterprise only)*. See "[Managing Copilot knowledge bases](https://docs.github.com/en/enterprise-cloud@latest/copilot/managing-copilot/managing-github-copilot-in-your-organization/managing-github-copilot-features-in-your-organization/managing-copilot-knowledge-bases)."
* **Fine tuning Copilot** by creating a custom large language model. See "[Creating a custom model for GitHub Copilot](https://docs.github.com/en/copilot/managing-copilot/managing-github-copilot-in-your-organization/customizing-copilot-for-your-organization/creating-a-custom-model-for-github-copilot)."
* **Installing Copilot Extensions** to integrate other tools with Copilot Chat. See "[Extending the capabilities of GitHub Copilot in your organization](https://docs.github.com/en/copilot/managing-copilot/managing-github-copilot-in-your-organization/managing-github-copilot-features-in-your-organization/installing-github-copilot-extensions-for-your-organization)."

[**7. Drive adoption**](https://docs.github.com/en/copilot/setting-up-github-copilot/setting-up-github-copilot-for-your-organization#7-drive-adoption)

To help your organization get the most out of Copilot, reach out to users who have not used Copilot recently. (You can use the API to identify users who have not used Copilot recently.) To help those users, consider:

* Sharing resources to help them get started, such as "[Setting up GitHub Copilot for yourself](https://docs.github.com/en/copilot/setting-up-github-copilot/setting-up-github-copilot-for-yourself)," "[Best practices for using GitHub Copilot](https://docs.github.com/en/copilot/using-github-copilot/best-practices-for-using-github-copilot)," and "[Prompt engineering for GitHub Copilot](https://docs.github.com/en/copilot/using-github-copilot/prompt-engineering-for-github-copilot)"
* Learning about their barriers to using Copilot
* Addressing any concerns they have about using Copilot
* Giving them ideas for how to incorporate Copilot into their work
* Pairing them with a mentor who can help them understand how to take advantage of Copilot