

# Configuring applications

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You can configure internal application settings for your GitHub Enterprise Server instance.

## Adjusting image caching

You can choose the amount of time that your GitHub Enterprise Server instance caches avatars. When you increase the cache time, you increase the amount of time a user's avatar will take to load. Configuring the cache time with too low a value can overload your GitHub Enterprise Server instance work processes.


- 1 From an administrative account on GitHub Enterprise Server, in the upper-right corner of any page, click .
- 2 If you're not already on the "Site admin" page, in the upper-left corner, click **Site admin**.
- 3 In the " Site admin" sidebar, click **Management Console**.
- 4 In the "Settings" sidebar, click **Applications**.
- 5 Under "Avatar image cache time (seconds)", type the number of seconds that you would like your GitHub Enterprise Server instance to cache avatar images.
- 6 Under the "Settings" sidebar, click **Save settings**.

**Note:** Saving settings in the Management Console restarts system services, which could result in user-visible downtime.

- 7 Wait for the configuration run to complete.

## Enabling retention policy for checks

You can enable a retention policy for checks, actions, and associated data by setting thresholds for archival and deletion. For more information about configuring actions, see "[About GitHub Actions for enterprises](#)."

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**admin.**

- 3 In the "🔗 Site admin" sidebar, click **Management Console**.
- 4 In the "Settings" sidebar, click **Checks**.
- 5 Select **Enable archiving of Checks-related data**.
- 6 Under "Archive threshold (days)", type the number of days for the archival threshold. Checks older than this number of days will be archived.
- 7 Under "Delete threshold (days)", type the number of days for the deletion threshold. Archived checks older than this number of days will be permanently deleted.
- 8 Under the "Settings" sidebar, click **Save settings**.

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## Enabling interactive maps 🔗

You can allow users to create interactive maps using GeoJSON or TopoJSON syntax. For more information, see "[Creating diagrams](#)."

To enable interactive maps on your GitHub Enterprise Server instance, you must enable the feature and provide a public authentication token for Azure. For more information, see [Authentication with Azure Maps](#) in the Microsoft Docs.

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- 3 In the "🔗 Site admin" sidebar, click **Management Console**.
- 4 In the "Settings" sidebar, click **Privacy**.
- 5 To enable interactive maps, select "Enable GeoJSON rendering".
- 6 To configure authentication, under "Azure Maps API Token", paste your token.
- 7 Under the "Settings" sidebar, click **Save settings**.

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