

Set Up Portfolio Security

Tip If you need to manage project access for individual users by exception **after** setting up Portfolio Security, see [Project Security & Access](#).

Note

- Only users with the System Administrator security role can manage business units and security roles in the BrightWork 365 environment.

Caution Before proceeding:

- Familiarize yourself with the content in [Portfolio Security & Access Overview](#).
- Confirm that Modern business units have been enabled in the BrightWork 365 environment as described in the [BrightWork 365 Install Guide.pdf](#) and [BrightWork365 Upgrade Guide.pdf](#)
- Have a clear understanding of the business unit and portfolio hierarchy that you want to create, which business unit users will reside in, and the security roles they will be given in their home business unit and in other business units if you plan to provide some users with extra access.

Prerequisite Step: Design your organization's security access hierarchy

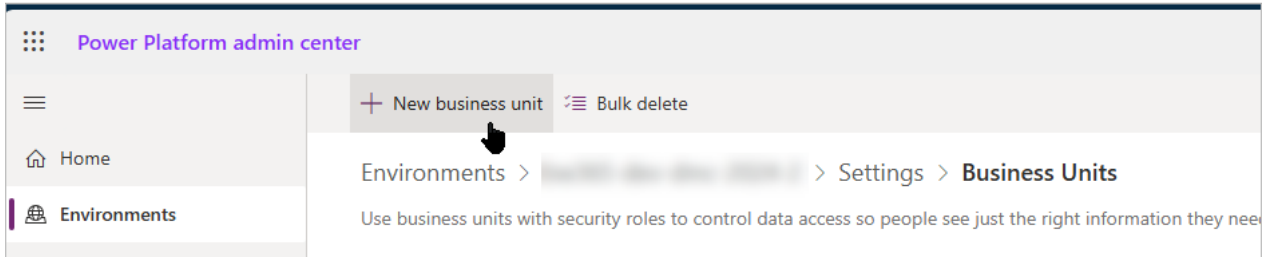
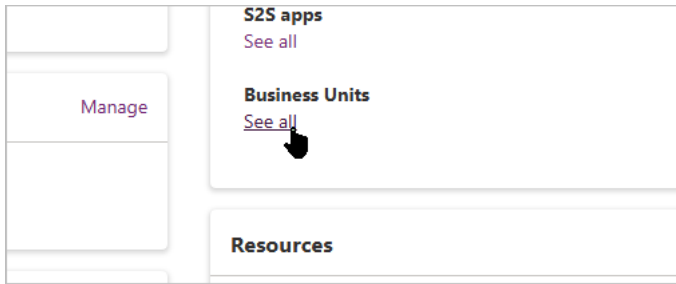
Prior to physically implementing a security access hierarchy and configuration, map out the design 'on paper' along with an analysis of practical implications and future needs.

See [Portfolio Security & Access Overview](#).

Step 1: Create an all-access parent business unit

This step is for users that need access to all app records, i.e., "{org name} All Access". It is a best practice for future design flexibility.

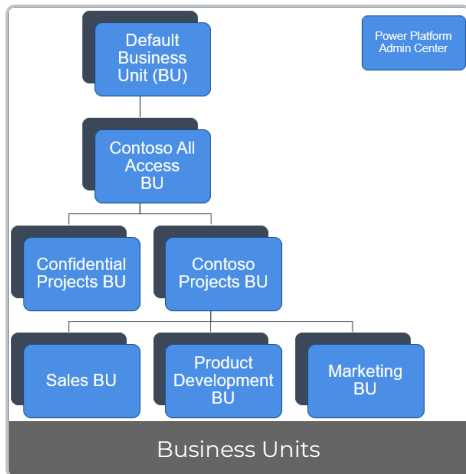
1. Login to the <https://admin.powerplatform.microsoft.com/environments> and select your environment.
2. Click **Business Units > See all** and **+ New business unit**.



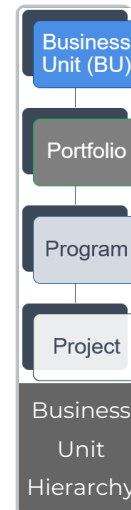
3. Select the Default business unit.
4. Click **Save**.

Step 2: Create a business unit hierarchy under your All Access business unit

Note Child business units inherit user security role assignments from their parent business units.



- Business units are created in the Power Platform Admin center by a System Admin.
- All business units, apart from the Default Business Unit, have a parent business unit.
- New business units get non-editable copies of all the security roles found in the automatically created environment Default Business Unit (e.g., all the security roles that ship with BrightWork 365).



- Setting the Owning Business Unit in a Portfolio sets what child users will see or not see.
- Portfolios are the top-level grouping for Projects.
- Programs are a second level grouping for projects.

Step 3: Assign users to a home business unit

Caution

- A user with the BrightWork PMO security role will have organization-wide global access regardless of their assigned business unit. They will have access to all content within BrightWork 365 including confidential projects.
- If a user's business unit is changed, all of their security roles are removed from all business units. They will need to be reassigned all of their security roles in the new business unit. Take note of their current security role assignments prior to any business unit change.

Assigning users to a home business unit will in turn control which portfolios, programs, and projects they have access to. Users will retain their current access level to individual projects after they are assigned to a business unit - a user's project access level can be viewed on the project's Team Tab. For more information see [Project Security & Access](#).

