

Lesson 13 Demo 01

Working with Workspaces on Terraform Cloud

Objective: To use Terraform Cloud to manage infrastructure by creating and managing workspaces for deploying resources

Tools required: None

Prerequisites: Terraform Cloud account

Ensure you have created and implemented the AWS access key and secret key before starting this demo. Refer to Lesson 08, Assisted Practice 02, for detailed steps.

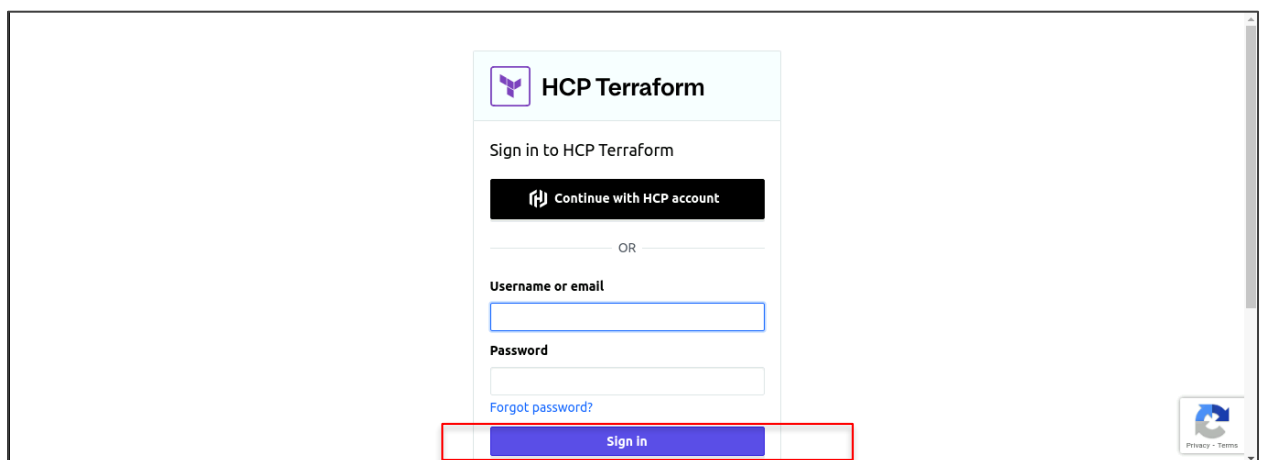
Steps to be followed:

1. Sign in to the Terraform Cloud platform
2. Create an organization and workspace
3. Initialize Terraform
4. Plan and apply the configurations
5. Select and create workspaces

Step 1: Sign in to the Terraform Cloud platform

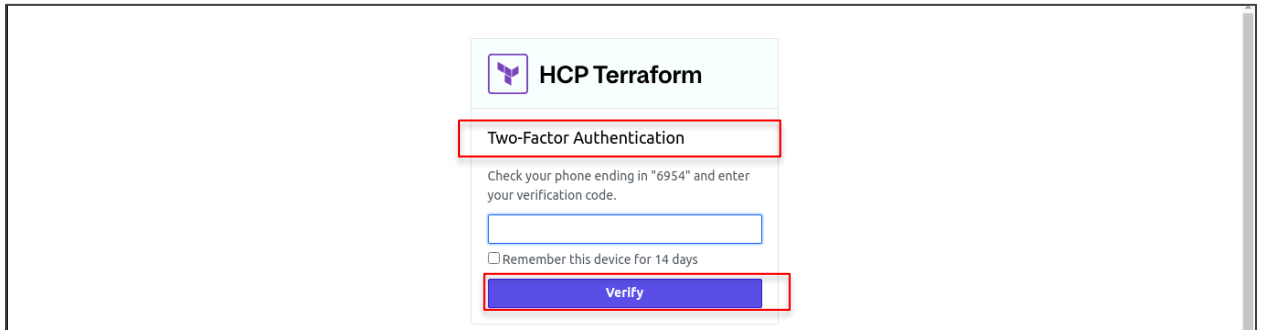
1.1 Enter the required details and click on **Sign In** by using the following URL:

<https://app.terraform.io/session>

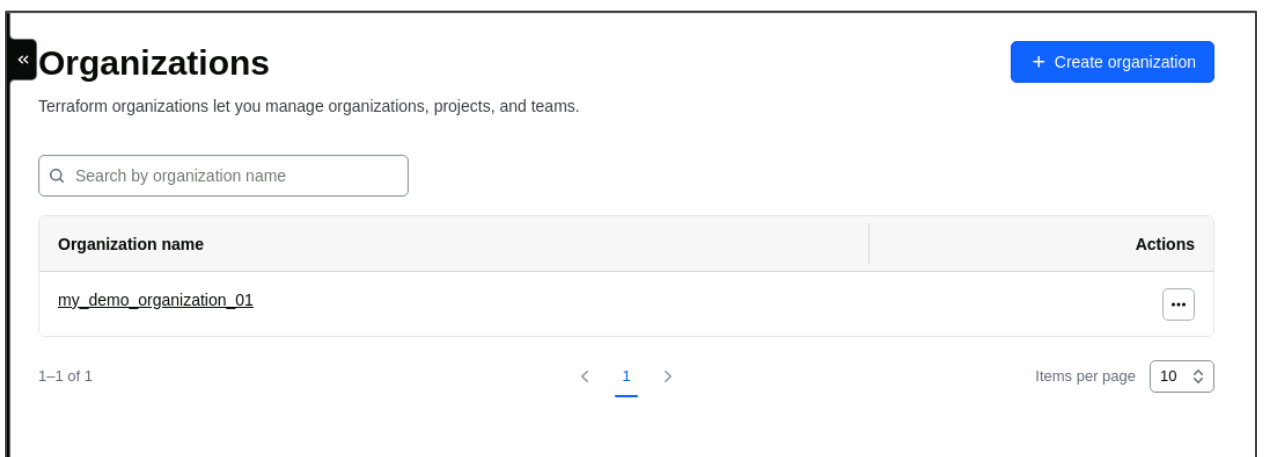


The screenshot shows the sign-in interface for HCP Terraform. At the top, there is a logo and the text "HCP Terraform". Below this, it says "Sign in to HCP Terraform". There is a button labeled "Continue with HCP account" with a key icon. Below this button, the word "OR" is centered. Under "OR", there are two input fields: "Username or email" and "Password". Below the "Password" field, there is a link that says "Forgot password?". At the bottom of the form, there is a blue button labeled "Sign In". The "Sign In" button is highlighted with a red rectangular box. In the bottom right corner of the page, there is a small icon and a link for "Privacy - Terms".

1.2 Click **Verify** after entering your verification code



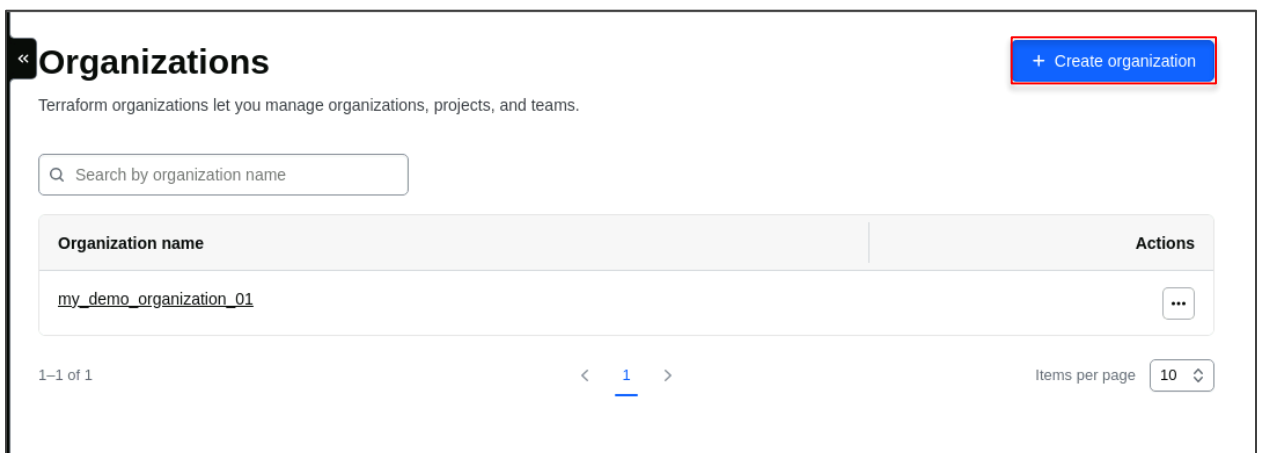
The screenshot shows a modal dialog titled "HCP Terraform" with a logo. Below the title is a section labeled "Two-Factor Authentication" which is highlighted with a red rectangle. Inside this section, there is a text prompt: "Check your phone ending in '6954' and enter your verification code." followed by a text input field. Below the input field is a checkbox labeled "Remember this device for 14 days". At the bottom of the dialog is a blue button labeled "Verify", which is also highlighted with a red rectangle.



