

SOP: Forwarding Shared Mailbox Emails to a User via Distribution List (DL) – Microsoft 365 Admin Center

◆ **Purpose**

To forward emails from a shared mailbox (e.g., purchasing@svs.co.nz) to a user (e.g., DylanH@svs.co.nz) **using a distribution list** (e.g., purchasing-DL@svs.co.nz), while keeping a copy in the shared mailbox for all other users.

◆ **Prerequisites**

- Microsoft 365 Admin credentials (e.g., Kyle.Walker_Admin@svs.co.nz)
 - Access to the Microsoft 365 Admin Center
 - Existing shared mailbox (e.g., purchasing@svs.co.nz)
 - Existing DL group (e.g., purchasing-DL@svs.co.nz)
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◆ **Steps**

Step 1: Identify the DL Used for Forwarding

- Go to: <https://admin.microsoft.com>
 - Navigate to:
Teams & Groups → Shared Mailboxes
 - Click on the target shared mailbox (e.g., purchasing@svs.co.nz)
 - Under **Email Forwarding**, note the DL address shown (e.g., purchasing-DL@svs.co.nz)
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Step 2: Add the User to the DL

1. Go to:
Teams & Groups → Active Teams & Groups
2. Switch to the **“Distribution list”** tab (or use the filter to find it)
3. Find and click on the DL identified earlier (e.g., purchasing-DL@svs.co.nz)
4. Under **Members**, click **Edit**

5. Click + **Add members**
6. Search for the user (e.g., DylanH@svs.co.nz) and add them
7. Click **Save**

◆ **Verification**

- Send a test email to purchasing@svs.co.nz
 - Confirm:
 - ☒ It appears in the shared inbox
 - ☒ A copy is delivered to the user (DylanH@svs.co.nz) via the DL
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◆ **Reversing the Change**

- To remove the user:
Go to the DL → Edit Members → Remove the user (e.g., Dylan)
 - Or to stop forwarding:
Go to the shared mailbox → Email forwarding → Toggle Off → Save
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