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AWS Lake Formation



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What is AWS Lake Formation?

Welcome to the AWS Lake Formation Developer Guide.

AWS Lake Formation helps you centrally govern, secure, and globally share data for analytics and machine learning. With Lake Formation, you can manage fine-grained access control for your data lake data on Amazon Simple Storage Service (Amazon S3) and its metadata in AWS Glue Data Catalog.

Lake Formation provides its own permissions model that augments the IAM permissions model. Lake Formation permissions model enables fine-grained access to data stored in data lakes through a simple grant or revoke mechanism, much like a relational database management system (RDBMS). Lake Formation permissions are enforced using granular controls at the column, row, and cell-levels across AWS analytics and machine learning services, including Amazon Athena, Amazon QuickSight, Amazon Redshift Spectrum, Amazon EMR, and AWS Glue.

The Lake Formation hybrid access mode for AWS Glue Data Catalog lets you secure and access the cataloged data using both Lake Formation permissions and IAM permissions policies for Amazon S3 and AWS Glue actions. With hybrid access mode, data administrators can onboard Lake Formation permissions selectively and incrementally, focusing on one data lake use case at a time.

Lake Formation also allows you to share data internally and externally across multiple AWS accounts, AWS organizations or directly with IAM principals in another account providing fine-grained access to the AWS Glue Data Catalog metadata and underlying data.

Topics

- [Lake Formation features](#)
- [AWS Lake Formation: How it works](#)
- [Lake Formation components](#)
- [Lake Formation terminology](#)
- [AWS service integrations with Lake Formation](#)
- [Additional Lake Formation resources](#)
- [Getting started with Lake Formation](#)

Lake Formation features

Lake Formation helps you break down data silos and combine different types of structured and unstructured data into a centralized repository. First, identify existing data stores in Amazon S3 or relational and NoSQL databases, and move the data into your data lake. Then crawl, catalog, and prepare the data for analytics. Next, provide your users with secure self-service access to the data through their choice of analytics services.

Topics

- [Data ingestion and management](#)
- [Security management](#)
- [Data sharing](#)

Data ingestion and management

Import data from databases already in AWS

Once you specify where your existing databases are and provide your access credentials, Lake Formation reads the data and its metadata (schema) to understand the contents of the data source. It then imports the data to your new data lake and records the metadata in a central catalog. With Lake Formation, you can import data from MySQL, PostgreSQL, SQL Server, MariaDB, and Oracle databases running in Amazon RDS or hosted in Amazon EC2. Both bulk and incremental data loading are supported.

Import data from other external sources

You can use Lake Formation to move data from on-premises databases by connecting with Java Database Connectivity (JDBC). Identify your target sources and provide access credentials in the console, and Lake Formation reads and loads your data into the data lake. To import data from databases other than the ones listed above, you can create custom ETL jobs with AWS Glue.

Catalog and label your data

You can use AWS Glue crawlers to read your data in Amazon S3 and extract database and table schema and store that data in a searchable AWS Glue Data Catalog. Then, use Lake Formation [Lake Formation tag-based access control](#) (TBAC) to manage permissions on databases, tables, and columns. For more information about adding tables to the Data Catalog, see [Creating Data Catalog tables and databases](#).

Security management

Define and manage access controls

Lake Formation provides a single place to manage access controls for data in your data lake. You can define security policies that restrict access to data at the database, table, column, row, and cell levels. These policies apply to IAM users and roles, and to users and groups when federating through an external identity provider. You can use fine-grained controls to access data secured by Lake Formation within Amazon Redshift Spectrum, Athena, AWS Glue ETL, and Amazon EMR for Apache Spark. Whenever you create IAM identities, make sure to follow IAM best practices. For more information, see [Security best practices](#) in the IAM User Guide.

Hybrid access mode

Lake Formation hybrid access mode provides the flexibility to selectively enable Lake Formation permissions for databases and tables in your AWS Glue Data Catalog. With hybrid access mode, you now have an incremental path that allows you to set Lake Formation permissions for a specific set of users without interrupting the permission policies of other existing users or workloads. For more information, see [Hybrid access mode](#).

Implement audit logging

Lake Formation provides comprehensive audit logs with CloudTrail to monitor access and show compliance with centrally defined policies. You can audit data access history across analytics and machine learning services that read the data in your data lake via Lake Formation. This lets you see which users or roles have attempted to access what data, with which services, and when. You can access audit logs in the same way you access any other CloudTrail logs using the CloudTrail APIs and console. For more information about CloudTrail logs see [Logging AWS Lake Formation API Calls Using AWS CloudTrail](#).

Row and cell-level security

Lake Formation provides data filters that allow you to restrict access to a combination of columns and rows. Use row and cell-level security to protect sensitive data like Personal Identifiable Information (PII). For more information about row-level security, see [Overview of data filtering](#).

Tag-based access control

Use Lake Formation [tag based access control](#) to manage hundreds or even thousands data permissions by creating custom labels called LF-Tags. You can now define LF-Tags and attach them to databases, tables, or columns. Then, share controlled access across analytic, machine learning

(ML), and extract, transform, and load (ETL) services for consumption. LF-Tags make sure that data governance can be scaled easily by replacing the policy definitions of thousands of resources with a few logical tags. Lake Formation provides a text-based search over this metadata, so your users can quickly find the data they need to analyze.

Cross account access

Lake Formation permission management capabilities simplify securing and managing distributed data lakes across multiple AWS accounts through a centralized approach, providing fine-grained access control to the Data Catalog and Amazon S3 locations. For more information, see [Cross-account data sharing in Lake Formation](#).

Data sharing

The data sharing capability allows you to set up permissions on datasets stored in different data sources like Amazon Redshift without migrating data or metadata into Amazon S3 or AWS Glue Data Catalog. You can use the following methods to share data in Lake Formation:

For more information, see [Data sharing in Lake Formation](#).

- **Integrating Lake Formation with Amazon Redshift data sharing** – Use Lake Formation to centrally manage database, table, column, and row-level access permissions of [Amazon Redshift](#) datashares and restrict user access to objects within a datashare.
- **Connecting AWS Glue Data Catalog to external metastores** – Connect AWS Glue Data Catalog to external metastores to manage access permissions on data sets in Amazon S3 using Lake Formation. No migration of metadata into the AWS Glue Data Catalog is necessary.

For more information, see [Managing permissions on datasets that use external metastores](#)

- **Integrating Lake Formation with AWS Data Exchange** – Lake Formation supports licensing access to your data through AWS Data Exchange. If you're interested in licensing your Lake Formation data, see [What is AWS Data Exchange](#) in the *AWS Data Exchange User Guide*.

AWS Lake Formation: How it works

AWS Lake Formation provides a relational database management system (RDBMS) permissions model to grant or revoke access to Data Catalog resources such as databases, tables, and columns with underlying data in Amazon S3. The easy to manage Lake Formation permissions replace the complex Amazon S3 bucket policies and corresponding IAM policies.

In Lake Formation, you can implement permissions on two levels:

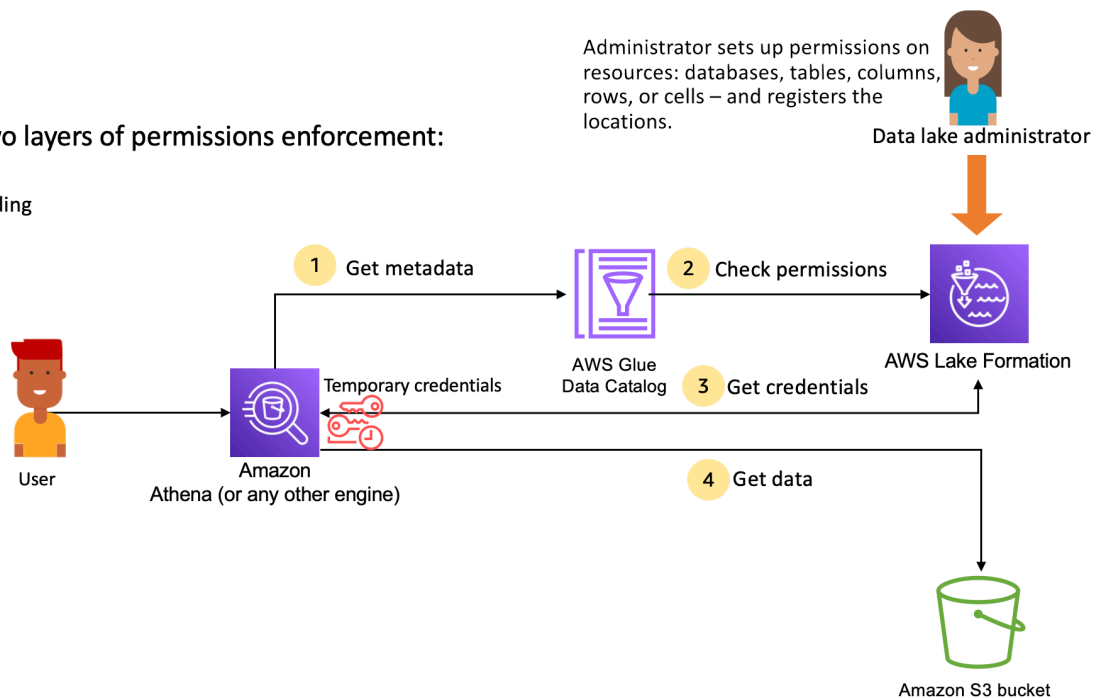
- Enforcing metadata-level permissions on the Data Catalog resources such as databases and tables
- Managing storage access permissions on the underlying data stored in Amazon S3 on behalf of integrated engines

Lake Formation permissions management workflow

Lake Formation integrates with analytical engines to query Amazon S3 data stores and metadata objects that are registered with Lake Formation. The following diagram illustrates how permissions management works in Lake Formation.

Lake Formation provides two layers of permissions enforcement:

- Metadata layer – Data Catalog
- Storage layer – Credential vending



Lake Formation permissions management high-level steps

Before Lake Formation can provide access controls for data in your data lake, a [data lake administrator](#) or a user with administrative permissions sets up individual Data Catalog table user policies to allow or deny access to Data Catalog tables using Lake Formation permissions.

Then, either the data lake administrator or a user delegated by the administrator grants Lake Formation permissions to users on the Data Catalog databases and tables, and registers the Amazon S3 location of the table with Lake Formation.

1. **Get metadata** – A principal (user) submits a query or an ETL script to an [integrated analytical engine](#) such as Amazon Athena, AWS Glue, Amazon EMR, or Amazon Redshift Spectrum. The integrated analytical engine identifies the table that is being requested and sends a request for metadata to the Data Catalog.
2. **Check permissions** – The Data Catalog checks user's permissions with Lake Formation, and if the user is authorized to access the table, returns the metadata that the user is allowed to see to the engine.
3. **Get credentials** – The Data Catalog lets the engine know if the table is managed by Lake Formation or not. If the underlying data is registered with Lake Formation, the analytical engine requests Lake Formation to provide data access by granting temporary access.
4. **Get data** – If the user is authorized to access the table, Lake Formation provides temporary access to the integrated analytical engine. Using the temporary access, the analytical engine fetches the data from Amazon S3, and performs necessary filtering such as column, row, or cell filtering. When the engine finishes running the job, it returns the results back to the user. This process is called [credential vending](#).

If the table is not managed by Lake Formation, the second call from the analytic engine is made directly to Amazon S3. The concerned Amazon S3 bucket policy and IAM user policy are evaluated for data access.

Whenever you use IAM policies, make sure that you follow IAM best practices. For more information, see [Security best practices in IAM](#) in the *IAM User Guide*.

Topics

- [Metadata permissions](#)
- [Storage access management](#)
- [Cross-account data sharing in Lake Formation](#)

Metadata permissions

Lake Formation provides authorization and access control for the Data Catalog. When an IAM role makes a Data Catalog API call from any system, the Data Catalog verifies the user's data permissions and only returns the metadata that the user has permissions to access. For example, if an IAM role has access to only one table within a database, and a service or a user assuming the

role performs the `GetTables` operation, the response will contain only the one table, regardless of the number of tables in the database.

Default settings - `IAMAllowedPrincipal` group permissions

AWS Lake Formation, by default, sets permissions to all databases and tables to a virtual group named `IAMAllowedPrincipal`. This group is unique and visible only within Lake Formation. The `IAMAllowedPrincipal` group includes all IAM principals who have access to Data Catalog resources through IAM principal policies and AWS Glue resource policies. If this permissions exists on a database or table, all principals will be granted access to the database or table.

If you want to provide more granular permissions on a database or table, remove `IAMAllowedPrincipal` permission and, Lake Formation enforces all other policies associated with that database or table. For example, if there is a policy that allows User A to access Database A with `DESCRIBE` permissions, and the `IAMAllowedPrincipal` exists with all permissions, User A will continue to perform all other actions, until the `IAMAllowedPrincipal` permission is revoked.

Additionally, by default, the `IAMAllowedPrincipal` group has permissions on all new databases and tables when they are created. There are two configurations that control this behaviour. The first is at the account and Region-level that enables this for newly created databases, and the second is at the database level. To modify the default setting, see [Change the default permission model or use hybrid access mode](#).

Granting permissions

Data lake administrators can grant Data Catalog permissions to principals so that the principals can create and manage databases and tables, and can access underlying data.

Database and table-level permissions

When you grant permissions within Lake Formation, the grantor must specify the principal to grant permissions to, the resources to grant permissions on, and the actions that the grantee should have access to perform. For most resources within Lake Formation, the principal list and resources to grant permissions are similar, but the actions that a grantee can perform differs based on the resource type. For example, `SELECT` permissions are available for tables to read the tables, but `SELECT` permissions are not allowed on databases. The `CREATE_TABLE` permission is permissible on databases, but not on tables.

You can grant AWS Lake Formation permissions using two methods:

- [Named resource method](#) – Allows you to choose database and table names while granting permissions to users.
- [LF-Tag based access control \(LF-TBAC\)](#) – Users create LF-Tags, associate them with Data Catalog resources, grant Describe permission on LF-Tags, associate permissions to individual users, and write LF permissions policies using LF-Tags to different users. Such LF-Tag-based policies apply to all Data Catalog resources that are associated with those LF-Tag values.

Note

LF-Tags are unique to Lake Formation. They are only visible in Lake Formation and should not be confused with AWS resource tags.

LF-TBAC is a feature that allows users to group resources into user-defined categories of LF-Tags and apply permissions on those resource groups. Hence, it is the best way to scale permissions across huge number of Data Catalog resources.

For more information, see [Lake Formation tag-based access control](#).

When you grant permissions to a principal, Lake Formation evaluates permissions as a union of all the policies for that user. For example, if you have two policies on a table for a principal where one policy grants permissions to columns col1, col2, and col3 through named resource method, and the other policy grants permissions to the same table and principal to col5, and col6 through LF-Tags, the effective permissions will be a union of the permissions which would be col1, col2, col3, col5, and col6. This also includes data filters and rows.

Data location permissions

Data location permissions provides non-administrative users the ability to create databases and tables at specific Amazon S3 locations. If a user attempts to create a database or a table in a location that they don't have permissions to create, the creation task fails. This is to prevent users from creating tables in arbitrary locations within the data lake and provides control over where those users can read and write data. There is an implicit permission when creating tables in the Amazon S3 location within the database it is being created in. For more information, see [Granting data location permissions](#).

Create table and database permissions

Non administrative users by default don't have permissions to create databases or tables within a database. Database creation is controlled at the account-level using the Lake Formation settings so that only authorized principals can create databases. For more information, see [Creating a database](#). To create a table, a principal requires CREATE_TABLE permission on the database where the table is being created. For more information, see [Creating tables](#).

Implicit and explicit permissions

Lake Formation provides implicit permissions depending on the persona and the actions that the persona performs. For example, data lake administrators automatically get DESCRIBE permissions to all resources within the Data Catalog, data location permissions to all locations, permissions to create databases and tables in all locations, as well as Grant and Revoke permissions on any resource. Database creators automatically get all database permissions on the databases that they create, and table creators get all permissions on the tables that they create. For more information, see [Implicit Lake Formation permissions](#).

Grantable permissions

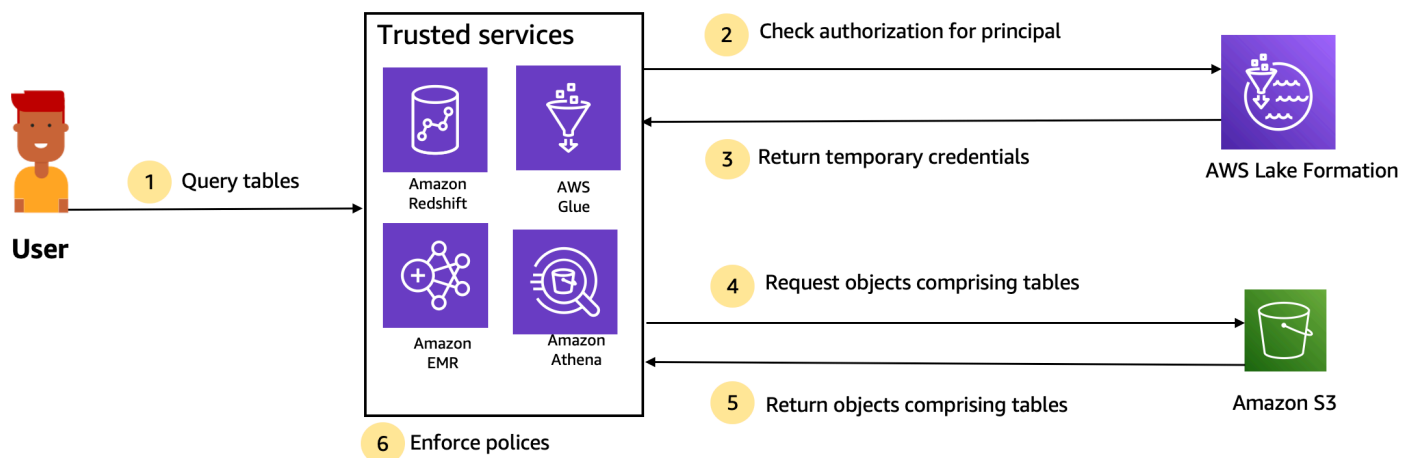
Data lake administrators have the ability to delegate the management of permissions to non administrative users by providing grantable permissions. When a principal is provided grantable permissions on a resource and a set of permissions, that principal gains the ability to grant permissions to other principals on that resource.

Storage access management

Lake Formation uses [credential vending](#) functionality to provide temporary access to Amazon S3 data. Credential vending, or token vending is a common pattern that provides temporary credentials to users, services, or some other entity for the purposes of granting short term access to a resource.

Lake Formation leverages this pattern to provide short term access to AWS analytics services such as Athena to access data on behalf of the calling principal. When granting permissions, users don't need to update their Amazon S3 bucket policies or IAM policies, and they don't need direct access to Amazon S3.

The following diagram shows how Lake Formation provides temporary access to registered locations:



Trusted services enforce AWS Lake Formation policies (distributed enforcement with fail close).

1. A principal (user) enters a query or request for data for a table through a trusted integrated service like Athena, Amazon EMR, Redshift Spectrum, or AWS Glue.
2. The integrated service checks for authorization from Lake Formation for the table and requested columns and makes an authorization determination. If the user is not authorized, Lake Formation denies access to data and the query fails.
3. After authorization succeeds and storage authorization is turned on for the table and user, the integrated service retrieves temporary credentials from Lake Formation to access the data.
4. The integrated service uses the temporary credentials from Lake Formation to request objects from Amazon S3.
5. Amazon S3 provides the Amazon S3 objects to the integrated service. The Amazon S3 objects contains all the data from the table.
6. The integrated service performs the necessary enforcement of Lake Formation policies, such as column level, row level and/or cell level filtering. The integrated service processes the queries and returns the results back to the user.

Enable storage-level permissions enforcement for Data Catalog tables

By default, storage-level enforcement is not enabled for tables within the Data Catalog. To enable storage-level enforcement, you must register the Amazon S3 location of your source data with Lake Formation and provide an IAM role. Storage-level permissions will be enabled for all tables with the same table location path or prefix of the Amazon S3 location.

When an integrated service requests access to the data location on behalf of a user, the Lake Formation service assumes this role and returns the credentials to requested service with scoped-

down permissions to the resource so that data access can be made. The registered IAM role must have all required access to the Amazon S3 location including AWS KMS keys.

For more information, see [Registering an Amazon S3 location](#).

Supported AWS services

AWS analytic services such as Athena, Redshift Spectrum, Amazon EMR, AWS Glue, Amazon QuickSight, and Amazon SageMaker integrate with AWS Lake Formation using the Lake Formation credential vending API operations. To see a full list of AWS services that integrate with Lake Formation, and the level of granularity and table formats that they support, see [Working with other AWS services](#).

Cross-account data sharing in Lake Formation

With Lake Formation, you can share Data Catalog resources (databases and tables) within an AWS account and across accounts in a simple setup using the named resource method or LF-Tags. You can share an entire database or select tables from a database to any IAM principals (IAM roles and users) in an account, to other AWS accounts at the account level, or directly to IAM principals in another account.

You can also share Data Catalog tables with data filters to restrict access to the details at the row-level and cell-level details. Lake Formation uses AWS Resource Access Manager (AWS RAM) to facilitate granting permissions between accounts. When a resource is shared between two accounts, AWS RAM sends invites to the recipient account. When a user accepts a AWS RAM share invitation, AWS RAM provides the necessary permissions to Lake Formation to have the Data Catalog resources available as well as enabled storage level enforcement. For more information, see [Cross-account data sharing in Lake Formation](#).

When the data lake administrator of the recipient account accepts the AWS RAM share, the shared resources are available in the recipient account. The data lake administrator grants further Lake Formation permissions on the shared resource to additional IAM principals in the recipient account, if the administrator has GRANTABLE permissions on the shared resource.

However, the principals can't query the shared resources using Athena or Redshift Spectrum without a resource link. A resource link is an entity in the Data Catalog and is similar to a Linux-Symlink concept.

The data lake administrator of the recipient account creates a resource link on the shared resource. The administrator grants Describe permissions on the resource link with the required permissions

on the original shared resource to additional users. A user in recipient account can then use the resource link to query the shared resource using Athena and Redshift Spectrum. For more information about resource links, see [Creating resource links](#).

Lake Formation components

AWS Lake Formation relies on the interaction of several components to create and manage your data lake.

Lake Formation console

You use the Lake Formation console to define and manage your data lake and grant and revoke Lake Formation permissions. You can use blueprints on the console to discover, cleanse, transform, and ingest data. You can also enable or disable access to the console for individual Lake Formation users.

Lake Formation API and Command Line Interface

Lake Formation provides API operations through several language-specific SDKs and the AWS Command Line Interface (AWS CLI). The Lake Formation API works in conjunction with the AWS Glue API. The Lake Formation API focuses primarily on managing Lake Formation permissions, while the AWS Glue API provides a data catalog API and a managed infrastructure for defining, scheduling, and running ETL operations on your data.

For information about the AWS Glue API, see the [AWS Glue Developer Guide](#). For information about using the AWS CLI, see the [AWS CLI Command Reference](#).

Other AWS services

Lake Formation uses the following services:

- [AWS Glue](#) to orchestrate jobs and crawlers to transform data using the AWS Glue transforms.
- [IAM](#) to grant permissions policies to Lake Formation principals. The Lake Formation permission model augments the IAM permission model to secure your data lake.

Lake Formation terminology

The following are some important terms that you will encounter in this guide.

Data lake

The *data lake* is your persistent data that is stored in Amazon S3 and managed by Lake Formation using a Data Catalog. A data lake typically stores the following:

- Structured and unstructured data
- Raw data and transformed data

For an Amazon S3 path to be within a data lake, it must be *registered* with Lake Formation.

Data access

Lake Formation provides secure and granular access to data through a new grant/revoke permissions model that augments AWS Identity and Access Management (IAM) policies.

Analysts and data scientists can use the full portfolio of AWS analytic and machine learning services, such as Amazon Athena, to access the data. The configured Lake Formation security policies help ensure that users can access only the data that they are authorized to access.

Hybrid access mode

Hybrid access mode lets you secure and access the cataloged data using both Lake Formation permissions and IAM and Amazon S3 permissions. Hybrid access mode allows data administrators to onboard Lake Formation permissions selectively and incrementally, focusing on one data lake use case at a time.

Blueprint

A *blueprint* is a data management template that enables you to easily ingest data into a data lake. Lake Formation provides several blueprints, each for a predefined source type, such as a relational database or AWS CloudTrail logs. From a blueprint, you can create a workflow. Workflows consist of AWS Glue crawlers, jobs, and triggers that are generated to orchestrate the loading and update of data. Blueprints take the data source, data target, and schedule as input to configure the workflow.

Workflow

A *workflow* is a container for a set of related AWS Glue jobs, crawlers, and triggers. You create the workflow in Lake Formation, and it executes in the AWS Glue service. Lake Formation can track the status of a workflow as a single entity.

When you define a workflow, you select the blueprint upon which it is based. You can then run workflows on demand or on a schedule.

Workflows that you create in Lake Formation are visible in the AWS Glue console as a directed acyclic graph (DAG). Using the DAG, you can track the progress of the workflow and perform troubleshooting.

Data Catalog

The *Data Catalog* is your persistent metadata store. It is a managed service that lets you store, annotate, and share metadata in the AWS Cloud in the same way you would in an Apache Hive metastore. It provides a uniform repository where disparate systems can store and find metadata to track data in data silos, and then use that metadata to query and transform the data. Lake Formation uses the AWS Glue Data Catalog to store metadata about data lakes, data sources, transforms, and targets.

Metadata about data sources and targets is in the form of databases and tables. Tables store schema information, location information, and more. Databases are collections of tables. Lake Formation provides a hierarchy of permissions to control access to databases and tables in the Data Catalog.

Each AWS account has one Data Catalog per AWS Region.

Underlying data

Underlying data refers to the source data or data within the data lakes that Data Catalog tables point to.

Principal

A *principal* is an AWS Identity and Access Management (IAM) user or role or an Active Directory user.

Data lake administrator

A *data lake administrator* is a principal who can grant any principal (including self) any permission on any Data Catalog resource or data location. Designate a data lake administrator as the first user of the Data Catalog. This user can then grant more granular permissions of resources to other principals.

Note

IAM administrative users—users with the `AdministratorAccess` AWS managed policy—are not automatically data lake administrators. For example, they can't grant Lake Formation permissions on catalog objects unless they have been granted permissions to do so. However, they can use the Lake Formation console or API to designate themselves as data lake administrators.

For information about the capabilities of a data lake administrator, see [Implicit Lake Formation permissions](#). For information about designating a user as a data lake administrator, see [Create a data lake administrator](#).

AWS service integrations with Lake Formation

You can use Lake Formation to manage database, table, and column-level access permissions on data stored in Amazon S3. After your data is registered with Lake Formation, you can use AWS analytical services like AWS Glue, Amazon Athena, Amazon Redshift Spectrum, Amazon EMR to query the data. The following AWS services integrate with AWS Lake Formation and honor Lake Formation permissions.

AWS Service	Integration details
AWS Glue	<p>Reference topic: Using AWS Lake Formation with AWS Glue</p> <p>AWS Glue and Lake Formation share the same Data Catalog. For console operations (such as viewing a list of tables) and all API operations, AWS Glue users can access only the databases and tables on which they have Lake Formation permissions.</p>
Amazon Athena	<p>Reference topic: Using AWS Lake Formation with Amazon Athena</p> <p>Use Lake Formation to allow or deny permissions to read data in Amazon S3. When Amazon Athena users select the AWS Glue catalog in the query editor, they can query only the databases, tables, and columns that they have Lake Formation permissions on. Queries using manifests are not supported.</p>

AWS Service	Integration details
	<p>Currently, Lake Formation doesn't support managing permissions on write operations such as VACUUM, MERGE, UPDATE and OPTIMIZE on tables in Open Table Formats.</p> <p>In addition to principals who authenticate with Athena through AWS Identity and Access Management (IAM), Lake Formation supports Athena users who connect through the JDBC or ODBC driver and authenticate through SAML. Supported SAML providers include Okta and Microsoft Active Directory Federation Service (AD FS).</p>
Amazon Redshift Spectrum	<p>Reference topic: Using AWS Lake Formation with Amazon Redshift Spectrum</p> <p>When Amazon Redshift users create an external schema on a database in the AWS Glue Data Catalog, they can query only the tables and columns in that schema on which they have Lake Formation permissions.</p>
Amazon QuickSight Enterprise Edition	<p>Reference: Using AWS Lake Formation with Amazon QuickSight</p> <p>When an Amazon QuickSight Enterprise Edition user queries a dataset in an Amazon S3 location, the user must have the Lake Formation SELECT permission on the data.</p>
Amazon EMR	<p>Reference: Using AWS Lake Formation with Amazon EMR</p> <p>You can integrate Lake Formation permissions when you create an Amazon EMR cluster with a runtime role.</p> <p>A runtime role is an IAM role that you associate with Amazon EMR jobs or queries, and then Amazon EMR uses this role to access AWS resources.</p>

Lake Formation also works with [AWS Key Management Service](#) (AWS KMS) to enable you to more easily set up these integrated services to encrypt and decrypt data in Amazon Simple Storage Service (Amazon S3) locations.

Additional Lake Formation resources

Topics

- [Blogs](#)
- [Tech talks and webinars](#)
- [Modern day architecture](#)
- [Data mesh resources](#)
- [Best practices guides](#)

Blogs

- [AWS Lake Formation 2022 year in review](#)
- [Highly resilient multi-Region modern data architecture](#)
- [Cross-account sharing using LF-Tags to direct IAM principals](#)
- [Lake Formation permissions inventory dashboard](#)
- [Event driven data mesh](#)

Tech talks and webinars

- re:Invent 2020 – [Data lakes: Easily build, secure, and share with AWS Lake Formation](#)
- re:Invent 2022 – [Building and operating a datalake on Amazon S3](#)
- AWS Summit SF 2022 – [Understanding and achieving a modern data architecture](#)
- AWS Summit ATL 2022 – [Modern data lakes with AWS Lake Formation, Amazon Redshift, and AWS Glue](#)
- AWS Summit ANZ 2022 – [Data lakes, lake houses and data mesh: what, why, and how?](#)
- AWS Online Tech Talks – [Simplifying permissions and governance in your data lake](#)

Modern day architecture

- [Modern day architecture patterns](#)

Data mesh resources

- [Build a modern data architecture and data mesh pattern at scale using AWS Lake Formation tag-based access control](#)
- [How JPMorgan Chase built a data mesh architecture to drive significant value to enhance their enterprise data platform](#)
- [Build a data mesh on AWS](#)

Best practices guides

- [AWS Lake Formation best practices guides](#)

Getting started with Lake Formation

We recommend that you start with the following sections:

- [AWS Lake Formation: How it works](#) — Learn about essential terminology and how the various components interact.
- [Getting started with Lake Formation](#) — Get information about prerequisites, and complete important setup tasks.
- [Tutorials](#) — Follow step-by-step tutorials to learn how to use Lake Formation.
- [Security in AWS Lake Formation](#) — Understand how you can help secure access to data in Lake Formation.

Getting started with Lake Formation

If you haven't signed up for AWS or need assistance getting started, be sure to complete the following tasks.

Topics

- [Complete initial AWS configuration tasks](#)
- [Set up AWS Lake Formation](#)
- [Upgrading AWS Glue data permissions to the AWS Lake Formation model](#)
- [AWS Lake Formation and interface VPC endpoints \(AWS PrivateLink\)](#)

Complete initial AWS configuration tasks

To use AWS Lake Formation you must first complete the following tasks:

Topics

- [Sign up for an AWS account](#)
- [Create a user with administrative access](#)
- [Grant programmatic access](#)

Sign up for an AWS account

If you do not have an AWS account, complete the following steps to create one.

To sign up for an AWS account

1. Open <https://portal.aws.amazon.com/billing/signup>.
2. Follow the online instructions.

Part of the sign-up procedure involves receiving a phone call and entering a verification code on the phone keypad.

When you sign up for an AWS account, an *AWS account root user* is created. The root user has access to all AWS services and resources in the account. As a security best practice, assign administrative access to a user, and use only the root user to perform [tasks that require root user access](#).

AWS sends you a confirmation email after the sign-up process is complete. At any time, you can view your current account activity and manage your account by going to <https://aws.amazon.com/> and choosing **My Account**.

Create a user with administrative access

After you sign up for an AWS account, secure your AWS account root user, enable AWS IAM Identity Center, and create an administrative user so that you don't use the root user for everyday tasks.

Secure your AWS account root user

1. Sign in to the [AWS Management Console](#) as the account owner by choosing **Root user** and entering your AWS account email address. On the next page, enter your password.

For help signing in by using root user, see [Signing in as the root user](#) in the *AWS Sign-In User Guide*.

2. Turn on multi-factor authentication (MFA) for your root user.

For instructions, see [Enable a virtual MFA device for your AWS account root user \(console\)](#) in the *IAM User Guide*.

Create a user with administrative access

1. Enable IAM Identity Center.

For instructions, see [Enabling AWS IAM Identity Center](#) in the *AWS IAM Identity Center User Guide*.

2. In IAM Identity Center, grant administrative access to a user.

For a tutorial about using the IAM Identity Center directory as your identity source, see [Configure user access with the default IAM Identity Center directory](#) in the *AWS IAM Identity Center User Guide*.

Sign in as the user with administrative access

- To sign in with your IAM Identity Center user, use the sign-in URL that was sent to your email address when you created the IAM Identity Center user.

For help signing in using an IAM Identity Center user, see [Signing in to the AWS access portal](#) in the *AWS Sign-In User Guide*.

Assign access to additional users

1. In IAM Identity Center, create a permission set that follows the best practice of applying least-privilege permissions.

For instructions, see [Create a permission set](#) in the *AWS IAM Identity Center User Guide*.

2. Assign users to a group, and then assign single sign-on access to the group.

For instructions, see [Add groups](#) in the *AWS IAM Identity Center User Guide*.

Grant programmatic access

Users need programmatic access if they want to interact with AWS outside of the AWS Management Console. The way to grant programmatic access depends on the type of user that's accessing AWS.

To grant users programmatic access, choose one of the following options.

Which user needs programmatic access?	To	By
Workforce identity (Users managed in IAM Identity Center)	Use temporary credentials to sign programmatic requests to the AWS CLI, AWS SDKs, or AWS APIs.	<p>Following the instructions for the interface that you want to use.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • For the AWS CLI, see Configuring the AWS CLI to use AWS IAM Identity Center in the <i>AWS Command Line Interface User Guide</i>. • For AWS SDKs, tools, and AWS APIs, see IAM Identity Center authentication in

Which user needs programmatic access?	To	By
		the <i>AWS SDKs and Tools Reference Guide</i> .
IAM	Use temporary credentials to sign programmatic requests to the AWS CLI, AWS SDKs, or AWS APIs.	Following the instructions in Using temporary credentials with AWS resources in the <i>IAM User Guide</i> .
IAM	(Not recommended) Use long-term credentials to sign programmatic requests to the AWS CLI, AWS SDKs, or AWS APIs.	Following the instructions for the interface that you want to use. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • For the AWS CLI, see Authenticating using IAM user credentials in the <i>AWS Command Line Interface User Guide</i>. • For AWS SDKs and tools, see Authenticate using long-term credentials in the <i>AWS SDKs and Tools Reference Guide</i>. • For AWS APIs, see Managing access keys for IAM users in the <i>IAM User Guide</i>.

Set up AWS Lake Formation

The following sections provide information on setting up Lake Formation for the first time. Not all of the topics in this section are required to start using Lake Formation. You can use the instructions to set up the Lake Formation permissions model to manage your existing AWS Glue Data Catalog objects and data locations in Amazon Simple Storage Service (Amazon S3).

