

Setting up a trial of GitHub Enterprise

Learn what is included in the GitHub Enterprise Cloud trial, and how to get started.

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GitHub Enterprise Cloud is designed for large businesses or teams who collaborate on GitHub.com. See [About GitHub Enterprise Cloud](#).

You can set up a trial to evaluate features that require GitHub Enterprise Cloud, such as SAML single sign-on (SSO). For a full list of available features, see our [Pricing](#) page.

Your trial **won't** include data residency on GHE.com or access to GitHub Enterprise Server. To test these features, contact [GitHub's Sales team](#).

To set up a trial, you must be signed in to a personal account. If you don't have a personal account, see [Creating an account on GitHub](#).

What is included in the trial?

The trial lasts for **30 days** and includes the following features.

- Access to **most** GitHub Enterprise Cloud features.

- GitHub Copilot Business
- GitHub Secret Protection and GitHub Code Security
- Access to the **new billing platform**. See [About the new billing platform](#).
- An **enterprise account**, which allows you to manage multiple organizations. See [Types of GitHub accounts](#).
- Up to **50 licenses** to grant access to users.

Features not included in the trial

- GitHub Codespaces
- GitHub Copilot Enterprise
- GitHub Sponsors
- Paid GitHub Marketplace apps
- GitHub Connect
- Git Large File Storage
- For GitHub Actions, increased minutes, job concurrency, and larger runners

If you invite an existing organization into your trial enterprise, **all of these features will be disabled**. If you remove the organization from the enterprise, the features will be re-enabled.

Do I need to provide a payment method?

You do not need to provide a payment method to start a trial. If you want to use Copilot Business during the trial, you need to provide a credit card. You **won't** be charged for using Copilot Business during the trial.

Setting up a trial

Go to the trial page and follow the instructions to sign up for the trial.

Try GitHub Enterprise Cloud

When setting up your trial of GitHub Enterprise Cloud, you'll choose an enterprise type.

- Enterprise with personal accounts
- Enterprise with managed users

To help you decide which choice is best for your enterprise, see [Choosing an enterprise type for GitHub Enterprise Cloud](#).

Setting up GitHub Enterprise Cloud

You can find full instructions on setting up GitHub Enterprise Cloud in the [Getting started with GitHub Enterprise Cloud](#) guide.

Setting up GitHub Secret Protection and GitHub Code Security

You can find information about planning a trial of Secret Protection and Code Security and exploring the additional options available with GitHub Enterprise Cloud in the [Trialing GitHub Advanced Security](#) articles.

Setting up GitHub Copilot Business

Setting up your GitHub Copilot Business trial involves three phases, and each phase must be completed by different people.

- As an **enterprise owner**, you must first configure GitHub Copilot Business for your enterprise. This phase involves setting policies for the use of GitHub Copilot Business in your enterprise, and deciding which organizations in your enterprise can use GitHub Copilot Business. For detailed instructions, see [Setting up GitHub Copilot for your enterprise](#).
- Next, **organization owners** can enable GitHub Copilot Business for their organizations. For detailed instructions, see [Setting up GitHub Copilot for your organization](#).
- If your **personal account** has been granted a seat in an organization that has enabled GitHub Copilot Business, you can now enable GitHub Copilot Business for your personal account. For detailed instructions, see [Setting up GitHub Copilot for yourself](#).

During the trial

After you set up your trial, you can explore GitHub Enterprise Cloud by following the suggested tasks on the "Getting started" tab of your enterprise account.

You can create up to **three new organizations** in the trial enterprise, or transfer any number of existing organizations.

- You cannot transfer organizations that have free or paid GitHub Marketplace apps. Free apps are supported for new organizations in the trial.
- Billing for transferred organizations is paused during the trial and any coupons are removed. To reapply a coupon, contact [GitHub Support](#).
- Organizations created during the trial cannot be removed from the enterprise account until you purchase GitHub Enterprise.

For help setting up the included features, once you've started your trial, see [Getting started with the GitHub Enterprise Cloud trial](#).

Next steps

- 1 Once you have completed your trial, you can purchase GitHub Enterprise or cancel the trial. See [Ending a trial of GitHub Enterprise](#).
- 2 To learn about billing for GitHub Enterprise Cloud, see [About enterprise billing](#).

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