

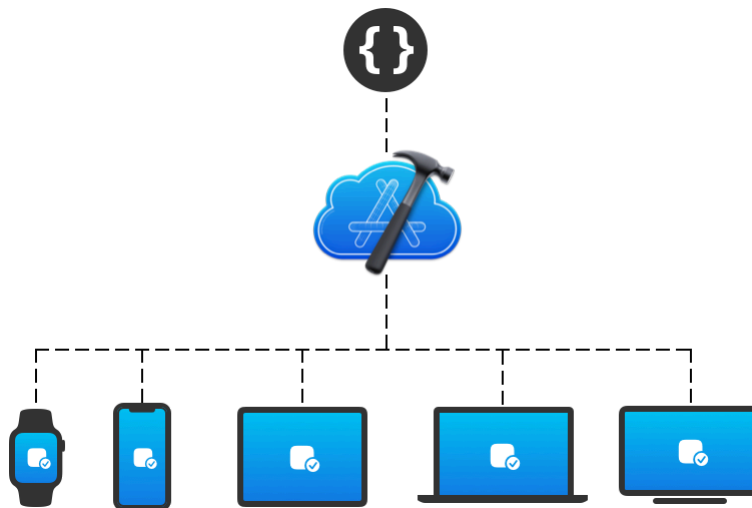
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# Xcode Cloud

Automatically build, test, and distribute your apps with Xcode Cloud to verify changes and create high-quality apps.

## Overview

Xcode Cloud lets you adopt *continuous integration and delivery* (CI/CD), a standard software development practice that helps you develop and maintain your code and deliver apps to testers and users. Xcode Cloud is a CI/CD system that combines the tools you use to create apps and frameworks for Apple platforms: [Xcode](#), [TestFlight](#), and [App Store Connect](#).



With Xcode Cloud, you can automatically and frequently:

- Build your project.
- Run tests and perform verifications.
- Distribute builds to testers and gather their feedback with [TestFlight](#) while protecting user privacy.

After successfully verifying a new version of your app with Xcode Cloud and TestFlight, you can quickly release it on the App Store.




For more information about continuous integration and delivery, see [About continuous integration and delivery with Xcode Cloud](#). To learn more about configuring your project or workspace to use Xcode Cloud, see [Configuring your first Xcode Cloud workflow](#).

### Note





For additional information about Xcode Cloud that includes videos from WWDC21 and WWDC22, see [The Xcode Cloud toolkit](#).

## Topics

### Essentials

-  **About continuous integration and delivery with Xcode Cloud**  
Learn how continuous integration and delivery with Xcode Cloud helps you create high-quality apps and frameworks.
-  **Setting up your project to use Xcode Cloud**  
Review account, project, and source control requirements before configuring your project or workspace to use Xcode Cloud.
-  **Configuring your first Xcode Cloud workflow**  
Set up your project or workspace to use Xcode Cloud and adopt continuous integration and delivery.

### Setup and maintenance

-  **Making dependencies available to Xcode Cloud**  
Review dependencies and make them available to Xcode Cloud before you configure your project to use Xcode Cloud.
-  **Configuring Xcode Cloud for your team**  
Start using continuous integration and delivery with Xcode Cloud as a team.
-  **Sharing macOS and Xcode versions across Xcode Cloud workflows**  
Use custom aliases to share configurations with multiple workflows.
-  **Sharing environment variables across Xcode Cloud workflows**  
Apply common configurations to multiple workflows by using shared environment variables.



## Building Swift packages and Swift Playgrounds app projects with Xcode Cloud

Add your Swift package or Swift Playgrounds app project to an Xcode project to build it in Xcode Cloud.



## Setting the next build number for Xcode Cloud builds

Start numbering builds from a custom build number for your existing Mac app to avoid version collisions.



## Including notes for testers with a beta release of your app

Add text files to your Xcode project to provide notes to beta testers about what to test.



## Removing your project from Xcode Cloud

Remove your project from Xcode Cloud to delete app and workflow data, disconnect your Git repository, and remove the Slack integration.

# Usage data



## Reviewing Xcode Cloud usage data

Access Xcode Cloud usage information to understand how you and your team use Xcode Cloud.

# Workflows



## Developing a workflow strategy for Xcode Cloud

Review how you can best create custom Xcode Cloud workflows to refine your continuous integration and delivery practice.



## Xcode Cloud workflow reference

Configure metadata, start conditions, actions, post-actions, and more to create custom Xcode Cloud workflows.



## Creating a workflow that builds your app for distribution

Configure a workflow to build and sign your app for distribution to testers with TestFlight, in the App Store, or as a notarized app.

# Source code management



## Source code management setup

Allow Xcode Cloud to access your Git repository.

## Configuring requirements for merging a pull request

Protect stable branches by requiring a successful Xcode Cloud build or action before it's possible to merge a pull request.

# Custom build scripts

## Writing custom build scripts

Extend your Xcode Cloud workflows with custom build scripts that perform custom tasks or install additional tools.

## Environment variable reference

Review predefined environment variables you use in custom build scripts.

# Troubleshooting

## Resolving common configuration and build issues

Review common configuration and build issues and learn how you can resolve them.

## Resolve GitHub Enterprise connection issues

Verify that Xcode Cloud can access your GitHub Enterprise repository and fix configuration issues.

## Reporting feedback for Xcode Cloud

Provide feedback on issues you encounter when building with Xcode Cloud.

# Notifications

## Configuring webhooks in Xcode Cloud

Configure webhooks that connect Xcode Cloud to other services and tools.

## Xcode Cloud webhook payload reference

Review details of the webhook payload that Xcode Cloud sends, including the product, workflow, build, actions, results, and SCM metadata associated with it.

## Connecting Xcode Cloud to Slack

Connect Xcode Cloud to Slack to keep your team informed about the latest Xcode Cloud builds.

# REST API

## Xcode Cloud Workflows and Builds

Automate reading Xcode Cloud data, managing workflows, and starting builds.

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## See Also

### Distribution and continuous integration

#### Distribution

Prepare your app and share it with your team, beta testers, and customers.