1. [Create a data lake administrator](#)
2. [Change the default permission model or use hybrid access mode](#)
3. [the section called “Configure an Amazon S3 location for your data lake”](#)
4. [the section called “Assign permissions to Lake Formation users”](#)
5. [the section called “Integrating IAM Identity Center”](#)
6. [the section called “\(Optional\) External data filtering settings”](#)
7. [the section called “\(Optional\) Grant access to the Data Catalog encryption key”](#)
8. [\(Optional\) Create an IAM role for workflows](#)

This section shows you how to set up Lake Formation resources in two different ways:

- Using an AWS CloudFormation template
- Using the Lake Formation console

To set up Lake Formation using AWS console, go to [Create a data lake administrator](#).

Set up Lake Formation resources using AWS CloudFormation template

Note

The AWS CloudFormation stack performs steps 1 to 6 of the above, except step 2 and 5. Perform [Change the default permission model or use hybrid access mode](#) and [the section called “Integrating IAM Identity Center”](#) manually from the Lake Formation console.

1. Sign into the AWS CloudFormation console at <https://console.aws.amazon.com/cloudformation> as an IAM administrator in the US East (N. Virginia) Region.
2. Choose [Launch Stack](#).
3. Choose **Next** on the **Create stack** screen.
4. Enter a **Stack name**.
5. For **DatalakeAdminName** and **DatalakeAdminPassword**, enter your user name and password for data lake admin user.
6. For **DatalakeUser1Name** and **DatalakeUser1Password**, enter your user name and password for data lake analyst user.

7. For **DataLakeBucketName**, enter your new bucket name that will be created.
8. Choose **Next**.
9. On the next page, choose **Next**.
10. Review the details on the final page and select **I acknowledge that AWS CloudFormation might create IAM resources**.
11. Choose **Create**.

The stack creation can take up to two minutes.

Clean up resources

If you like to clean up the AWS CloudFormation stack resources:

1. De-register the Amazon S3 bucket that your stack created and registered as a data lake location.
2. Delete the AWS CloudFormation Stack. This will delete all the resources created by the stack.

Create a data lake administrator

Data lake administrators are initially the only AWS Identity and Access Management (IAM) users or roles that can grant Lake Formation permissions on data locations and Data Catalog resources to any principal (including self). For more information about data lake administrator capabilities, see [Implicit Lake Formation permissions](#). By default, Lake Formation allows you to create up to 30 data lake administrators.

You can create a data lake administrator using the Lake Formation console or the `PutDataLakeSettings` operation of the Lake Formation API.

The following permissions are required to create a data lake administrator. The `Administrator` user has these permissions implicitly.

- `lakeformation:PutDataLakeSettings`
- `lakeformation:GetDataLakeSettings`

If you grant a user the `AWSLakeFormationDataAdmin` policy, that user will not be able to create additional Lake Formation administrator users.

To create a data lake administrator (console)

1. If the user who is to be a data lake administrator does not yet exist, use the IAM console to create it. Otherwise, choose an existing user who is to be the data lake administrator.

Note

We recommend that you do not select an IAM administrative user (user with the `AdministratorAccess` AWS managed policy) to be the data lake administrator.

Attach the following AWS managed policies to the user:

Policies	Mandatory?	Notes
<code>AWSLakeFormationDataAdmin</code>	Mandatory	Basic data lake administrator permissions. This AWS managed policy contains an explicit deny for the Lake Formation API operation <code>PutDataLakeSetting</code> that restricts users from creating new data lake administrators.
<code>AWSGlueConsoleFullAccess</code> , <code>CloudWatchLogsReadOnlyAccess</code>	Optional	Attach these policies if the data lake administrator will be troubleshooting workflows created from Lake Formation blueprints. These policies enable the data lake administrator to view troubleshooting information in the AWS Glue console and the Amazon CloudWatch Logs console. For information about workflows, see the section called "Importing data using workflows" .

Policies	Mandatory?	Notes
AWSLakeFormationCrossAccountManager	Optional	Attach this policy to enable the data lake administrator to grant and revoke cross-account permissions on Data Catalog resources. For more information, see Cross-account data sharing in Lake Formation .
AmazonAthenaFullAccess	Optional	Attach this policy if the data lake administrator will be running queries in Amazon Athena.

2. Attach the following inline policy, which grants the data lake administrator permission to create the Lake Formation service-linked role. A suggested name for the policy is LakeFormationSLR.

The service-linked role enables the data lake administrator to more easily register Amazon S3 locations with Lake Formation. For more information about the Lake Formation service-linked role, see [the section called "Using service-linked roles"](#).

Important

In all the following policy, replace `<account-id>` with a valid AWS account number.

```
{
  "Version": "2012-10-17",
  "Statement": [
    {
      "Effect": "Allow",
      "Action": "iam:CreateServiceLinkedRole",
      "Resource": "*",
      "Condition": {
        "StringEquals": {
          "iam:AWSServiceName": "lakeformation.amazonaws.com"
        }
      }
    }
  ],
  {
```

```

        "Effect": "Allow",
        "Action": [
            "iam:PutRolePolicy"
        ],
        "Resource": "arn:aws:iam::<account-id>:role/aws-service-role/
lakeformation.amazonaws.com/AWSServiceRoleForLakeFormationDataAccess"
    }
]
}

```

3. (Optional) Attach the following PassRole inline policy to the user. This policy enables the data lake administrator to create and run workflows. The `iam:PassRole` permission enables the workflow to assume the role `LakeFormationWorkflowRole` to create crawlers and jobs, and to attach the role to the created crawlers and jobs. A suggested name for the policy is `UserPassRole`.

Important

Replace `<account-id>` with a valid AWS account number.

```

{
  "Version": "2012-10-17",
  "Statement": [
    {
      "Sid": "PassRolePermissions",
      "Effect": "Allow",
      "Action": [
        "iam:PassRole"
      ],
      "Resource": [
        "arn:aws:iam::<account-id>:role/LakeFormationWorkflowRole"
      ]
    }
  ]
}

```

4. (Optional) Attach this additional inline policy if your account will be granting or receiving cross-account Lake Formation permissions. This policy enables the data lake administrator to view and accept AWS Resource Access Manager (AWS RAM) resource share invitations. Also, for data lake administrators in the AWS Organizations management account, the policy includes a

permission to enable cross-account grants to organizations. For more information, see [Cross-account data sharing in Lake Formation](#).

A suggested name for the policy is RAMAccess.

```
{
  "Version": "2012-10-17",
  "Statement": [
    {
      "Effect": "Allow",
      "Action": [
        "ram:AcceptResourceShareInvitation",
        "ram:RejectResourceShareInvitation",
        "ec2:DescribeAvailabilityZones",
        "ram:EnableSharingWithAwsOrganization"
      ],
      "Resource": "*"
    }
  ]
}
```

5. Open the AWS Lake Formation console at <https://console.aws.amazon.com/lakeformation/> and sign in as the administrator user that you created in [Create a user with administrative access](#) or as a user with AdministratorAccess user AWS managed policy.
6. If a **Welcome to Lake Formation** window appears, choose the IAM user that you created or selected in Step 1, and then choose **Get started**.
7. If you do not see a **Welcome to Lake Formation** window, then perform the following steps to configure a Lake Formation Administrator.
 - a. In the navigation pane, under **Administrators**, choose **Administrative roles and tasks**. In the **Data lake administrators** section of the console page, choose **Add**.
 - b. In the **Add administrators** dialog box, under Access type, choose **Data lake administrator**.
 - c. For **IAM users and roles**, choose the IAM user that you created or selected in Step 1, and then choose **Save**.

Change the default permission model or use hybrid access mode

Lake Formation starts with the "Use only IAM access control" settings enabled for compatibility with existing AWS Glue Data Catalog behavior. This settings allows you to manage access to your data in the data lake and its metadata through IAM policies and Amazon S3 bucket policies.

To ease the transition of data lake permissions from an IAM and Amazon S3 model to Lake Formation permissions, we recommend you to use hybrid access mode for Data Catalog. With the hybrid access mode, you have an incremental path where you can enable Lake Formation permissions for a specific set of users without interrupting other existing users or workloads.

For more information, see [Hybrid access mode](#).

Disable the default settings to move all existing users of a table to Lake Formation in a single step.

Important

If you have existing AWS Glue Data Catalog databases and tables, do not follow the instructions in this section. Instead, follow the instructions in [the section called "Upgrading AWS Glue data permissions to the Lake Formation model"](#).

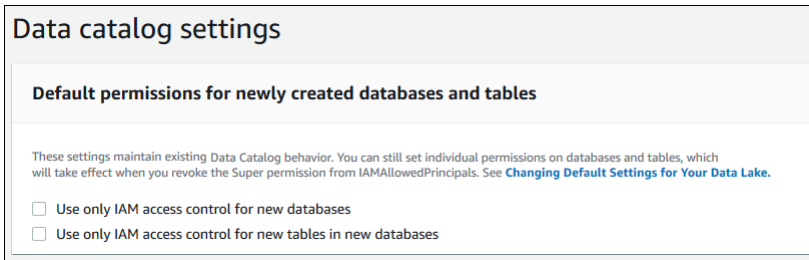
Warning

If you have automation in place that creates databases and tables in the Data Catalog, the following steps might cause the automation and downstream extract, transform, and load (ETL) jobs to fail. Proceed only after you have either modified your existing processes or granted explicit Lake Formation permissions to the required principals. For information about Lake Formation permissions, see [the section called "Lake Formation permissions reference"](#).

To change the default Data Catalog settings

1. Continue in the Lake Formation console at <https://console.aws.amazon.com/lakeformation/>. Ensure that you are signed in as the administrator user that you created in [Create a user with administrative access](#) or as a user with the AdministratorAccess AWS managed policy.
2. Modify the Data Catalog settings:

- a. In the navigation pane, under **Administration**, choose **Data Catalog settings**.
- b. Clear both check boxes and choose **Save**.



3. Revoke IAMAllowedPrincipals permission for database creators.
 - a. In the navigation pane, under **Administration**, choose **Administrative roles and tasks**.
 - b. In the **Administrative roles and tasks** console page, in the **Database creators** section, select the IAMAllowedPrincipals group, and choose **Revoke**.

The **Revoke** permissions dialog box appears, showing that IAMAllowedPrincipals has the **Create database** permission.

- c. Choose **Revoke**.

Assign permissions to Lake Formation users

Create a user to have access to the data lake in AWS Lake Formation. This user has the least-privilege permissions to query the data lake.

For more information on creating users or groups, see [IAM identities](#) in the IAM User Guide.

To attach permissions to a non-administrator user to access Lake Formation data

1. Open the IAM console at <https://console.aws.amazon.com/iam> and sign in as an administrator user that you created in [Create a user with administrative access](#) or as a user with the AdministratorAccess AWS managed policy.
2. Choose **Users** or **User groups**.
3. In the list, choose the name of the user or group to embed a policy in.

Choose **Permissions**.

4. Choose **Add permissions**, and choose **Attach policies directly**. Enter Athena in the **Filter policies** text field. In the result list, check the box for AmazonAthenaFullAccess.

5. Choose the **Create policy** button. On the **Create policy** page, choose the **JSON** tab. Copy and paste the following code into the policy editor.

```
{
  "Version": "2012-10-17",
  "Statement": [
    {
      "Effect": "Allow",
      "Action": [
        "lakeformation:GetDataAccess",
        "glue:GetTable",
        "glue:GetTables",
        "glue:SearchTables",
        "glue:GetDatabase",
        "glue:GetDatabases",
        "glue:GetPartitions",
        "lakeformation:GetResourceLFTags",
        "lakeformation:ListLFTags",
        "lakeformation:GetLFTag",
        "lakeformation:SearchTablesByLFTags",
        "lakeformation:SearchDatabasesByLFTags"
      ],
      "Resource": "*"
    }
  ]
}
```

6. Choose the **Next** button at the bottom until you see the **Review policy** page. Enter a name for the policy, for example, `DataLakeUserBasic`. Choose **Create policy**, then close the **Policies** tab or browser window.

Configure an Amazon S3 location for your data lake

To use Lake Formation to manage and secure the data in your data lake, you must first register an Amazon S3 location. When you register a location, that Amazon S3 path and all folders under that path are registered, which enables Lake Formation to enforce storage level permissions. When the user requests data from an integrated engine like Amazon Athena, Lake Formation provides data access rather than using the users permissions.

When you register a location, you specify an IAM role that grants read/write permissions on that location. Lake Formation assumes that role when supplying temporary credentials to integrated

AWS services that request access to data in the registered Amazon S3 location. You can specify either the Lake Formation service-linked role (SLR) or create your own role.

Use a custom role in the following situations:

- You plan to publish metrics in Amazon CloudWatch Logs. The user-defined role must include a policy for adding logs in CloudWatch Logs and publishing metrics in addition to the SLR permissions. For an example inline policy that grants the necessary CloudWatch permissions, see [Requirements for roles used to register locations](#).
- The Amazon S3 location exists in a different account. For details, see [the section called “Registering an Amazon S3 location in another AWS account”](#).
- The Amazon S3 location contains data encrypted with an AWS managed key. For details, see [Registering an encrypted Amazon S3 location](#) and [Registering an encrypted Amazon S3 location across AWS accounts](#).
- You plan to access the Amazon S3 location using Amazon EMR. For more information about the role requirements, see [IAM roles for Lake Formation](#) in the *Amazon EMR Management Guide*.

The role that you choose must have the necessary permissions, as described in [Requirements for roles used to register locations](#). For instructions on how to register an Amazon S3 location, see [Adding an Amazon S3 location to your data lake](#).

(Optional) External data filtering settings

If you intend to analyze and process data in your data lake using third-party query engines, you must opt in to allow external engines to access data managed by Lake Formation. If you don't opt in, external engines will not be able to access data in Amazon S3 locations that are registered with Lake Formation.

Lake Formation supports column-level permissions to restrict access to specific columns in a table. Integrated analytic services like Amazon Athena, Amazon Redshift Spectrum, and Amazon EMR retrieve non-filtered table metadata from the AWS Glue Data Catalog. The actual filtering of columns in query responses is the responsibility of the integrated service. It's the responsibility of third-party administrators to properly handle permissions to avoid unauthorized access to data.

To opt in to allow third-party engines to access and filter data (console)

1. Continue in the Lake Formation console at <https://console.aws.amazon.com/lakeformation/>. Ensure that you are signed in as a principal that has the IAM permission on the Lake Formation

PutDataLakeSettings API operation. The IAM administrator user that you created in [Sign up for an AWS account](#) has this permission.

2. In the navigation pane, under **Administration**, choose **Application integration settings**.
3. On the **Application integration settings** page, do the following:
 - a. Check the box **Allow external engines to filter data in Amazon S3 locations registered with Lake Formation**.
 - b. Enter **Session tag values** defined for third-party engines.
 - c. For **AWS account IDs**, enter the account IDs from where third-party engines are allowed to access locations registered with Lake Formation. Press **Enter** after each account ID.
 - d. Choose **Save**.

To allow external engines to access data without session tag validation, see [Application integration for full table access](#)

(Optional) Grant access to the Data Catalog encryption key

If the AWS Glue Data Catalog is encrypted, grant AWS Identity and Access Management (IAM) permissions on the AWS KMS key to any principals who need to grant Lake Formation permissions on Data Catalog databases and tables.

For more information, see the *AWS Key Management Service Developer Guide*.

(Optional) Create an IAM role for workflows

With AWS Lake Formation, you can import your data using *workflows* that are executed by AWS Glue crawlers. A workflow defines the data source and schedule to import data into your data lake. You can easily define workflows using the *blueprints*, or templates that Lake Formation provides.

When you create a workflow, you must assign it an AWS Identity and Access Management (IAM) role that grants Lake Formation the necessary permissions to ingest the data.

The following procedure assumes familiarity with IAM.

To create an IAM role for workflows

1. Open the IAM console at <https://console.aws.amazon.com/iam> and sign in as the administrator user that you created in [Create a user with administrative access](#) or as user with the AdministratorAccess AWS managed policy.

2. In the navigation pane, choose **Roles**, then **Create role**.
3. On the **Create role** page, choose **AWS service**, and then choose **Glue**. Choose **Next**.
4. On the **Add permissions** page, search for the **AWSGlueServiceRole** managed policy, and select the check box next to the policy name in the list. Then complete the **Create role** wizard, naming the role `LFWorkflowRole`. To finish, choose **Create role**.
5. Back on the **Roles** page, search for `LFWorkflowRole` and choose the role name.
6. On the role **Summary** page, under the **Permissions** tab, choose **Create inline policy**. On the **Create policy** screen, navigate to the JSON tab, and add the following inline policy. A suggested name for the policy is `LakeFormationWorkflow`.

Important

In the following policy, replace `<account-id>` with a valid AWS account number.

```
{
  "Version": "2012-10-17",
  "Statement": [
    {
      "Effect": "Allow",
      "Action": [
        "lakeformation:GetDataAccess",
        "lakeformation:GrantPermissions"
      ],
      "Resource": "*"
    },
    {
      "Effect": "Allow",
      "Action": ["iam:PassRole"],
      "Resource": [
        "arn:aws:iam::<account-id>:role/LakeFormationWorkflowRole"
      ]
    }
  ]
}
```

The following are brief descriptions of the permissions in this policy:

- `lakeformation:GetDataAccess` enables jobs created by the workflow to write to the target location.
 - `lakeformation:GrantPermissions` enables the workflow to grant the `SELECT` permission on target tables.
 - `iam:PassRole` enables the service to assume the role `LakeFormationWorkflowRole` to create crawlers and jobs (instances of workflows), and to attach the role to the created crawlers and jobs.
7. Verify that the role `LakeFormationWorkflowRole` has two policies attached.
 8. If you are ingesting data that is outside the data lake location, add an inline policy granting permissions to read the source data.

Upgrading AWS Glue data permissions to the AWS Lake Formation model

AWS Lake Formation permissions enable fine-grained access control for data in your data lake. You can use the Lake Formation permissions model to manage your existing AWS Glue Data Catalog objects and data locations in Amazon Simple Storage Service (Amazon S3).

The Lake Formation permissions model uses coarse-grained AWS Identity and Access Management (IAM) permissions for API service access. It restricts the data that your users and those services can access via Lake Formation functionality. By comparison, the AWS Glue model grants data access via [fine-grained access control](#) IAM permissions. To make the switch, follow the steps in this guide.

For more information, see [Overview of Lake Formation permissions](#).

Topics

- [About upgrading to the Lake Formation permissions model](#)
- [Step 1: List users' and roles' existing permissions](#)
- [Step 2: Set up equivalent Lake Formation permissions](#)
- [Step 3: Give users IAM permissions to use Lake Formation](#)
- [Step 4: Switch your data stores to the Lake Formation permissions model](#)
- [Step 5: Secure new Data Catalog resources](#)
- [Step 6: Give users a new IAM policy for future data lake access](#)
- [Step 7: Clean up existing IAM policies](#)

About upgrading to the Lake Formation permissions model

To maintain backward compatibility with AWS Glue, by default, AWS Lake Formation grants the `Super` permission to the `IAMAllowedPrincipals` group on all existing AWS Glue Data Catalog resources, and grants the `Super` permission on new Data Catalog resources if the **Use only IAM access control** settings are enabled. This effectively causes access to Data Catalog resources and Amazon S3 locations to be controlled solely by AWS Identity and Access Management (IAM) policies. The `IAMAllowedPrincipals` group includes any IAM users and roles that are allowed access to your Data Catalog objects by your IAM policies. The `Super` permission enables a principal to perform every supported Lake Formation operation on the database or table on which it is granted.

You can start using Lake Formation to manage access to your data by registering the locations of existing Data Catalog resources in Lake Formation or by using hybrid access mode. When you register Amazon S3 location in hybrid access mode, you can enable Lake Formation permissions by opting in principals for databases and tables under that location.

To ease the transition of data lake permissions from an IAM and Amazon S3 model to Lake Formation permissions, we recommend you to use hybrid access mode for Data Catalog. With the hybrid access mode, you have an incremental path where you can enable Lake Formation permissions for a specific set of users without interrupting other existing users or workloads.

For more information, see [Hybrid access mode](#).

Disable the default Data Catalog settings to move all existing users of a table to Lake Formation in a single step.

To start using Lake Formation permissions with your existing AWS Glue Data Catalog databases and tables, you must do the following:

1. Determine your users' existing IAM permissions for each database and table.
2. Replicate these permissions in Lake Formation.
3. For each Amazon S3 location that contains data:
 - a. Revoke the `Super` permission from the `IAMAllowedPrincipals` group on each Data Catalog resource that references that location.
 - b. Register the location with Lake Formation.
4. Clean up existing fine-grained access control IAM policies.

⚠ Important

To add new users while in the process of transitioning your Data Catalog, you must set up granular AWS Glue permissions in IAM as before. You also must replicate those permissions in Lake Formation as described in this section. If new users have the coarse-grained IAM policies that are described in this guide, they can list any databases or tables that have the `Super` permission granted to `IAMAllowedPrincipals`. They can also view the metadata for those resources.

Follow the steps in this section to upgrade to the Lake Formation permissions model. Start with [the section called “Step 1: List existing permissions”](#).

Step 1: List users' and roles' existing permissions

To start using AWS Lake Formation permissions with your existing AWS Glue databases and tables, you must first determine your users' existing permissions.

⚠ Important

Before you begin, ensure that you have completed the tasks in [Getting started](#).

Topics

- [Using the API operation](#)
- [Using the AWS Management Console](#)
- [Using AWS CloudTrail](#)

Using the API operation

Use the AWS Identity and Access Management (IAM) [ListPoliciesGrantingServiceAccess](#) API operation to determine the IAM policies attached to each principal (user or role). From the policies returned in the results, you can determine the IAM permissions that are granted to the principal. You must invoke the API for each principal separately.

Example

The following AWS CLI example returns the policies attached to user `glue_user1`.

```
aws iam list-policies-granting-service-access --arn arn:aws:iam::111122223333:user/
glue_user1 --service-namespaces glue
```

The command returns results similar to the following.

```
{
  "PoliciesGrantingServiceAccess": [
    {
      "ServiceNamespace": "glue",
      "Policies": [
        {
          "PolicyType": "INLINE",
          "PolicyName": "GlueUserBasic",
          "EntityName": "glue_user1",
          "EntityType": "USER"
        },
        {
          "PolicyType": "MANAGED",
          "PolicyArn": "arn:aws:iam::aws:policy/AmazonAthenaFullAccess",
          "PolicyName": "AmazonAthenaFullAccess"
        }
      ]
    }
  ],
  "IsTruncated": false
}
```

Using the AWS Management Console

You can also see this information on the AWS Identity and Access Management (IAM) console, in the **Access Advisor** tab on the user or role **Summary** page:

1. Open the IAM console at <https://console.aws.amazon.com/iam/>.
2. In the navigation pane, choose **Users** or **Roles**.
3. Choose a name in the list to open its **Summary** page, and choose the **Access Advisor** tab.
4. Inspect each of the policies to determine the combination of databases, tables, and actions that each user has permissions for.

Remember to inspect roles in addition to users during this process because your data processing jobs might be assuming roles to access data.

Using AWS CloudTrail

Another way to determine your existing permissions is to look in AWS CloudTrail for AWS Glue API calls where the `additionalEventData` field of the logs contains an `insufficientLakeFormationPermissions` entry. This entry lists the database and table that the user needs Lake Formation permissions on to take the same action.

These are data access logs, so they are not guaranteed to produce a comprehensive list of users and their permissions. We recommend choosing a wide time range to capture most of your users' data access patterns, for example, several weeks or months.

For more information, see [Viewing Events with CloudTrail Event History](#) in the *AWS CloudTrail User Guide*.

Next, you can set up Lake Formation permissions to match the AWS Glue permissions. See [Step 2: Set up equivalent Lake Formation permissions](#).

Step 2: Set up equivalent Lake Formation permissions

Using the information collected in [Step 1: List users' and roles' existing permissions](#), grant AWS Lake Formation permissions to match the AWS Glue permissions. Use any of the following methods to perform the grants:

- Use the Lake Formation console or the AWS CLI.

See [the section called "Granting and revoking Data Catalog permissions"](#).
- Use the `GrantPermissions` or `BatchGrantPermissions` API operations.

See [Permissions APIs](#).

For more information, see [Overview of Lake Formation permissions](#).

After setting up Lake Formation permissions, proceed to [Step 3: Give users IAM permissions to use Lake Formation](#).

Step 3: Give users IAM permissions to use Lake Formation

To use the AWS Lake Formation permissions model, principals must have AWS Identity and Access Management (IAM) permissions on the Lake Formation APIs.

Create the following policy in IAM and attach it to every user who needs access to your data lake. Name the policy `LakeFormationDataAccess`.

```
{
  "Version": "2012-10-17",
  "Statement": [
    {
      "Sid": "LakeFormationDataAccess",
      "Effect": "Allow",
      "Action": [
        "lakeformation:GetDataAccess"
      ],
      "Resource": "*"
    }
  ]
}
```

Next, upgrade to Lake Formation permissions one data location at a time. See [Step 4: Switch your data stores to the Lake Formation permissions model](#).

Step 4: Switch your data stores to the Lake Formation permissions model

Upgrade to Lake Formation permissions one data location at a time. To do that, repeat this entire section until you have registered all Amazon Simple Storage Service (Amazon S3) paths that are referenced by your Data Catalog.

Topics

- [Verify Lake Formation permissions](#)
- [Secure existing Data Catalog resources](#)
- [Turn on Lake Formation permissions for your Amazon S3 location](#)

Verify Lake Formation permissions

Before registering a location, perform a verification step to ensure that the correct principals have the required Lake Formation permissions, and that no Lake Formation permissions are granted to principals that should not have them. Using the Lake Formation `GetEffectivePermissionsForPath` API operation, identify the Data Catalog resources that

reference the Amazon S3 location, along with the principals that have permissions on those resources.

The following AWS CLI example returns the Data Catalog databases and tables that reference the Amazon S3 bucket products.

```
aws lakeformation get-effective-permissions-for-path --resource-arn
arn:aws:s3:::products --profile datalake_admin
```

Note the profile option. We recommend that you run the command as a data lake administrator.

The following is an excerpt from the returned results.

```
{
  "PermissionsWithGrantOption": [
    "SELECT"
  ],
  "Resource": {
    "TableWithColumns": {
      "Name": "inventory_product",
      "ColumnWildcard": {},
      "DatabaseName": "inventory"
    }
  },
  "Permissions": [
    "SELECT"
  ],
  "Principal": {
    "DataLakePrincipalIdentifier": "arn:aws:iam::111122223333:user/
datalake_user1",
    "DataLakePrincipalType": "IAM_USER"
  }
},...
```

Important

If your AWS Glue Data Catalog is encrypted, `GetEffectivePermissionsForPath` returns only databases and tables that were created or modified after Lake Formation general availability.

Secure existing Data Catalog resources

Next, revoke the `Super` permission from `IAMAllowedPrincipals` on each table and database that you identified for the location.

Warning

If you have automation in place that creates databases and tables in the Data Catalog, the following steps might cause the automation and downstream extract, transform, and load (ETL) jobs to fail. Proceed only after you have either modified your existing processes or granted explicit Lake Formation permissions to the required principals. For information about Lake Formation permissions, see [the section called “Lake Formation permissions reference”](#).

To revoke `Super` from `IAMAllowedPrincipals` on a table

1. Open the AWS Lake Formation console at <https://console.aws.amazon.com/lakeformation/>. Sign in as a data lake administrator.
2. In the navigation pane, choose **Tables**.
3. On the **Tables** page, select the radio button next to the desired table.
4. On the **Actions** menu, choose **Revoke**.
5. In the **Revoke permissions** dialog box, in the **IAM users and roles** list, scroll down to the **Group** heading, and choose **IAMAllowedPrincipals**.
6. Under **Table permissions**, ensure that **Super** is selected, and then choose **Revoke**.

To revoke `Super` from `IAMAllowedPrincipals` on a database

1. Open the AWS Lake Formation console at <https://console.aws.amazon.com/lakeformation/>. Sign in as a data lake administrator.
2. In the navigation pane, choose **Databases**.
3. On the **Databases** page, select the radio button next to the desired database.
4. On the **Actions** menu, choose **Edit**.
5. On the **Edit database** page, clear **Use only IAM access control for new tables in this database**, and then choose **Save**.

6. Back on the **Databases** page, ensure that the database is still selected, and then on the **Actions** menu, choose **Revoke**.
7. In the **Revoke permissions** dialog box, in the **IAM users and roles** list, scroll down to the **Group** heading, and choose **IAMAllowedPrincipals**.
8. Under **Database permissions**, ensure that **Super** is selected, and then choose **Revoke**.

Turn on Lake Formation permissions for your Amazon S3 location

Next, register the Amazon S3 location with Lake Formation. To do this, you can use the process described in [Adding an Amazon S3 location to your data lake](#). Or, use the RegisterResource API operation as described in [Credential vending APIs](#).

Note

If a parent location is registered, you don't need to register child locations.

After you finish these steps and test that your users can access their data, you have successfully upgraded to Lake Formation permissions. Continue with the next step, [Step 5: Secure new Data Catalog resources](#).

Step 5: Secure new Data Catalog resources

Next, secure all new Data Catalog resources by changing the default Data Catalog settings. Turn off the options to use only AWS Identity and Access Management (IAM) access control for new databases and tables.

Warning

If you have automation in place that creates databases and tables in the Data Catalog, the following steps might cause the automation and downstream extract, transform, and load (ETL) jobs to fail. Proceed only after you have either modified your existing processes or granted explicit Lake Formation permissions to the required principals. For information about Lake Formation permissions, see [the section called "Lake Formation permissions reference"](#).

To change the default Data Catalog settings

1. Open the AWS Lake Formation console at <https://console.aws.amazon.com/lakeformation/>. Sign in as an IAM administrative user (the user Administrator or another user with the AdministratorAccess AWS managed policy).
2. In the navigation pane, choose **Settings**.
3. On the **Data catalog settings** page, clear both check boxes, and then choose **Save**.

The next step is to grant users access to additional databases or tables in the future. See [Step 6: Give users a new IAM policy for future data lake access](#).

Step 6: Give users a new IAM policy for future data lake access

To grant your users access to additional Data Catalog databases or tables in the future, you must give them the coarse-grained AWS Identity and Access Management (IAM) inline policy that follows. Name the policy `GlueFullReadAccess`.

Important

If you attach this policy to a user before revoking `Super` from `IAMAllowedPrincipals` on every database and table in your Data Catalog, that user can view all metadata for any resource on which `Super` is granted to `IAMAllowedPrincipals`.

```
{
  "Version": "2012-10-17",
  "Statement": [
    {
      "Sid": "GlueFullReadAccess",
      "Effect": "Allow",
      "Action": [
        "lakeformation:GetDataAccess",
        "glue:GetTable",
        "glue:GetTables",
        "glue:SearchTables",
        "glue:GetDatabase",
        "glue:GetDatabases",
        "glue:GetPartitions"
      ]
    }
  ],
}
```



```
        "Resource": "*"
    }
]
}
```

Note

The inline policies designated in this step and previous steps contain minimal IAM permissions. For suggested policies for data lake administrators, data analysts, and other personas, see [the section called “Lake Formation personas and IAM permissions reference”](#).

Next, proceed to [Step 7: Clean up existing IAM policies](#).

Step 7: Clean up existing IAM policies

After you set up the AWS Lake Formation permissions and you create and attach the coarse-grained access control AWS Identity and Access Management (IAM) policies, complete the following final step:

- Remove from users, groups, and roles the old [fine-grained access control](#) IAM policies that you replicated in Lake Formation.

By doing this, you ensure that those principals no longer have direct access to the data in Amazon Simple Storage Service (Amazon S3). You can then manage data lake access for those principals entirely through Lake Formation.

AWS Lake Formation and interface VPC endpoints (AWS PrivateLink)

Amazon VPC is an AWS service that you can use to launch AWS resources in a virtual network that you define. With a VPC, you have control over your network settings, such the IP address range, subnets, route tables, and network gateways.

If you use Amazon Virtual Private Cloud (Amazon VPC) to host your AWS resources, you can establish a private connection between your VPC and Lake Formation. You use this connection so

that Lake Formation can communicate with the resources in your VPC without going through the public internet.

You can establish a private connection between your VPC and AWS Lake Formation by creating an *interface VPC endpoint*. Interface endpoints are powered by [AWS PrivateLink](#), a technology that enables you to privately access Lake Formation APIs without an internet gateway, NAT device, VPN connection, or AWS Direct Connect connection. Instances in your VPC don't need public IP addresses to communicate with Lake Formation APIs. Traffic between your VPC and Lake Formation does not leave the Amazon network.

Each interface endpoint is represented by one or more [Elastic Network Interfaces](#) in your subnets.

For more information, see [Interface VPC endpoints \(AWS PrivateLink\)](#) in the *Amazon VPC User Guide*.

Considerations for Lake Formation VPC endpoints

Before you set up an interface VPC endpoint for Lake Formation, ensure that you review [Interface endpoint properties and limitations](#) in the *Amazon VPC User Guide*.

Lake Formation supports making calls to all of its API actions from your VPC. You can use Lake Formation with VPC endpoints in all AWS Regions that support both Lake Formation and Amazon VPC endpoints.

Creating an interface VPC endpoint for Lake Formation

You can create a VPC endpoint for the Lake Formation service using either the Amazon VPC console or the AWS Command Line Interface (AWS CLI). For more information, see [Creating an interface endpoint](#) in the *Amazon VPC User Guide*.

Create a VPC endpoint for Lake Formation using the following service name:

- `com.amazonaws.region.lakeformation`

If you enable private DNS for the endpoint, you can make API requests to Lake Formation using its default DNS name for the Region, for example, `lakeformation.us-east-1.amazonaws.com`.

For more information, see [Accessing a service through an interface endpoint](#) in the *Amazon VPC User Guide*.

Creating a VPC endpoint policy for Lake Formation

Lake Formation supports VPC endpoint policies. A VPC endpoint policy is an AWS Identity and Access Management (IAM) resource policy that you attach to an endpoint when you create or modify the endpoint.

You can attach an endpoint policy to your VPC endpoint that controls access to Lake Formation. The policy specifies the following information:

- The principal that can perform actions.
- The actions that can be performed.
- The resources on which actions can be performed.

For more information, see [Controlling access to services with VPC endpoints](#) in the *Amazon VPC User Guide*.

Example: VPC endpoint policy for Lake Formation actions

The following example VPC endpoint policy for Lake Formation allows for credential vending using Lake Formation permissions. You might use this policy to run queries using Lake Formation permissions from an Amazon Redshift cluster or an Amazon EMR cluster located in a private subnet.

```
{
  "Statement": [
    {
      "Effect": "Allow",
      "Action": "lakeformation:GetDataAccess",
      "Resource": "*",
      "Principal": "*"
    }
  ]
}
```

Note

If you don't attach a policy when you create an endpoint, a default policy that allows full access to the service is attached.

For more information, see these topics in the Amazon VPC documentation:

- [What Is Amazon VPC?](#)
- [Create an Interface Endpoint](#)
- [Use VPC endpoint policies](#)

Tutorials

The following tutorials are organized into three tracks and provide step-by-step instructions on how to build a data lake, ingest data, share, and secure data lakes using AWS Lake Formation:

1. **Build a data lake and ingest data:** Learn to build a data lake and use blueprints to move, store, catalog, clean, and organize your data. You will also learn to set up governed tables. A governed table is a new Amazon S3 table type that supports atomic, consistent, isolated, and durable (ACID) transactions.

Before you begin, make sure that you have completed the steps in [Getting started with Lake Formation](#).

- [Creating a data lake from an AWS CloudTrail source](#)

Create and load your first data lake by using your own CloudTrail logs as the data source.