Note

- It can take 30-60 seconds per user when their business unit is changed using the admin center Modern UI.
- User business unit assignments can be viewed in person views in the Admin Area.

In the **Microsoft Power Platform admin center**:

1. Select the BrightWork 365 environment.
2. Navigate to **Settings > Users + permissions**.
3. Select **Users**.
4. Select the relevant user.
5. On the action bar at the top of the screen select **Change business unit**.
6. In the Change business unit pane, select a business unit.
7. Select **OK**.

Step 4: Assign security roles to users in their home business unit

Note

- All users with the BrightWork Team Member security role will be available for selection.
- If you want to assign a user security roles in more than one business unit (giving them the same security role in each), you should do so individually, not in bulk.

Assign security roles to users individually

In the **Microsoft Power Platform admin center**:

1. Select the BrightWork 365 environment.
2. Navigate to **Settings > Users + permissions**.
3. Select **Users**.
4. Select the relevant user.
5. On the action bar at the top of the screen click **Manage security roles**.
6. Confirm the business unit selection.
7. Select the **Basic User** and **BrightWork Team Member** security roles (at a minimum), and any other desired security roles the user needs.
8. Click **Save**.

Step 5: (Optional) Assign security roles to users in secondary business units as needed

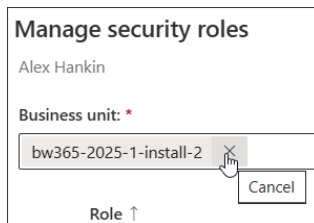
Users can only be a member of one business unit but can be given the same security role they have in their home business unit in other business units to broaden their access to portfolios, programs, and projects.

Caution Users assigned security roles in secondary business units must be given the same security roles that they've been given in their home business unit.

For example, Alex is a BrightWork Project Manager in Marketing, which is his home business unit. He can also be given the BrightWork Project Manager security role in the secondary Product Development business unit.

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3. Select **Users**.
4. Select the relevant user.
5. On the action bar at the top of the screen click **Manage security roles**.
6. Clear the existing business unit entry.



7. Search for the relevant secondary business unit and select it.
8. Assign all of the security roles that the user has in their home business unit, e.g., Basic User, BrightWork Team Member, BrightWork Project Manager.
9. Click **Save**.

Step 6: Create portfolios

The portfolios act as the top parent levels of the hierarchy in BrightWork 365 (Portfolios > Programs > Projects).

See [Portfolios](#) for details.

Step 7: Select an Owning Business Unit within each Portfolio

Note

- Only users with the BrightWork PMO Manager or System Administrator security role can configure a Portfolio's Owning Business Unit.
- A business unit can own as many portfolios as necessary.
- The Change Owning Business Unit dialog in Portfolios can take a few seconds to open, depending on the number of records (Programs and Projects) it has to check.
- When the Owning Business Unit is selected, the amount of time it takes for the value to propagate to all child records is related to the number of Portfolio child records. When the process is complete, an email notification will be automatically sent to the Portfolio Manager and the user that made the selection.

1. In the Portfolio's **Statement** tab, select the relevant Owning Business Unit in the **Owning Business Unit** field.

Priority 2. High

Portfolio Type Regular

Owning Business Unit * Product Development

2. Read the warning message, choose the new Owning Business Unit, and click **Confirm** or **Cancel**.

Change Owning Business Unit

Warning: Changing the Owning Business Unit of a Portfolio will automatically update the Owning Business Unit of all the associated child records. Once saved, all associated records will reflect the updated Owning Business Unit.

Owning Business Unit

Product Development

Confirm Cancel

Caution

- If the Owning Business Unit of a Portfolio is changed, the Owning Business Unit of all the child Program and Project related records will also be updated. This means that some users in the previous business unit may lose access to this portfolio and the other records. It also means that users in the new Business Unit will now be able to access records in this Business Unit.
- Concurrent usage is not supported, e.g., before moving a Portfolio's Owning Business Unit, the BrightWork PMO Manager should inform the team to exit any child Projects of the Portfolio.

Step 8: Assign programs to parent portfolios

Programs inherit the Owning Business Unit from their parent portfolio. Assign programs to the business unit desired for the program and its child projects.

To associate a program with a parent portfolio, select the relevant portfolio as you normally would in the program's **Statement** tab.

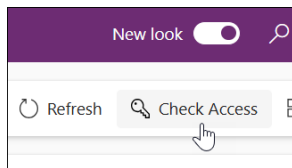
Note If a program is moved to a different portfolio with a different associated business unit, or if a portfolio's associated business unit is changed, some users who never had access to that part of the hierarchy will now have access, and some that had access previously will no longer have access; this will be determined by either their own

business unit, or from access granted at the [project level](#).

Customers who want their custom tables to be included in the Project move Program and Program move Portfolio flows will need to request assistance from their Customer Success Partner to update the child flows in their custom solution.

Check User Access

1. Navigate to the Portfolio or Program and click the **Check Access** button in the toolbar.



2. Click the **Who has access** link to see information about all users that have access to the project
 3. You can click the **User details** button for a user to view a report that tells why the user has access.
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