The screenshot shows the "Organizations" page in the Terraform UI. The page has a header with a back arrow and the title "Organizations", and a blue button "+ Create organization" in the top right. Below the header is a description: "Terraform organizations let you manage organizations, projects, and teams." There is a search bar labeled "Search by organization name". Below the search bar is a table with two columns: "Organization name" and "Actions". The table contains one row with the organization name "my_demo_organization_01" and an ellipsis in the Actions column. At the bottom of the table, there is pagination information: "1-1 of 1", a page number "1" with left and right arrows, and "Items per page 10" with a dropdown arrow.

Step 2: Create an organization and workspace

2.1 Click on **Create organization**



This screenshot is identical to the previous one, showing the "Organizations" page. The only difference is that the blue button "+ Create organization" in the top right corner is highlighted with a red rectangle.

2.2 Enter the **Organization name** as **demo_01** and click on **Create organization**

Organizations / New

Create a new organization

Organizations are privately shared spaces for teams to collaborate on infrastructure. [Learn more](#) about organizations in HCP Terraform.

Organization name
demo_01

Organization names must be unique and can only include numbers, letters, underscores (_), and hyphens (-).

Email address
sakshi.gupta@simplelearn.net

The organization email is used for any future notifications, such as billing alerts, and the organization avatar, via [gravatar.com](#).

Choose an organization

Create organization

2.3 Choose your workflow as **CLI-Driven Workflow**

demo_01 / Workspaces / New Workspace

Create a new Workspace

HCP Terraform organizes your infrastructure resources by workspaces. A workspace contains infrastructure resources, variables, state data, and run history. [Learn more](#) about workspaces in HCP Terraform.

Choose your workflow

Version Control Workflow

Trigger runs based on changes to configuration in repositories.

Best for those who need traceability and transparency

CLI-Driven Workflow

Trigger runs in a workspace using the Terraform CLI.

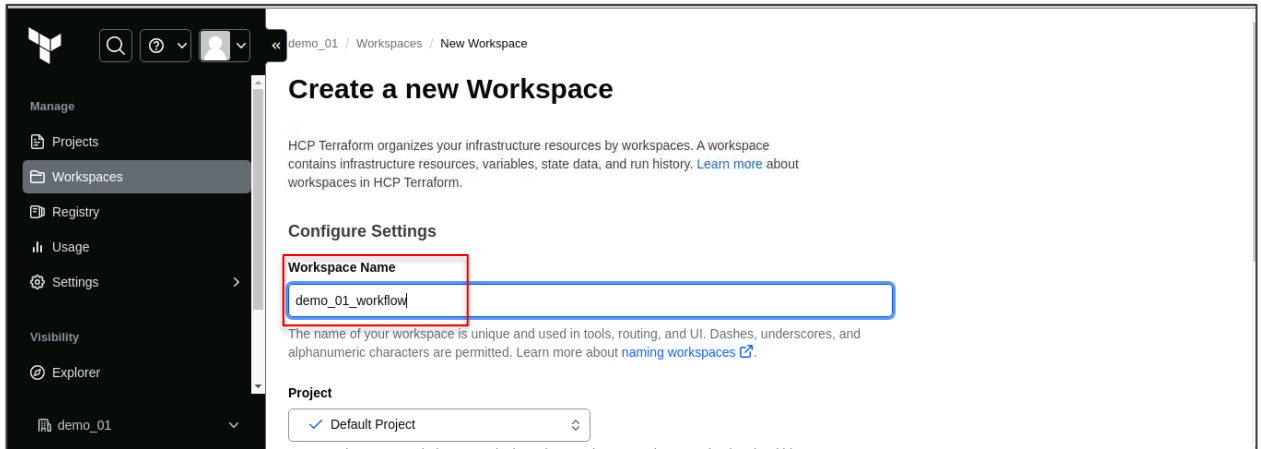
Best for those comfortable with Terraform CLI