- [Creating a data lake from a JDBC source in Lake Formation](#)

Create a data lake by using one of your JDBC-accessible data stores, such as a relational database, as the data source.

2. **Securing data lakes:** Learn to use tag-based and row-level access controls to effectively secure and manage access to your data lakes.

- [Setting up permissions for open table storage formats in Lake Formation](#)

This tutorial demonstrates how to set up permissions for open source transactional table formats (Apache Iceberg, Apache Hudi, and Linux Foundation Delta Lake tables) in Lake Formation.

- [Managing a data lake using Lake Formation tag-based access control](#)

Learn to manage access to the data within a data lake using tag-based access control in Lake Formation.

- [Securing data lakes with row-level access control](#)

Learn to set up row-level permissions that allow you to restrict access to specific rows based on data compliance and governance policies in Lake Formation.

3. **Sharing data:** Learn to securely share your data across AWS accounts using tag-based access control (TBAC) and manage granular permissions on datasets shared between AWS accounts.

- [Sharing a data lake using Lake Formation tag-based access control and named resources](#)

In this tutorial, you learn how to securely share your data across AWS accounts using Lake Formation.

- [Sharing a data lake using Lake Formation fine-grained access control](#)

In this tutorial, you learn how to quickly and easily share datasets using Lake Formation when managing multiple AWS accounts with AWS Organizations.

Topics

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Creating a data lake from an AWS CloudTrail source

This tutorial guides you through the actions to take on the Lake Formation console to create and load your first data lake from an AWS CloudTrail source.

High-level steps for creating a data lake

1. Register an Amazon Simple Storage Service (Amazon S3) path as a data lake.
2. Grant Lake Formation permissions to write to the Data Catalog and to Amazon S3 locations in the data lake.
3. Create a database to organize the metadata tables in the Data Catalog.
4. Use a blueprint to create a workflow. Run the workflow to ingest data from a data source.
5. Set up your Lake Formation permissions to allow others to manage data in the Data Catalog and the data lake.
6. Set up Amazon Athena to query the data that you imported into your Amazon S3 data lake.
7. For some data store types, set up Amazon Redshift Spectrum to query the data that you imported into your Amazon S3 data lake.

Topics

- [Intended audience](#)
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- [Step 11: Query the data lake Using Amazon Athena](#)

Intended audience

The following table lists the roles used in this tutorial to create a data lake.

Intended audience

Role	Description
IAM Administrator	Has the AWS managed policy: <code>AdministratorAccess</code> . Can create IAM roles and Amazon S3 buckets.
Data lake administrator	User who can access the data catalog, create databases, and grant Lake Formation permissions to other users. Has fewer IAM permissions than the IAM administrator, but enough to administer the data lake.

Role	Description
Data analyst	User who can run queries against the data lake. Has only enough permissions to run queries.
Workflow role	Role with the required IAM policies to run a workflow. For more information, see (Optional) Create an IAM role for workflows .

Prerequisites

Before you begin:

- Ensure that you have completed the tasks in [Set up AWS Lake Formation](#).
- Know the location of your CloudTrail logs.
- Athena requires the data analyst persona to create an Amazon S3 bucket to store query results before using Athena.

Familiarity with AWS Identity and Access Management (IAM) is assumed. For information about IAM, see the [IAM User Guide](#).

Step 1: Create a data analyst user

This user has the minimum set of permissions to query the data lake.

1. Open the IAM console at <https://console.aws.amazon.com/iam>. Sign in as the administrator user that you created in [Create a user with administrative access](#) or as a user with the AdministratorAccess AWS managed policy.
2. Create a user named `dataLake_user` with the following settings:
 - Enable AWS Management Console access.
 - Set a password and do not require password reset.
 - Attach the AmazonAthenaFullAccess AWS managed policy.
 - Attach the following inline policy. Name the policy `DataLakeUserBasic`.


```
{
  "Version": "2012-10-17",
  "Statement": [
    {
      "Effect": "Allow",
      "Action": [
        "lakeformation:GetDataAccess",
        "glue:GetTable",
        "glue:GetTables",
        "glue:SearchTables",
        "glue:GetDatabase",
        "glue:GetDatabases",
        "glue:GetPartitions",
        "lakeformation:GetResourceLFTags",
        "lakeformation:ListLFTags",
        "lakeformation:GetLFTag",
        "lakeformation:SearchTablesByLFTags",
        "lakeformation:SearchDatabasesByLFTags"
      ],
      "Resource": "*"
    }
  ]
}
```

Step 2: Add permissions to read AWS CloudTrail logs to the workflow role

1. Attach the following inline policy to the role `LakeFormationWorkflowRole`. The policy grants permission to read your AWS CloudTrail logs. Name the policy `DataLakeGetCloudTrail`.

To create the `LakeFormationWorkflowRole` role, see [\(Optional\) Create an IAM role for workflows](#).

Important

Replace `<your-s3-cloudtrail-bucket>` with the Amazon S3 location of your CloudTrail data.

```
{
  "Version": "2012-10-17",
  "Statement": [
    {
      "Effect": "Allow",
      "Action": "s3:GetObject",
      "Resource": ["arn:aws:s3:::<your-s3-cloudtrail-bucket>/*"]
    }
  ]
}
```

2. Verify that there are three policies attached to the role.

Step 3: Create an Amazon S3 bucket for the data lake

Create the Amazon S3 bucket that is to be the root location of your data lake.

1. Open the Amazon S3 console at <https://console.aws.amazon.com/s3/> and sign in as the administrator user that you created in [Create a user with administrative access](#).
2. Choose **Create bucket**, and go through the wizard to create a bucket named *<yourName>-datalake-cloudtrail*, where *<yourName>* is your first initial and last name. For example: *jdoh-datalake-cloudtrail*.

For detailed instructions on creating an Amazon S3 bucket, see [Creating a bucket](#).

Step 4: Register an Amazon S3 path

Register an Amazon S3 path as the root location of your data lake.

1. Open the Lake Formation console at <https://console.aws.amazon.com/lakeformation/>. Sign in as the data lake administrator.
2. In the navigation pane, under **Register and ingest**, choose **Data lake locations**.
3. Choose **Register location** and then **Browse**.
4. Select the *<yourName>-datalake-cloudtrail* bucket that you created previously, accept the default IAM role `AWSServiceRoleForLakeFormationDataAccess`, and then choose **Register location**.

For more information about registering locations, see [Adding an Amazon S3 location to your data lake](#).

Step 5: Grant data location permissions

Principals must have *data location permissions* on a data lake location to create Data Catalog tables or databases that point to that location. You must grant data location permissions to the IAM role for workflows so that the workflow can write to the data ingestion destination.

1. In the navigation pane, under **Permissions**, choose **Data locations**.
2. Choose **Grant**, and in the **Grant permissions** dialog box, make these selections:
 - a. For **IAM user and roles**, choose `LakeFormationWorkflowRole`.
 - b. For **Storage locations**, choose your `<yourName>-datalake-cloudtrail` bucket.
3. Choose **Grant**.

For more information about data location permissions, see [Underlying data access control](#).

Step 6: Create a database in the Data Catalog

Metadata tables in the Lake Formation Data Catalog are stored within a database.

1. In the navigation pane, under **Data catalog**, choose **Databases**.
2. Choose **Create database**, and under **Database details**, enter the name `lakeformation_cloudtrail`.
3. Leave the other fields blank, and choose **Create database**.

Step 7: Grant data permissions

You must grant permissions to create metadata tables in the Data Catalog. Because the workflow will run with the role `LakeFormationWorkflowRole`, you must grant these permissions to the role.

1. In the Lake Formation console, in the navigation pane, under **Data catalog**, choose **Databases**.
2. Choose the `lakeformation_cloudtrail` database, then, from the **Actions** drop-down list, choose **Grant** under the heading **Permissions**.

3. In the **Grant data permissions** dialog box, make these selections:
 - a. Under **Principals**, for **IAM user and roles**, choose `LakeFormationWorkflowRole`.
 - b. Under **LF-Tags or catalog resources**, choose **Named data catalog resources**.
 - c. For **Databases**, you should see that the `lakeformation_cloudtrail` database is already added.
 - d. Under **Database permissions**, select **Create table**, **Alter**, and **Drop**, and clear **Super** if it is selected.

Your **Grant data permissions** dialog box should now look like this screenshot.

Grant data permissions

Principals

- IAM users and roles**
Users or roles from this AWS account.
- SAML users and groups**
SAML users and group or QuickSight ARNs.
- External accounts**
AWS accounts or AWS organizations outside of this account.

IAM users and roles
 Add one or more IAM users or roles.

Choose IAM principals to add ▼

LakeFormationWorkflowRole X
Role

LF-Tags or catalog resources

- Resources matched by LF-Tags (recommended)**
Manage permissions indirectly for resources or data matched by a specific set of LF-Tags.
- Named data catalog resources**
Manager permissions for specific databases or tables, in addition to fine-grained data access.

Databases
 Select one or more databases.

Choose databases ▼ Load more

lakeformation-cloudtrail X
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Tables - optional
 Select one or more tables.

Choose tables ▼ Load more

Database permissions

Database permissions
 Choose specific access permissions to grant.

- Create table
- Alter
- Drop
- Describe
- Super
This permission is the union of all the individual permissions to the left, and supersedes them.

Grantable permissions
 Choose the permission that may be granted to others.

- Create table
- Alter
- Drop
- Describe
- Super
This permission allows the principal to grant any of the permissions to the left, and supersedes those grantable permissions.

4. Choose Grant.

For more information about granting Lake Formation permissions, see [Managing Lake Formation permissions](#).

Step 8: Use a blueprint to create a workflow

In order to read the CloudTrail logs, understand their structure, create the appropriate tables in the Data Catalog, we need to set up a workflow that consists of a AWS Glue crawlers, jobs, triggers and workflows. Lake Formation's blueprints simplifies this process.


The workflow generates the jobs, crawlers, and triggers that discover and ingest data into your data lake. You create a workflow based on one of the predefined Lake Formation blueprints.

1. In the Lake Formation console, in the navigation pane, choose **Blueprints**, and then choose **Use blueprint**.
2. On the **Use a blueprint** page, under **Blueprint type**, choose **AWS CloudTrail**.
3. Under **Import source**, choose a CloudTrail source and start date.
4. Under **Import target**, specify these parameters:

Target database	lakeformation_cloudtrail
Target storage location	s3://<yourName> -datalake-cloudtrail
Data format	Parquet

5. For import frequency, choose **Run on demand**.
6. Under **Import options**, specify these parameters:

Workflow name	lakeformationcloudtrailtest
IAM role	LakeFormationWorkflowRole
Table prefix	cloudtrailtest

 **Note**
Must be lower case.

7. Choose **Create**, and wait for the console to report that the workflow was successfully created.

Tip

Did you get the following error message?

```
User: arn:aws:iam::<account-id>:user/<datalake_administrator_user> is not authorized to perform: iam:PassRole on resource:arn:aws:iam::<account-id>:role/LakeFormationWorkflowRole...
```

If so, check that you replaced `<account-id>` in the inline policy for the data lake administrator user with a valid AWS account number.

Step 9: Run the workflow

Because you specified that the workflow is run-on-demand, you must manually start the workflow.

- On the **Blueprints** page, select the workflow `lakeformationcloudtrailtest`, and on the **Actions** menu, choose **Start**.

As the workflow runs, you can view its progress in the **Last run status** column. Choose the refresh button occasionally.

The status goes from **RUNNING**, to **Discovering**, to **Importing**, to **COMPLETED**.

When the workflow completes:

- The Data Catalog will have new metadata tables.
- Your CloudTrail logs will be ingested into the data lake.

If the workflow fails, do the following:

- a. Select the workflow, and on the **Actions** menu, choose **View graph**.

The workflow opens in the AWS Glue console.

- b. Ensure that the workflow is selected, and choose the **History** tab.
- c. Under **History**, select the most recent run and choose **View run details**.

- d. Select a failed job or crawler in the dynamic (runtime) graph, and review the error message. Failed nodes are either red or yellow.

Step 10: Grant SELECT on the tables

You must grant the SELECT permission on the new Data Catalog tables so that the data analyst can query the data that the tables point to.

Note

A workflow automatically grants the SELECT permission on the tables that it creates to the user who ran it. Because the data lake administrator ran this workflow, you must grant SELECT to the data analyst.

1. In the Lake Formation console, in the navigation pane, under **Data catalog**, choose **Databases**.
2. Choose the `lakeformation_cloudtrail` database, then, from the **Actions** drop-down list, choose **Grant** under the heading Permissions.
3. In the **Grant data permissions** dialog box, make these selections:
 - a. Under **Principals**, for **IAM user and roles**, choose `datalake_user`.
 - b. Under **LF-Tags or catalog resources**, choose **Named data catalog resources**.
 - c. For **Databases**, the `lakeformation_cloudtrail` database should already be selected.
 - d. For **Tables**, choose `cloudtrailtest-cloudtrail`.
 - e. Under **Table and column permissions**, choose **Select**.
4. Choose **Grant**.

The next step is performed as the data analyst.

Step 11: Query the data lake Using Amazon Athena

Use the Amazon Athena console to query the CloudTrail data in your data lake.

1. Open the Athena console at <https://console.aws.amazon.com/athena/> and sign in as the data analyst, user `datalake_user`.
2. If necessary, choose **Get Started** to continue to the Athena query editor.

3. For **Data source**, choose **AwsDataCatalog**.
4. For **Database**, choose `lakeformation_cloudtrail`.

The **Tables** list populates.

5. On the overflow menu (3 dots arranged horizontally) beside the table `cloudtrailtest-cloudtrail`, choose **Preview table**, then choose **Run**.

The query runs and displays 10 rows of data.

If you have not used Athena before, you must first configure an Amazon S3 location in the Athena console for storing the query results. The `datalake_user` must have the necessary permissions to access the Amazon S3 bucket that you choose.

Note

Now that you have completed the tutorial, grant data permissions and data location permissions to the principals in your organization.

Creating a data lake from a JDBC source in Lake Formation

This tutorial guides you through the steps to take on the AWS Lake Formation console to create and load your first data lake from a JDBC source using Lake Formation.

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Intended audience

The following table lists the roles that are used in this [AWS Lake Formation JDBC tutorial](#).

Role	Description
IAM administrator	A user who can create AWS Identity and Access Management (IAM) users and roles and Amazon Simple Storage Service (Amazon S3) buckets. Has the AdministratorAccess AWS managed policy.
Data lake administrator	A user who can access the Data Catalog, create databases, and grant Lake Formation permissions to other users. Has fewer IAM permissions than the IAM administrator, but enough to administer the data lake.
Data analyst	A user who can run queries against the data lake. Has only enough permissions to run queries.
Workflow role	A role with the required IAM policies to run a workflow.

For information about prerequisites for completing the tutorial, see [JDBC tutorial prerequisites](#).

JDBC tutorial prerequisites

Before you begin the [AWS Lake Formation JDBC tutorial](#), ensure that you've done the following:

- Complete the tasks in [Getting started with Lake Formation](#).
- Decide on a JDBC-accessible data store that you want to use for the tutorial.
- Gather the information that is required to create an AWS Glue connection of type JDBC. This Data Catalog object includes the URL to the data store, login credentials, and if the data store was created in an Amazon Virtual Private Cloud (Amazon VPC), additional VPC-specific configuration information. For more information, see [Defining Connections in the AWS Glue Data Catalog](#) in the *AWS Glue Developer Guide*.

The tutorial assumes that you are familiar with AWS Identity and Access Management (IAM). For information about IAM, see the [IAM User Guide](#).

To get started, proceed to [the section called “Step 1: Create a data analyst user”](#).

Step 1: Create a data analyst user

In this step, you create an AWS Identity and Access Management (IAM) user to be the data analyst for your data lake in AWS Lake Formation.

This user has the minimum set of permissions to query the data lake.

1. Open the IAM console at <https://console.aws.amazon.com/iam>. Sign in as the administrator user that you created in [Create a user with administrative access](#) or as a user with the AdministratorAccess AWS managed policy.
2. Create a user named `dataLake_user` with the following settings:
 - Enable AWS Management Console access.
 - Set a password and do not require password reset.
 - Attach the AmazonAthenaFullAccess AWS managed policy.
 - Attach the following inline policy. Name the policy `DataLakeUserBasic`.

```
{
  "Version": "2012-10-17",
  "Statement": [
    {
      "Effect": "Allow",
      "Action": [
        "lakeformation:GetDataAccess",
        "glue:GetTable",
```

```
        "glue:GetTables",
        "glue:SearchTables",
        "glue:GetDatabase",
        "glue:GetDatabases",
        "glue:GetPartitions",
        "lakeformation:GetResourceLFTags",
        "lakeformation:ListLFTags",
        "lakeformation:GetLFTag",
        "lakeformation:SearchTablesByLFTags",
        "lakeformation:SearchDatabasesByLFTags"
    ],
    "Resource": "*"
}
]
```

Step 2: Create a connection in AWS Glue

Note

Skip this step if you already have an AWS Glue connection to your JDBC data source.

AWS Lake Formation accesses JDBC data sources through an AWS Glue *connection*. A connection is a Data Catalog object that contains all the information required to connect to the data source. You can create a connection using the AWS Glue console.

To create a connection

1. Open the AWS Glue console at <https://console.aws.amazon.com/glue/>, and sign in as the administrator user that you created in [Create a user with administrative access](#).
2. In the navigation pane, under **Data catalog**, choose **Connections**.
3. On the **Connectors** page, choose **Create custom connector**.
4. On the **Connector properties** page, enter **datalake-tutorial** as the connection name, and choose **JDBC** as the connection type. Then choose **Next**.
5. Continue through the connection wizard and save the connection.

For information on creating a connection, see [AWS Glue JDBC connection properties](#) in the *AWS Glue Developer Guide*.

Step 3: Create an Amazon S3 bucket for the data lake

In this step, you create the Amazon Simple Storage Service (Amazon S3) bucket that is to be the root location of your data lake.

1. Open the Amazon S3 console at <https://console.aws.amazon.com/s3/> and sign in as the administrator user that you created in [Create a user with administrative access](#).
2. Choose **Create bucket**, and go through the wizard to create a bucket named `<yourName>-datalake-tutorial`, where `<yourName>` is your first initial and last name. For example: `jdoe-datalake-tutorial`.

For detailed instructions on creating an Amazon S3 bucket, see [How Do I Create an S3 Bucket?](#) in the *Amazon Simple Storage Service User Guide*.

Step 4: Register an Amazon S3 path

In this step, you register an Amazon Simple Storage Service (Amazon S3) path as the root location of your data lake.

1. Open the Lake Formation console at <https://console.aws.amazon.com/lakeformation/>. Sign in as the data lake administrator.
2. In the navigation pane, under **Register and ingest**, choose **Data lake locations**.
3. Choose **Register location**, and then choose **Browse**.
4. Select the `<yourName>-datalake-tutorial` bucket that you created previously, accept the default IAM role `AWSServiceRoleForLakeFormationDataAccess`, and then choose **Register location**.

For more information about registering locations, see [Adding an Amazon S3 location to your data lake](#).

Step 5: Grant data location permissions

Principals must have *data location permissions* on a data lake location to create Data Catalog tables or databases that point to that location. You must grant data location permissions to the IAM role for workflows so that the workflow can write to the data ingestion destination.

1. On the Lake Formation console, in the navigation pane, under **Permissions**, choose **Data locations**.
2. Choose **Grant**, and in the **Grant permissions** dialog box, do the following:
 - a. For **IAM user and roles**, choose `LakeFormationWorkflowRole`.
 - b. For **Storage locations**, choose your `<yourName>-datalake-tutorial` bucket.
3. Choose **Grant**.

For more information about data location permissions, see [Underlying data access control](#).

Step 6: Create a database in the Data Catalog

Metadata tables in the Lake Formation Data Catalog are stored within a database.

1. On the Lake Formation console, in the navigation pane, under **Data catalog**, choose **Databases**.
2. Choose **Create database**, and under **Database details**, enter the name `lakeformation_tutorial`.
3. Leave the other fields blank, and choose **Create database**.

Step 7: Grant data permissions

You must grant permissions to create metadata tables in the Data Catalog. Because the workflow runs with the role `LakeFormationWorkflowRole`, you must grant these permissions to the role.

1. On the Lake Formation console, in the navigation pane, under **Permissions**, choose **Data lake permissions**.
2. Choose **Grant**, and in the **Grant data permissions** dialog box, do the following:
 - a. Under **Principals**, for **IAM user and roles**, choose `LakeFormationWorkflowRole`.
 - b. Under **LF-Tags or catalog resources**, choose **Named data catalog resources**.
 - c. For **Databases**, choose the database that you created previously, `lakeformation_tutorial`.
 - d. Under **Database permissions**, select **Create table**, **Alter**, and **Drop**, and clear **Super** if it is selected.
3. Choose **Grant**.

For more information about granting Lake Formation permissions, see [Overview of Lake Formation permissions](#).

Step 8: Use a blueprint to create a workflow

The AWS Lake Formation workflow generates the AWS Glue jobs, crawlers, and triggers that discover and ingest data into your data lake. You create a workflow based on one of the predefined Lake Formation blueprints.

1. On the Lake Formation console, in the navigation pane, choose **Blueprints**, and then choose **Use blueprint**.
2. On the **Use a blueprint** page, under **Blueprint type**, choose **Database snapshot**.
3. Under **Import source**, for **Database connection**, choose the connection that you just created, `datalake-tutorial`, or choose an existing connection for your data source.
4. For **Source data path**, enter the path from which to ingest data, in the form `<database>/<schema>/<table>`.

You can substitute the percent (%) wildcard for schema or table. For databases that support schemas, enter `<database>/<schema>/%` to match all tables in `<schema>` within `<database>`. Oracle Database and MySQL don't support schema in the path; instead, enter `<database>/%`. For Oracle Database, `<database>` is the system identifier (SID).

For example, if an Oracle database has `orcl` as its SID, enter `orcl/%` to match all tables that the user specified in the JDCB connection has access to.

Important

This field is case-sensitive.

5. Under **Import target**, specify these parameters:

Target database	<code>lakeformation_tutorial</code>
Target storage location	<code>s3://<yourName> -datalake-tutorial</code>
Data format	(Choose Parquet or CSV)

6. For import frequency, choose **Run on demand**.

7. Under **Import options**, specify these parameters:

Workflow name	lakeformationjdbctest
IAM role	LakeFormationWorkflowRole
Table prefix	jdbctest

Note
Must be lower case.

8. Choose **Create**, and wait for the console to report that the workflow was successfully created.

Tip

Did you get the following error message?

```
User: arn:aws:iam::<account-id>:user/<data_lake_administrator_user> is not authorized to perform: iam:PassRole on resource:arn:aws:iam::<account-id>:role/LakeFormationWorkflowRole...
```

If so, check that you replaced `<account-id>` in the inline policy for the data lake administrator user with a valid AWS account number.

Step 9: Run the workflow

Because you specified that the workflow is run-on-demand, you must manually start the workflow in AWS Lake Formation.

1. On the Lake Formation console, on the **Blueprints** page, select the workflow `lakeformationjdbctest`.
2. Choose **Actions**, and then choose **Start**.
3. As the workflow runs, view its progress in the **Last run status** column. Choose the refresh button occasionally.

The status goes from **RUNNING**, to **Discovering**, to **Importing**, to **COMPLETED**.

When the workflow is complete:

- The Data Catalog has new metadata tables.
- Your data is ingested into the data lake.

If the workflow fails, do the following:

- a. Select the workflow. Choose **Actions**, and then choose **View graph**.

The workflow opens in the AWS Glue console.

- b. Select the workflow and choose the **History** tab.
- c. Select the most recent run and choose **View run details**.
- d. Select a failed job or crawler in the dynamic (runtime) graph, and review the error message. Failed nodes are either red or yellow.

Step 10: Grant SELECT on the tables

You must grant the SELECT permission on the new Data Catalog tables in AWS Lake Formation so that the data analyst can query the data that the tables point to.

Note

A workflow automatically grants the SELECT permission on the tables that it creates to the user who ran it. Because the data lake administrator ran this workflow, you must grant SELECT to the data analyst.

1. On the Lake Formation console, in the navigation pane, under **Permissions**, choose **Data lake permissions**.
2. Choose **Grant**, and in the **Grant data permissions** dialog box, do the following:
 - a. Under **Principals**, for **IAM user and roles**, choose `datalake_user`.
 - b. Under **LF-Tags or catalog resources**, choose **Named data catalog resources**.
 - c. For **Databases**, choose `lakeformation_tutorial`.

The **Tables** list populates.

- d. For **Tables**, choose one or more tables from your data source.
 - e. Under **Table and column permissions**, choose **Select**.
3. Choose **Grant**.

The next step is performed as the data analyst.

Step 11: Query the data lake using Amazon Athena

Use the Amazon Athena console to query the data in your data lake.

1. Open the Athena console at <https://console.aws.amazon.com/athena/>, and sign in as the data analyst, user `dataLake_user`.
2. If necessary, choose **Get Started** to continue to the Athena query editor.
3. For **Data source**, choose **AwsDataCatalog**.
4. For **Database**, choose `lakeformation_tutorial`.

The **Tables** list populates.

5. In the pop-up menu beside one of the tables, choose **Preview table**.

The query runs and displays 10 rows of data.

Step 12: Query the data in the data lake using Amazon Redshift Spectrum

You can set up Amazon Redshift Spectrum to query the data that you imported into your Amazon Simple Storage Service (Amazon S3) data lake. First, create an AWS Identity and Access Management (IAM) role that is used to launch the Amazon Redshift cluster and to query the Amazon S3 data. Then, grant this role the `Select` permissions on the tables that you want to query. Then, grant the user permissions to use the Amazon Redshift query editor. Finally, create an Amazon Redshift cluster and run queries.

You create the cluster as an administrator, and query the cluster as a data analyst.

For more information about Amazon Redshift Spectrum, see [Using Amazon Redshift Spectrum to Query External Data](#) in the *Amazon Redshift Database Developer Guide*.

To set up permissions to run Amazon Redshift queries

1. Open the IAM console at <https://console.aws.amazon.com/iam/>. Sign in as the administrator user that you created in [Create a user with administrative access](#) (user name Administrator) or as a user with the AdministratorAccess AWS managed policy.
2. In the navigation pane, choose **Policies**.

If this is your first time choosing **Policies**, the **Welcome to Managed Policies** page appears. Choose **Get Started**.

3. Choose **Create policy**.
4. Choose the **JSON** tab.
5. Paste in the following JSON policy document.

```
{
  "Version": "2012-10-17",
  "Statement": [
    {
      "Effect": "Allow",
      "Action": [
        "lakeformation:GetDataAccess",
        "glue:GetTable",
        "glue:GetTables",
        "glue:SearchTables",
        "glue:GetDatabase",
        "glue:GetDatabases",
        "glue:GetPartitions",
        "lakeformation:GetResourceLFTags",
        "lakeformation:ListLFTags",
        "lakeformation:GetLFTag",
        "lakeformation:SearchTablesByLFTags",
        "lakeformation:SearchDatabasesByLFTags"
      ],
      "Resource": "*"
    }
  ]
}
```

6. When you are finished, choose **Review** to review the policy. The policy validator reports any syntax errors.

7. On the **Review policy** page, enter the **Name** as **RedshiftLakeFormationPolicy** for the policy that you are creating. Enter a **Description** (optional). Review the policy **Summary** to see the permissions that are granted by your policy. Then choose **Create policy** to save your work.
8. In the navigation pane of the IAM console, choose **Roles**, and then choose **Create role**.
9. For **Select trusted entity**, choose **AWS service**.
10. Choose the Amazon Redshift service to assume this role.
11. Choose the **Redshift Customizable** use case for your service. Then choose **Next: Permissions**.
12. Search for the permissions policy that you created, **RedshiftLakeFormationPolicy**, and select the check box next to the policy name in the list.
13. Choose **Next: Tags**.
14. Choose **Next: Review**.
15. For **Role name**, enter the name **RedshiftLakeFormationRole**.
16. (Optional) For **Role description**, enter a description for the new role.
17. Review the role, and then choose **Create role**.

To grant **Select** permissions on the table to be queried in the Lake Formation database

1. Open the Lake Formation console at <https://console.aws.amazon.com/lakeformation/>. Sign in as the data lake administrator.
2. In the navigation pane, under **Permissions**, choose **Data lake permissions**, and then choose **Grant**.
3. Provide the following information:
 - For **IAM users and roles**, choose the IAM role you created, **RedshiftLakeFormationRole**. When you run the Amazon Redshift Query Editor, it uses this IAM role for permission to the data.
 - For **Database**, choose **lakeformation_tutorial**.

The tables list populates.
 - For **Table**, choose a table within the data source to query.
 - Choose the **Select** table permission.
4. Choose **Grant**.


To set up Amazon Redshift Spectrum and run queries

1. Open the Amazon Redshift console at <https://console.aws.amazon.com/redshift>. Sign in as the user Administrator.
2. Choose **Create cluster**.
3. On the **Create cluster** page, enter `redshift-lakeformation-demo` for the **Cluster identifier**.
4. For the **Node type**, select **dc2.large**.
5. Scroll down, and under **Database configurations**, enter or accept these parameters:
 - **Admin user name:** `awsuser`
 - **Admin user password:** (*Choose a password*)
6. Expand **Cluster permissions**, and for **Available IAM roles**, choose **RedshiftLakeFormationRole**. Then choose **Add IAM role**.
7. If you must use a different port than the default value of 5439, next to **Additional configurations**, turn off the **Use defaults** option. Expand the section for **Database configurations**, and enter a new **Database port** number.
8. Choose **Create cluster**.

The **Clusters** page loads.

9. Wait until the cluster status becomes **Available**. Choose the refresh icon periodically.
10. Grant the data analyst permission to run queries against the cluster. To do so, complete the following steps.
 - a. Open the IAM console at <https://console.aws.amazon.com/iam/>, and sign in as the Administrator user.
 - b. In the navigation pane, choose **Users**, and attach the following managed policies to the user `data_lake_user`.
 - `AmazonRedshiftQueryEditor`
 - `AmazonRedshiftReadOnlyAccess`
11. Sign out of the Amazon Redshift console and sign back in as user `data_lake_user`.
12. In the left vertical toolbar, choose the **EDITOR** icon to open the query editor and connect to the cluster. If the **Connect to database** dialog box appears, choose the cluster name

redshift-lakeformation-demo, and enter the database name **dev**, the user name **awsuser**, and the password that you created. Then choose **Connect to database**.

 **Note**

If you are not prompted for connection parameters and another cluster is already selected in the query editor, choose **Change Connection** to open the **Connect to database** dialog box.

13. In the **New Query 1** text box, enter and run the following statement to map the database `lakeformation_tutorial` in Lake Formation to the Amazon Redshift schema name `redshift_jdbc`:

 **Important**

Replace `<account-id>` with a valid AWS account number, and `<region>` with a valid AWS Region name (for example, `us-east-1`).

```
create external schema if not exists redshift_jdbc from DATA CATALOG
  database 'lakeformation_tutorial' iam_role 'arn:aws:iam::<account-id>:role/
  RedshiftLakeFormationRole' region '<region>;'
```

14. In the schema list under **Select schema**, choose `redshift_jdbc`.

The tables list populates. The query editor shows only the tables on which you were granted Lake Formation data lake permissions.

15. On the pop-up menu next to a table name, choose **Preview data**.

Amazon Redshift returns the first 10 rows.

You can now run queries against the tables and columns for which you have permissions.

Step 13: Grant or revoke Lake Formation permissions using Amazon Redshift Spectrum

Amazon Redshift supports the ability to grant and revoke Lake Formation permissions on databases and tables using modified SQL statements. These statements are similar to the existing

Amazon Redshift statements. For more information, see [GRANT](#) and [REVOKE](#) in the *Amazon Redshift Database Developer Guide*.

Setting up permissions for open table storage formats in Lake Formation

AWS Lake Formation supports managing access permissions for *Open Table Formats* (OTFs) such as [Apache Iceberg](#), [Apache Hudi](#), and [Linux foundation Delta Lake](#). In this tutorial, you'll learn how to create Iceberg, Hudi, and Delta Lake with symlink [manifest](#) tables in the AWS Glue Data Catalog using AWS Glue, set up fine-grained permissions using Lake Formation, and query data using Amazon Athena.

Note

AWS analytics services don't support all transactional table formats. For more information, see [Working with other AWS services](#). This tutorial manually covers creating a new database and a table in the Data Catalog using AWS Glue jobs only.

This tutorial includes an AWS CloudFormation template for quick setup. You can review and customize it to suit your needs.

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Intended audience

This tutorial is intended for IAM administrators, data lake administrators, and business analysts. The following table lists the roles used in this tutorial for creating a governed table using Lake Formation.

Role	Description
IAM Administrator	A user who can create IAM users and roles and Amazon S3 buckets. Has the AdministratorAccess AWS managed policy.
Data lake administrator	A user who can access the Data Catalog, create databases, and grant Lake Formation permissions to other users. Has fewer IAM permissions than the IAM administrator, but enough to administer the data lake.
Business analyst	A user who can run queries against the data lake. Has permissions to run queries.

Prerequisites

Before you start this tutorial, you must have an AWS account that you can sign in as a user with the correct permissions. For more information, see [Sign up for an AWS account](#) and [Create a user with administrative access](#).

The tutorial assumes that you are familiar with IAM roles and policies. For information about IAM, see the [IAM User Guide](#).

You need to set up the following AWS resources to complete this tutorial:

- Data lake administrator user
- Lake Formation data lake settings
- Amazon Athena engine version 3

To create a data lake administrator

1. Sign in to the Lake Formation console at <https://console.aws.amazon.com/lakeformation/> as an administrator user. You will create resources in the US East (N. Virginia) Region for this tutorial.
2. On the Lake Formation console, in the navigation pane, under **Permissions**, choose **Administrative roles and tasks**.
3. Select **Choose Administrators** under **Data lake administrators**.
4. In the pop-up window, **Manage data lake administrators**, under **IAM users and roles**, choose **IAM admin user**.
5. Choose **Save**.

To enable data lake settings

1. Open the Lake Formation console at <https://console.aws.amazon.com/lakeformation/>. In the navigation pane, under **Data catalog**, choose **Settings**. Uncheck the following:
 - Use only IAM access control for new databases.
 - Use only IAM access control for new tables in new databases.
2. Under **Cross account version settings**, choose **Version 3** as the cross account version.
3. Choose **Save**.

To upgrade Amazon Athena engine to version 3

1. Open Athena console at <https://console.aws.amazon.com/athena/>.
2. Select the **Workgroup** and select primary workgroup.
3. Ensure that the workgroup is at a minimum version of 3. If it is not, edit the workgroup, choose **Manual** for **Upgrade query engine**, and select version 3.
4. Choose **Save changes**.

Step 1: Provision your resources

This section shows you how to set up the AWS resources using an AWS CloudFormation template.

To create your resources using AWS CloudFormation template

1. Sign into the AWS CloudFormation console at <https://console.aws.amazon.com/cloudformation> as an IAM administrator in the US East (N. Virginia) Region.
2. Choose [Launch Stack](#).
3. Choose **Next** on the **Create stack** screen.
4. Enter a **Stack name**.
5. Choose **Next**.
6. On the next page, choose **Next**.
7. Review the details on the final page and select **I acknowledge that AWS CloudFormation might create IAM resources**.
8. Choose **Create**.

The stack creation can take up to two minutes.

Launching the cloud formation stack creates the following resources:

- lf-otf-datalake-123456789012 – Amazon S3 bucket to store data

Note

The account id appended to the Amazon S3 bucket name is replaced with your account id.

