

# AWS IAM Authenticator

- Integrated by default with EKS
- Maps IAM users or roles to RBAC users or groups
- Kubernetes auth relies on AWS IAM identity
- Configured with a kube-system config map

## To add an IAM user or role to an Amazon EKS cluster

1. Ensure that the AWS credentials that **kubectl** is using are already authorized for your cluster. The IAM user that created the cluster has these permissions by default.
2. Open the `aws-auth` ConfigMap.

```
kubectl edit -n kube-system configmap/aws-auth
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