API-Driven Workflow

Trigger runs using the HCP Terraform API.

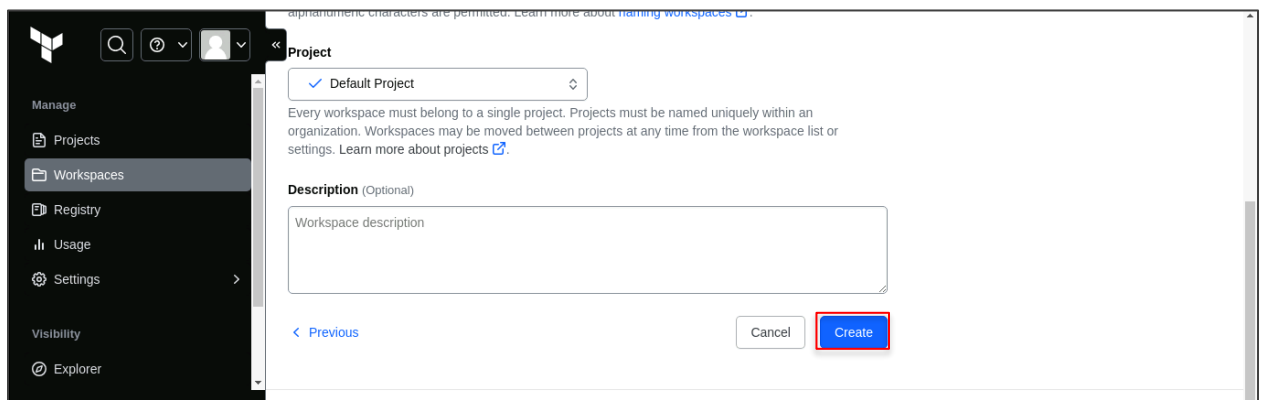
Best for those with custom integrations and pipelines