- lf-otf-tutorial-123456789012 – Amazon S3 bucket to store query results and AWS Glue job scripts
- lficebergdb – AWS Glue Iceberg database
- lfhudidb – AWS Glue Hudi database
- lfdeltadb – AWS Glue Delta database
- native-iceberg-create – AWS Glue job that creates an Iceberg table in the Data Catalog
- native-hudi-create – AWS Glue job that creates a Hudi table in the Data Catalog
- native-delta-create – AWS Glue job that creates a Delta table in the Data Catalog
- LF-OTF-GlueServiceRole – IAM role that you pass to AWS Glue to run the jobs. This role has the required policies attached to access the resources like Data Catalog, Amazon S3 bucket etc.

- LF-OTF-RegisterRole – IAM role to register the Amazon S3 location with Lake Formation. This role has LF-Data-Lake-Storage-Policy attached to the role.
- lf-consumer-analystuser – IAM user to query the data using Athena
- lf-consumer-analystuser-credentials – Password for the data analyst user stored in AWS Secrets Manager

After the stack creation is complete, navigate to the output tab and note down the values for:

- AthenaQueryResultLocation – Amazon S3 location for Athena query output
- BusinessAnalystUserCredentials – Password for the data analyst user

To retrieve the password value:

1. Choose the lf-consumer-analystuser-credentials value by navigating to the Secrets Manager console.
2. In the **Secret value** section, choose **Retrieve secret value**.
3. Note down the secret value for the password.

Step 2: Set up permissions for an Iceberg table

In this section, you'll learn how to create an Iceberg table in the AWS Glue Data Catalog, set up data permissions in AWS Lake Formation, and query data using Amazon Athena.

To create an Iceberg table

In this step, you'll run an AWS Glue job that creates an Iceberg transactional table in the Data Catalog.

1. Open the AWS Glue console at <https://console.aws.amazon.com/glue/> in the US East (N. Virginia) Region as the data lake administrator user.
2. Choose **jobs** from the left navigation pane.
3. Select `native-iceberg-create`.

Create job [Info](#) Create

Visual with a source and target
 Start with a source, ApplyMapping transform, and target.

Visual with a blank canvas
 Author using an interactive visual interface.

Spark script editor
 Write or upload your own Spark code.

Python Shell script editor
 Write or upload your own Python shell script.

Jupyter Notebook
 Write your own code in a Jupyter Notebook for interactive development.

Ray script editor New
 Write your own code to run on Ray.

Source: Amazon S3 (JSON, CSV, or Parquet files stored in S3.)
 →
 Target: Amazon S3 (S3 bucket by specifying a bucket path as the data target.)

Your jobs (24) [Info](#) Refresh Run job

Find jobs

<input type="checkbox"/>	Job name	Type	Last modified	
<input type="checkbox"/>	native-delta-create	Glue ETL	2/24/2023, 9:22:31 AM	
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	native-iceberg-create	Glue ETL	2/24/2023, 9:22:31 AM	3.0
<input type="checkbox"/>	native-hudi-create	Glue ETL	2/24/2023, 9:22:30 AM	3.0

Actions menu for 'native-iceberg-create': Edit job, Clone job, Schedule job, Delete job(s), Reset job bookmark

4. Under **Actions**, choose **Edit job**.
5. Under **Job details**, expand **Advanced properties**, and check the box next to **Use AWS Glue Data Catalog as the Hive metastore** to add the table metadata in the AWS Glue Data Catalog. This specifies AWS Glue Data Catalog as the metastore for the Data Catalog resources used in the job and enables Lake Formation permissions to be applied later on the catalog resources.
6. Choose **Save**.
7. Choose **Run**. You can view the status of the job while it is running.

For more information on AWS Glue jobs, see [Working with jobs on the AWS Glue console](#) in the *AWS Glue Developer Guide*.

This job creates an Iceberg table named `product` in the `lficebergdb` database. Verify the `product` table in the Lake Formation console.

To register the data location with Lake Formation

Next, register the Amazon S3 path as the location of your data lake.

1. Open the Lake Formation console at <https://console.aws.amazon.com/lakeformation/> as the data lake administrator user.
2. In the navigation pane, under **Register and ingest**, choose **Data location**.
3. On the upper right of the console, choose **Register location**.
4. On the **Register location** page, enter the following:
 - **Amazon S3 path** – Choose **Browse** and select lf-otf-datalake-123456789012. Click on the right arrow (>) next to the Amazon S3 root location to navigate to the s3/buckets/lf-otf-datalake-123456789012/transactionaldata/native-iceberg location.
 - **IAM role** – Choose LF-OTF-RegisterRole as the IAM role.
 - Choose **Register location**.

Register location

Amazon S3 location

Register an Amazon S3 path as the storage location for your data lake.

Amazon S3 path

Choose an Amazon S3 path for your data lake.

s3://lf-otf-datalake-/transactionaldata/native-iceberg

Browse

Review location permissions - strongly recommended

Registering the selected location may result in your users gaining access to data already at that location. Before registering a location, we recommend that you review existing location permissions on resources in that location.

Review location permissions

IAM role

To add or update data, Lake Formation needs read/write access to the chosen Amazon S3 path. Choose a role that you know has permission to do this, or choose the **AWSServiceRoleForLakeFormationDataAccess** service-linked role. When you register the first Amazon S3 path, the service-linked role and a new inline policy are created on your behalf. Lake Formation adds the first path to the inline policy and attaches it to the service-linked role. When you register subsequent paths, Lake Formation adds the path to the existing policy.

LF-OTF-GlueServiceRole ▼

Enable Catalog Federation

Lake Formation will only assume a role to access a registered location when accessing a table under a federated database

Cancel

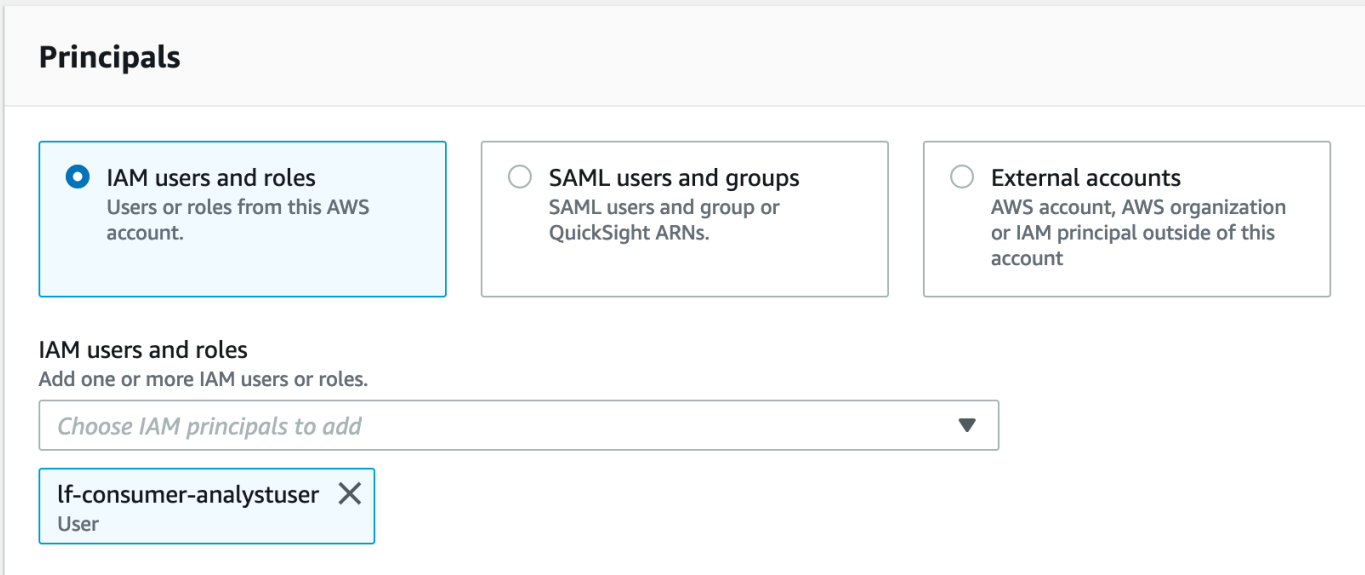
Register location

For more information on registering a data location with Lake Formation, see [Adding an Amazon S3 location to your data lake](#).

To grant Lake Formation permissions on the Iceberg table

In this step, we'll grant data lake permissions to the business analyst user.

1. Under **Data lake permissions**, choose **Grant**.
2. On the **Grant data permissions** screen, choose, **IAM users and roles**.
3. Choose `lf-consumer-analystuser` from the drop down.



Principals

IAM users and roles
Users or roles from this AWS account.

SAML users and groups
SAML users and group or QuickSight ARNs.

External accounts
AWS account, AWS organization or IAM principal outside of this account

IAM users and roles
Add one or more IAM users or roles.

Choose IAM principals to add ▼

lf-consumer-analystuser X
User

4. Choose **Named data catalog resource**.
5. For **Databases** choose `lficebergdb`.
6. For **Tables**, choose `product`.

LF-Tags or catalog resources

Resources matched by LF-Tags (recommended)
Manage permissions indirectly for resources or data matched by a specific set of LF-Tags.

Named data catalog resources
Manager permissions for specific databases or tables, in addition to fine-grained data access.

Databases
Select one or more databases.

Choose databases ▼

Load more

lficebergdb ✕

Tables - optional
Select one or more tables.

Choose tables ▼

Load more

product ✕

Data filters - optional
Select one or more data filters.

Choose data filters ▼

Load more

Create new

[Manage data filters](#) ↗

7. Next, you can grant column-based access by specifying columns.
 - a. Under **Table permissions**, choose **Select**.
 - b. Under **Data permissions**, choose **Column-based access**, choose **Include columns**.
 - c. Choose `product_name`, `price`, and `category` columns.
 - d. Choose **Grant**.

Table permissions

Table permissions
Choose specific access permissions to grant.

Select Insert Delete
 Describe Alter Drop

Grantable permissions
Choose the permission that may be granted to others.

Select Insert Delete
 Describe Alter Drop

Super
This permission is the union of all the individual permissions to the left, and supersedes them.

Super
This permission allows the principal to grant any of the permissions to the left, and supersedes those grantable permissions.

Data permissions

All data access
Grant access to all data without any restrictions.

Column-based access
Grant data access to specific columns only.

Choose permission filter
Choose whether to include or exclude columns.

Include columns
Grant permissions to access specific columns.

Exclude columns
Grant permissions to access all but specific columns.

Select columns

Choose one or more columns ▼

product_name ✕
string

price ✕
bigint

category ✕
string

Cancel Grant

To query the Iceberg table using Athena

Now you can start querying the Iceberg table you created using Athena. If it is your first time running queries in Athena, you need to configure a query result location. For more information, see [Specifying a query result location](#).

1. Sign out as the data lake administrator user and sign in as `lf-consumer-analystuser` in US East (N. Virginia) Region using the password noted earlier from the AWS CloudFormation output.
2. Open the Athena console at <https://console.aws.amazon.com/athena/>.
3. Choose **Settings** and select **Manage**.
4. In the **Location of query result** box, enter the path to the bucket that you created in AWS CloudFormation outputs. Copy the value of `AthenaQueryResultLocation` (`s3://lf-otf-tutorial-123456789012/athena-results/`) and choose **Save**.
5. Run the following query to preview 10 records stored in the Iceberg table:

```
select * from lficebergdb.product limit 10;
```

For more information on querying Iceberg tables using Athena, see [Querying Iceberg tables](#) in the *Amazon Athena User Guide*.

Step 3: Set up permissions for a Hudi table

In this section, you'll learn how to create a Hudi table in the AWS Glue Data Catalog, set up data permissions in AWS Lake Formation, and query data using Amazon Athena.

To create a Hudi table

In this step, you'll run an AWS Glue job that creates an Hudi transactional table in the Data Catalog.

1. Sign in to the AWS Glue console at <https://console.aws.amazon.com/glue/> in the US East (N. Virginia) Region
as the data lake administrator user.
2. Choose **jobs** from the left navigation pane.
3. Select `native-hudi-create`.
4. Under **Actions**, choose **Edit job**.
5. Under **Job details**, expand **Advanced properties**, and check the box next to **Use AWS Glue Data Catalog as the Hive metastore** to add the table metadata in the AWS Glue Data Catalog. This specifies AWS Glue Data Catalog as the metastore for the Data Catalog resources used in the job and enables Lake Formation permissions to be applied later on the catalog resources.
6. Choose **Save**.

7. Choose **Run**. You can view the status of the job while it is running.

For more information on AWS Glue jobs, see [Working with jobs on the AWS Glue console](#) in the *AWS Glue Developer Guide*.

This job creates a Hudi(cow) table in the database:lfhudidb. Verify the product table in the Lake Formation console.

To register the data location with Lake Formation

Next, register an Amazon S3 path as the root location of your data lake.

1. Sign in to the Lake Formation console at <https://console.aws.amazon.com/lakeformation/> as the data lake administrator user.
2. In the navigation pane, under **Register and ingest**, choose **Data location**.
3. On the upper right of the console, choose **Register location**.
4. On the **Register location** page, enter the following:
 - **Amazon S3 path** – Choose **Browse** and select lf-otf-datalake-123456789012. Click on the right arrow (>) next to the Amazon S3 root location to navigate to the s3/buckets/lf-otf-datalake-123456789012/transactionaldata/native-hudi location.
 - **IAM role** – Choose LF-OTF-RegisterRole as the IAM role.
 - Choose **Register location**.

To grant data lake permissions on the Hudi table

In this step, we'll grant data lake permissions to the business analyst user.

1. Under **Data lake permissions**, choose **Grant**.
2. On the **Grant data permissions** screen, choose, **IAM users and roles**.
3. lf-consumer-analystuser from the drop down.
4. Choose **Named data catalog resource**.
5. For **Databases** choose lfhudidb.
6. For **Tables**, choose product.
7. Next, you can grant column-based access by specifying columns.

- a. Under **Table permissions**, choose **Select**.
- b. Under **Data permissions**, choose **Column-based access**, choose **Include columns**.
- c. Choose `product_name`, `price`, and `category` columns.
- d. Choose **Grant**.

To query the Hudi table using Athena

Now start querying the Hudi table you created using Athena. If it is your first time running queries in Athena, you need to configure a query result location. For more information, see [Specifying a query result location](#).

1. Sign out as the data lake administrator user and sign in as `lf-consumer-analystuser` in US East (N. Virginia) Region using the password noted earlier from the AWS CloudFormation output.
2. Open the Athena console at <https://console.aws.amazon.com/athena/>.
3. Choose **Settings** and select **Manage**.
4. In the **Location of query result** box, enter the path to the bucket that you created in AWS CloudFormation outputs. Copy the value of `AthenaQueryResultLocation` (`s3://lf-otf-tutorial-123456789012/athena-results/`) and **Save**.
5. Run the following query to preview 10 records stored in the Hudi table:

```
select * from lfhudidb.product limit 10;
```

For more information on querying Hudi tables, see the [Querying Hudi tables](#) section in the *Amazon Athena User Guide*.

Step 4: Set up permissions for a Delta Lake table

In this section, you'll learn how to create a Delta Lake table with symlink manifest file in the AWS Glue Data Catalog, set up data permissions in AWS Lake Formation and query data using Amazon Athena.

To create a Delta Lake table

In this step, you'll run an AWS Glue job that creates a Delta Lake transactional table in the Data Catalog.

1. Sign in to the AWS Glue console at <https://console.aws.amazon.com/glue/> in the US East (N. Virginia) Region

as the data lake administrator user.
2. Choose **jobs** from the left navigation pane.
3. Select `native-delta-create`.
4. Under **Actions**, choose **Edit job**.
5. Under **Job details**, expand **Advanced properties**, and check the box next to **Use AWS Glue Data Catalog as the Hive metastore** to add the table metadata in the AWS Glue Data Catalog. This specifies AWS Glue Data Catalog as the metastore for the Data Catalog resources used in the job and enables Lake Formation permissions to be applied later on the catalog resources.
6. Choose **Save**.
7. Choose **Run** under **Actions**.

This job creates a Delta Lake table named `product` in the `lfdeltaadb` database. Verify the `product` table in the Lake Formation console.

To register the data location with Lake Formation

Next, register the Amazon S3 path as the root location of your data lake.

1. Open the Lake Formation console at <https://console.aws.amazon.com/lakeformation/> the data lake administrator user.
2. In the navigation pane, under **Register and ingest**, choose **Data location**.
3. On the upper right of the console, choose **Register location**.
4. On the **Register location** page, enter the following:
 - **Amazon S3 path** – Choose **Browse** and select `lf-otf-datalake-123456789012`. Click on the right arrow (>) next to the Amazon S3 root location to navigate to the `s3/buckets/lf-otf-datalake-123456789012/transactionaldata/native-delta` location.
 - **IAM role** – Choose `LF-OTF-RegisterRole` as the IAM role.

- Choose **Register location**.

To grant data lake permissions on the Delta Lake table

In this step, we'll grant data lake permissions to the business analyst user.

1. Under **Data lake permissions**, choose **Grant**.
2. On the **Grant data permissions** screen, choose, **IAM users and roles**.
3. `lf-consumer-analystuser` from the drop down.
4. Choose **Named data catalog resource**.
5. For **Databases** choose `lfdeltadb`.
6. For **Tables**, choose `product`.
7. Next, you can grant column-based access by specifying columns.
 - a. Under **Table permissions**, choose **Select**.
 - b. Under **Data permissions**, choose **Column-based access**, choose **Include columns**.
 - c. Choose `product_name`, `price`, and `category` columns.
 - d. Choose **Grant**.

To query the Delta Lake table using Athena

Now start querying the Delta Lake table you created using Athena. If it is your first time running queries in Athena, you need to configure a query result location. For more information, see [Specifying a query result location](#).

1. Log out as the data lake administrator user and login as `BusinessAnalystUser` in US East (N. Virginia) Region using the password noted earlier from the AWS CloudFormation output.
2. Open the Athena console at <https://console.aws.amazon.com/athena/>.
3. Choose **Settings** and select **Manage**.
4. In the **Location of query result** box, enter the path to the bucket that you created in AWS CloudFormation outputs. Copy the value of `AthenaQueryResultLocation` (`s3://lf-otf-tutorial-123456789012/athena-results/`) and **Save**.
5. Run the following query to preview 10 records stored in the Delta Lake table:

```
select * from lfdeltadb.product limit 10;
```

For more information on querying Delta Lake tables, see the [Querying Delta Lake tables](#) section in the *Amazon Athena User Guide*.

Step 5: Clean up AWS resources

To clean up resources

To prevent unwanted charges to your AWS account, delete the AWS resources that you used for this tutorial.

1. Sign in to the AWS CloudFormation console at <https://console.aws.amazon.com/cloudformation> as the IAM administrator.
2. [Delete the cloud formation stack](#). The tables you created are automatically deleted with the stack.

Managing a data lake using Lake Formation tag-based access control

Thousands of customers are building petabyte-scale data lakes on AWS. Many of these customers use AWS Lake Formation to easily build and share their data lakes across the organization. As the number of tables and users increase, data stewards and administrators are looking for ways to manage permissions on data lakes easily at scale. Lake Formation Tag-based access control (LF-TBAC) solves this problem by allowing data stewards to create *LF-tags* (based on their data classification and ontology) that can then be attached to resources.

LF-TBAC is an authorization strategy that defines permissions based on attributes. In Lake Formation, these attributes are called LF-tags. You can attach LF-tags to Data Catalog resources and Lake Formation principals. Data lake administrators can assign and revoke permissions on Lake Formation resources using LF-tags. For more information about see, [Lake Formation tag-based access control](#).

This tutorial demonstrates how to create a Lake Formation tag-based access control policy using an AWS public dataset. In addition, it shows how to query tables, databases, and columns that have Lake Formation tag-based access policies associated with them.

You can use LF-TBAC for the following use cases:

- You have a large number of tables and principals that the data lake administrator has to grant access
- You want to classify your data based on an ontology and grant permissions based on classification
- The data lake administrator wants to assign permissions dynamically, in a loosely coupled way

Following are the high-level steps for configuring permissions using LF-TBAC:

1. The data steward defines the tag ontology with two LF-tags: `Confidential` and `Sensitive`. Data with `Confidential=True` has tighter access controls. Data with `Sensitive=True` requires specific analysis from the analyst.
2. The data steward assigns different permission levels to the data engineer to build tables with different LF-tags.
3. The data engineer builds two databases: `tag_database` and `col_tag_database`. All tables in `tag_database` are configured with `Confidential=True`. All tables in the `col_tag_database` are configured with `Confidential=False`. Some columns of the table in `col_tag_database` are tagged with `Sensitive=True` for specific analysis needs.
4. The data engineer grants read permission to the analyst for tables with specific expression condition `Confidential=True` and `Confidential=False,Sensitive=True`.
5. With this configuration, the data analyst can focus on performing analysis with the right data.

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Intended audience

This tutorial is intended for data stewards, data engineers, and data analysts. When it comes to managing AWS Glue Data Catalog and administering permission in Lake Formation, data stewards within the producing accounts have functional ownership based on the functions they support, and can grant access to various consumers, external organizations, and accounts.

The following table lists the roles that are used in this tutorial:

Role	Description
Data steward (administrator)	<p>The <code>lf-data-steward</code> user has the following access:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Read access to all resources in the Data Catalog • Can create LF-tags and associate to the data engineer role for grantable permission to other principals
Data engineer	<p><code>lf-data-engineer</code> user has the following access:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Full read, write, and update access to all resources in the Data Catalog • Data location permissions in the data lake • Can associate LF-tags and associate to the Data Catalog • Can attach LF-tags to resources, which provides access to principals based on any policies created by data stewards
Data analyst	<p>The <code>lf-data-analyst</code> user has the following access:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Fine-grained access to resources shared by Lake Formation tag-based access policies

Prerequisites

Before you start this tutorial, you must have an AWS account that you can use to sign in as an administrative user with correct permissions. For more information, see [Complete initial AWS configuration tasks](#).

The tutorial assumes that you are familiar with IAM. For information about IAM, see the [IAM User Guide](#).

Step 1: Provision your resources

This tutorial includes an AWS CloudFormation template for a quick setup. You can review and customize it to suit your needs. The template creates three different roles (listed in [Intended audience](#)) to perform this exercise and copies the nyc-taxi-data dataset to your local Amazon S3 bucket.

- An Amazon S3 bucket
- The appropriate Lake Formation settings
- The appropriate Amazon EC2 resources
- Three IAM roles with credentials

Create your resources

1. Sign into the AWS CloudFormation console at <https://console.aws.amazon.com/cloudformation> in the US East (N. Virginia) region.
2. Choose [Launch Stack](#).
3. Choose **Next**.
4. In the **User Configuration** section, enter password for three roles: DataStewardUserPassword, DataEngineerUserPassword and DataAnalystUserPassword.
5. Review the details on the final page and select **I acknowledge that AWS CloudFormation might create IAM resources**.
6. Choose **Create**.

The stack creation can take up to five minutes.

Note

After you complete the tutorial, you might want to delete the stack in AWS CloudFormation to avoid continuing to incur charges. Verify that the resources are successfully deleted in the event status for the stack.

Step 2: Register your data location, create an LF-Tag ontology, and grant permissions

In this step, the data steward user defines the tag ontology with two LF-Tags: `Confidential` and `Sensitive`, and gives specific IAM principals the ability to attach newly created LF-Tags to resources.

Register a data location and define LF-Tag ontology

1. Perform the first step as the data steward user (`lf-data-steward`) to verify the data in Amazon S3 and the Data Catalog in Lake Formation.
 - a. Sign in to the Lake Formation console at <https://console.aws.amazon.com/lakeformation/> as `lf-data-steward` with the password used while deploying the AWS CloudFormation stack.
 - b. In the navigation pane, under **Permissions**, choose **Administrative roles and tasks**.
 - c. Choose **Add** in the **Data lake administrators** section.
 - d. On the **Add administrator** page, for **IAM users and roles**, choose the user `lf-data-steward`.
 - e. Choose **Save** to add `lf-data-steward` as a Lake Formation administrator.
2. Next, update the Data Catalog settings to use Lake Formation permission to control catalog resources instead of IAM based access control.
 - a. In the navigation pane, under **Administration**, choose **Data Catalog settings**.
 - b. Uncheck **Use only IAM access control for new databases**.
 - c. Uncheck **Use only IAM access control for new tables in new databases**.
 - d. Click **Save**.
3. Next, register the data location for the data lake.

- a. In the navigation pane, under **Administration**, choose **Data lake locations**.
 - b. Choose **Register location**.
 - c. On the **Register location** page, for **Amazon S3 path**, enter `s3://lf-tagbased-demo-Account-ID`.
 - d. For **IAM role**, leave the default value `AWSServiceRoleForLakeFormationDataAccess` as it is.
 - e. Choose **Lake Formation** as the permission mode.
 - f. Choose **Register location**.
4. Next, create the ontology by defining an LF-tag.
 - a. Under **Permissions** in the navigation pane, choose **LF-Tags and permissions**.
 - b. Choose **Add LF-Tag**.
 - c. For **Key**, enter `Confidential`.
 - d. For **Values**, add `True` and `False`.
 - e. Choose **Add LF-tag**.
 - f. Repeat the steps to create the **LF-Tag Sensitive** with the value `True`.

You have created all the necessary LF-Tags for this exercise.

Grant permissions to IAM users

1. Next, give specific IAM principals the ability to attach newly created LF-tags to resources.
 - a. Under **Permissions** in the navigation pane, choose **LF-Tags and permissions**.
 - b. In the **LF-Tag permissions** section, choose **Grant permissions**.
 - c. For **Permission type**, choose **LF-Tag key-value pair permissions**.
 - d. Select **IAM users and roles**.
 - e. For **IAM users and roles**, search for and choose the `lf-data-engineer` role.
 - f. In the **LF-Tags** section, add the key `Confidential` with values `True` and `False`, and the key `Sensitive` with value `True`.
 - g. Under **Permissions**, select **Describe** and **Associate for Permissions and Grantable permissions**.

- h. Choose **Grant**.
2. Next, grant permissions to `lf-data-engineer` to create databases in our Data Catalog and on the underlying Amazon S3 bucket created by AWS CloudFormation.
 - a. Under **Administration** in the navigation pane, choose **Administrative roles and tasks**.
 - b. In the **Database creators** section, choose **Grant**.
 - c. For **IAM users and roles**, choose the `lf-data-engineer` role.
 - d. For **Catalog permissions**, select **Create database**.
 - e. Choose **Grant**.
3. Next, grant permissions on the Amazon S3 bucket (`s3://lf-tagbased-demo-Account-ID`) to the `lf-data-engineer` user.
 - a. In the navigation pane, under **Permissions**, choose **Data locations**.
 - b. Choose **Grant**.
 - c. Select **My account**.
 - d. For **IAM users and roles**, choose the `lf-data-engineer` role.
 - e. For **Storage locations**, enter the Amazon S3 bucket created by the AWS CloudFormation template (`s3://lf-tagbased-demo-Account-ID`).
 - f. Choose **Grant**.
4. Next, grant `lf-data-engineer` grantable permissions on resources associated with the **LF-Tag** expression `Confidential=True`.
 - a. In the navigation pane, under **Permissions**, choose **Data lake permissions**.
 - b. Choose **Grant**.
 - c. Select **IAM users and roles**.
 - d. Choose the role `lf-data-engineer`.
 - e. In the **LF-Tags or catalog resources** section, select **Resources matched by LF-Tags**.
 - f. Choose **Add LF-Tag key-value pair**.
 - g. Add the key `Confidential` with the values `True`.
 - h. In the **Database permissions** section, select **Describe** for **Database permissions** and **Grantable permissions**.
 - i. In the **Table permissions** section, select **Describe**, **Select**, and **Alter** for both **Table permissions and Grantable permissions**.

- j. Choose **Grant**.
5. Next, grant `lf-data-engineer` grantable permissions on resources associated with the LF-Tag expression `Confidential=False`.
 - a. In the navigation pane, under **Permissions**, choose **Data lake permissions**.
 - b. Choose **Grant**.
 - c. Select **IAM users and roles**.
 - d. Choose the role `lf-data-engineer`.
 - e. Select **Resources matched by LF-tags**.
 - f. Choose **Add LF-tag**.
 - g. Add the key `Confidential` with the value `False`.
 - h. In the **Database permissions** section, select **Describe** for **Database permissions** and **Grantable permissions**.
 - i. In the **Table and column permissions** section, do not select anything.
 - j. Choose **Grant**.
6. Next, we grant `lf-data-engineer` grantable permissions on resources associated with the **LF-Tag** key-value pairs `Confidential=False` and `Sensitive=True`.
 - a. In the navigation pane, under **Permissions**, choose **Data permissions**.
 - b. Choose **Grant**.
 - c. Select **IAM users and roles**.
 - d. Choose the role `lf-data-engineer`.
 - e. Under **LF-Tags or catalog resources** section, select **Resources matched by LF-Tags**.
 - f. Choose **Add LF-Tag**.
 - g. Add the key `Confidential` with the value `False`.
 - h. Choose **Add LF-Tag key-value pair**.
 - i. Add the key `Sensitive` with the value `True`.
 - j. In the **Database permissions** section, select **Describe** for **Database permissions** and **Grantable permissions**.
 - k. In the **Table permissions** section, select **Describe**, **Select**, and **Alter** for both **Table permissions** and **Grantable permissions**.

Step 3: Create Lake Formation databases

In this step, you create two databases and attach LF-Tags to the databases and specific columns for testing purposes.

Create your databases and table for database-level access

1. First, create the database `tag_database`, the table `source_data`, and attach appropriate LF-Tags.
 - a. On the Lake Formation console (<https://console.aws.amazon.com/lakeformation/>), under **Data Catalog**, choose **Databases**.
 - b. Choose **Create database**.
 - c. For **Name**, enter `tag_database`.
 - d. For **Location**, enter the Amazon S3 location created by the AWS CloudFormation template (`s3://lf-tagbased-demo-Account-ID/tag_database/`).
 - e. Deselect **Use only IAM access control for new tables in this database**.
 - f. Choose **Create database**.
2. Next, create a new table within `tag_database`.
 - a. On the **Databases** page, select the database `tag_database`.
 - b. Choose **View Tables** and click **Create table**.
 - c. For **Name**, enter `source_data`.
 - d. For **Database**, choose the database `tag_database`.
 - e. For **Table format**, choose **Standard AWS Glue table**.
 - f. For **Data is located in**, select **Specified path in my account**.
 - g. For **Include path**, enter the path to `tag_database` created by the AWS CloudFormation template (`s3://lf-tagbased-demo-Account-ID/tag_database/`).
 - h. For **Data format**, select **CSV**.
 - i. Under **Upload schema**, enter the following JSON array of column structure to create a schema:

```
[
  {
    "Name": "vendorid",
    "Type": "string"
  }
]
```

```
    },
    {
      "Name": "lpep_pickup_datetime",
      "Type": "string"
    },
    {
      "Name": "lpep_dropoff_datetime",
      "Type": "string"
    },
    },
    {
      "Name": "store_and_fwd_flag",
      "Type": "string"
    },
    },
    {
      "Name": "ratecodeid",
      "Type": "string"
    },
    },
    {
      "Name": "pulocationid",
      "Type": "string"
    },
    },
    {
      "Name": "dolocationid",
      "Type": "string"
    },
    },
    {
      "Name": "passenger_count",
      "Type": "string"
    },
    },
    {
      "Name": "trip_distance",
      "Type": "string"
    },
    },
    {
      "Name": "fare_amount",
      "Type": "string"
    },
    },
  },
```

```
    {
      "Name": "extra",
      "Type": "string"
    },
    {
      "Name": "mta_tax",
      "Type": "string"
    },
    {
      "Name": "tip_amount",
      "Type": "string"
    },
    {
      "Name": "tolls_amount",
      "Type": "string"
    },
    {
      "Name": "ehail_fee",
      "Type": "string"
    },
    {
      "Name": "improvement_surcharge",
      "Type": "string"
    },
    {
      "Name": "total_amount",
      "Type": "string"
    },
    {
      "Name": "payment_type",
      "Type": "string"
    }
  ]
```

- j. Choose **Upload**. After uploading the schema, the table schema should look like the following screenshot:

#	Column Name	▼	Data type
1	vendorid		string
2	lpep_pickup_datetime		string
3	lpep_dropoff_datetime		string
4	store_and_fwd_flag		string
5	ratecodeid		string
6	puolocationid		string
7	doolocationid		string
8	passenger_count		string
9	trip_distance		string
10	fare_amount		string
11	extra		string
12	mta_tax		string
13	tip_amount		string
14	tolls_amount		string
15	ehail_fee		string
16	improvement_surcharge		string
17	total_amount		string
18	payment_type		string

- k. Choose **Submit**.
3. Next, attach LF-Tags at the database level.
 - a. On the **Databases** page, find and select tag_database.
 - b. On the **Actions** menu, choose **Edit LF-Tags**.
 - c. Choose **Assign new LF-tag**.
 - d. For **Assigned keys**, choose the Confidential LF-Tag you created earlier.
 - e. For **Values**, choose True.
 - f. Choose **Save**.

This completes the LF-Tag assignment to the tag_database database.

Create your database and table for column-level access

Repeat the following steps to create the database col_tag_database and table source_data_col_lvl, and attach LF-Tags at the column level.

1. On the **Databases** page, choose **Create database**.
2. For **Name**, enter col_tag_database.
3. For **Location**, enter the Amazon S3 location created by the AWS CloudFormation template (s3://lf-tagbased-demo-*Account-ID*/col_tag_database/).
4. Deselect **Use only IAM access control for new tables in this database**.
5. Choose **Create database**.
6. On the **Databases** page, select your new database (col_tag_database).
7. Choose **View tables** and click **Create table**.
8. For **Name**, enter source_data_col_lvl.
9. For **Database**, choose your new database (col_tag_database).
10. For **Table format**, choose **Standard AWS Glue table**.
11. For **Data is located in**, select **Specified path in my account**.
12. Enter the Amazon S3 path for col_tag_database (s3://lf-tagbased-demo-*Account-ID*/col_tag_database/).
13. For **Data format**, select CSV.
14. Under **Upload schema**, enter the following schema JSON:

```
[
    {
        "Name": "vendorid",
        "Type": "string"
    },
    {
        "Name": "lpep_pickup_datetime",
        "Type": "string"
    },
    {
        "Name": "lpep_dropoff_datetime",
        "Type": "string"
    },
    {
        "Name": "store_and_fwd_flag",
        "Type": "string"
    },
    {
        "Name": "ratecodeid",
        "Type": "string"
    },
    {
        "Name": "pulocationid",
        "Type": "string"
    },
    {
        "Name": "dolocationid",
        "Type": "string"
    },
    },
]
```

```
    {
      "Name": "passenger_count",
      "Type": "string"
    },
    {
      "Name": "trip_distance",
      "Type": "string"
    },
    {
      "Name": "fare_amount",
      "Type": "string"
    },
    {
      "Name": "extra",
      "Type": "string"
    },
    {
      "Name": "mta_tax",
      "Type": "string"
    },
    {
      "Name": "tip_amount",
      "Type": "string"
    },
    {
      "Name": "tolls_amount",
      "Type": "string"
    },
    {
      "Name": "ehail_fee",
```

```
        "Type": "string"
    },
    {
        "Name": "improvement_surcharge",
        "Type": "string"
    },
    {
        "Name": "total_amount",
        "Type": "string"
    },
    {
        "Name": "payment_type",
        "Type": "string"
    }
}
```

15. Choose Upload. After uploading the schema, the table schema should look like the following screenshot.

#	Column Name	▼	Data type
1	vendorid		string
2	lpep_pickup_datetime		string
3	lpep_dropoff_datetime		string
4	store_and_fwd_flag		string
5	ratecodeid		string
6	pulocationid		string
7	dolocationid		string
8	passenger_count		string
9	trip_distance		string
10	fare_amount		string
11	extra		string
12	mta_tax		string
13	tip_amount		string
14	tolls_amount		string
15	ehail_fee		string
16	improvement_surcharge		string
17	total_amount		string
18	payment_type		string

16. Choose **Submit** to complete the creation of the table.
17. Now, associate the Sensitive=True LF-Tag to the columns vendorid and fare_amount.
 - a. On the **Tables** page, select the table you created (source_data_col_lvl1).
 - b. On the **Actions** menu, choose **Schema**.
 - c. Select the column vendorid and choose **Edit LF-Tags**.
 - d. For **Assigned keys**, choose **Sensitive**.
 - e. For **Values**, choose **True**.
 - f. Choose **Save**.
18. Next, associate the Confidential=False LF-Tag to col_tag_database. This is required for lf-data-analyst to be able to describe the database col_tag_database when logged in from Amazon Athena.
 - a. On the **Databases** page, find and select col_tag_database.
 - b. On the **Actions** menu, choose **Edit LF-Tags**.
 - c. Choose **Assign new LF-Tag**.
 - d. For **Assigned keys**, choose the Confidential LF-Tag you created earlier.
 - e. For **Values**, choose False.
 - f. Choose **Save**.

