🔑 Allow apps to access your keychain

Apps that use passwords require your permission to retrieve your password from Keychain Access. When an app needs to access your password, a dialog appears asking you to confirm access to your keychain. The message may contain several options:

- *Deny:* Prevent the app from retrieving the password from your keychain. You need to enter the password manually.

- *Allow Once:* Grant access to your keychain this time only. You'll be asked again the next time the app needs to access the password.

- *Always Allow:* Allow the app to always retrieve the password without asking. The app should allow access to your password in the future without presenting the dialog.

If you want to allow an app, such as Mail, to always access your keychain without asking for a password, select Always Allow. You can also set up automatic keychain access for an app.

1. Open Keychain Access.

2. If you don't see keychains in the left column, choose View > Show Keychains.

3. Select a keychain from the Keychains list.

   The app's keychain is probably in your login keychain.

4. Double-click the password in the Keychain window, then click Access Control.

   - *To allow all apps access to this password:* Select "Allow all applications to access this item."

   - *To control access to this password:* Select "Confirm before allowing access."

   - *To require the keychain password instead of the app password:* Select "Ask for Keychain password."

   - *To add individual apps that can access this password:* Click the Add button ＋, then navigate to the app you want to add.

5. Click Save Changes.