2.4 Enter the **Workspace Name** as **demo_01_workflow**

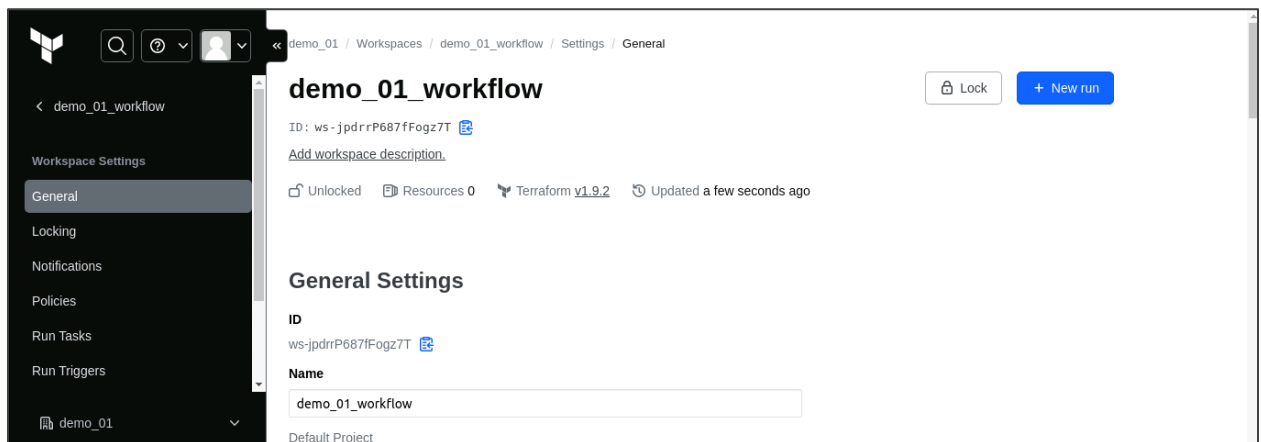


The screenshot shows the 'Create a new Workspace' page in the HCP Terraform console. The left sidebar contains navigation links: Manage, Projects, Workspaces, Registry, Usage, Settings, Visibility, Explorer, and demo_01. The main content area has a breadcrumb trail: demo_01 / Workspaces / New Workspace. The title is 'Create a new Workspace'. Below this is a paragraph explaining that HCP Terraform organizes infrastructure resources by workspaces. The 'Configure Settings' section includes a 'Workspace Name' field, which is highlighted with a red box and contains the text 'demo_01_workflow'. Below this field is a note about the naming conventions. The 'Project' section shows a dropdown menu with 'Default Project' selected.

2.5 Scroll down and click on **Create**



This screenshot shows the bottom portion of the workspace creation form. The 'Project' dropdown is set to 'Default Project'. Below it is a 'Description (Optional)' text area. At the bottom right, there are two buttons: 'Cancel' and 'Create'. The 'Create' button is highlighted with a red box.



The screenshot shows the 'demo_01_workflow' settings page. The left sidebar has 'Workspace Settings' expanded, with 'General' selected. The main content area shows the workspace details: 'demo_01_workflow', ID: ws-jpdrP687fFogz7T, and a link to 'Add workspace description'. It also shows the workspace is 'Unlocked', has 'Resources 0', is using 'Terraform v1.9.2', and was 'Updated a few seconds ago'. The 'General Settings' section shows the 'ID' and 'Name' (demo_01_workflow) fields, and the 'Default Project' is set to 'Default Project'.

The workspace will be created as shown.

Step 3: Initialize Terraform

3.1 Go to the terminal and run the following command to log in to Terraform Cloud:

terraform login

```
sakshiguptasimp@ip-172-31-22-2:~$ terraform login
Terraform will request an API token for app.terraform.io using your browser.

If login is successful, Terraform will store the token in plain text in
the following file for use by subsequent commands:
    /home/sakshiguptasimp/.terraform.d/credentials.tfrc.json

Do you want to proceed?
Only 'yes' will be accepted to confirm.

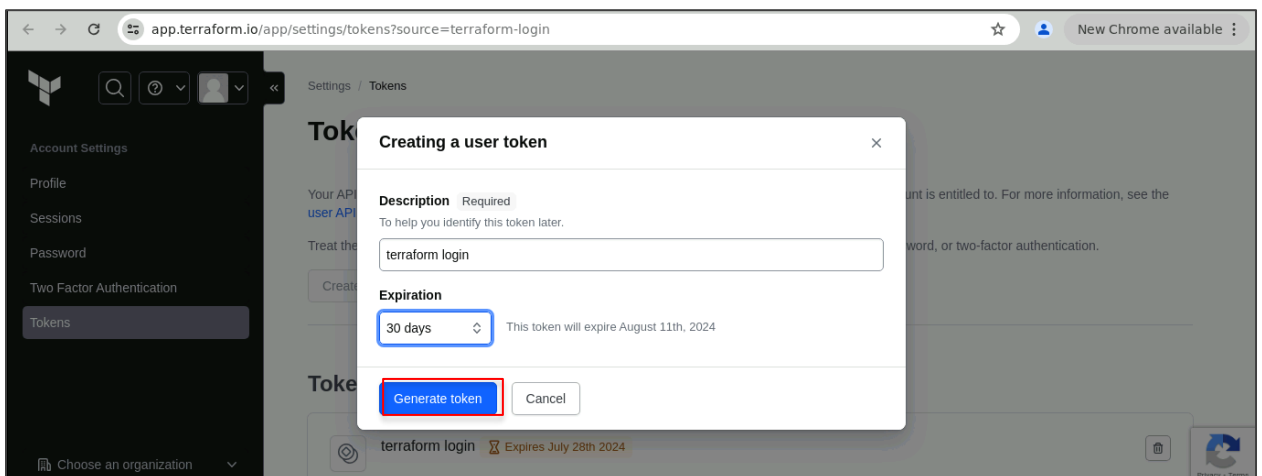
Enter a value: █
```