Step 4: Grant table permissions

Grant permissions to data analysts for consumption of the databases tag_database and the table col_tag_database using LF-tags Confidential and Sensitive.

1. Follow these steps to grant permissions to the lf-data-analyst user on the objects associated with the LF-Tag Confidential=True (Database:tag_database) to have Describe the database and Select permission on tables.
 - a. Sign in to the Lake Formation console at <https://console.aws.amazon.com/lakeformation/> as lf-data-engineer.
 - b. Under **Permissions**, select **Data lake permissions**.
 - c. Choose **Grant**.
 - d. Under **Principals**, select **IAM users and roles**.

- e. For **IAM users and roles**, choose lf-data-analyst.
 - f. Under **LF-Tags or catalog resources**, select **Resources matched by LF-Tags**.
 - g. Choose **Add LF-tag**.
 - h. For **Key**, choose Confidential.
 - i. For **Values**, choose True.
 - j. For **Database permissions**, select Describe.
 - k. For **Table permissions**, choose **Select** and **Describe**.
 - l. Choose **Grant**.
2. Next, repeat the steps to grant permissions to data analysts for LF-Tag expression for Confidential=False. This **LF-tag** is used for describing the col_tag_database and the table source_data_col_lvl when logged in as lf-data-analyst from Amazon Athena.
- a. Sign in to the Lake Formation console at <https://console.aws.amazon.com/lakeformation/> as lf-data-engineer.
 - b. On the **Databases** page, select the database col_tag_database.
 - c. Choose **Action** and **Grant**.
 - d. Under **Principals**, select **IAM users and roles**.
 - e. For **IAM users and roles**, choose lf-data-analyst.
 - f. Select **Resources matched by LF-Tags**.
 - g. Choose **Add LF-Tag**.
 - h. For **Key**, choose Confidential.
 - i. For **Values**, choose False.
 - j. For **Database permissions**, select Describe.
 - k. For **Table permissions**, do not select anything.
 - l. Choose **Grant**.
3. Next, repeat the steps to grant permissions to data analysts for LF-Tag expression for Confidential=False and Sensitive=True. This LF-tag is used for describing the col_tag_database and the table source_data_col_lvl (column-level) when logged in as lf-data-analyst from Amazon Athena.
- a. Sign into the Lake Formation console at <https://console.aws.amazon.com/lakeformation/> as lf-data-engineer.
 - b. On the Databases page, select the database col_tag_database.

- c. Choose **Action** and **Grant**.
- d. Under **Principals**, select **IAM users and roles**.
- e. For **IAM users and roles**, choose lf-data-analyst.
- f. Select **Resources matched by LF-Tags**.
- g. Choose **Add LF-tag**.
- h. For **Key**, choose Confidential.
- i. For **Values**, choose False.
- j. Choose **Add LF-tag**.
- k. For **Key**, choose Sensitive.
- l. For **Values**, choose True.
- m. For **Database permissions**, select Describe.
- n. For **Table permissions**, select Select and Describe.
- o. Choose **Grant**.

Step 5: Run a query in Amazon Athena to verify the permissions

For this step, use Amazon Athena to run SELECT queries against the two tables (source_data and source_data_col_lvl1). Use the Amazon S3 path as the query result location (s3://lf-tagbased-demo-*Account-ID*/athena-results/).

1. Sign into the Athena console at <https://console.aws.amazon.com/athena/> as lf-data-analyst.
2. In the Athena query editor, choose tag_database in the left panel.
3. Choose the additional menu options icon (three vertical dots) next to source_data and choose **Preview table**.
4. Choose **Run query**.

The query should take a few minutes to run. The query displays all the columns in the output because the LF-tag is associated at the database level and the source_data table automatically inherited the LF-tag from the database tag_database.

5. Run another query using col_tag_database and source_data_col_lvl1.

The second query returns the two columns that were tagged as Non-Confidential and Sensitive.

6. You can also check to see the Lake Formation tag-based access policy behavior on columns to which you do not have policy grants. When an untagged column is selected from the table `source_data_col_lvl1`, Athena returns an error. For example, you can run the following query to choose untagged columns `geolocationid`:

```
SELECT geolocationid FROM "col_tag_database"."source_data_col_lvl1" limit 10;
```

Step 6: Clean up AWS resources

To prevent unwanted charges to your AWS account, you can delete the AWS resources that you used for this tutorial.

1. Sign into Lake Formation console as `lf-data-engineer` and delete the databases `tag_database` and `col_tag_database`.
2. Next, sign in as `lf-data-steward` and clean up all the **LF-tag Permissions**, **Data Permissions** and **Data Location Permissions** that were granted above that were granted `lf-data-engineer` and `lf-data-analyst`.
3. Sign into the Amazon S3 console as the account owner using the IAM credentials you used to deploy the AWS CloudFormation stack.
4. Delete the following buckets:
 - `lf-tagbased-demo-accesslogs-acct-id`
 - `lf-tagbased-demo-acct-id`
5. Sign into AWS CloudFormation console at <https://console.aws.amazon.com/cloudformation>, and delete the stack you created. Wait for the stack status to change to `DELETE_COMPLETE`.

Securing data lakes with row-level access control

AWS Lake Formation row-level permissions allow you to provide access to specific rows in a table based on data compliance and governance policies. If you have large tables storing billions of records, you need a way to enable different users and teams to access only the data they are allowed to see. Row-level access control is a simple and performant way to protect data, while giving users access to the data they need to perform their job. Lake Formation provides centralized auditing and compliance reporting by identifying which principals accessed what data, when, and through which services.

In this tutorial, you learn how row-level access controls work in Lake Formation, and how to set them up.

This tutorial includes an AWS CloudFormation template for quickly set up the required resources. You can review and customize it to suit your needs.

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Intended audience

This tutorial is intended for data stewards, data engineers, and data analysts. The following table lists the roles and responsibilities of a data owner and a data consumer.

Role	Description
IAM Administrator	A user who can create users and roles and Amazon Simple Storage Service (Amazon S3) buckets. Has the AdministratorAccess AWS managed policy.
Data lake administrator	A user responsible for setting up the data lake, creating data filters, and granting permissions to data analysts.
Data analyst	A user who can run queries against the data lake. Data analysts residing in different countries (for our use case, the US and Japan) can only analyze product reviews for customers located in their own country and

Role	Description
	for compliance reasons, should not be able to see customer data located in other countries.

Prerequisites

Before you start this tutorial, you must have an AWS account that you can use to sign in as an administrative user with correct permissions. For more information, see [Complete initial AWS configuration tasks](#).

The tutorial assumes that you are familiar with IAM. For information about IAM, see the [IAM User Guide](#).

Change Lake Formation settings

Important

Before launching the AWS CloudFormation template, disable the option **Use only IAM access control for new databases/tables** in Lake Formation by following the steps below:

1. Sign into the Lake Formation console at <https://console.aws.amazon.com/lakeformation/> in the US East (N. Virginia) region or US West (Oregon) region.
2. Under Data Catalog, choose **Settings**.
3. Deselect **Use only IAM access control for new databases** and **Use only IAM access control for new tables in new databases**.
4. Choose **Save**.

Step 1: Provision your resources

This tutorial includes an AWS CloudFormation template for a quick setup. You can review and customize it to suit your needs. The AWS CloudFormation template generates the following resources:

- Users and policies for:
 - DataLakeAdmin

- DataAnalystUS
- DataAnalystJP
- Lake Formation data lake settings and permissions
- A Lambda function (for Lambda-backed AWS CloudFormation custom resources) used to copy sample data files from the public Amazon S3 bucket to your Amazon S3 bucket
- An Amazon S3 bucket to serve as our data lake
- An AWS Glue Data Catalog database, table, and partition

Create your resources

Follow these steps to create your resources using the AWS CloudFormation template.

1. Sign into the AWS CloudFormation console at <https://console.aws.amazon.com/cloudformation> in the US East (N. Virginia) region.
2. Choose [Launch Stack](#).
3. Choose **Next** on the **Create stack** screen.
4. Enter a **Stack name**.
5. For **DatalakeAdminUserName** and **DatalakeAdminUserPassword**, enter your IAM user name and password for data lake admin user.
6. For **DataAnalystUsUserName** and **DataAnalystUsUserPassword**, enter the user name and password for user name and password you want for the data analyst user who is responsible for the US marketplace.
7. For **DataAnalystJpUserName** and **DataAnalystJpUserPassword**, enter the user name and password for user name and password you want for the data analyst user who is responsible for the Japanese marketplace.
8. For **DataLakeBucketName**, enter the name of your data bucket.
9. For **DatabaseName**, and **TableName** leave as the default.
10. Choose **Next**
11. On the next page, choose **Next**.
12. Review the details on the final page and select **I acknowledge that AWS CloudFormation might create IAM resources**.
13. Choose **Create**.

The stack creation can take one minute to complete.

Step 2: Query without data filters

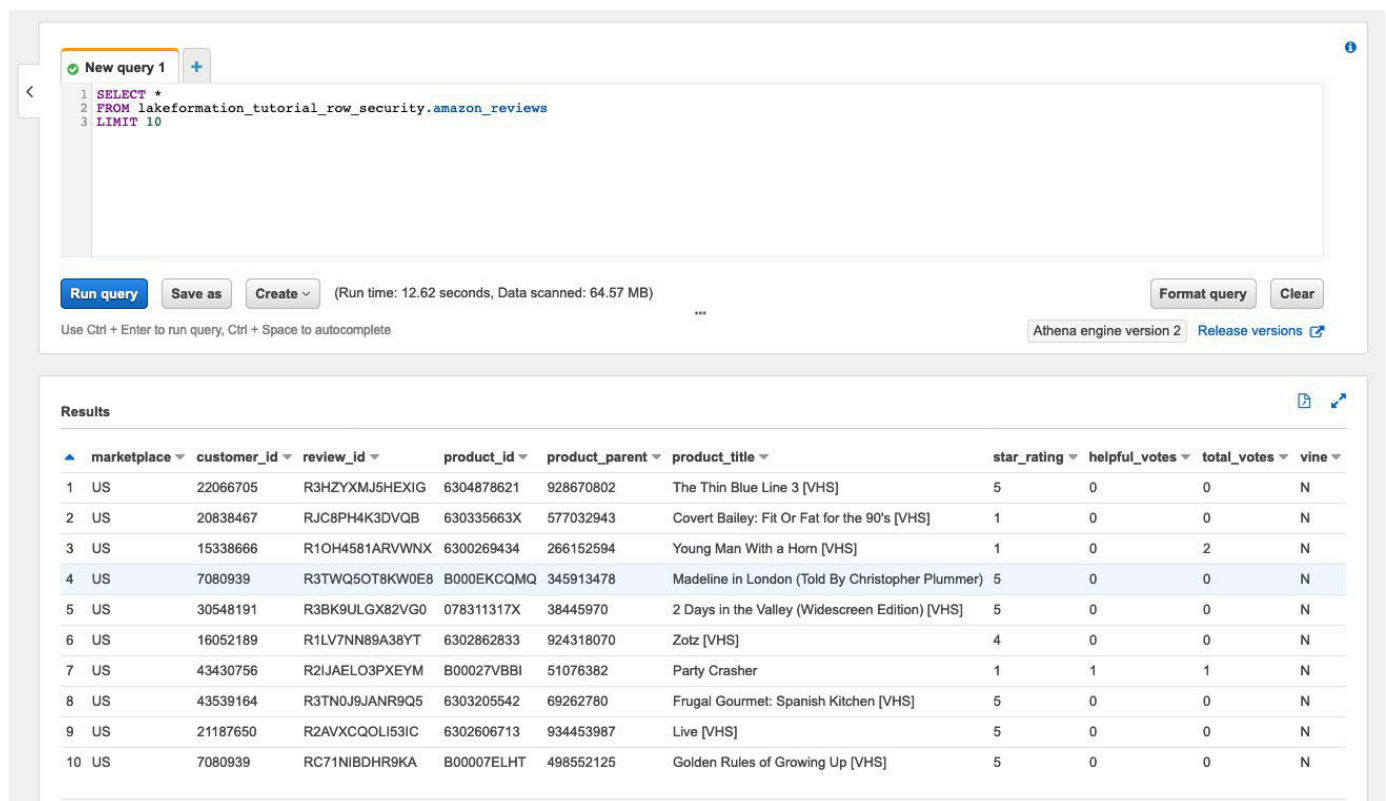
After you set up the environment, you can query the product reviews table. First query the table without row-level access controls to make sure you can see the data. If you are running queries in Amazon Athena for the first time, you need to configure the query result location.

Query the table without row-level access control

1. Sign into Athena console at <https://console.aws.amazon.com/athena/> as the DataLakeAdmin user, and run the following query:

```
SELECT *
FROM lakeformation_tutorial_row_security.amazon_reviews
LIMIT 10
```

The following screenshot shows the query result. This table has only one partition, `product_category=Video`, so each record is a review comment for a video product.



The screenshot displays the Athena console interface. At the top, a query editor shows the SQL query: `SELECT * FROM lakeformation_tutorial_row_security.amazon_reviews LIMIT 10`. Below the editor, the 'Run query' button is highlighted. The console indicates a run time of 12.62 seconds and 64.57 MB of data scanned. Below the query editor, the 'Results' section shows a table with 10 rows of data. The table columns are: marketplace, customer_id, review_id, product_id, product_parent, product_title, star_rating, helpful_votes, total_votes, and vine. The data includes reviews for products like 'The Thin Blue Line 3 [VHS]', 'Covert Bailey: Fit Or Fat for the 90's [VHS]', and 'Young Man With a Horn [VHS]'.

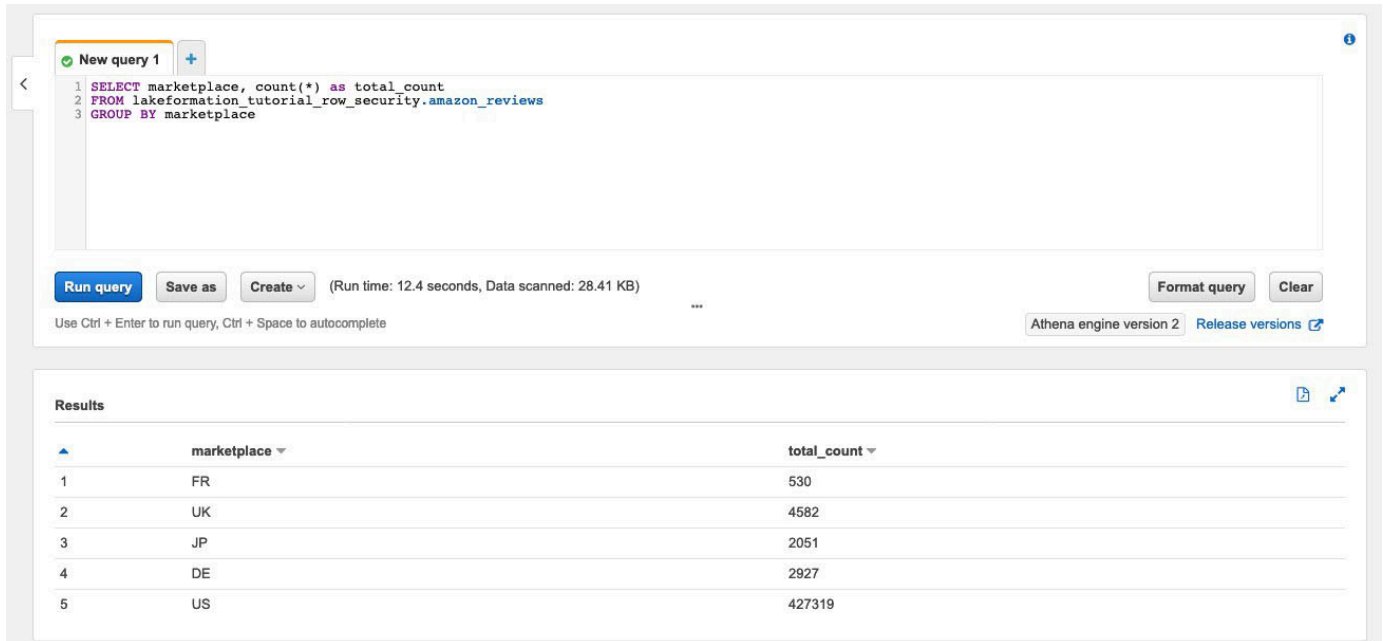
	marketplace	customer_id	review_id	product_id	product_parent	product_title	star_rating	helpful_votes	total_votes	vine
1	US	22066705	R3HZYXMJ5HEXIG	6304878621	928670802	The Thin Blue Line 3 [VHS]	5	0	0	N
2	US	20838467	RJC8PH4K3DVQB	630335663X	577032943	Covert Bailey: Fit Or Fat for the 90's [VHS]	1	0	0	N
3	US	15338666	R1OH4581ARVWNX	6300269434	266152594	Young Man With a Horn [VHS]	1	0	2	N
4	US	7080939	R3TWQ50T8KW0E8	B000EKCQMQ	345913478	Madeline in London (Told By Christopher Plummer)	5	0	0	N
5	US	30548191	R3BK9ULGX82VGO	078311317X	38445970	2 Days in the Valley (Widescreen Edition) [VHS]	5	0	0	N
6	US	16052189	R1LV7NN89A38YT	6302862833	924318070	Zotz [VHS]	4	0	0	N
7	US	43430756	R2IJAELO3PXEYM	B00027VBBI	51076382	Party Crasher	1	1	1	N
8	US	43539164	R3TN0J9JANR9Q5	6303205542	69262780	Frugal Gourmet: Spanish Kitchen [VHS]	5	0	0	N
9	US	21187650	R2AVXCQOLI53IC	6302606713	934453987	Live [VHS]	5	0	0	N
10	US	7080939	RC71NIBDHR9KA	B00007ELHT	498552125	Golden Rules of Growing Up [VHS]	5	0	0	N

2. Next, run an aggregation query to retrieve the total number of records per marketplace.

```
SELECT marketplace, count(*) as total_count
FROM lakeformation_tutorial_row_security.amazon_reviews
```

```
GROUP BY marketplace
```

The following screenshot shows the query result. The marketplace column has five different values. In the subsequent steps, you will set up row-based filters using the marketplace column.



The screenshot displays the AWS Lake Formation console interface. At the top, a query editor shows the following SQL query:

```
1 SELECT marketplace, count(*) as total_count
2 FROM lakeformation_tutorial_row_security.amazon_reviews
3 GROUP BY marketplace
```

Below the query editor, there are buttons for "Run query", "Save as", and "Create". The status bar indicates "(Run time: 12.4 seconds, Data scanned: 28.41 KB)". There are also buttons for "Format query" and "Clear".

The "Results" section shows a table with the following data:

	marketplace	total_count
1	FR	530
2	UK	4582
3	JP	2051
4	DE	2927
5	US	427319

Step 3: Set up data filters and grant permissions

This tutorial uses two data analysts: one responsible for the US marketplace and another for the Japanese marketplace. Each analyst uses Athena to analyze customer reviews for their specific marketplace only. Create two different data filters, one for the analyst responsible for the US marketplace, and another for the one responsible for the Japanese marketplace. Then, grant the analysts their respective permissions.

Create data filters and grant permissions

1. Create a filter to restrict access to the US marketplace data.
 - a. Sign into the Lake Formation console at <https://console.aws.amazon.com/lakeformation/> in US East (N. Virginia) region as the DataLakeAdmin user.
 - b. Choose **Data filters**.
 - c. Choose **Create new filter**.
 - d. For **Data filter name**, enter `amazon_reviews_US`.

- e. For **Target database**, choose the database `lakeformation_tutorial_row_security`.
 - f. For **Target table**, choose the table `amazon_reviews`.
 - g. For **Column-level access**, leave as the default.
 - h. For **Row filter expression**, enter `marketplace='US'`.
 - i. Choose **Create filter**.
2. Create a filter to restrict access to the Japanese marketplace data.
 - a. On the **Data filters** page, choose **Create new filter**.
 - b. For **Data filter name**, enter `amazon_reviews_JP`.
 - c. For **Target database**, choose the database `lakeformation_tutorial_row_security`.
 - d. For **Target table**, choose the table `amazon_reviews`.
 - e. For **Column-level access**, leave as the default.
 - f. For **Row filter expression**, enter `marketplace='JP'`.
 - g. Choose **Create filter**.
 3. Next, grant permissions to the data analysts using these data filters. Follow these steps to grant permissions to the US data analyst (`DataAnalystUS`):
 - a. Under **Permissions**, choose **Data lake permissions**.
 - b. Under **Data permission**, choose **Grant**.
 - c. For **Principals**, choose **IAM users and roles**, and select the role `DataAnalystUS`.
 - d. For **LF tags or catalog resources**, choose **Named data catalog resources**.
 - e. For **Database**, choose `lakeformation_tutorial_row_security`.
 - f. For **Tables-optional**, choose `amazon_reviews`.
 - g. For **Data filters – optional**, select `amazon_reviews_US`.
 - h. For **Data filter permissions**, select **Select**.
 - i. Choose **Grant**.
 4. Follow these steps to grant permissions to the Japanese data analyst (`DataAnalystJP`):
 - a. Under **Permissions**, choose **Data lake permissions**.
 - b. Under **Data permission**, choose **Grant**.
 - c. For **Principals**, choose **IAM users and roles**, and select the role `DataAnalystJP`.
 - d. For **LF tags or catalog resources**, choose **Named data catalog resources**.

- e. For **Database**, choose `lakeformation_tutorial_row_security`.
- f. For **Tables-optional**, choose `amazon_reviews`.
- g. For **Data filters – optional**, select `amazon_reviews_JP`.
- h. For **Data filter permissions**, select **Select**.
- i. Choose **Grant**.

Step 4: Query with data filters

With the data filters attached to the product reviews table, run some queries and see how permissions are enforced by Lake Formation.

1. Sign into the Athena console at <https://console.aws.amazon.com/athena/> as the `DataAnalystUS` user.
2. Run the following query to retrieve a few records, which are filtered based on the row-level permissions we defined:

```
SELECT *
FROM lakeformation_tutorial_row_security.amazon_reviews
LIMIT 10
```

The following screenshot shows the query result.

The screenshot shows the AWS Athena console interface. At the top, there are tabs for 'New query 1' and 'New query 2'. The query editor contains the following SQL code:

```
1 SELECT *
2 FROM lakeformation_tutorial_row_security.amazon_reviews
3 LIMIT 10
```

Below the query editor, there are buttons for 'Run query', 'Save as', and 'Create'. A status bar indicates '(Run time: 11.9 seconds, Data scanned: 0 KB)'. There are also buttons for 'Format query' and 'Clear'. At the bottom right, it says 'Athena engine version 2' and 'Release versions'.

The 'Results' section shows a table with 10 rows of data. The columns are: marketplace, customer_id, review_id, product_id, product_parent, product_title, star_rating, helpful_votes, total_votes, vine, verified_purchase, and review_text. The first row is for marketplace 'US' and product 'The Notebook [VHS]'.

marketplace	customer_id	review_id	product_id	product_parent	product_title	star_rating	helpful_votes	total_votes	vine	verified_purchase	review_text
US	43836277	R2NUBTTUO60VYU	B00068S41I	653409458	The Notebook [VHS]	4	0	0	N	Y	KL
US	20261976	R2QTOLZUQERU5B	6303060013	176265879	American Cyborg: Steel Warrior [VHS]	5	0	1	N	Y	it
US	15947067	R1PHKR75RKZNSU	6303927319	850909689	Biography - Darryl Zanuck [VHS]	5	0	0	N	N	G
US	19288153	R1BL2WVE5X34UN	6304032153	479446069	Timon & Pumbaa: Quit Buggin Me [VHS]	5	0	0	N	N	FI
US	19712967	R2DKOCIBS5FSP7	0784017743	35164822	Denise Austin - Hit the Spot: Arms & Bust [VHS]	5	0	0	N	Y	G
US	51047097	R2XF5HQATT4IVR	0793960142	233936597	I Love Lucy - Lucy's Italian Movie/Ballet [VHS]	5	0	0	N	N	FI
US	43836277	R2NUBTTUO60VYU	B00068S41I	653409458	The Notebook [VHS]	4	0	0	N	Y	KL
US	51047097	R1C0H0G6NATZXO	6304872585	233936597	I Love Lucy: Lucy Meets Superman/Freez [VHS]	5	0	1	N	N	FI
US	42808630	R2HXW7UD4IGZLN	6303060013	176265879	American Cyborg: Steel Warrior [VHS]	5	0	1	N	Y	M
US	11682952	R18IURLUPYI4DP	6302993717	42308924	Songs of Christmas [VHS]	1	0	0	N	Y	R

- Similarly, run a query to count the total number of records per marketplace.

```
SELECT marketplace , count ( * ) as total_count
FROM lakeformation_tutorial_row_security .amazon_reviews
GROUP BY marketplace
```

The query result only shows the marketplace US in the results. This is because the user is only allowed to see rows where the marketplace column value is equal to US.

- Switch to the DataAnalystJP user and run the same query.

```
SELECT *
FROM lakeformation_tutorial_row_security.amazon_reviews
LIMIT 10
```

The query result shows only the records belong to the JP marketplace.

- Run the query to count the total number of records per marketplace.

```
SELECT marketplace, count(*) as total_count
FROM lakeformation_tutorial_row_security.amazon_reviews
GROUP BY marketplace
```

The query result shows only the row belonging to the JP marketplace.

Step 5: Clean up AWS resources

Clean up resources

To prevent unwanted charges to your AWS account, you can delete the AWS resources that you used for this tutorial.

- [Delete the cloud formation stack.](#)

Sharing a data lake using Lake Formation tag-based access control and named resources

This tutorial demonstrates how you can configure AWS Lake Formation to securely share data stored within a data lake with multiple companies, organizations, or business units, without having to copy the entire database. There are two options to share your databases and tables with another AWS account by using Lake Formation cross-account access control:

- **Lake Formation tag-based access control (recommended)**

Lake Formation tag-based access control is an authorization strategy that defines permissions based on attributes. In Lake Formation, these attributes are called *LF-Tags*. For more details, refer to [Managing a data lake using Lake Formation tag-based access control](#).

- **Lake Formation named resources**

The Lake Formation named resource method is an authorization strategy that defines permissions for resources. Resources include databases, tables, and columns. Data lake administrators can assign and revoke permissions on Lake Formation resources. For more details, refer to [Cross-account data sharing in Lake Formation](#).

We recommend using named resources if the data lake administrator prefers granting permissions explicitly to individual resources. When you use the named resource method to grant Lake Formation permissions on a Data Catalog resource to an external account, Lake Formation uses AWS Resource Access Manager (AWS RAM) to share the resource.

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Intended audience

This tutorial is intended for data stewards, data engineers, and data analysts. When it comes to sharing Data Catalog tables from AWS Glue and administering permission in Lake Formation, data stewards within the producing accounts have functional ownership based on the functions they support, and can grant access to various consumers, external organizations, and accounts. The following table lists the roles that are used in this tutorial:

Role	Description
DataLakeAdminProducer	<p>The data lake admin IAM user has the following access:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Full read, write, and update access to all resources in the Data Catalog • Ability to grant permissions to resources • Can create resource links for the shared table • Can attach LF-Tags to resources, which provides access to principals based on any policies created by data stewards
DataLakeAdminConsumer	<p>The data lake admin IAM user has the following access:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Full read, write, and update access to all resources in the Data Catalog • Ability to grant permissions to resources

Role	Description
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Can create resource links for the shared table • Can attach LF-Tags to resources, which provides access to principals based on any policies created by data stewards
DataAnalyst	<p>The DataAnalyst user has the following access:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Fine-grained access to resources shared by Lake Formation tag-based access policies or using named resources method

Configure Lake Formation Data Catalog settings in the producer account

Before you start this tutorial, you must have an AWS account that you can use to sign in as an administrative user with correct permissions. For more information, see [Complete initial AWS configuration tasks](#).

The tutorial assumes that you are familiar with IAM. For information about IAM, see the [IAM User Guide](#).

Configure Lake Formation Data Catalog settings in the producer account

Note

In this tutorial, the account that has the source table is called the producer account, and the account that needs access to the source table is called a consumer account.

Lake Formation provides its own permission management model. To maintain backward compatibility with the IAM permission model, the `Super` permission is granted to the group `IAMAllowedPrincipals` on all existing AWS Glue Data Catalog resources by default. Also, **Use only IAM access control settings** are enabled for new Data Catalog resources. This tutorial uses fine grained access control using Lake Formation permissions and use IAM policies for coarse grained access control. See [Methods for fine-grained access control](#) for details. Therefore, before

you use an AWS CloudFormation template for a quick setup, you need to change Lake Formation Data Catalog settings in the producer account.

⚠ Important

This setting affects all newly created databases and tables, so we strongly recommend completing this tutorial in a non-production account or in a new account. Also, if you are using a shared account (such as your company's development account), make sure it does not affect others resources. If you prefer to keep the default security settings, you must complete an extra step when sharing resources to other accounts, in which you revoke the default **Super** permission from `IAMAllowedPrincipals` on the database or table. We discuss the details later in this tutorial.

To configure Lake Formation Data Catalog settings in the producer account, complete the following steps:

1. Sign into the AWS Management Console using the producer account as an admin user, or as a user with Lake Formation `PutDataLakeSettings` API permission.
2. On the Lake Formation console, in the navigation pane, under **Data Catalog**, choose **Settings**.
3. Deselect **Use only IAM access control for new databases** and **Use only IAM access control for new tables in new databases**

Choose **Save**.

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Data catalog settings

Default permissions for newly created databases and tables

These settings maintain existing AWS Glue Data Catalog behavior. You can still set individual permissions on databases and tables, which will take effect when you revoke the Super permission from IAMAllowedPrincipals. See [Changing Default Settings for Your Data Lake](#).

- Use only IAM access control for new databases
- Use only IAM access control for new tables in new databases

Default permissions for AWS CloudTrail

These settings specify the information being shown in AWS CloudTrail.

Resource owners

Enter resource owners you wish to share your CloudTrail access details with.

Enter one or more AWS account IDs. Press Enter after each ID.

Cancel **Save**

Additionally, you can remove `CREATE_DATABASE` permissions for `IAMAllowedPrincipals` under **Administrative roles and tasks, Database creators**. Only then, you can govern who can create a new database through Lake Formation permissions.

Step 1: Provision your resources using AWS CloudFormation templates

The CloudFormation template for the producer account generates the following resources:

- An Amazon S3 bucket to serve as the data lake.
- A Lambda function (for Lambda-backed AWS CloudFormation custom resources). We use the function to copy sample data files from the public Amazon S3 bucket to your Amazon S3 bucket.
- IAM users and policies: `DataLakeAdminProducer`.
- The appropriate Lake Formation settings and permissions including:
 - Defining the Lake Formation data lake administrator in the producer account

- Registering an Amazon S3 bucket as the Lake Formation data lake location (producer account)
- An AWS Glue Data Catalog database, table, and partition. Since there are two options for sharing resources across AWS accounts, this template creates two separate sets of database and table.

The AWS CloudFormation template for the consumer account generates the following resources:

- IAM users and policies:
 - DataLakeAdminConsumer
 - DataAnalyst
- An AWS Glue Data Catalog database. This database is for creating resource links to shared resources.

Create your resources in the producer account

1. Sign into the AWS CloudFormation console at <https://console.aws.amazon.com/cloudformation> in the US East (N. Virginia) region.
2. Choose [Launch Stack](#).
3. Choose **Next**.
4. For **Stack name**, enter a stack name, such as `stack-producer`.
5. In the **User Configuration** section, enter user name and password for `ProducerDataLakeAdminUserName` and `ProducerDataLakeAdminUserPassword`.
6. For **DataLakeBucketName**, enter the name of your data lake bucket. This name needs to be globally unique.
7. For **DatabaseName** and **TableName**, leave the default values.
8. Choose **Next**.
9. On the next page, choose **Next**.
10. Review the details on the final page and select **I acknowledge that AWS CloudFormation might create IAM resources**.
11. Choose **Create**.

The stack creation can take up to one minute.

Create your resources in the consumer account

1. Sign into the AWS CloudFormation console at <https://console.aws.amazon.com/cloudformation> in the US East (N. Virginia) region.
2. Choose [Launch Stack](#).
3. Choose **Next**.
4. For **Stack name**, enter a stack name, such as `stack-consumer`.
5. In the **User Configuration** section, enter user name and password for `ConsumerDataLakeAdminUserName` and `ConsumerDataLakeAdminUserPassword`.
6. For `DataAnalystUserName` and `DataAnalystUserPassword`, enter the user name and password you want for the data analyst IAM user.
7. For **DataLakeBucketName**, enter the name of your data lake bucket. This name needs to be globally unique.
8. For **DatabaseName**, leave the default values.
9. For `AthenaQueryResultS3BucketName`, enter the name of the Amazon S3 bucket that stores Amazon Athena query results. If you don't have one, [create an Amazon S3 bucket](#).
10. Choose **Next**.
11. On the next page, choose **Next**.
12. Review the details on the final page and select **I acknowledge that AWS CloudFormation might create IAM resources**.
13. Choose **Create**.

The stack creation can take up to one minutes.

Note

After completing the tutorial, delete the stack in AWS CloudFormation to avoid incurring charges. Verify that the resources are successfully deleted in the event status for the stack.

Step 2: Lake Formation cross-account sharing prerequisites

Before sharing resources with Lake Formation, there are prerequisites for both the tag-based access control method and named resource method.

Complete tag-based access control cross-account data sharing prerequisites

- For more information on cross-account data sharing requirements, see the [Prerequisites](#) section in the Cross-account data sharing chapter.

To share Data Catalog resources with version 3 or above of the **Cross account version settings**, the grantor requires to have the IAM permissions defined in the AWS managed policy `AWSLakeFormationCrossAccountManager` in your account.

If you are using version 1 or version 2 of the **Cross account version settings**, before you can use the tag-based access control method to grant cross-account access to resources, you must add the following JSON permissions object to the Data Catalog resource policy in the producer account. This gives the consumer account permission to access the Data Catalog when `glue:EvaluatedByLakeFormationTags` is true. Also, this condition becomes true for resources on which you granted permission using Lake Formation permission tags to the consumer's account. This policy is required for every AWS account to which you are granting permissions.

