

# FAQ about changes to GitHub's plans

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As of April 14, 2020, GitHub announced that all of the core GitHub features are now free for everyone.

## What plans and pricing changes did GitHub announce on April 14?

GitHub announced the following plans and pricing changes:

- GitHub Free for organizations is immediately available and includes private repositories for unlimited users
- All organizations previously using Team for Open Source now have GitHub Free
- GitHub Free for individual developers now includes unlimited collaborators
- Organizations and individuals using GitHub Free will receive GitHub Community Support
- GitHub Pro will now include 2GB of Packages storage and 10GB of data transfer
- GitHub Pro now has a reduced monthly price of \$4
- GitHub Team now has a reduced monthly price of \$4 per user
- GitHub Team no longer has a required five-seat minimum
- GitHub Team includes 3,000 Actions minutes per month for private repositories

## How can I upgrade my plan?

To upgrade your account's plan, see "[Upgrading your account's plan.](#)"

## How can I downgrade my plan?

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To downgrade your personal account or organizations's plan, see "[Downgrading your account's plan](#)."

## If I downgrade from GitHub Team or a Legacy plan to GitHub Free, what features will I lose?

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- Required reviewers in private repositories
- Protected branches in private repositories
- Code owners in private repositories
- GitHub Pages in private repositories
- Wikis in private repositories
- Multiple assignees for issues and pull requests in private repositories
- Multiple pull request reviewers in private repositories
- Draft pull requests in private repositories
- Autolinked references in private repositories
- Standard support

## How can I create a GitHub Free or GitHub Team organization?

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If you have a GitHub account, create a new organization on our [team plan page](#). If you don't have a GitHub account, you can [create one on our homepage](#) and you'll be prompted to create an organization during the sign-up process.

## How can I compare which features are in each plan?

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You can see pricing and a full list of features for each product at <https://github.com/pricing>.

## How long will GitHub Free allow unlimited collaborators?

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Forever! This change is permanent.

## I already paid for the yearly Pro or Team plan, do I get a refund for the price difference?

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Customers who are currently paying annually for Pro and Team plans and signed up before April 14 will receive a refund for a prorated amount through the end of their annual billing term. For example, if you are two months into your subscription that is billed annually, you will receive a refund for the price difference for the remaining ten months. These refunds will be processed in approximately 30 days. Once your refund is processed, a notification will be sent to the billing email.

## What is the difference between GitHub Free for individual developers and GitHub Free for

## organizations?

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For details on the differences for each GitHub Free product, see "[GitHub's plans](#)."

## How can I get more Actions minutes if I need more than allocated in the GitHub Team plan?

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Most small teams use fewer than 3,000 Actions minutes/month, but some teams might use more. If your team needs additional minutes for private repositories, you can increase your spending limit for GitHub Actions. Actions minutes and Packages storage are still free for your public repositories. For more information, see "[Managing your spending limit for GitHub Actions](#)."

## How do the seat limit changes affect me?

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Now that GitHub Team has no minimum seat requirement, if you are using fewer than five seats in your organization, you can remove paid seats to reduce your bill. For more information, see "[Downgrading your account's plan](#)."

## Is anything changing for teams on the GitHub Team for Open Source plan?

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If your organization account currently uses the GitHub Team for Open Source plan, you've been automatically moved to GitHub Free, which includes private repositories with unlimited collaborators, 2,000 Actions minutes for private repositories, and GitHub Community on Discussions. Actions minutes and Packages storage are still free for your public repositories.

## What is GitHub Community on Discussions?

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[GitHub Community](#) is built to support all GitHub users on their educational journey, via Discussions. It is a resource hub, learning portal, and inspiration station, all in one. Regardless of how big or small your challenge is, all resources and information will be accessible in a true open source fashion. If you need to report spam, report abuse, or have issues with account access, you can send a message to our Support Team on <https://support.github.com/>.

## How does this change affect education benefits?

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Students and teachers will continue to receive all of the benefits they get today. GitHub will continue to offer GitHub Pro as part of its [Student Developer Pack](#) benefits to all students. Additionally, teachers will continue to have access to GitHub Team as part of the [Teacher Toolbox](#).

## How does this affect me if I currently pay by invoice?

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If you're currently an invoice customer, email your sales representative for additional details. If you're not sure who your sales representative is, contact your billing manager or account owner.

## How will this impact users and organizations in regions where U.S. government sanctions are applied?

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Due to U.S. trade controls law restrictions, GitHub is unable to provide private repository services and paid services to accounts in U.S. sanctioned regions. GitHub has preserved, however, access to free public repository services. Please read about [GitHub and Trade Controls](#) for more information.

GitHub will continue advocating with U.S. regulators for the greatest possible access to free code collaboration services to developers in sanctioned regions, including free private repositories. We believe that offering those free services supports U.S. foreign policy of encouraging the free flow of information and free speech in those regions.

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