3.2 When prompted, proceed by typing **yes**

```
Do you want to proceed?
Only 'yes' will be accepted to confirm.

Enter a value: yes
```

3.3 The Terraform Cloud interface will automatically open, and you can create a user token by clicking on **Generate token**.



3.4 Scroll down and copy the generated token



3.5 Go to the terminal and paste the copied token

```
the following file for use by subsequent commands:
/home/sakshiguptasimp/.terraform.d/credentials.tfrc.json

Do you want to proceed?
Only 'yes' will be accepted to confirm.

Enter a value: yes

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Terraform must now open a web browser to the tokens page for app.terraform.io.

If a browser does not open this automatically, open the following URL to proceed:
https://app.terraform.io/app/settings/tokens?source=terraform-login

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Generate a token using your browser, and copy-paste it into this prompt.

Terraform will store the token in plain text in the following file
for use by subsequent commands:
/home/sakshiguptasimp/.terraform.d/credentials.tfrc.json

Token for app.terraform.io:
Enter a value: Opening in existing browser session.
```

[illegible]

A welcome message from Terraform will appear, as shown.

3.6 Create a folder to proceed with terraform initialization using the following command:

```
mkdir demo_01
```

```
sakshiguptasimp@ip-172-31-22-2:~$ mkdir demo_01
```

3.7 Go to the created folder by using the following command:

```
cd demo_01
```

```
sakshiguptasimp@ip-172-31-22-2:~$ cd demo_01
sakshiguptasimp@ip-172-31-22-2:~/demo_01$
```

3.8 Set the Terraform Cloud organization and workspace by using the following command:

```
export TF_VAR_org=demo_01
```

```
export TF_VAR_workspace=demo_01_workflow
```

```
sakshiguptasimp@ip-172-31-22-2:~/demo_01$ export TF_VAR_org=demo_01
export TF_VAR_workspace=demo_01 workflow
```

3.9 Create a **main.tf** file by using the following command:

vi main.tf

```
sakshiguptasimp@ip-172-31-22-2:~/demo_01$ vi main.tf
```

3.10 Enter the following code in the **main.tf** file to configure AWS:

```
provider "aws" {  
  region = "us-west-2"  
}
```

```
provider "aws" {  
  region = "us-west-2"  
}
```

3.11 Set the workspace by using the following command:

terraform workspace select \$TF_VAR_workspace || terraform workspace new \$TF_VAR_workspace

```
sakshiguptasimp@ip-172-31-22-2:~/demo_01$ terraform workspace select $TF_VAR_workspace || terraform workspace new $TF_VAR_workspace  
sakshiguptasimp@ip-172-31-22-2:~/demo_01$
```

3.12 Configure AWS credentials by using the following command:

aws configure

```
sakshiguptasimp@ip-172-31-22-2:~/demo_01$ aws configure  
AWS Access Key ID [*****2GVV]: AKIA5FR7SGZJMMXBWFGM  
AWS Secret Access Key [*****1VTW]: q5NKouu6DaLYeoBbNxVenQigluyH+CcoRIrPXTbr  
Default region name [None]:  
Default output format [None]:  
sakshiguptasimp@ip-172-31-22-2:~/demo_01$
```