The following policy must be within a Statement element. We discuss the full IAM policy in the next section.

```
{
  "Effect": "Allow",
  "Action": [
    "glue:*"
  ],
  "Principal": {
    "AWS": [
      "consumer-account-id"
    ]
  },
  "Resource": [
    "arn:aws:glue:region:account-id:table/*",
    "arn:aws:glue:region:account-id:database/*",
    "arn:aws:glue:region:account-id:catalog"
  ],
  "Condition": {
    "Bool": {
      "glue:EvaluatedByLakeFormationTags": true
    }
  }
}
```

```
}
```

Complete named resource method cross-account sharing prerequisites

1. If there is no Data Catalog resource policy in your account, the Lake Formation cross-account grants that you make proceed as usual. However, if a Data Catalog resource policy exists, you must add the following statement to it to permit your cross-account grants to succeed if they're made with the named resource method. If you plan to use only the named resource method, or only the tag-based access control method, you can skip this step. In this tutorial, we evaluate both methods, and we need to add the following policy.

The following policy must be within a Statement element. We discuss the full IAM policy in the next section.

```
{
  "Effect": "Allow",
  "Action": [
    "glue:ShareResource"
  ],
  "Principal": {
    "Service": "ram.amazonaws.com"
  },
  "Resource": [
    "arn:aws:glue:region:account-id:table/*/*",
    "arn:aws:glue:region:account-id:database/*",
    "arn:aws:glue:region:account-id:catalog"
  ]
}
```

2. Next, add the AWS Glue Data Catalog resource policy using the AWS Command Line Interface (AWS CLI).

If you grant cross-account permissions by using both the tag-based access control method and named resource method, you must set the `EnableHybrid` argument to 'true' when adding the preceding policies. Because this option is not currently supported on the console, and you must use the `glue:PutResourcePolicy` API and AWS CLI.

First, create a policy document (such as policy.json) and add the preceding two policies. Replace *consumer-account-id* with the *account ID* of the AWS account receiving the grant, *region* with the Region of the Data Catalog containing the databases and tables that you are granting permissions on, and *account-id* with the producer AWS account ID.

```
{
  "Version": "2012-10-17",
  "Statement": [
    {
      "Effect": "Allow",
      "Principal": {
        "Service": "ram.amazonaws.com"
      },
      "Action": "glue:ShareResource",
      "Resource": [
        "arn:aws:glue:region:account-id:table/*/*",
        "arn:aws:glue:region:account-id:database/*",
        "arn:aws:glue:region:account-id:catalog"
      ]
    },
    {
      "Effect": "Allow",
      "Principal": {
        "AWS": "region:account-id"
      },
      "Action": "glue:*",
      "Resource": [
        "arn:aws:glue:region:account-id:table/*/*",
        "arn:aws:glue:region:account-id:database/*",
        "arn:aws:glue:region:account-id:catalog"
      ],
      "Condition": {
        "Bool": {
          "glue:EvaluatedByLakeFormationTags": "true"
        }
      }
    }
  ]
}
```

Enter the following AWS CLI command. Replace *glue-resource-policy* with the correct values (such as `file://policy.json`).

```
aws glue put-resource-policy --policy-in-json glue-resource-policy --enable-hybrid
TRUE
```

For more information, see [put-resource-policy](#).

Step 3: Implement cross-account sharing using the tag-based access control method

In this section, we walk you through the following high-level steps:

1. Define an LF-Tag.
2. Assign the LF-Tag to the target resource.
3. Grant LF-Tag permissions to the consumer account.
4. Grant data permissions to the consumer account.
5. Optionally, revoke permissions for `IAMAllowedPrincipals` on the database, tables, and columns.
6. Create a resource link to the shared table.
7. Create an LF-Tag and assign it to the target database.
8. Grant LF-Tag data permissions to the consumer account.

Define an LF-Tag

Note

If you are signed in to your producer account, sign out before completing the following steps.

1. Sign into the producer account as the data lake administrator at <https://console.aws.amazon.com/lakeformation/>. Use the producer account number, IAM user name (the default is `DataLakeAdminProducer`), and password that you specified during AWS CloudFormation stack creation.

2. On the Lake Formation console (<https://console.aws.amazon.com/lakeformation/>), in the navigation pane, under **Permissions**, choose **LF-Tags and Permissions**.
3. Choose **Add LF-Tag**.

Assign the LF-Tag to the target resource

Assign the LF-Tag to the target resource and grant data permissions to another account

As a data lake administrator, you can attach tags to resources. If you plan to use a separate role, you may have to grant describe and attach permissions to the separate role.

1. In the navigation pane, under **Data Catalog**, select **Databases**.
2. Select the target database (lakeformation_tutorial_cross_account_database_tbac) and on the **Actions** menu, choose **Edit LF-Tags**.

For this tutorial, you assign an LF-Tag to a database, but you can also assign LF-Tags to tables and columns.

3. Choose **Assign new LF-Tag**.
4. Add the key Confidentiality and value public.
5. Choose **Save**.

Grant LF-Tag permission to the consumer account

Still in the producer account, grant permissions to the consumer account to access the LF-Tag.

1. In the navigation pane, under **Permissions**, choose **LF-Tags and permissions**.
2. Choose the **LF-Tags** tab, and choose the **key** and **values** of the LF-Tag that is being shared with the consumer account (**key** Confidentiality and **value** public).
3. Choose **Grant permissions**.
4. For **Permission type**, choose **LF-Tag key-value pair permissions**.
5. For **Principals**, choose **External accounts**.
6. Enter the target **AWS account ID**.

AWS accounts within the same organization appear automatically. Otherwise, you have to manually enter the AWS account ID.

7. Under **Permissions**, select **Describe**.

This is the permissions given to the consumer account. Grantable permissions are permissions that the consumer account can grant to other principals.

8. Choose **Grant**.

At this point, the consumer data lake administrator should be able to find the policy tag being shared via the consumer account Lake Formation console, under **Permissions, LF-Tags and permissions**.

Grant data permission to the consumer account

We will now provide data access to the consumer account by specifying an LF-Tag expression and granting the consumer account access to any table or database that matches the expression..

1. In the navigation pane, under **Permissions,Data lake permissions**, choose **Grant**.
2. For **Principals**, choose **External accounts**, and enter the target AWS account ID.
3. For **LF-Tags or catalog resources**, choose the **key** and **values** of the **LF-Tag** that is being shared with the consumer account (**key** Confidentiality and **value** public).
4. For **Permissions**, under **Resources matched by LF-Tags (recommended)** choose **Add LF-Tag**.
5. Select the **key** and **value** of the tag that is being shared with the consumer account (key Confidentiality and value public).
6. For **Database permissions**, select **Describe** under **Database permissions** to grant access permissions at the database level.
7. The consumer data lake administrator should be able to find the policy tag being shared via the consumer account on the Lake Formation console at <https://console.aws.amazon.com/lakeformation/>, under **Permissions, Administrative roles and tasks, LF-Tags**.
8. Select **Describe** under **Grantable permissions** so the consumer account can grant database-level permissions to its users.
9. For **Table and column permissions**, select **Select** and **Describe** under **Table permissions**.
10. Select **Select** and **Describe** under **Grantable permissions**.
11. Choose **Grant**.

Revoke permission for IAMAllowedPrincipals on the database, tables, and columns (Optional).

At the very beginning of this tutorial, you changed the Lake Formation Data Catalog settings. If you skipped that part, this step is required. If you changed your Lake Formation Data Catalog settings, you can skip this step.

In this step, we need to revoke the default **Super** permission from IAMAllowedPrincipals on the database or table. See [Step 4: Switch your data stores to the Lake Formation permissions model](#) for details.

Before revoking permission for IAMAllowedPrincipals, make sure that you granted existing IAM principals with necessary permission through Lake Formation. This includes three steps:

1. Add IAM permission to the target IAM user or role with the Lake Formation GetDataAccess action (with IAM policy).
2. Grant the target IAM user or role with Lake Formation data permissions (alter, select, and so on).
3. Then, revoke permissions for IAMAllowedPrincipals. Otherwise, after revoking permissions for IAMAllowedPrincipals, existing IAM principals may no longer be able to access the target database or Data Catalog.

Revoking **Super** permission for IAMAllowedPrincipals is required when you want to apply the Lake Formation permission model (instead of the IAM policy model) to manage user access within a single account or among multiple accounts using the Lake Formation permission model. You do not have to revoke permission of IAMAllowedPrincipals for other tables where you want to keep the traditional IAM policy model.

At this point, the consumer account data lake administrator should be able to find the database and table being shared via the consumer account on the Lake Formation console at <https://console.aws.amazon.com/lakeformation/>, under **Data Catalog, databases**. If not, confirm if the following are properly configured:

1. The correct policy tag and values are assigned to the target databases and tables.
2. The correct tag permission and data permission are assigned to the consumer account.
3. Revoke the default super permission from IAMAllowedPrincipals on the database or table.

Create a resource link to the shared table

When a resource is shared between accounts, and the shared resources are not put in the consumer accounts' Data Catalog. To make them available, and query the underlying data of a shared table using services like Athena, we need to create a resource link to the shared table. A resource link is a Data Catalog object that is a link to a local or shared database or table. For details, see [Creating resource links](#). By creating a resource link, you can:

- Assign a different name to a database or table that aligns with your Data Catalog resource naming policies.
- Use services such as Athena and Redshift Spectrum to query shared databases or tables.

To create a resource link, complete the following steps:

1. If you are signed into your consumer account, sign out.
2. Sign in as the consumer account data lake administrator. Use the consumer account ID, IAM user name (default DatalakeAdminConsumer) and password that you specified during AWS CloudFormation stack creation.
3. On the Lake Formation console (<https://console.aws.amazon.com/lakeformation/>), in the navigation pane, under **Data Catalog, Databases**, choose the shared database `lakeformation_tutorial_cross_account_database_tbac`.

If you don't see the database, revisit the previous steps to see if everything is properly configured.

4. Choose **View Tables**.
5. Choose the shared table `amazon_reviews_table_tbac`.
6. On the **Actions** menu, choose **Create resource link**.
7. For **Resource link name**, enter a name (for this tutorial, `amazon_reviews_table_tbac_resource_link`).
8. Under **Database**, select the database that the resource link is created in (for this post, the AWS CloudFormation stack created the database `lakeformation_tutorial_cross_account_database_consumer`).
9. Choose **Create**.

The resource link appears under **Data catalog, Tables**.

Create an LF-tag and assign it to the target database

Lake Formation tags reside in the same Data Catalog as the resources. This means that tags created in the producer account are not available to use when granting access to the resource links in the consumer account. You need to create a separate set of LF-tags in the consumer account to use LF tag-based access control when sharing the resource links in the consumer account.

1. Define the LF-tag in the consumer account. For this tutorial, we use key `Division` and values `sales`, `marketing`, and `analyst`.
2. Assign the LF-tag key `Division` and value `analyst` to the database `lakeformation_tutorial_cross_account_database_consumer`, where the resource link is created.

Grant LF-tag data permission to the consumer

As a final step, grant LF-tag data permission to the consumer.

1. In the navigation pane, under **Permissions, Data lake permissions**, choose **Grant**.
2. For **Principals**, choose **IAM users and roles**, and choose the user `DataAnalyst`.
3. For **LF-tags or catalog resources**, choose **Resources matched by LF-Tags** (recommended).
4. Choose **key** `Division` and **value** `analyst`.
5. For **Database permissions**, select **Describe** under **Database permissions**.
6. For **Table and column permissions**, select **Select** and **Describe** under **Table permissions**.
7. Choose **Grant**.
8. Repeat these steps for user `DataAnalyst`, where the LF-Tag key is `Confidentiality` and value is `public`.

At this point, the data analyst user in the consumer account should be able to find the database and resource link, and query the shared table via the Athena console at <https://console.aws.amazon.com/athena/>. If not, confirm if the following are properly configured:

- The resource link is created for the shared table
- You granted the user access to the LF-Tag shared by the producer account
- You granted the user access to the LF-Tag associated to the resource link and database that the resource link is created in

- Check if you assigned the correct LF-Tag to the resource link, and to the database that the resource link is created in

Step 4: Implement the named resource method

To use the named resource method, we walk you through the following high-level steps:

1. Optionally, revoke permission for `IAMAllowedPrincipals` on the database, tables, and columns.
2. Grant data permission to the consumer account.
3. Accept a resource share from AWS Resource Access Manager.
4. Create a resource link for the shared table.
5. Grant data permission for the shared table to the consumer.
6. Grant data permission for the resource link to the consumer.

Revoke permission for `IAMAllowedPrincipals` on the database, tables, and columns (Optional)

- At the very beginning of this tutorial, we changed Lake Formation Data Catalog settings. If you skipped that part, this step is required. For instructions, see the optional step in the previous section.

Grant data permission to the consumer account

1.

Note

If you're signed in to producer account as another user, sign out first.

Sign into the Lake Formation console at <https://console.aws.amazon.com/lakeformation/> using the producer account data lake administrator using the AWS account ID, IAM user name (default is `DataLakeAdminProducer`), and password specified during AWS CloudFormation stack creation.

2. On the **Permissions** page, under **Data lake Permissions** choose **Grant**.

3. Under **Principals**, choose **External accounts**, and enter one or more AWS account IDs or AWS organizations IDs. For more information see: [AWS Organizations](#).

Organizations that the producer account belongs to and AWS accounts within the same organization appear automatically. Otherwise, manually enter the account ID or organization ID.

4. For **LF-Tags or catalog resources**, choose Named data catalog resources.
5. Under **Databases**, choose the database `lakeformation_tutorial_cross_account_database_named_resource`.
6. Choose **Add LF-Tag**.
7. Under **Tables**, choose **All tables**.
8. For **Table column permissions**, choose **Select**, and **Describe** under **Table permissions**.
9. Select **Select** and **Describe**, under **Grantable Permissions**.
10. Optionally, for **Data permissions**, choose **Simple column-based access** if column-level permission management is required.
11. Choose **Grant**.

If you have not revoked permission for `IAMAllowedPrincipals`, you get a **Grant permissions failed** error. At this point, you should see the target table being shared via AWS RAM with the consumer account under **Permissions, Data permissions**.

Accept a resource share from AWS RAM

Note

This step is required only for AWS account-based sharing, not for organization-based sharing.

1. Sign into the AWS console at <https://console.aws.amazon.com/connect/> using the consumer account data lake administrator using the IAM user name (default is `DatalakeAdminConsumer`) and password specified during AWS CloudFormation stack creation.
2. On the AWS RAM console, in the navigation pane, under **Shared with me, Resource shares**, choose the shared Lake Formation resource. The **Status** should be **Pending**.
3. Choose **Action** and **Grant**.

4. Confirm the resource details, and choose **Accept resource share**.

At this point, the consumer account data lake administrator should be able to find the shared resource on the Lake Formation console (<https://console.aws.amazon.com/lakeformation/>) under **Data Catalog, Databases**.

Create a resource link for the shared table

- Follow the instructions in [Step 3: Implement cross-account sharing using the tag-based access control method](#) (step 6) to create a resource link for a shared table. Name the resource link `amazon_reviews_table_named_resource_resource_link`. Create the resource link in the database `lakeformation_tutorial_cross_account_database_consumer`.

Grant data permission for the shared table to the consumer

To grant data permission for the shared table to the consumer, complete the following steps:

- On the Lake Formation console (<https://console.aws.amazon.com/lakeformation/>), under **Permissions, Data lake permissions**, choose **Grant**.
- For **Principals**, choose **IAM users and roles**, and choose the user `DataAnalyst`.
- For **LF-Tags or catalog resources**, choose **Named data catalog resources**.
- Under **Databases**, choose the database `lakeformation_tutorial_cross_account_database_named_resource`. If you don't see the database on the drop-down list, choose **Load more**.
- Under **Tables**, choose the table `amazon_reviews_table_named_resource`.
- For **Table and column permissions**, select **Select** and **Describe** under **Table permissions**.
- Choose **Grant**.

Grant data permission for the resource link to the consumer

In addition to granting the data lake user permission to access the shared table, you also need to grant the data lake user permission to access the resource link.

- On the Lake Formation console (<https://console.aws.amazon.com/lakeformation/>), under **Permissions, Data lake permissions**, choose **Grant**.
- For **Principals**, choose **IAM users and roles**, and choose the user `DataAnalyst`.

3. For **LF-Tags or catalog resources**, choose **Named data catalog resources**.
4. Under **Databases**, choose the database `lakeformation_tutorial_cross_account_database_consumer`. If you don't see the database on the drop-down list, choose **Load more**.
5. Under **Tables**, choose the table `amazon_reviews_table_named_resource_resource_link`.
6. For **Resource link permissions**, select **Describe** under **Resource link permissions**.
7. Choose **Grant**.

At this point, the data analyst user in the consumer account should be able to find the database and resource link, and query the shared table via the Athena console.

If not, confirm if the following are properly configured:

- The resource link is created for the shared table
- You granted the user access to the table shared by the producer account
- You granted the user access to the resource link and database for which the resource link is created

Step 5: Clean up AWS resources

To prevent unwanted charges to your AWS account, you can delete the AWS resources that you used for this tutorial.

1. Sign into Lake Formation console at <https://console.aws.amazon.com/lakeformation/> using the producer account and delete or change the following:
 - AWS Resource Access Manager resource share
 - Lake Formation tags
 - AWS CloudFormation stack
 - Lake Formation settings
 - AWS Glue Data Catalog
2. Sign into Lake Formation console at <https://console.aws.amazon.com/lakeformation/> using the consumer account and delete or change the following:
 - Lake Formation tags

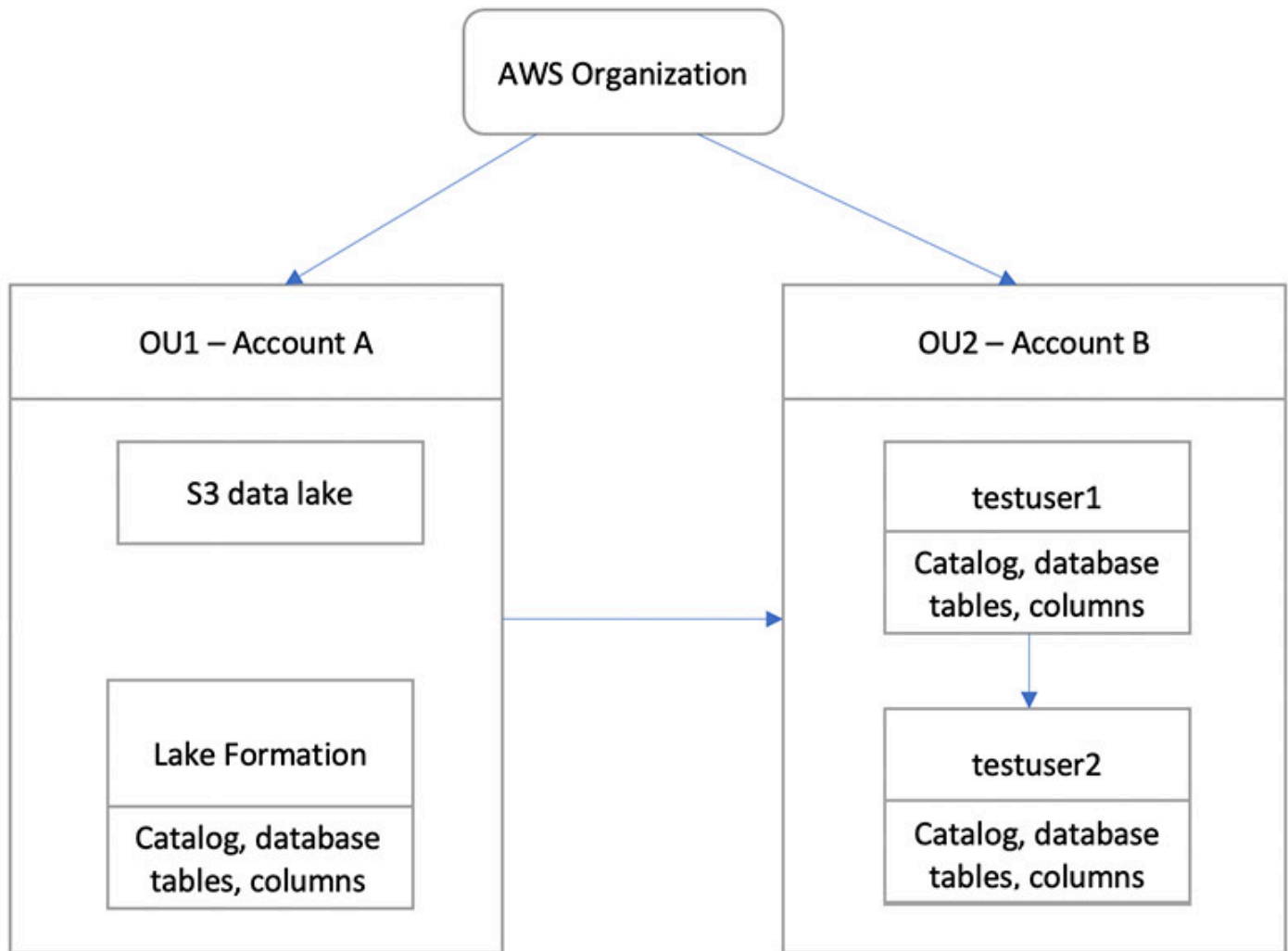
- AWS CloudFormation stack

Sharing a data lake using Lake Formation fine-grained access control

This tutorial provides step-by-step instructions on how you can quickly and easily share datasets using Lake Formation when managing multiple AWS accounts with AWS Organizations. You define granular permissions to control access to sensitive data.

The following procedures also show how a data lake administrator of Account A can provide fine-grained access for Account B, and how a user in Account B, acting as a data steward, can grant fine-grained access to the shared table for other users in their account. Data stewards within each account can independently delegate access to their own users, giving each team or lines of business (LOB) autonomy.

The use case assumes you are using AWS Organizations to manage your AWS accounts. The user of Account A in one organizational unit (OU1) grants access to users of Account B in OU2. You can use the same approach when not using Organizations, such as when you only have a few accounts. The following diagram illustrates the fine-grained access control of datasets in a data lake. The data lake is available in the Account A. The data lake administrator of Account A provides fine-grained access for Account B. The diagram also shows that a user of Account B provides column-level access of the Account A data lake table to another user in Account B.



Topics

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- [Step 2: Provide fine-grained access to a user in the same account](#)

Intended audience

This tutorial is intended for data stewards, data engineers, and data analysts. The following table lists the roles that are used in this tutorial:

Role	Description
IAM administrator	User who has the AWS managed policy: <code>AdministratorAccess</code> .
Data lake administrator	User who has the AWS managed policy: <code>AWSLakeFormationDataAdmin</code> attached to the role.
Data analyst	User who has the AWS managed policy: <code>AmazonAthenaFullAccess</code> attached.

Prerequisites

Before you start this tutorial, you must have an AWS account that you can use to sign in as an administrative user with correct permissions. For more information, see [Complete initial AWS configuration tasks](#).

The tutorial assumes that you are familiar with IAM. For information about IAM, see the [IAM User Guide](#).

You need the following resources for this tutorial:

- Two organizational units:
 - OU1 – Contains Account A
 - OU2 – Contains Account B
- An Amazon S3 data lake location (bucket) in Account A.
- A data lake administrator user in Account A. You can create a data lake administrator using the Lake Formation console (<https://console.aws.amazon.com/lakeformation/>) or the `PutDataLakeSettings` operation of the Lake Formation API.
- Lake Formation configured in Account A, and the Amazon S3 data lake location registered with Lake Formation in Account A.
- Two users in Account B with the following IAM managed policies:
 - `testuser1` – has the AWS managed policies `AWSLakeFormationDataAdmin` attached.
 - `testuser2` – Has the AWS managed policy `AmazonAthenaFullAccess` attached.

- A database testdb in the Lake Formation database for Account B.

Step 1: Provide fine-grained access to another account

Learn how a data lake administrator of Account A provides fine-grained access for Account B.

Grant fine-grained access to another account

1. Sign into AWS Management Console at <https://console.aws.amazon.com/connect/> in Account A as a data lake administrator.
2. Open the Lake Formation console (<https://console.aws.amazon.com/lakeformation/>), and choose **Get started**.
3. in the navigation pane, choose **Databases**.
4. Choose **Create database**.
5. In the **Database** details section, select **Database**.
6. For **Name**, enter a name (for this tutorial, we use `samp1edb01`).
7. Make sure that **Use only IAM access control for new tables in this database** is not selected. Leaving this unselected allows us to control access from Lake Formation.
8. Choose **Create database**.
9. On the **Databases** page, choose your database `samp1edb01`.
10. On the **Actions** menu, choose **Grant**.
11. In the **Grant permissions** section, select **External account**.
12. For AWS account ID or AWS organization ID, enter the account ID for Account B in OU2.
13. For **Table**, choose the table you want Account B to have access to (for this post, we use table `acc_a_area`). Optionally, you can grant access to columns within the table, which we do in this post.
14. For **Include columns**, choose the columns you want Account B to have access to (for this post, we grant permissions to `type`, `name`, and `identifiers`).
15. For **Columns**, choose **Include columns**.
16. For **Table permissions**, select **Select**.
17. For **Grantable permissions**, select **Select**. Grantable permissions are required so admin users in Account B can grant permissions to other users in Account B.

18. Choose **Grant**.
19. In the navigation pane, choose **Tables**.
20. You could see one active connection in the AWS accounts and AWS organizations with access section.

Create a resource link

Integrated services like Amazon Athena can not directly access databases or tables across accounts. Hence, you need to create a resource link so that Athena can access resource links in your account to databases and tables in other accounts. Create a resource link to the table (`acc_a_area`) so Account B users can query its data with Athena.

1. Sign into the AWS console at <https://console.aws.amazon.com/connect/> in Account B as `testuser1`.
2. On the Lake Formation console (<https://console.aws.amazon.com/lakeformation/>), in the navigation pane, choose **Tables**. You should see the tables that Account A has provided access.
3. Choose the table `acc_a_area`.
4. On the **Actions** menu, choose **Create resource link**.
5. For **Resource link name**, enter a name (for this tutorial, `acc_a_area_rl`).
6. For **Database**, choose your database (`testdb`).
7. Choose **Create**.
8. In the navigation pane, choose **Tables**.
9. Choose the table `acc_b_area_rl`.
10. On the **Actions** menu, choose **View data**.

You are redirected to the Athena console, where you should see the database and table.

You can now run a query on the table to see the column value for which access was provided to `testuser1` from Account B.

Step 2: Provide fine-grained access to a user in the same account

This section shows how a user in Account B (`testuser1`), acting as a data steward, provides fine-grained access to another user in the same account (`testuser2`) to the column name in the shared table `aac_b_area_rl`.

Grant fine-grained access to a user in the same account

1. Sign into the AWS console at <https://console.aws.amazon.com/connect/> in Account B as testuser1.
2. On the Lake Formation console, in the navigation pane, choose **Tables**.

You can grant permissions on a table through its resource link. To do so, on the **Tables** page, select the resource link acc_b_area_r1, and on the **Actions** menu, choose **Grant on target**.

3. In the **Grant permissions** section, select **My account**.
4. For **IAM users and roles**, choose the user testuser2.
5. For **Column**, choose the column name.
6. For **Table permissions**, select **Select**.
7. Choose **Grant**.

When you create a resource link, only you can view and access it. To permit other users in your account to access the resource link, you need to grant permissions on the resource link itself. You need to grant **DESCRIBE** or **DROP** permissions. On the **Tables** page, select your table again and on the **Actions** menu, choose **Grant**.

8. In the **Grant permissions** section, select **My account**.
9. For **IAM users and roles**, select the user testuser2.
10. For **Resource link permissions**, select **Describe**.
11. Choose **Grant**.
12. Sign into the AWS console in Account B as testuser2.

On the Athena console (<https://console.aws.amazon.com/athena/>), you should see the database and table acc_b_area_r1. You can now run a query on the table to see the column value that testuser2 has access to.

Onboarding to Lake Formation permissions

AWS Lake Formation uses the AWS Glue Data Catalog to store metadata for the Amazon S3 data in the form of databases and tables. Tables store information about the underlying data, including schema information, partition information, and data location. Databases are collections of tables. The Data Catalog also contains resource links, which are links to shared databases and tables in external accounts, and are used for cross-account access to data in the data lake. Each AWS account has one Data Catalog per AWS Region.

Lake Formation provides a relational database management system (RDBMS) permissions model to grant or revoke access to databases, tables, and columns in the Data Catalog with underlying data in Amazon S3.

Before you learn about the details of the Lake Formation permissions model, it is helpful to review the following background information:

- Data lakes managed by Lake Formation reside in designated locations in Amazon Simple Storage Service (Amazon S3).
- Lake Formation maintains a Data Catalog that contains metadata about source data to be imported into your data lakes, such as data in logs and relational databases, and about data in your data lakes in Amazon S3. The metadata is organized as databases and tables. Metadata tables contain schema, location, partitioning, and other information about the data that they represent. Metadata databases are collections of tables.
- The Lake Formation Data Catalog is the same Data Catalog used by AWS Glue. You can use AWS Glue crawlers to create Data Catalog tables, and you can use AWS Glue extract, transform, and load (ETL) jobs to populate the underlying data in your data lakes.
- The databases and tables in the Data Catalog are referred to as *Data Catalog resources*. Tables in the Data Catalog are referred to as *metadata tables* to distinguish them from tables in data sources or tabular data in Amazon S3. The data that the metadata tables point to in Amazon S3 or in data sources is referred to as *underlying data*.
- A *principal* is a user or role, an Amazon QuickSight user or group, a user or group that authenticates with Lake Formation through a SAML provider, or for cross-account access control, an AWS account ID, organization ID, or organizational unit ID.
- AWS Glue crawlers create metadata tables, but you can also manually create metadata tables with the Lake Formation console, the API, or the AWS Command Line Interface (AWS CLI). When creating a metadata table, you must specify a location. When you create a database, the location

is optional. Table locations can be Amazon S3 locations or data source locations such as an Amazon Relational Database Service (Amazon RDS) database. Database locations are always Amazon S3 locations.

- Services that integrate with Lake Formation, such as Amazon Athena and Amazon Redshift, can access the Data Catalog to obtain metadata and to check authorization for running queries. For a complete list of integrated services, see [AWS service integrations with Lake Formation](#).

Topics

- [Overview of Lake Formation permissions](#)
- [Lake Formation personas and IAM permissions reference](#)
- [Changing the default settings for your data lake](#)
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- [Adding an Amazon S3 location to your data lake](#)
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- [Importing data using workflows in Lake Formation](#)

Overview of Lake Formation permissions

There are two main types of permissions in AWS Lake Formation:

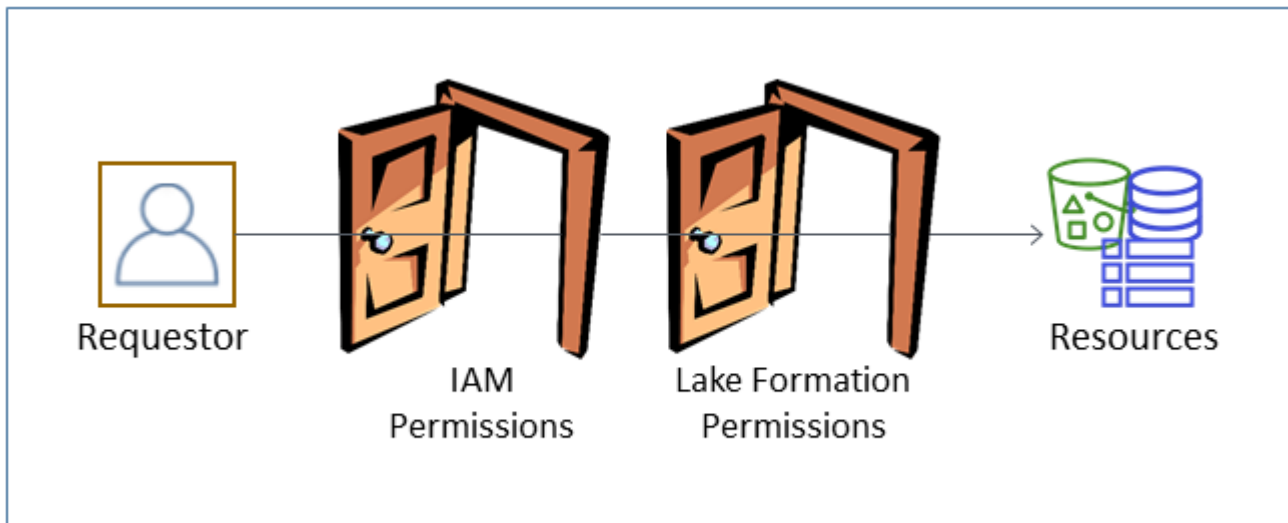
- Metadata access – Permissions on Data Catalog resources (*Data Catalog permissions*).

These permissions enable principals to create, read, update, and delete metadata databases and tables in the Data Catalog.

- Underlying data access – Permissions on locations in Amazon Simple Storage Service (Amazon S3) (*data access permissions* and *data location permissions*).
 - Data lake permissions enable principals to read and write data to *underlying* Amazon S3 locations—data pointed to by Data Catalog resources.
 - Data location permissions enable principals to create and alter metadata databases and tables that point to specific Amazon S3 locations.

For both areas, Lake Formation uses a combination of Lake Formation permissions and AWS Identity and Access Management (IAM) permissions. The IAM permissions model consists of IAM policies. The Lake Formation permissions model is implemented as DBMS-style GRANT/REVOKE commands, such as `Grant SELECT on tableName to userName`.

When a principal makes a request to access Data Catalog resources or underlying data, for the request to succeed, it must pass permission checks by both IAM and Lake Formation.



Lake Formation permissions control access to Data Catalog resources, Amazon S3 locations, and the underlying data at those locations. IAM permissions control access to the Lake Formation and AWS Glue APIs and resources. So although you might have the Lake Formation permission to create a metadata table in the Data Catalog (`CREATE_TABLE`), your operation fails if you don't have the IAM permission on the `glue:CreateTable` API. (Why a `glue:` permission? Because Lake Formation uses the AWS Glue Data Catalog.)

Note

Lake Formation permissions apply only in the Region in which they were granted.

AWS Lake Formation requires that each principal (user or role) be authorized to perform actions on Lake Formation–managed resources. A principal is granted the necessary authorizations by the data lake administrator or another principal with the permissions to grant Lake Formation permissions.

When you grant a Lake Formation permission to a principal, you can optionally grant the ability to pass that permission to another principal.

You can use the Lake Formation API, the AWS Command Line Interface (AWS CLI), or the **Data permissions** and **Data locations** pages of the Lake Formation console to grant and revoke Lake Formation permissions.

Methods for fine-grained access control

With a data lake, the goal is to have fine-grained access control to data. In Lake Formation, this means fine-grained access control to Data Catalog resources and Amazon S3 locations. You can achieve fine-grained access control with one of the following methods.

Method	Lake Formation Permissions	IAM Permissions	Comments
Method 1	Open	Fine-grained	<p>This is the default method for backward compatibility with AWS Glue.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <i>Open</i> means that the special permission <code>Super</code> is granted to the group <code>IAMAllowedPrincipals</code>, where <code>IAMAllowedPrincipals</code> is automatically created and includes any IAM users and roles that are allowed access to your Data Catalog resources by your IAM policies, and the <code>Super</code> permission enables a principal to perform every supported Lake Formation operation on the database or table on which it is granted. This effectively causes access to Data Catalog resources and Amazon S3 locations to be controlled solely by IAM policies. For more information, see Changing the default settings for your data lake and Upgrading AWS Glue data

Method	Lake Formation Permissions	IAM Permissions	Comments
			<p>permissions to the AWS Lake Formation model.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• <i>Fine-grained</i> means that IAM policies control all access to Data Catalog resources and to individual Amazon S3 buckets. <p>On the Lake Formation console, this method appears as Use only IAM access control.</p>

Method	Lake Formation Permissions	IAM Permissions	Comments
Method 2	Fine-grained	Coarse-grained	<p>This is the recommended method.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <i>Fine-grained</i> access means granting limited Lake Formation permissions to individual principals on Data Catalog resources, Amazon S3 locations, and the underlying data in those locations. <i>Coarse-grained</i> means broader permissions on individual operations and on access to Amazon S3 locations . For example, a coarse-grained IAM policy might include "glue:*" or "glue:Create*" rather than "glue:CreateTables" , leaving Lake Formation permissions to control whether or not a principal can create catalog objects. It also means giving principals access to the APIs that they need to do their work, but locking down other APIs and resources. For example, you might create an IAM policy that enables a principal to create Data Catalog resources and create and run workflows, but doesn't enable creation of AWS Glue connections or user-defined functions. See the examples later in this section.

