

Creating new files

You can create new files directly on GitHub Enterprise Cloud in any repository you have write access to.

When creating a file on GitHub Enterprise Cloud, consider the following:

- If you try to create a new file in a repository that you don't have access to, we will
 fork the project to your personal account and help you send a <u>pull request</u> to the
 original repository after you commit your change.
- File names created via the web interface can only contain alphanumeric characters and hyphens (). To use other characters, <u>create and commit the files locally, then push them to the repository on GitHub Enterprise Cloud</u>.

Warning: Never git add, commit, or push sensitive information to a remote repository. Sensitive information can include, but is not limited to:

- Passwords
- SSH keys
- AWS access keys
- API keys
- · Credit card numbers
- PIN numbers

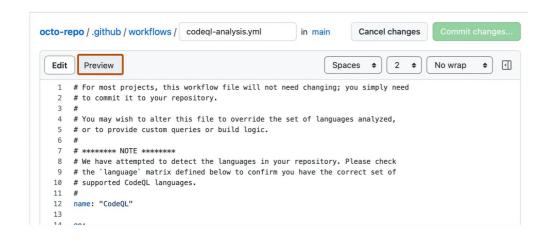
For more information, see "Removing sensitive data from a repository."

- On GitHub.com, navigate to the main page of the repository.
- 2 In your repository, browse to the folder where you want to create a file.
- 3 Above the list of files, select the **Add file** → dropdown menu, then click + **Create** new file.

Alternatively, you can click + in the file tree view on the left.



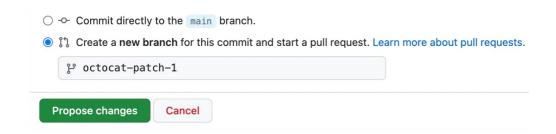
- 4 In the file name field, type the name and extension for the file. To create subdirectories, type the / directory separator.
- 5 In the file contents text box, type content for the file.
- 6 To review the new content, above the file contents, click **Preview**.



- 7 Click Commit changes...
- In the "Commit message" field, type a short, meaningful commit message that describes the change you made to the file. You can attribute the commit to more than one author in the commit message. For more information, see "Creating a commit with multiple authors."
- If you have more than one email address associated with your account on GitHub.com, click the email address drop-down menu and select the email address to use as the Git author email address. Only verified email addresses appear in this drop-down menu. If you enabled email address privacy, then a no-reply will be the default commit author email address. For more information about the exact form the no-reply email address can take, see "Setting your commit email address."



Below the commit message fields, decide whether to add your commit to the current branch or to a new branch. If your current branch is the default branch, you should choose to create a new branch for your commit and then create a pull request. For more information, see "Creating a pull request."



① Click Commit changes or Propose changes.