Note: Provide your AWS access key and secret key as shown

3.13 Initialize Terraform by using the following command:

terraform init

```
sakshiguptasimp@ip-172-31-22-2:~/demo_01$ terraform init

Initializing the backend...

Initializing provider plugins...
- Reusing previous version of hashicorp/aws from the dependency lock file
- Using previously-installed hashicorp/aws v5.58.0

Terraform has been successfully initialized!

You may now begin working with Terraform. Try running "terraform plan" to see
any changes that are required for your infrastructure. All Terraform commands
should now work.

If you ever set or change modules or backend configuration for Terraform,
rerun this command to reinitialize your working directory. If you forget, other
commands will detect it and remind you to do so if necessary.
sakshiguptasimp@ip-172-31-22-2:~/demo_01$ █
```

Step 4: Plan and apply the configurations

4.1 Plan the configuration by using the following command:

terraform plan

```
sakshiguptasimp@ip-172-31-22-2:~/demo_01$ terraform plan█
```

```

+ private_dns_name_options {
  + enable_resource_name_dns_a_record    = (known after apply)
  + enable_resource_name_dns_aaaa_record = (known after apply)
  + hostname_type                        = (known after apply)
}

+ root_block_device {
  + delete_on_termination = (known after apply)
  + device_name           = (known after apply)
  + encrypted             = (known after apply)
  + iops                  = (known after apply)
  + kms_key_id            = (known after apply)
  + tags                  = (known after apply)
  + tags_all              = (known after apply)
  + throughput            = (known after apply)
  + volume_id             = (known after apply)
  + volume_size           = (known after apply)
  + volume_type           = (known after apply)
}
}

```

Plan: 1 to add, 0 to change, 0 to destroy.

Note: You didn't use the -out option to save this plan, so Terraform can't guarantee that the configuration on disk is the same as what the plan indicates should be done.

```

sakshiguptasimp@ip-172-31-22-2:~/demo_01$

```

4.2 Apply the configurations by using the following command:

terraform apply

```

sakshiguptasimp@ip-172-31-22-2:~/demo_01$ terraform apply

```

4.3 When prompted, approve the actions by typing **yes**

```
Plan: 1 to add, 0 to change, 0 to destroy.
```

```
Do you want to perform these actions in workspace "demo_01_workflow"?  
Terraform will perform the actions described above.  
Only 'yes' will be accepted to approve.
```

```
Enter a value: yes
```

```
No changes. Your infrastructure matches the configuration.
```

```
Terraform has compared your real infrastructure against your configuration and found no differences, so no changes are needed.
```

```
Apply complete! Resources: 0 added, 0 changed, 0 destroyed.  
sakshiguptasimp@ip-172-31-22-2:~/demo_01$
```

Step 5: Select and create workspaces

5.1 List all the workspaces using the following command:

terraform workspace list

```
sakshiguptasimp@ip-172-31-22-2:~/demo_01$ terraform workspace list  
default  
* demo_01_workflow  
  
sakshiguptasimp@ip-172-31-22-2:~/demo_01$
```

5.2 Create a new workspace, named **demo_02_workflow**, using the following command:

terraform workspace new demo_02_workflow

```
sakshiguptasimp@ip-172-31-22-2:~/demo_01$ terraform workspace new demo_02_workflow  
Created and switched to workspace "demo_02_workflow"!  
  
You're now on a new, empty workspace. Workspaces isolate their state,  
so if you run "terraform plan" Terraform will not see any existing state  
for this configuration.  
sakshiguptasimp@ip-172-31-22-2:~/demo_01$
```

5.3 Verify the creation of the workspace by using the following command:

terraform workspace list

```
sakshiguptasimp@ip-172-31-22-2:~/demo_01$ terraform workspace list
default
demo_01_workflow
demo_01_workflow_02
* demo_02_workflow
```

The workspace is successfully created, as shown.

5.4 Switch to the workspace named **demo_01_workflow** using the following command:

terraform workspace select demo_01_workflow

```
sakshiguptasimp@ip-172-31-22-2:~/demo_01$ terraform workspace select demo_01_workflow
Switched to workspace "demo_01_workflow".
sakshiguptasimp@ip-172-31-22-2:~/demo_01$
```

By following the above steps, you have successfully used Terraform Cloud to manage infrastructure by creating and managing workspaces for deploying resources.