 **Important**

Be aware of the following:

- By default, Lake Formation has the **Use only IAM access control** settings enabled for compatibility with existing AWS Glue Data Catalog behavior. We recommend that you disable these settings after you transition to using Lake Formation permissions. For more information, see [Changing the default settings for your data lake](#).
- Data lake administrators and database creators have implicit Lake Formation permissions that you must understand. For more information, see [Implicit Lake Formation permissions](#).

Metadata access control

For access control for Data Catalog resources, the following discussion assumes fine-grained access control with Lake Formation permissions and coarse-grained access control with IAM policies.

There are two distinct methods for granting Lake Formation permissions on Data Catalog resources:

- **Named resource access control** – With this method, you grant permissions on specific databases or tables by specifying database or table names. The grants have this form:

Grant permissions to principals on resources [with grant option].

With the grant option, you can allow the grantee to grant the permissions to other principals.

- **Tag-based access control** – With this method, you assign one or more LF-Tags to Data Catalog databases, tables, and columns, and grant permissions on one or more LF-Tags to principals. Each LF-Tag is a key-value pair, such as `department=sales`. A principal that has LF-Tags that match the LF-Tags on a Data Catalog resource can access that resource. This method is recommended for data lakes with a large number of databases and tables. It's explained in detail in [Lake Formation tag-based access control](#).

The permissions that a principal has on a resource is the union of the permissions granted by both the methods.

The following table summarizes the available Lake Formation permissions on Data Catalog resources. The column headings indicate the resource on which the permission is granted.

Catalog	Database	Table
CREATE_DATABASE	CREATE_TABLE	ALTER
	ALTER	DROP
	DROP	DESCRIBE
	DESCRIBE	SELECT*
		INSERT*
		DELETE*

For example, the `CREATE_TABLE` permission is granted on a database. This means that the principal is allowed to create tables in that database.

The permissions with an asterisk (*) are granted on Data Catalog resources, but they apply to the underlying data. For example, the `DROP` permission on a metadata table enables you to drop the table from the Data Catalog. However, the `DELETE` permission granted on the same table enables you to delete the table's underlying data in Amazon S3, using, for example, a SQL `DELETE` statement. With these permissions, you also can view the table on the Lake Formation console and retrieve information about the table with the AWS Glue API. Thus, `SELECT`, `INSERT`, and `DELETE` are both Data Catalog permissions and data access permissions.

When granting `SELECT` on a table, you can add a filter that includes or excludes one or more columns. This permits fine-grained access control on metadata table columns, limiting the columns that users of integrated services can see when running queries. This capability is not available using just IAM policies.

There is also a special permission named `Super`. The `Super` permission enables a principal to perform every supported Lake Formation operation on the database or table on which it is granted. This permission can coexist with the other Lake Formation permissions. For example, you can grant `Super`, `SELECT`, and `INSERT` on a metadata table. The principal can perform all supported actions on the table, and when you revoke `Super`, the `SELECT` and `INSERT` permissions remain.

For details on each permission, see [Lake Formation permissions reference](#).

⚠ Important

To be able to see a Data Catalog table created by another user, you must be granted at least one Lake Formation permission on the table. If you are granted at least one permission on the table, you can also see the table's containing database.

You can grant or revoke Data Catalog permissions using the Lake Formation console, the API, or the AWS Command Line Interface (AWS CLI). The following is an example of an AWS CLI command that grants the user `datalake_user1` permission to create tables in the `retail` database.

```
aws lakeformation grant-permissions --principal
DataLakePrincipalIdentifier=arn:aws:iam::111122223333:user/datalake_user1
--permissions "CREATE_TABLE" --resource '{ "Database": {"Name":"retail"} }'
```

The following is an example of a coarse-grained access control IAM policy that complements fine-grained access control with Lake Formation permissions. It permits all operations on any metadata database or table.

```
{
  "Version": "2012-10-17",
  "Statement": [
    {
      "Effect": "Allow",
      "Action": [
        "glue:*Database*",
        "glue:*Table*",
        "glue:*Partition*"
      ],
      "Resource": "*"
    }
  ]
}
```

The next example is also coarse-grained but somewhat more restrictive. It permits read-only operations on all metadata databases and tables in the Data Catalog in the designated account and Region.

```
{
  "Version": "2012-10-17",
```

```

    "Statement": [
      {
        "Effect": "Allow",
        "Action": [
          "glue:GetTables",
          "glue:SearchTables",
          "glue:GetTable",
          "glue:GetDatabase",
          "glue:GetDatabases"
        ],
        "Resource": "arn:aws:glue:us-east-1:111122223333:*"
      }
    ]
  }
}

```

Compare these policies to the following policy, which implements IAM-based fine-grained access control. It grants permissions only on a subset of tables in the customer relationship management (CRM) metadata database in the designated account and Region.

```

{
  "Version": "2012-10-17",
  "Statement": [
    {
      "Effect": "Allow",
      "Action": [
        "glue:GetTables",
        "glue:SearchTables",
        "glue:GetTable",
        "glue:GetDatabase",
        "glue:GetDatabases"
      ],
      "Resource": [
        "arn:aws:glue:us-east-1:111122223333:catalog",
        "arn:aws:glue:us-east-1:111122223333:database/CRM",
        "arn:aws:glue:us-east-1:111122223333:table/CRM/P*"
      ]
    }
  ]
}

```

For more examples of coarse-grained access control policies, see [Lake Formation personas and IAM permissions reference](#).

Underlying data access control

When an integrated AWS service requests access to data in an Amazon S3 location that is access-controlled by AWS Lake Formation, Lake Formation supplies temporary credentials to access the data.

To enable Lake Formation to control access to underlying data at an Amazon S3 location, you *register* that location with Lake Formation.

After you register an Amazon S3 location, you can start granting the following Lake Formation permissions:

- Data access permissions (SELECT, INSERT, and DELETE) on Data Catalog tables that point to that location.
- Data location permissions on that location.

Lake Formation data location permissions control the ability to create Data Catalog resources that point to particular Amazon S3 locations. Data location permissions provide an extra layer of security to locations within the data lake. When you grant the CREATE_TABLE or ALTER permission to a principal, you also grant data location permissions to limit the locations for which the principal can create or alter metadata tables.

Amazon S3 locations are buckets or prefixes under a bucket, but not individual Amazon S3 objects.

You can grant data location permissions to a principal by using the Lake Formation console, the API, or the AWS CLI. The general form of a grant is as follows:

```
grant DATA_LOCATION_ACCESS to principal on S3 location [with grant option]
```

If you include `with grant option`, the grantee can grant the permissions to other principals.

Recall that Lake Formation permissions always work in combination with AWS Identity and Access Management (IAM) permissions for fine-grained access control. For read/write permissions on underlying Amazon S3 data, IAM permissions are granted as follows:

When you register a location, you specify an IAM role that grants read/write permissions on that location. Lake Formation assumes that role when supplying temporary credentials to integrated AWS services. A typical role might have the following policy attached, where the registered location is the bucket `awsexamplebucket`.

```
{
  "Version": "2012-10-17",
  "Statement": [
    {
      "Effect": "Allow",
      "Action": [
        "s3:PutObject",
        "s3:GetObject",
        "s3:DeleteObject"
      ],
      "Resource": [
        "arn:aws:s3:::awsexamplebucket/*"
      ]
    },
    {
      "Effect": "Allow",
      "Action": [
        "s3:ListBucket"
      ],
      "Resource": [
        "arn:aws:s3:::awsexamplebucket"
      ]
    }
  ]
}
```

Lake Formation provides a service-linked role that you can use during registration to automatically create policies like this. For more information, see [Using service-linked roles for Lake Formation](#).

Therefore, registering an Amazon S3 location grants the required IAM `s3:` permissions on that location, where the permissions are specified by the role used to register the location.

Important

Avoid registering an Amazon S3 bucket that has **Requester pays** enabled. For buckets registered with Lake Formation, the role used to register the bucket is always viewed as the requester. If the bucket is accessed by another AWS account, the bucket owner is charged for data access if the role belongs to the same account as the bucket owner.

For read/write access to underlying data, in addition to Lake Formation permissions, principals also need the following IAM permission:

```
lakeformation:GetDataAccess
```

With this permission, Lake Formation grants the request for temporary credentials to access the data.

Note

Amazon Athena requires the user to have the `lakeformation:GetDataAccess` permission. Other integrated services require their underlying execution role to have the `lakeformation:GetDataAccess` permission.

This permission is included in the suggested policies in the [Lake Formation personas and IAM permissions reference](#).

To summarize, to enable Lake Formation principals to read and write underlying data with access controlled by Lake Formation permissions:

- Register the Amazon S3 locations that contain the data with Lake Formation.
- Principals who create Data Catalog tables that point to underlying data locations must have data location permissions.
- Principals who read and write underlying data must have Lake Formation data access permissions on the Data Catalog tables that point to the underlying data locations.
- Principals who read and write underlying data must have the `lakeformation:GetDataAccess` IAM permission when the underlying data location is registered with Lake Formation.

Note

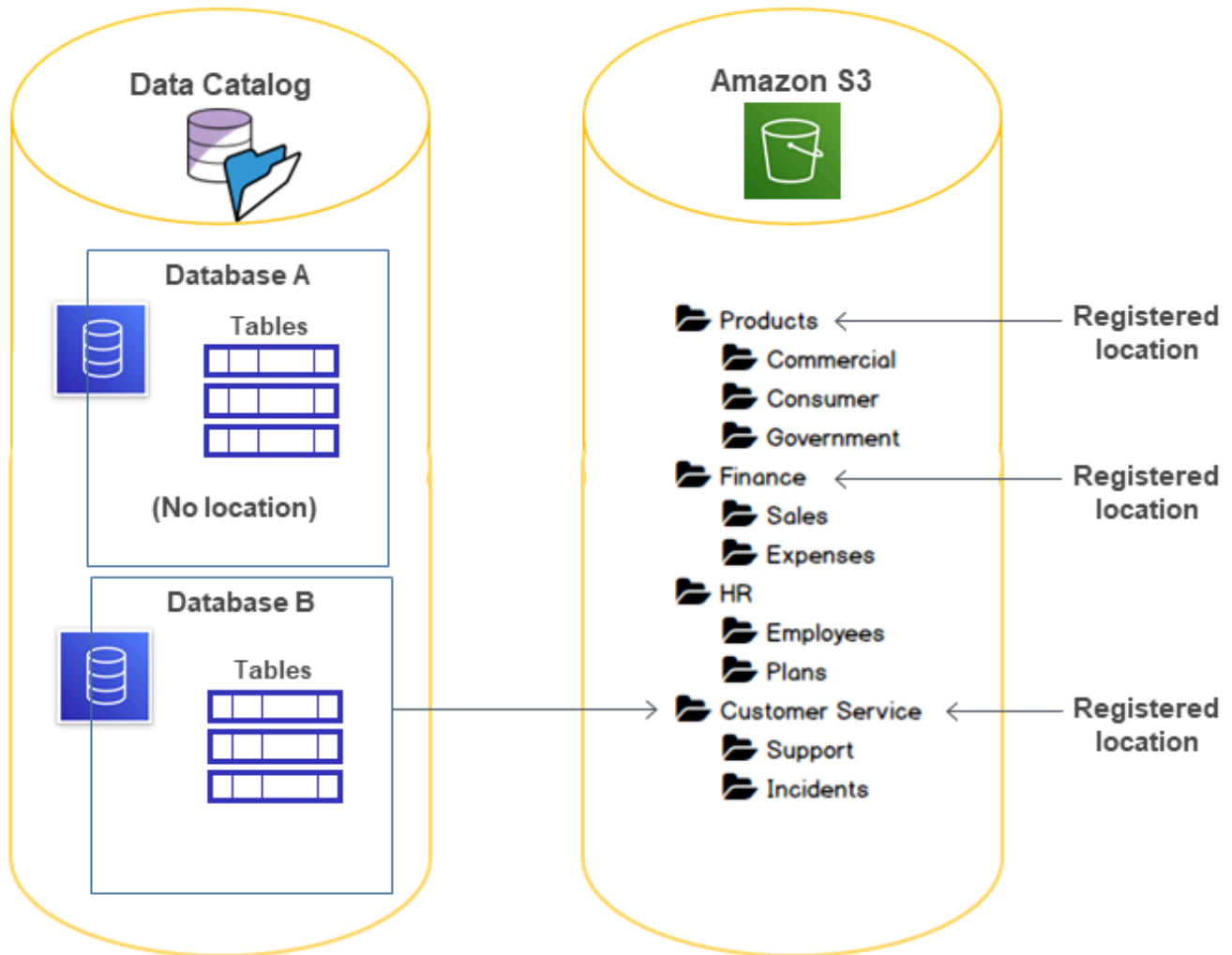
The Lake Formation permissions model doesn't prevent access to Amazon S3 locations through the Amazon S3 API or console if you have access to them through IAM or Amazon S3 policies. You can attach IAM policies to principals to block this access.

More on data location permissions

Data location permissions govern the outcome of create and update operations on Data Catalog databases and tables. The rules are as follows:

- A principal must have explicit or implicit data location permissions on an Amazon S3 location to create or update a database or table that specifies that location.
- The explicit permission `DATA_LOCATION_ACCESS` is granted using the console, API, or AWS CLI.
- Implicit permissions are granted when a database has a location property that points to a registered location, the principal has the `CREATE_TABLE` permission on the database, and the principal tries to create a table at that location or a child location.
- If a principal is granted data location permissions on a location, the principal has data location permissions on all child locations.
- A principal does not need data location permissions to perform read/write operations on the underlying data. It is sufficient to have the `SELECT` or `INSERT` data access permissions. Data location permissions apply only to creating Data Catalog resources that point to the location.

Consider the scenario shown in the following diagram.



In this diagram:

- The Amazon S3 buckets Products, Finance, and Customer Service are registered with Lake Formation.
- Database A has no location property, and Database B has a location property that points to the Customer Service bucket.
- User `datalake_user` has `CREATE_TABLE` on both databases.
- User `datalake_user` has been granted data location permissions only on the Products bucket.

The following are the results when user `dataLake_user` tries to create a catalog table in a particular database at a particular location.

Location where `dataLake_user` tries to create a table

Database and Location	Succeeds or Fails	Reason
Database A at Finance/Sales	Fails	No data location permission
Database A at Products	Succeeds	Has data location permission
Database A at HR/Plans	Succeeds	Location is not registered
Database B at Customer Service/Incidents	Succeeds	Database has location property at Customer Service

For more information, see the following:

- [Adding an Amazon S3 location to your data lake](#)
- [Lake Formation permissions reference](#)
- [Lake Formation personas and IAM permissions reference](#)

Lake Formation personas and IAM permissions reference

This section lists some suggested Lake Formation personas and their suggested AWS Identity and Access Management (IAM) permissions. For information about Lake Formation permissions, see [the section called “Lake Formation permissions reference”](#).

AWS Lake Formation personas

The following table lists the suggested AWS Lake Formation personas.

Lake Formation Personas

Persona	Description
IAM administrator (superuser)	(Required) User who can create IAM users and roles. Has the AdministratorAccess AWS managed policy. Has all

Persona	Description
	permissions on all Lake Formation resources. Can add data lake administrators. Cannot grant Lake Formation permissions if not also designated a data lake administrator.
Data lake administrator	(Required) User who can register Amazon S3 locations, access the Data Catalog, create databases, create and run workflows , grant Lake Formation permissions to other users, and view AWS CloudTrail logs. Has fewer IAM permissions than the IAM administrator, but enough to administer the data lake. Cannot add other data lake administrators.
Read only administrator	(Optional) User who can view principals, Data Catalog resources, permissions, and AWS CloudTrail logs, without the permissions to make updates.
Data engineer	(Optional) User who can create databases, create and run crawlers and workflows, and grant Lake Formation permissions on the Data Catalog tables that the crawlers and workflows create. We recommend that you make all data engineers database creators. For more information, see Creating a database .
Data analyst	(Optional) User who can run queries against the data lake using, for example, Amazon Athena. Has only enough permissions to run queries.
Workflow role	(Required) Role that runs a workflow on behalf of a user. You specify this role when you create a workflow from a blueprint.

AWS managed policies for Lake Formation

You can grant the AWS Identity and Access Management (IAM) permissions that are required to work with AWS Lake Formation by using AWS managed policies and inline policies. The following AWS managed policies are available for Lake Formation.

AWS managed policy:AWSLakeFormationDataAdmin

[AWSLakeFormationDataAdmin](#) policy grants administrative access to AWS Lake Formation and related services such as AWS Glue to manage data lakes.

You can attach `AWSLakeFormationDataAdmin` to your users, groups, and roles.

Permission details

- `CloudTrail` – Allows principals to view AWS CloudTrail logs. This is required to review any errors in the set up of the data lake.
- `Glue` – Allows principals to view, create, and update metadata tables and databases in Data Catalog. This includes API operations that start with `Get`, `List`, `Create`, `Update`, `Delete`, and `Search`. This is required to manage the metadata of the data lake tables.
- `IAM` – Allows principals to retrieve information about IAM users, roles, and policies attached to the roles. This is required for the data admin to review and list IAM users and roles to grant Lake Formation permissions.
- `Lake Formation` – Grants data lake admins required Lake Formation permissions to manage data lakes.
- `S3` – Allows principals to retrieve information about Amazon S3 buckets and their locations in order to set up the data location for data lakes.

```
"Statement": [  
  {  
    "Sid": "AWSLakeFormationDataAdminAllow",  
    "Effect": "Allow",  
    "Action": [  
      "lakeformation:*",  
      "cloudtrail:DescribeTrails",  
      "cloudtrail:LookupEvents",  
      "glue:GetDatabase",  
      "glue:GetDatabases",  
      "glue>CreateDatabase",  
      "glue:UpdateDatabase",  
      "glue>DeleteDatabase",  
      "glue:GetConnections",  
      "glue:SearchTables",  
      "glue:GetTable",  
      "glue:CreateTable",
```

```

        "glue:UpdateTable",
        "glue>DeleteTable",
        "glue:GetTableVersions",
        "glue:GetPartitions",
        "glue:GetTables",
        "glue:ListWorkflows",
        "glue:BatchGetWorkflows",
        "glue>DeleteWorkflow",
        "glue:GetWorkflowRuns",
        "glue:StartWorkflowRun",
        "glue:GetWorkflow",
        "s3:ListBucket",
        "s3:GetBucketLocation",
        "s3:ListAllMyBuckets",
        "s3:GetBucketAcl",
        "iam:ListUsers",
        "iam:ListRoles",
        "iam:GetRole",
        "iam:GetRolePolicy"
    ],
    "Resource": "*"
  },
  {
    "Sid": "AWSLakeFormationDataAdminDeny",
    "Effect": "Deny",
    "Action": [
      "lakeformation:PutDataLakeSettings"
    ],
    "Resource": "*"
  }
]
}

```

Note

The `AWSLakeFormationDataAdmin` policy does not grant every required permission for data lake administrators. Additional permissions are needed to create and run workflows and register locations with the service linked role `AWSServiceRoleForLakeFormationDataAccess`. For more information, see [Create a data lake administrator](#) and [Using service-linked roles for Lake Formation](#).

AWS managed policy:AWSLakeFormationCrossAccountManager

[AWSLakeFormationCrossAccountManager](#) policy provides cross account access to AWS Glue resources via Lake Formation, and grants read access to other required services such as AWS Organizations and AWS RAM.

You can attach `AWSLakeFormationCrossAccountManager` to your users, groups, and roles.

Permission details

This policy includes the following permissions.

- `Glue` – Allows principals to set or delete the Data Catalog resource policy for access control.
- `Organizations` – Allows principals to retrieve account and organizational unit (OU) information for an organization.
- `ram:CreateResourceShare` – Allows principals to create a resource share.
- `ram:UpdateResourceShare` – Allows principals to modify some properties of the specified resource share.
- `ram>DeleteResourceShare` – Allows principals to delete the specified resource share.
- `ram:AssociateResourceShare` – Allows principals to add the specified list of principals and list of resources to a resource share.
- `ram:DisassociateResourceShare` – Allows principals to remove the specified principals or resources from participating in the specified resource share.
- `ram:GetResourceShares` – Allows principals to retrieve details about the resource shares that you own or that are shared with you.
- `ram:RequestedResourceType` – Allows principals to retrieve the resource type (database, table or catalog).
- `AssociateResourceSharePermission` – Allows principals to add or replace the AWS RAM permission for a resource type included in a resource share. You can have exactly one permission associated with each resource type in the resource share.

```
{
  "Version": "2012-10-17",
  "Statement": [{
    "Sid": "AllowCreateResourceShare",
    "Effect": "Allow",
    "Action": [
```



```

        "ram:CreateResourceShare"
    ],
    "Resource": "*",
    "Condition": {
        "StringLikeIfExists": {
            "ram:RequestedResourceType": [
                "glue:Table",
                "glue:Database",
                "glue:Catalog"
            ]
        }
    }
},
{
    "Sid": "AllowManageResourceShare",
    "Effect": "Allow",
    "Action": [
        "ram:UpdateResourceShare",
        "ram>DeleteResourceShare",
        "ram:AssociateResourceShare",
        "ram:DisassociateResourceShare",
        "ram:GetResourceShares"
    ],
    "Resource": "*",
    "Condition": {
        "StringLike": {
            "ram:ResourceShareName": [
                "LakeFormation*"
            ]
        }
    }
},
{
    "Sid": "AllowManageResourceSharePermissions",
    "Effect": "Allow",
    "Action": [
        "ram:AssociateResourceSharePermission"
    ],
    "Resource": "*",
    "Condition": {
        "StringLike": {
            "ram:PermissionArn": [
                "arn:aws:ram::aws:permission/AWSRAMLFEnabled*"
            ]
        }
    }
}

```

```

    }
  },
  {
    "Sid": "AllowXAcctManagerPermissions",
    "Effect": "Allow",
    "Action": [
      "glue:PutResourcePolicy",
      "glue>DeleteResourcePolicy",
      "organizations:DescribeOrganization",
      "organizations:DescribeAccount",
      "ram:Get*",
      "ram:List*"
    ],
    "Resource": "*"
  },
  {
    "Sid": "AllowOrganizationsPermissions",
    "Effect": "Allow",
    "Action": [
      "organizations:ListRoots",
      "organizations:ListAccountsForParent",
      "organizations:ListOrganizationalUnitsForParent"
    ],
    "Resource": "*"
  }
]
}

```

AWS managed policy:AWSGlueConsoleFullAccess

[AWSGlueConsoleFullAccess](#) policy grants full access to AWS Glue resources when an identity that the policy is attached to uses the AWS Management Console. If you follow the naming convention for resources specified in this policy, users have full console capabilities. This policy is typically attached to users of the AWS Glue console.

In addition, AWS Glue and Lake Formation assume the service role `AWSGlueServiceRole` to allow access to related services, including Amazon Elastic Compute Cloud (Amazon EC2), Amazon Simple Storage Service (Amazon S3), and Amazon CloudWatch.

AWS managed policy: LakeFormationDataAccessServiceRolePolicy

This policy is attached to a service-linked role named `ServiceRoleForLakeFormationDataAccess` that allows the service to perform actions on resources at your request. You can't attach this policy to your IAM identities.

This policy allows the Lake Formation integrated AWS services such as Amazon Athena or Amazon Redshift to use the service-linked role to discover Amazon S3 resources.

For more information see, [Using service-linked roles for Lake Formation](#).

Permission details

This policy includes the following permission.

- `s3:ListAllMyBuckets` – Returns a list of all buckets owned by the authenticated sender of the request.

```
{
  "Version": "2012-10-17",
  "Statement": [
    {
      "Sid": "LakeFormationDataAccessServiceRolePolicy",
      "Effect": "Allow",
      "Action": [
        "s3:ListAllMyBuckets"
      ],
      "Resource": [
        "arn:aws:s3::*:*"
      ]
    }
  ]
}
```

Lake Formation updates to AWS managed policies

View details about updates to AWS managed policies for Lake Formation since this service began tracking these changes.

Change	Description	Date
Lake Formation updated <code>AWSLakeFormationCrossAccountManager</code> policy.	Lake Formation enhanced the AWSLakeFormationCrossAccountManager policy by adding Sid elements to the policy statement.	March, 2024
Lake Formation updated <code>AWSLakeFormationDataAdmin</code> policy.	Lake Formation enhanced the AWSLakeFormationDataAdmin policy by adding a Sid element to the policy statement and removing a redundant action.	March, 2024
Lake Formation updated <code>LakeFormationDataAccessServiceRolePolicy</code> policy.	Lake Formation enhanced the LakeFormationDataAccessServiceRolePolicy policy by adding a Sid element to the policy statement.	February, 2024
Lake Formation updated <code>AWSLakeFormationCrossAccountManager</code> policy.	Lake Formation enhanced the AWSLakeFormationCrossAccountManager policy by adding a new permission to enable cross-account data sharing in hybrid access mode.	October, 2023
Lake Formation updated <code>AWSLakeFormationCrossAccountManager</code> policy.	Lake Formation enhanced the AWSLakeFormationCrossAccountManager policy to create only one resource share per recipient account when the a resource is first shared. All resources shared thereafter with the same account are attached to the same resource share.	May 6, 2022
Lake Formation started tracking changes.	Lake Formation started tracking changes for its AWS managed policies.	May 6, 2022

Personas suggested permissions

The following are the suggested permissions for each persona. The IAM administrator is not included because that user has all permissions on all resources.

Topics

- [Data lake administrator permissions](#)
- [Read only administrator permissions](#)
- [Data engineer permissions](#)
- [Data analyst permissions](#)
- [Workflow role permissions](#)

Data lake administrator permissions

Important

In the following policies, replace `<account-id>` with a valid AWS account number, and replace `<workflow_role>` with the name of a role that has permissions to run a workflow, as defined in [Workflow role permissions](#).

Policy Type	Policy
AWS managed policies	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • AWSLakeFormationDataAdmin • LakeFormationDataAccessServiceRolePolicy (service-linked role policy) • AWSGlueConsoleFullAccess (Optional) • CloudWatchLogsReadOnlyAccess (Optional) • AWSLakeFormationCrossAccountManager (Optional) • AmazonAthenaFullAccess (Optional) <p>For information about the optional AWS managed policies, see the section called "Create a data lake administrator".</p>

Policy Type	Policy
Inline policy (for creating the Lake Formation service-linked role)	<pre>{ "Version": "2012-10-17", "Statement": [{ "Effect": "Allow", "Action": "iam:CreateServiceLinkedRole", "Resource": "*", "Condition": { "StringEquals": { "iam:AWSServiceName": "lakeformation.amazonaws.com" } } }, { "Effect": "Allow", "Action": ["iam:PutRolePolicy"], "Resource": "arn:aws:iam:: <account-id> :role/aws-service-role/lakeformation.amazonaws.com/AWSServiceRoleForLakeFormationDataAccess" }] }</pre>

Policy Type	Policy
<p>(Optional) Inline policy (passrole policy for the workflow role). This is required only if the data lake administrator creates and runs workflows.</p>	<pre> { "Version": "2012-10-17", "Statement": [{ "Sid": "PassRolePermissions", "Effect": "Allow", "Action": ["iam:PassRole"], "Resource": ["arn:aws:iam:: <account-id> :role/<workflow_role> "] }] } </pre>
<p>(Optional) Inline policy (if your account is granting or receiving cross-account Lake Formation permissions). This policy is for accepting or rejecting AWS RAM resource share invitations, and for enabling the granting of cross-account permissions to organizations. <code>ram:EnableSharingWithAwsOrganization</code> is required only for data lake administrators in the AWS Organizations management account.</p>	<pre> { "Version": "2012-10-17", "Statement": [{ "Effect": "Allow", "Action": ["ram:AcceptResourceShareInvitation", "ram:RejectResourceShareInvitation", "ec2:DescribeAvailabilityZones", "ram:EnableSharingWithAwsOrganization"], "Resource": "*" }] } </pre>

Read only administrator permissions

Policy type	Policy
Inline policy (basic)	<pre> { "Version": "2012-10-17", "Statement": [{ "Effect": "Allow", "Action": ["lakeformation:GetEffectivePermissionsForPath", "lakeformation:ListPermissions", "lakeformation:ListDataCellsFilter", "lakeformation:GetDataCellsFilter", "lakeformation:SearchDatabasesByLFTags", "lakeformation:SearchTablesByLFTags", "lakeformation:GetLFTag", "lakeformation:ListLFTags", "lakeformation:GetResourceLFTags", "lakeformation:ListLakeFormationOptions", "cloudtrail:DescribeTrails", "cloudtrail:LookupEvents", "glue:GetDatabase", "glue:GetDatabases", "glue:GetConnections", "glue:SearchTables", "glue:GetTable", "glue:GetTableVersions", "glue:GetPartitions", "glue:GetTables", "glue:GetWorkflow", "glue:ListWorkflows", "glue:BatchGetWorkflows", "glue:GetWorkflowRuns", "glue:GetWorkflow", "s3:ListBucket", "s3:GetBucketLocation", "s3:ListAllMyBuckets", "s3:GetBucketAcl", "iam:ListUsers",] }] } </pre>

Policy type	Policy
	<pre> "iam:ListRoles", "iam:GetRole", "iam:GetRolePolicy"], "Resource": "*" }, { "Effect": "Deny", "Action": ["lakeformation:PutDataLakeSettings"], "Resource": "*" }] }</pre>

Data engineer permissions

Important

In the following policies, replace *<account-id>* with a valid AWS account number, and replace *<workflow_role>* with the name of the workflow role.

Policy Type	Policy
AWS managed policy	AWSGlueConsoleFullAccess
Inline policy (basic)	<pre> { "Version": "2012-10-17", "Statement": [{ "Effect": "Allow", "Action": ["lakeformation:GetDataAccess", "lakeformation:GrantPermissions", "lakeformation:RevokePermissions", "lakeformation:BatchGrantPermissions", </pre>

Policy Type	Policy
	<pre> "lakeformation:BatchRevokePermissions", "lakeformation:ListPermissions", "lakeformation:AddLFTagsToResource", "lakeformation:RemoveLFTagsFromResource", "lakeformation:GetResourceLFTags", "lakeformation:ListLFTags", "lakeformation:GetLFTag", "lakeformation:SearchTablesByLFTags", "lakeformation:SearchDatabasesByLFTags", "lakeformation:GetWorkUnits", "lakeformation:GetWorkUnitResults", "lakeformation:StartQueryPlanning", "lakeformation:GetQueryState", "lakeformation:GetQueryStatistics"], "Resource": "*" }] } </pre>

Policy Type	Policy
Inline policy (for operations on governed tables, including operations within transactions)	<pre>{ "Version": "2012-10-17", "Statement": [{ "Effect": "Allow", "Action": ["lakeformation:StartTransaction", "lakeformation:CommitTransaction", "lakeformation:CancelTransaction", "lakeformation:ExtendTransaction", "lakeformation:DescribeTransaction", "lakeformation:ListTransactions", "lakeformation:GetTableObjects", "lakeformation:UpdateTableObjects", "lakeformation>DeleteObjectsOnCancel"], "Resource": "*" }] }</pre>

Policy Type	Policy
<p>Inline policy (for metadata access control using the Lake Formation tag-based access control (LF-TBAC) method)</p>	<pre> { "Version": "2012-10-17", "Statement": [{ "Effect": "Allow", "Action": ["lakeformation:AddLFTagsToResource", "lakeformation:RemoveLFTagsFromResource", "lakeformation:GetResourceLFTags", "lakeformation:ListLFTags", "lakeformation:GetLFTag", "lakeformation:SearchTablesByLFTags", "lakeformation:SearchDatabasesByLFTags"], "Resource": "*" }] } </pre>
<p>Inline policy (passrole policy for the workflow role)</p>	<pre> { "Version": "2012-10-17", "Statement": [{ "Sid": "PassRolePermissions", "Effect": "Allow", "Action": ["iam:PassRole"], "Resource": ["arn:aws:iam:: <account-id> :role/<workflow _role> "] }] } </pre>

Data analyst permissions

Policy Type	Policy
AWS managed policy	AmazonAthenaFullAccess
Inline policy (basic)	<pre data-bbox="521 401 1508 1388"> { "Version": "2012-10-17", "Statement": [{ "Effect": "Allow", "Action": ["lakeformation:GetDataAccess", "glue:GetTable", "glue:GetTables", "glue:SearchTables", "glue:GetDatabase", "glue:GetDatabases", "glue:GetPartitions", "lakeformation:GetResourceLFTags", "lakeformation:ListLFTags", "lakeformation:GetLFTag", "lakeformation:SearchTablesByLFTags", "lakeformation:SearchDatabasesByLFTags"], "Resource": "*" }] } </pre>
(Optional) Inline policy (for operations on governed tables, including operations within transactions)	<pre data-bbox="521 1430 1508 1860"> { "Version": "2012-10-17", "Statement": [{ "Effect": "Allow", "Action": ["lakeformation:StartTransaction", "lakeformation:CommitTransaction", "lakeformation:CancelTransaction", "lakeformation:ExtendTransaction", "lakeformation:DescribeTransaction", </pre>

Policy Type	Policy
	<pre> "lakeformation:ListTransactions", "lakeformation:GetTableObjects", "lakeformation:UpdateTableObjects", "lakeformation>DeleteObjectsOnCancel"], "Resource": "*" }] }</pre>

Workflow role permissions

This role has the permissions required to run a workflow. You specify a role with these permissions when you create a workflow.

Important

In the following policies, replace *<region>* with a valid AWS Region identifier (for example us-east-1), *<account-id>* with a valid AWS account number, *<workflow_role>* with the name of the workflow role, and *<your-s3-cloudtrail-bucket>* with the Amazon S3 path to your AWS CloudTrail logs.

Policy Type	Policy
AWS managed policy	AWSGlueServiceRole
Inline policy (data access)	<pre> { "Version": "2012-10-17", "Statement": [{ "Sid": "Lakeformation", "Effect": "Allow", "Action": ["lakeformation:GetDataAccess", "lakeformation:GrantPermissions"], }], }</pre>

Policy Type	Policy
	<pre> "Resource": "*" }] } </pre>
<p>Inline policy (passrole policy for the workflow role)</p>	<pre> { "Version": "2012-10-17", "Statement": [{ "Sid": "PassRolePermissions", "Effect": "Allow", "Action": ["iam:PassRole"], "Resource": ["arn:aws:iam:: <account-id> :role/<workflow _role> "] }] } </pre>
<p>Inline policy (for ingesting data outside the data lake, for example, AWS CloudTrail logs)</p>	<pre> { "Version": "2012-10-17", "Statement": [{ "Effect": "Allow", "Action": ["s3:GetObject", "s3:ListBucket"], "Resource": ["arn:aws:s3::: <your-s3- cloudtrail-bucket> /*"] }] } </pre>

Changing the default settings for your data lake

To maintain backward compatibility with AWS Glue, AWS Lake Formation has the following initial security settings:

- The Super permission is granted to the group IAMAllowedPrincipals on all existing AWS Glue Data Catalog resources.
- "Use only IAM access control" settings are enabled for new Data Catalog resources.

