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# Creating and Managing Organization Policies

This page describes how to view, create, and manage your organization policies using the Google Cloud Console.

The Cloud Identity and Access Management role [roles/orgpolicy.policyAdmin](https://cloud.google.com/iam/docs/understanding-roles#organization-policy-roles) (<https://cloud.google.com/iam/docs/understanding-roles#organization-policy-roles>) enables an administrator to manage organization policies. Users must be organization policy administrators to change or override organization policies.

## Before you begin

- To set, change, or delete an organization policy, you must have the [Organization Policy Administrator](https://cloud.google.com/resource-manager/docs/organization-policy/using-constraints#add-org-policy-admin) (<https://cloud.google.com/resource-manager/docs/organization-policy/using-constraints#add-org-policy-admin>) role.

To use this guide, you'll need to be familiar with:

- The [Organization Policy Service](https://cloud.google.com/resource-manager/docs/organization-policy/overview) (<https://cloud.google.com/resource-manager/docs/organization-policy/overview>).
- How [constraints](https://cloud.google.com/resource-manager/docs/organization-policy/understanding-constraints) (<https://cloud.google.com/resource-manager/docs/organization-policy/understanding-constraints>) define the behavior of organization policies.
- How organization policies are evaluated at different levels of the [resource hierarchy](https://cloud.google.com/resource-manager/docs/organization-policy/understanding-hierarchy) (<https://cloud.google.com/resource-manager/docs/organization-policy/understanding-hierarchy>).

## Viewing organization policies

To view organization policies:

1. Go to the Organization policies page in the Google Cloud Console.

**GO TO THE ORGANIZATION POLICIES PAGE** ([HTTPS://CONSOLE.CLOUD.GOOGLE.COM/IAM-ADMIN/](https://console.cloud.google.com/iam-admin/))

2. Click **Select**, and then select the project, folder, or organization for which you want to view organization policies. The **Organization policies** page displays a list of organization policy constraints that are available.

Organization policies

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**Organization policies for organization**  
"example.organization.com"

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☰ Filter by policy name or ID ? |||

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<a href="#">Define trusted image projects</a>	constraints/compute.trustedImageProjects
<a href="#">Disable Guest Attributes Compute Engine Metadata</a>	constraints/compute.disableGuestAttributesAccess
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<a href="#">Disable service account key creation</a>	constraints/iam.disableServiceAccountKeyCreation
<a href="#">Disable VM nested virtualization</a>	constraints/compute.disableNestedVirtualization
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<a href="#">Domain restricted sharing</a>	constraints/iam.allowedPolicyMemberDomains
<a href="#">Google Cloud Storage - retention policy duration in seconds</a>	constraints/storage.retentionPolicySeconds
<a href="#">Restrict shared VPC project lien removal</a>	constraints/compute.restrictXpnProjectLienRemoval

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3. To filter the list by constraint name, enter a constraint name into the text box.

4. To filter the list by inheritance status, in the **Any inheritance** drop-down list, select an inheritance type.

- To filter based on organization policies that follow the same rules as the parent resource, select **Inherited**
- To filter based on resources that have a set organization policy, which merges with the rules set by the parent resource, select **Custom**.

5. To display the current inherited policy, click **Edit**. The inherited policy will appear on the **Policy summary** panel.

For more details and step-by-step guides for using each constraint, see [Organization Policy Constraints](#)

(<https://cloud.google.com/resource-manager/docs/organization-policy/org-policy-constraints>).

## Creating and editing policies

Organization policies are defined by the values set for each constraint. They are either customized at the level of this resource, inherited from the parent resource, or set to the Google-managed default behavior.

**Note:** Enforcement of organization policies is not retroactive. If a new organization policy sets a restriction on an action or state that a service is already in, the policy is considered to be in violation, but the service will not stop its original behavior. For more details about organization policy violations, see [Introduction to the Organization Policy Service](#)

(<https://cloud.google.com/resource-manager/docs/organization-policy/overview#violations>).

## Customizing policies for boolean constraints

To customize a boolean policy:

1. Go to the Organization policies page in the Google Cloud Console.

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2. Click **Select**, and then select the project, folder, or organization for which you want to edit organization policies. The **Organization policies** page displays a list of organization policy constraints that are available.

Organization policies

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3. Select a constraint from the list on the **Organization policies** page. The **Policy details** page that appears describes the constraint and provides information about how the constraint is currently applied.

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## Disable VM serial port access

This boolean constraint disables serial port access to Compute Engine VMs belonging to the organization, project, or folder where this constraint is set to True. By default, customers can enable serial port access for Compute Engine VMs on a per-VM or per-project basis using metadata attributes. Enforcing this constraint will disable serial port access for Compute Engine VMs, regardless of the metadata attributes.

### Applies to

Organization "example.organization.com"

### ID

constraints/compute.disableSerialPortAccess

### Effective policy

### Enforcement

Not enforced

4. To customize the organization policy for this resource, click **Edit**.
5. On the **Edit** page, select **Customize**.

✕ Edit policy

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### Applies to

Organization "example.organization.com"

Inherit parent's policy ?

Google-managed default ?

Customize ?

### Enforcement

On

Off

**SAVE**    **CANCEL**

6. Under **Enforcement**, select an enforcement option:

- To enable enforcement of this constraint, select **On**.
- To disable enforcement of this constraint, select **Off**.

7. Click **Save**.

For gcloud command-line tool instructions, see the boolean constraints section of [Using Constraints](#)

(<https://cloud.google.com/resource-manager/docs/organization-policy/using-constraints#boolean-constraint>)

## Customizing policies for list constraints

To customize a list constraint:

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2. Click **Select**, and then select the project, folder, or organization for which you want to edit organization policies. The **Organization policies** page displays a list of organization policy constraints that are available.

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## Define allowed APIs and services

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### Applies to

Organization "example.organization.com"

### Inheritance ?

Inherited

### ID

constraints/serviceuser.services

### Effective policy ?

Allowed

All

Recommended

None

4. To customize the organization policy for this resource, click **Edit**.
5. On the **Edit** page, select **Customize**.



✕ Edit policy

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Organization "example.organization.com"

Inherit parent's policy ?  
 Google-managed default ?  
 **Customize** ?

**Policy enforcement** ?

**Merge with parent** ?  
Rules are combined at all levels regardless of hierarchy. Deny overrides allow.

**Replace** ?  
Ignore the parent's policy and use these rules.

**Policy values**

Custom

**Policy type**

Allow

**Custom values**

Enter one or more custom values. Custom values require specific formatting to work. [Learn more about formatting.](#)

ⓘ To make sure your custom value works, test your policy after it's created. [Learn more.](#)

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NEW POLICY VALUE

### Policy summary

ⓘ The proposed policy won't retroactively apply to your existing resources.

**Inherited policy**

Allowed

None

**Recommended**

None

**Google-managed default**

Allowed

None

**Recommended**

None

**Proposed policy**

Allowed

**Recommended**

None

## 6. Under **Policy enforcement**, select an enforcement option:

- To merge and evaluate the organization policies together, select **Merge with parent**. For more information about inheritance and the resource hierarchy, see [Understanding Hierarchy Evaluation](https://cloud.google.com/resource-manager/docs/organization-policy/understanding-hierarchy) (https://cloud.google.com/resource-manager/docs/organization-policy/understanding-hierarchy)
- To override the inherited policies completely, select **Replace**.

7. Under **Policy type**, select whether this organization policy will specify allowed or denied values:
  - To specify that the listed values will be the only allowed values, and all other values will be denied, select **Allow**.
  - To specify that the listed values will be explicitly denied, and all other values will be allowed, select **Deny**.
8. Under **Policy values**, select whether this organization policy will apply to all values or a list of specific values:
  - To apply the above policy type to every possible value, select **All**.
  - To list explicit values, select **Custom**. In the **Policy value** text box that appears, enter a value and then press **Enter**. You can add multiple entries in this way.
9. To set a recommendation for other users, click **Set recommendation**.
  - To set the recommendation, enter a string value into the text box that appears. This string value will be displayed in the Cloud Console to provide guidance to users about this organization policy. It is only a communication tool, and does not affect what policy can be set.
10. To finish and apply the organization policy, click **Save**.

For gcloud command-line tool instructions, see the list constraints section of [Using Constraints](https://cloud.google.com/resource-manager/docs/organization-policy/using-constraints#list-constraint) (<https://cloud.google.com/resource-manager/docs/organization-policy/using-constraints#list-constraint>).

## Inheriting organization policy

You can set an organization policy to inherit the parent organization policy or to use the Google-managed default behavior. Either of these options will remove an existing custom organization policy. To change the behaviors that an organization policy inherits:

1. Go to the Organization policies page in the Google Cloud Console.  
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### Applies to

Organization "example.organization.com"

### Inheritance

Inherited

### ID

constraints/serviceuser.services

### Effective policy

Allowed

All

Recommended

None

4. To remove a custom organization policy on this resource, click **Edit** and then select an option to specify how the organization policy is evaluated:

- To make this resource follow the same rules as the parent resource for this constraint, select **Inherit parent's policy**. This is the default behavior for resources.

- To override the parent resource's organization policy with the default behavior set by Google for this constraint, select **Google-managed default**.

✕ Edit policy

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### Applies to

Organization "example.organization.com"

Inherit parent's policy ?  
 Google-managed default ?  
 Customize ?

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### Policy summary

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#### Inherited policy

Allowed  
None

Recommended  
None

#### Google-managed default

Allowed  
None

Recommended  
None

#### Current policy

Allowed  
All

Recommended  
None

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