These settings effectively cause access to Data Catalog resources and Amazon S3 locations to be controlled solely by AWS Identity and Access Management (IAM) policies. Individual Lake Formation permissions are not in effect.

The IAMAllowedPrincipals group includes any IAM users and roles that are allowed access to your Data Catalog resources by your IAM policies. The Super permission enables a principal to perform every supported Lake Formation operation on the database or table on which it is granted.

To change security settings so that access to Data Catalog resources (databases and tables) is managed by Lake Formation permissions, do the following:

1. Change the default security settings for new resources. For instructions, see [Change the default permission model or use hybrid access mode](#).
2. Change the settings for existing Data Catalog resources. For instructions, see [Upgrading AWS Glue data permissions to the AWS Lake Formation model](#).

Changing the default security settings using the Lake Formation PutDataLakeSettings API operation

You can also change default security settings by using the Lake Formation [PutDataLakeSettings](#) API operation. This action takes as arguments an optional catalog ID and a [DataLakeSettings](#) structure.

To enforce metadata and underlying data access control by Lake Formation on new databases and tables, code the DataLakeSettings structure as follows.

Note

Replace *<AccountID>* with a valid AWS account ID and *<Username>* with a valid IAM user name. You can specify more than one user as a data lake administrator.

```
{  
  "DataLakeSettings": {
```



```

    "DataLakeAdmins": [
      {
        "DataLakePrincipalIdentifier":
"arn:aws:iam::<AccountId>:user/<Username>"
      }
    ],
    "CreateDatabaseDefaultPermissions": [],
    "CreateTableDefaultPermissions": []
  }
}

```

You can also code the structure as follows. Omitting the `CreateDatabaseDefaultPermissions` or `CreateTableDefaultPermissions` parameter is equivalent to passing an empty list.

```

{
  "DataLakeSettings": {
    "DataLakeAdmins": [
      {
        "DataLakePrincipalIdentifier":
"arn:aws:iam::<AccountId>:user/<Username>"
      }
    ]
  }
}

```

This action effectively revokes all Lake Formation permissions from the `IAMAllowedPrincipals` group on new databases and tables. When you create a database, you can override this setting.

To enforce metadata and underlying data access control only by IAM on new databases and tables, code the `DataLakeSettings` structure as follows.

```

{
  "DataLakeSettings": {
    "DataLakeAdmins": [
      {
        "DataLakePrincipalIdentifier":
"arn:aws:iam::<AccountId>:user/<Username>"
      }
    ],
    "CreateDatabaseDefaultPermissions": [
      {
        "Principal": {

```

```
        "DataLakePrincipalIdentifier": "IAM_ALLOWED_PRINCIPALS"
    },
    "Permissions": [
        "ALL"
    ]
  }
],
"CreateTableDefaultPermissions": [
  {
    "Principal": {
      "DataLakePrincipalIdentifier": "IAM_ALLOWED_PRINCIPALS"
    },
    "Permissions": [
      "ALL"
    ]
  }
]
}
```

This grants the Super Lake Formation permission to the IAMAllowedPrincipals group on new databases and tables. When you create a database, you can override this setting.

Note

In the preceding `DataLakeSettings` structure, the only permitted value for `DataLakePrincipalIdentifier` is `IAM_ALLOWED_PRINCIPALS`, and the only permitted value for `Permissions` is `ALL`.

Implicit Lake Formation permissions

AWS Lake Formation grants the following implicit permissions to data lake administrators, database creators, and table creators.

Data lake administrators

- Have `Describe` access to all resources in the Data Catalog except for resources shared from another account directly to a different principal. This access cannot be revoked from an administrator.
- Have data location permissions everywhere in the data lake.

- Can grant or revoke access to any resources in the Data Catalog to any principal (including self). This access cannot be revoked from an administrator.
- Can create databases in the Data Catalog.
- Can grant the permission to create a database to another user.

Note

Data lake administrators can register Amazon S3 locations only if they have IAM permissions to do so. The suggested data lake administrator policies in this guide grant those permissions. Also, data lake administrators do not have implicit permissions to drop databases or alter/drop tables created by others. However, they can grant themselves permissions to do so.

For more information about data lake administrators, see [Create a data lake administrator](#).

Database creators

- Have all database permissions on databases that they create, have permissions on tables that they create in the database, and can grant other principals in the same AWS account permission to create tables in the database. A database creator who also has the `AWSLakeFormationCrossAccountManager` AWS managed policy can grant permissions on the database to other AWS accounts or organizations.

Data lake administrators can use the Lake Formation console or API to designate database creators.

Note

Database creators do not implicitly have permissions on tables that others create in the database.

For more information, see [Creating a database](#).

Table creators

- Have all permissions on tables that they create.
- Can grant permissions on all tables that they create to principals in the same AWS account.
- Can grant permissions on all tables that they create to other AWS accounts or organizations if they have the `AWSLakeFormationCrossAccountManager` AWS managed policy.

- Can view the databases that contain the tables that they create.

Lake Formation permissions reference

To perform AWS Lake Formation operations, principals need both Lake Formation permissions and AWS Identity and Access Management (IAM) permissions. You typically grant IAM permissions using *coarse-grained* access control policies, as described in [the section called “Overview of Lake Formation permissions”](#). You can grant Lake Formation permissions by using the console, the API, or the AWS Command Line Interface (AWS CLI).

To learn how to grant or revoke Lake Formation permissions, see [the section called “Granting and revoking Data Catalog permissions”](#) and [the section called “Granting data location permissions”](#).

Note

The examples in this section show how to grant permissions to principals in the same AWS account. For examples of cross-account grants, see [the section called “Cross-account data sharing”](#).

Lake Formation permissions per resource type

Following are the valid Lake Formation permissions available for each type of resource:

Resource	Permission
Database	ALL (Super)
	ALTER
	CREATE_TABLE
	DESCRIBE
	DROP
Table	ALL (Super)
	ALTER

Resource	Permission
	DELETE
	DESCRIBE
	DROP
	INSERT
	SELECT
View	ALL (Super)
	SELECT
	DESCRIBE
	DROP
Data Catalog	CREATE_DATABASE
Amazon S3 location	DATA_LOCATION_ACCESS
LF-Tags	DROP
	ALTER
LF-Tag values	ASSOCIATE
	DESCRIBE
	GrantWithLFTagExpression
LF-Tag policy - Database	ALL (Super)
	ALTER
	CREATE_TABLE
	DESCRIBE

Resource	Permission	
	DROP	
LF-Tag policy - Table	ALL (Super)	
	ALTER	
	DESCRIBE	
	DELETE	
	DROP	
	INSERT	
	SELECT	
Resource link - Database or Table	DESCRIBE	
	DROP	
Table with data filters	DESCRIBE	
	DROP	
	SELECT	
Table with column filter	SELECT	

Topics

- [Lake Formation grant and revoke AWS CLI commands](#)
- [Lake Formation permissions](#)

Lake Formation grant and revoke AWS CLI commands

Each permission description in this section includes examples of granting the permission using an AWS CLI command. The following are the synopses of the Lake Formation **grant-permissions** and **revoke-permissions** AWS CLI commands.

```
grant-permissions
[--catalog-id <value>]
--principal <value>
--resource <value>
--permissions <value>
[--permissions-with-grant-option <value>]
[--cli-input-json <value>]
[--generate-cli-skeleton <value>]
```

```
revoke-permissions
[--catalog-id <value>]
--principal <value>
--resource <value>
--permissions <value>
[--permissions-with-grant-option <value>]
[--cli-input-json <value>]
[--generate-cli-skeleton <value>]
```

For detailed descriptions of these commands, see [grant-permissions](#) and [revoke-permissions](#) in the *AWS CLI Command Reference*. This section provides additional information on the `--principal` option.

The value of the `--principal` option is one of the following:

- Amazon Resource Name (ARN) for an AWS Identity and Access Management (IAM) user or role
- ARN for a user or group that authenticates through a SAML provider, such as Microsoft Active Directory Federation Service (AD FS)
- ARN for an Amazon QuickSight user or group
- For cross-account permissions, an AWS account ID, an organization ID, or an organizational unit ID

The following are syntax and examples for all `--principal` types.

Principal is an IAM user

Syntax:

```
--principal DataLakePrincipalIdentifier=arn:aws:iam::<account-id>:user/<user-name>
```

Example:

```
--principal DataLakePrincipalIdentifier=arn:aws:iam::111122223333:user/  
datalake_user1
```

Principal is an IAM role

Syntax:

```
--principal DataLakePrincipalIdentifier=arn:aws:iam::<account-id>:role/<role-name>
```

Example:

```
--principal DataLakePrincipalIdentifier=arn:aws:iam::111122223333:role/workflowrole
```

Principal is a user authenticating through a SAML provider

Syntax:

```
--principal DataLakePrincipalIdentifier=arn:aws:iam::<account-id>:saml-  
provider/<SAMLproviderName>:user/<user-name>
```

Examples:

```
--principal DataLakePrincipalIdentifier=arn:aws:iam::111122223333:saml-provider/  
idp1:user/datalake_user1
```

```
--principal DataLakePrincipalIdentifier=arn:aws:iam::111122223333:saml-provider/  
AthenaLakeFormation0kta:user/athena-user@example.com
```

Principal is a group authenticating through a SAML provider

Syntax:


```
--principal DataLakePrincipalIdentifier=arn:aws:iam::<account-id>:saml-provider/<SAMLproviderName>:group/<group-name>
```

Examples:

```
--principal DataLakePrincipalIdentifier=arn:aws:iam::111122223333:saml-provider/idp1:group/data-scientists
```

```
--principal DataLakePrincipalIdentifier=arn:aws:iam::111122223333:saml-provider/AthenaLakeFormation0kta:group/my-group
```

Principal is an Amazon QuickSight Enterprise Edition user

Syntax:

```
--principal DataLakePrincipalIdentifier=arn:aws:quicksight:<region>:<account-id>:user/<namespace>/<user-name>
```

Note

For *<namespace>*, you must specify default.

Example:

```
--principal DataLakePrincipalIdentifier=arn:aws:quicksight:us-east-1:111122223333:user/default/bi_user1
```

Principal is an Amazon QuickSight Enterprise Edition group

Syntax:

```
--principal DataLakePrincipalIdentifier=arn:aws:quicksight:<region>:<account-id>:group/<namespace>/<group-name>
```

Note

For *<namespace>*, you must specify default.

Example:

```
--principal DataLakePrincipalIdentifier=arn:aws:quicksight:us-east-1:111122223333:group/default/data_scientists
```

Principal is an AWS account**Syntax:**

```
--principal DataLakePrincipalIdentifier=<account-id>
```

Example:

```
--principal DataLakePrincipalIdentifier=111122223333
```

Principal is an organization**Syntax:**

```
--principal DataLakePrincipalIdentifier=arn:aws:organizations::<account-id>:organization/<organization-id>
```

Example:

```
--principal  
DataLakePrincipalIdentifier=arn:aws:organizations::111122223333:organization/o-  
abcdefghijkl
```

Principal is an organizational unit**Syntax:**

```
--principal DataLakePrincipalIdentifier=arn:aws:organizations::<account-id>:ou/<organization-id>/<organizational-unit-id>
```

Example:

```
--principal DataLakePrincipalIdentifier=arn:aws:organizations::111122223333:ou/o-  
abcdefghijkl/ou-ab00-cdefghij
```

Principal is an IAM Identity Center identity user or group

Example:User

```
--principal DataLakePrincipalIdentifier=arn:aws:identitystore:::user/<UserID>
```

Example:Group:

```
--principal DataLakePrincipalIdentifier=arn:aws:identitystore:::group/<GroupID>
```

Principal is an IAM group - IAMAllowedPrincipals

Lake Formation sets Super permission on all databases and tables in the Data Catalog to a group called IAMAllowedPrincipals by default. If this group permission exists on a database or a table, all principals in your account will have access to the resource through the IAM principal policies for AWS Glue. It provides backward compatibility when you start using Lake Formation permissions to secure the Data Catalog resources that were earlier protected by IAM policies for AWS Glue.

When you use Lake Formation to manage permissions for your Data Catalog resources, you need to first revoke the IAMAllowedPrincipals permission on the resources, or opt in the principals and the resources to hybrid access mode for Lake Formation permissions to work.

Example:

```
--principal DataLakePrincipalIdentifier=IAM_Allowed_Principals
```

Principal is an IAM group - ALLIAMPrincipals

When you grant permissions to ALLIAMPrincipals group on a Data Catalog resource, every principal in the account gets access to the Data Catalog resource using Lake Formation permissions and IAM permissions.

Example:

```
--principal DataLakePrincipalIdentifier=123456789012:IAMPrincipals
```

Lake Formation permissions

This section contains the available Lake Formation permissions that you can grant to principals.

ALTER

Permission	Granted on this resource	Grantee also needs
ALTER	DATABASE	glue:UpdateDatabase
ALTER	TABLE	glue:UpdateTable
ALTER	LF-Tag	lakeformation:UpdateLFTag

A principal with this permission can alter metadata for a database or table in the Data Catalog. For tables, you can change the column schema and add column parameters. You cannot alter columns in the underlying data that a metadata table points to.

If the property that is being altered is a registered Amazon Simple Storage Service (Amazon S3) location, the principal must have data location permissions on the new location.

Example

The following example grants the ALTER permission to user `datalake_user1` on the database `retail` in AWS account `1111-2222-3333`.

```
aws lakeformation grant-permissions --principal
  DataLakePrincipalIdentifier=arn:aws:iam::111122223333:user/datalake_user1 --
  permissions "ALTER" --resource '{ "Database": {"Name":"retail"} }'
```

Example

The following example grants ALTER to user `datalake_user1` on the table `inventory` in the database `retail`.

```
aws lakeformation grant-permissions --principal
  DataLakePrincipalIdentifier=arn:aws:iam::111122223333:user/datalake_user1
  --permissions "ALTER" --resource '{ "Table": {"DatabaseName":"retail",
  "Name":"inventory"} }'
```

CREATE_DATABASE

Permission	Granted on this resource	Grantee also needs
CREATE_DATABASE	Data Catalog	glue:CreateDatabase

A principal with this permission can create a metadata database or resource link in the Data Catalog. The principal can also create tables in the database.

Example

The following example grants CREATE_DATABASE to user `datalake_user1` in AWS account 1111-2222-3333.

```
aws lakeformation grant-permissions --principal
  DataLakePrincipalIdentifier=arn:aws:iam::111122223333:user/datalake_user1 --
permissions "CREATE_DATABASE" --resource '{ "Catalog": {} }
```

When a principal creates a database in the Data Catalog, no permissions to underlying data are granted. The following additional metadata permissions are granted (along with the ability to grant these permissions to others):

- CREATE_TABLE in the database
- ALTER database
- DROP database

When creating a database, the principal can optionally specify an Amazon S3 location. Depending on whether the principal has data location permissions, the CREATE_DATABASE permission might not be sufficient to create databases in all cases. It is important to keep the following three cases in mind.

Create database use case	Permissions needed
The location property is unspecified.	CREATE_DATABASE is sufficient.

Create database use case	Permissions needed
The location property is specified, and the location is not managed by Lake Formation (is not registered).	CREATE_DATABASE is sufficient.
The location property is specified, and the location is managed by Lake Formation (is registered).	CREATE_DATABASE is required plus data location permissions on the specified location.

CREATE_TABLE

Permission	Granted on this resource	Grantee also needs
CREATE_TABLE	DATABASE	glue:CreateTable

A principal with this permission can create a metadata table or resource link in the Data Catalog within the specified database.

Example

The following example grants the user `datalake_user1` permission to create tables in the `retail` database in AWS account 1111-2222-3333.

```
aws lakeformation grant-permissions --principal
  DataLakePrincipalIdentifier=arn:aws:iam::111122223333:user/datalake_user1
  --permissions "CREATE_TABLE" --resource '{ "Database": {"Name":"retail"} }'
```

When a principal creates a table in the Data Catalog, all Lake Formation permissions on the table are granted to the principal, with the ability to grant these permissions to others.

Cross-account Grants

If a database owner account grants `CREATE_TABLE` to a recipient account, and a user in the recipient account successfully creates a table in the owner account's database, the following rules apply:

- The user and data lake administrators in the recipient account have all Lake Formation permissions on the table. They can grant permissions on the table to other principals in their account. They can't grant permissions to principals in the owner account or any other accounts.
- Data lake administrators in the owner account can grant permissions on the table to other principals in their account.

Data Location Permissions

When you attempt to create a table that points to an Amazon S3 location, depending on whether you have data location permissions, the `CREATE_TABLE` permission might not be sufficient to create a table. It's important to keep the following three cases in mind.

Create table use case	Permissions needed
The specified location is not managed by Lake Formation (is not registered).	<code>CREATE_TABLE</code> is sufficient.
The specified location is managed by Lake Formation (is registered), and the containing database has no location property or has a location property that is not an Amazon S3 prefix of the table location.	<code>CREATE_TABLE</code> is required plus data location permissions on the specified location.
The specified location is managed by Lake Formation (is registered), and the containing database has a location property that points to a location that is registered and is an Amazon S3 prefix of the table location.	<code>CREATE_TABLE</code> is sufficient.

DATA_LOCATION_ACCESS

Permission	Granted on this resource	Grantee also needs
<code>DATA_LOCATION_ACCESS</code>	Amazon S3 location	(Amazon S3 permissions on the location, which must be

Permission	Granted on this resource	Grantee also needs
		specified by the role used to register the location.)

This is the only data location permission. A principal with this permission can create a metadata database or table that points to the specified Amazon S3 location. The location must be registered. A principal who has data location permissions on a location also has location permissions on child locations.

Example

The following example grants data location permissions on `s3://products/retail` to user `datalake_user1` in AWS account 1111-2222-3333.

```
aws lakeformation grant-permissions --principal
DataLakePrincipalIdentifier=arn:aws:iam::111122223333:user/datalake_user1
--permissions "DATA_LOCATION_ACCESS" --resource '{ "DataLocation":
{"ResourceArn":"arn:aws:s3:::products/retail"} }'
```

`DATA_LOCATION_ACCESS` is not needed to query or update underlying data. This permission applies only to creating Data Catalog resources.

For more information about data location permissions, see [Underlying data access control](#).

DELETE

Permission	Granted on this resource	Grantee also needs
DELETE	TABLE	(No additional IAM permissions are needed if the location is registered.)

A principal with this permission can delete underlying data at the Amazon S3 location specified by the table. The principal can also view the table on the Lake Formation console and retrieve information about the table with the AWS Glue API.

Example

The following example grants the DELETE permission to the user `datalake_user1` on the table `inventory` in the database `retail` in AWS account `1111-2222-3333`.

```
aws lakeformation grant-permissions --principal
DataLakePrincipalIdentifier=arn:aws:iam::111122223333:user/datalake_user1
--permissions "DELETE" --resource '{ "Table": {"DatabaseName":"retail",
"Name":"inventory"} }'
```

This permission applies only to data in Amazon S3, and not to data in other data stores such as Amazon Relational Database Service (Amazon RDS).

DESCRIBE

Permission	Granted on this resource	Grantee also needs
DESCRIBE	Table resource link	<code>glue:GetTable</code>
	Database resource link	<code>glue:GetDatabase</code>
DESCRIBE	DATABASE	<code>glue:GetDatabase</code>
DESCRIBE	TABLE	<code>glue:GetTable</code>
DESCRIBE	LF-Tag	<code>glue:GetTable</code>
		<code>glue:GetDatabase</code>
		<code>lakeformation:GetResourceLFTags</code>
		<code>lakeformation:ListLFTags</code>
		<code>lakeformation:GetLFTag</code>
		<code>lakeformation:SearchTablesByLFTags</code>

Permission	Granted on this resource	Grantee also needs
		lakeformation:SearchDatabasesByLFTags

A principal with this permission can view the specified database, table, or resource link. No other Data Catalog permissions are implicitly granted, and no data access permissions are implicitly granted. Databases and tables appear in the query editors of integrated services, but no queries can be made against them unless other Lake Formation permissions (for example, SELECT) are granted.

For example, a user who has DESCRIBE on a database can see the database and all database metadata (description, location, and so on). However, the user can't find out which tables the database contains, and can't drop, alter, or create tables in the database. Similarly, a user who has DESCRIBE on a table can see the table and table metadata (description, schema, location, and so on), but can't drop, alter, or run queries against the table.

The following are some additional rules for DESCRIBE:

- If a user has other Lake Formation permissions on a database, table, or resource link, DESCRIBE is implicitly granted.
- If a user has SELECT on only a subset of columns for a table (partial SELECT), the user is restricted to seeing just those columns.
- You can't grant DESCRIBE to a user who has partial select on a table. Conversely, you can't specify column inclusion or exclusion lists for tables that DESCRIBE is granted on.

Example

The following example grants the DESCRIBE permission to the user `dataLake_user1` on the table resource link `inventory-link` in the database `retail` in AWS account `1111-2222-3333`.

```
aws lakeformation grant-permissions --principal
DataLakePrincipalIdentifier=arn:aws:iam::111122223333:user/dataLake_user1
--permissions "DESCRIBE" --resource '{ "Table": {"DatabaseName":"retail",
"Name":"inventory-link"}}'
```

DROP

Permission	Granted on this resource	Grantee also needs
DROP	DATABASE	glue:DeleteDatabase
DROP	TABLE	glue:DeleteTable
DROP	LF-Tag	lakeformation:DeleteLFTag
DROP	Database resource link	glue:DeleteDatabase
	Table resource link	glue:DeleteTable

A principal with this permission can drop a database, table, or resource link in the Data Catalog. You can't grant DROP on a database to an external account or organization.

Warning

Dropping a database drops all tables in the database.

Example

The following example grants the DROP permission to the user `datalake_user1` on the database `retail` in AWS account `1111-2222-3333`.

```
aws lakeformation grant-permissions --principal
  DataLakePrincipalIdentifier=arn:aws:iam::111122223333:user/datalake_user1 --
permissions "DROP" --resource '{ "Database": {"Name":"retail"} }'
```

Example

The following example grants DROP to the user `datalake_user1` on the table `inventory` in the database `retail`.

```
aws lakeformation grant-permissions --principal
  DataLakePrincipalIdentifier=arn:aws:iam::111122223333:user/datalake_user1
```

```
--permissions "DROP" --resource '{ "Table": {"DatabaseName":"retail",
"Name":"inventory"}}'
```

Example

The following example grants DROP to the user `datalake_user1` on the table resource `link-inventory-link` in the database `retail`.

```
aws lakeformation grant-permissions --principal
DataLakePrincipalIdentifier=arn:aws:iam::111122223333:user/datalake_user1 --
permissions "DROP" --resource '{ "Table": {"DatabaseName":"retail", "Name":"inventory-
link"}}'
```

INSERT

Permission	Granted on this resource	Grantee also needs
INSERT	TABLE	(No additional IAM permissions are needed if the location is registered.)

A principal with this permission can insert, update, and read underlying data at the Amazon S3 location specified by the table. The principal can also view the table in the Lake Formation console and retrieve information about the table with the AWS Glue API.

Example

The following example grants the INSERT permission to the user `datalake_user1` on the table `inventory` in the database `retail` in AWS account `1111-2222-3333`.

```
aws lakeformation grant-permissions --principal
DataLakePrincipalIdentifier=arn:aws:iam::111122223333:user/datalake_user1
--permissions "INSERT" --resource '{ "Table": {"DatabaseName":"retail",
"Name":"inventory"}}'
```

This permission applies only to data in Amazon S3, and not to data in other data stores such as Amazon RDS.

SELECT

Permission	Granted on this resource	Grantee also needs
SELECT	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> TABLE 	(No additional IAM permissions are needed if the location is registered.)

A principal with this permission can view a table in the Data Catalog, and can query the underlying data in Amazon S3 at the location specified by the table. The principal can view the table in the Lake Formation console and retrieve information about the table with the AWS Glue API. If column filtering was applied when this permission was granted, the principal can view the metadata only for the included columns and can query data only from the included columns.

Note

It is the responsibility of the integrated analytics service to apply the column filtering when processing a query.

Example

The following example grants the SELECT permission to the user `dataLake_user1` on the table `inventory` in the database `retail` in AWS account `1111-2222-3333`.

```
aws lakeformation grant-permissions --principal
DataLakePrincipalIdentifier=arn:aws:iam::111122223333:user/dataLake_user1
--permissions "SELECT" --resource '{ "Table": {"DatabaseName":"retail",
"Name":"inventory"} }'
```

This permission applies only to data in Amazon S3, and not to data in other data stores such as Amazon RDS.

You can filter (restrict the access to) specific columns with an optional inclusion list or an exclusion list. An inclusion list specifies the columns that can be accessed. An exclusion list specifies the columns that can't be accessed. In the absence of an inclusion or exclusion list, all table columns are accessible.

The results of `glue:GetTable` return only the columns that the caller has permission to view. Integrated services such as Amazon Athena and Amazon Redshift honor column inclusion and exclusion lists.

Example

The following example grants `SELECT` to the user `dataLake_user1` on the table `inventory` using an inclusion list.

```
aws lakeformation grant-permissions --principal
  DataLakePrincipalIdentifier=arn:aws:iam::111122223333:user/dataLake_user1 --
permissions "SELECT" --resource '{ "TableWithColumns": {"DatabaseName":"retail",
  "Name":"inventory", "ColumnNames": ["prodcode","location","period","withdrawals"]}}'
```

Example

This next example grants `SELECT` on the `inventory` table using an exclusion list.

```
aws lakeformation grant-permissions --principal
  DataLakePrincipalIdentifier=arn:aws:iam::111122223333:user/dataLake_user1 --
permissions "SELECT" --resource '{ "TableWithColumns": {"DatabaseName":"retail",
  "Name":"inventory", "ColumnWildcard": {"ExcludedColumnNames": ["intkey",
  "prodcode"]}}}'
```

The following restrictions apply to the `SELECT` permission:

- When granting `SELECT`, you can't include the grant option if column filtering is applied.
- You cannot restrict access control on columns that are partition keys.
- A principal with the `SELECT` permission on a subset of columns in a table cannot be granted the `ALTER`, `DROP`, `DELETE`, or `INSERT` permission on that table. Similarly, a principal with the `ALTER`, `DROP`, `DELETE`, or `INSERT` permission on a table cannot be granted the `SELECT` permission with column filtering.

The `SELECT` permission always appears on the **Data permissions** page of the Lake Formation console as a separate row. This following image shows that `SELECT` is granted to the users `dataLake_user2` and `dataLake_user3` on all columns in the `inventory` table.

Data permissions (8) Refresh Revoke Grant
 Choose a database or table for which to review, grant or revoke user permissions.

Find by properties < 1 > Settings

Database: retail × Table: inventory × Clear filter

	Principal	Principal type	Resource type	Resource	Owner account ID	Permissions
<input type="radio"/>	datalake_user3	IAM user	Table	inventory	111122223333	Insert
<input type="radio"/>	datalake_user3	IAM user	Column	retail.inventory.*	111122223333	Select
<input type="radio"/>	datalake_user2	AD user	Table	inventory	111122223333	Delete, Insert
<input type="radio"/>	datalake_user2	AD user	Column	retail.inventory.*	111122223333	Select

Super

Permission	Granted on This Resource	Grantee Also Needs
Super	DATABASE	glue:*Database*
Super	TABLE	glue:*Table*, glue:*Partition*

This permission allows a principal to perform every supported Lake Formation operation on the database or table. You can't grant Super on a database to an external account.

This permission can coexist with the other Lake Formation permissions. For example, you can grant the Super, SELECT, and INSERT permissions on a metadata table. The principal can then perform all supported operations on the table. When you revoke Super, the SELECT and INSERT permissions remain, and the principal can perform only select and insert operations.

Instead of granting Super to an individual principal, you can grant it to the group IAMAllowedPrincipals. The IAMAllowedPrincipals group is automatically created and includes all IAM users and roles that are permitted access to your Data Catalog resources by your IAM policies. When Super is granted to IAMAllowedPrincipals for a Data Catalog resource, access to the resource is effectively controlled solely by IAM policies.

You can have the Super permission to be automatically granted to IAMAllowedPrincipals for new catalog resources by taking advantage of options on the **Settings** page of the Lake Formation console.

Data catalog settings

Default permissions for newly created databases and tables

These settings maintain existing Data Catalog behavior. You can still set individual permissions on databases and tables, which will take effect when you revoke the Super permission from IAMAllowedPrincipals. See [Changing Default Settings for Your Data Lake](#).

Use only IAM access control for new databases

Use only IAM access control for new tables in new databases

- To grant Super to IAMAllowedPrincipals for all new databases, select **Use only IAM access control for new databases**.
- To grant Super to IAMAllowedPrincipals for all new tables in new databases, select **Use only IAM access control for new tables in new databases**.

Note

This option causes the check box **Use only IAM access control for new tables in this database** in the **Create database** dialog box to be selected by default. It does nothing more than that. It is the check box in the **Create database** dialog box that enables the grant of Super to IAMAllowedPrincipals.

These **Settings** page options are enabled by default. For more information, see the following:

- [the section called “Changing the default settings for your data lake”](#)
- [the section called “Upgrading AWS Glue data permissions to the Lake Formation model”](#)

ASSOCIATE

Permission	Granted on this resource	Grantee also needs
ASSOCIATE	LF-Tag	glue:GetDatabase glue:GetTable lakeformation:AddLFTagsForResource"

Permission	Granted on this resource	Grantee also needs
		lakeformation:RemoveLFTagsFromResource" lakeformation:GetResourceLFTags lakeformation:ListLFTags lakeformation:GetLFTag lakeformation:SearchTablesByLFTags lakeformation:SearchDatabasesByLFTags

A principal with this permission on a LF-Tag can assign the LF-Tag to a Data Catalog resource. Granting ASSOCIATE implicitly grants DESCRIBE.

Example

This example grants to user `datalake_user1` the ASSOCIATE permission on the LF-Tag with the key module. It grants permissions to view and assign all values for that key, as indicated by the asterisk (*).

```
aws lakeformation grant-permissions --principal
  DataLakePrincipalIdentifier=arn:aws:iam::111122223333:user/
  datalake_user1 --permissions "ASSOCIATE" --resource '{ "LFTag":
  {"CatalogId":"111122223333","TagKey":"module","TagValues":["*"]}'
```

Integrating IAM Identity Center

With AWS IAM Identity Center, you can connect to identity providers (IdPs) and centrally manage access for users and groups across AWS analytics services. You can integrate identity providers such

as Okta, Ping, and Microsoft Entra ID (formerly Azure Active Directory) with IAM Identity Center for users in your organization to access data using a single-sign on experience. IAM Identity Center also supports connecting additional third-party identity providers.

For more information see, [Supported identity providers](#) in the AWS IAM Identity Center User Guide.

You can configure AWS Lake Formation as an enabled application in IAM Identity Center, and data lake administrators can grant fine-grained permissions to authorized users and groups on AWS Glue Data Catalog resources.

Users from your organization can sign in to any Identity Center enabled application using your organization's identity provider, and query datasets applying Lake Formation permissions. With this integration, you can manage access to AWS services, without creating multiple IAM roles.

Note

Trusted identity propagation allows users' existing user and group memberships to access data across AWS analytics services. With trusted identity propagation, a user can sign in to an application, and the application can pass the user's identity in requests to access data in AWS services. You don't need to perform any service-specific identity provider configurations or IAM role setups. Users can't sign in to the AWS Management Console using the trusted identity propagation. For more information, see [Trusted identity propagation across application](#) in the AWS IAM Identity Center User Guide.

For limitations, see [IAM Identity Center integration limitations](#).

Topics

- [Prerequisites](#)
- [Connecting Lake Formation with IAM Identity Center](#)
- [Updating a IAM Identity Center integration](#)
- [Deleting a Lake Formation connection with IAM Identity Center](#)
- [Granting permissions to users and groups](#)

Prerequisites

The following are the prerequisites for integrating IAM Identity Center with Lake Formation.

1. Enable IAM Identity Center – Enabling IAM Identity Center is a prerequisite to support authentication and identity propagation.
2. Choose your identity source – After you enable IAM Identity Center, you must have an identity provider to manage users and groups. You can either use the built-in Identity Center directory as an identity source or use external IdP, such as Microsoft Entra ID or Okta.

For more information, see [Manage your identity source](#) and [Connect to an external identity provider](#) in the AWS IAM Identity Center User Guide.

3. Create an IAM role – The role that creates IAM Identity Center connection requires permissions to create and modify application configuration in Lake Formation and IAM Identity Center as in the following inline policy.

You need to add permissions per IAM best practices. Specific permissions are detailed in the procedures that follow. For more information, see [Getting started with IAM Identity Center](#).

```
{
  "Version": "2012-10-17",
  "Statement": [
    {
      "Effect": "Allow",
      "Action": [
        "lakeformation:CreateLakeFormationIdentityCenterConfiguration",
        "sso:CreateApplication",
        "sso:PutApplicationAssignmentConfiguration",
        "sso:PutApplicationAuthenticationMethod",
        "sso:PutApplicationGrant",
        "sso:PutApplicationAccessScope",
      ],
      "Resource": [
        "*"
      ]
    }
  ]
}
```

If you're sharing Data Catalog resources with external AWS accounts or organizations, you must have the AWS Resource Access Manager (AWS RAM) permissions for creating resource shares. For more information about the permissions required to share resources, see [Cross-account data sharing prerequisites](#).

The following inline policies contain specific permissions required to view, update, and delete properties of Lake Formation integration with IAM Identity Center.

- Use the following inline policy to allow an IAM role to view a Lake Formation integration with IAM Identity Center.

```
{
  "Version": "2012-10-17",
  "Statement": [
    {
      "Effect": "Allow",
      "Action": [
        "lakeformation:DescribeLakeFormationIdentityCenterConfiguration",
        "sso:DescribeApplication"
      ],
      "Resource": [
        "*"
      ]
    }
  ]
}
```

- Use the following inline policy to allow an IAM role to update a Lake Formation integration with IAM Identity Center. The policy also includes optional permissions required to share resources with external accounts.

```
{
  "Version": "2012-10-17",
  "Statement": [
    {
      "Effect": "Allow",
      "Action": [
        "lakeformation:UpdateLakeFormationIdentityCenterConfiguration",
        "lakeformation:DescribeLakeFormationIdentityCenterConfiguration",
        "sso:DescribeApplication",
        "sso:UpdateApplication",
      ],
      "Resource": [
        "*"
      ]
    }
  ]
}
```

```
}
```

- Use the following inline policy to allow an IAM role to delete a Lake Formation integration with IAM Identity Center.

```
{
  "Version": "2012-10-17",
  "Statement": [
    {
      "Effect": "Allow",
      "Action": [
        "lakeformation:DeleteLakeFormationIdentityCenterConfiguration",
        "sso:DeleteApplication",
      ],
      "Resource": [
        "*"
      ]
    }
  ]
}
```

- For IAM permissions required to grant or revoke data lake permissions for IAM Identity Center users and groups, see [IAM permissions required to grant or revoke Lake Formation permissions](#).

Permissions description

- `lakeformation:CreateLakeFormationIdentityCenterConfiguration` – Creates the Lake Formation IdC configuration.
- `lakeformation:DescribeLakeFormationIdentityCenterConfiguration` – Describes an existing IdC configuration.
- `lakeformation>DeleteLakeFormationIdentityCenterConfiguration` – Gives the ability to delete an existing Lake Formation IdC configuration.
- `lakeformation:UpdateLakeFormationIdentityCenterConfiguration` – Used to change an existing Lake Formation configuration.
- `sso:CreateApplication` – Used to create an IAM Identity Center application.
- `sso:DeleteApplication` – Used to delete an IAM Identity Center application.
- `sso:UpdateApplication` – Used to update an IAM Identity Center application.

- `sso:PutApplicationGrant` – Used to change the trusted token issuer information.
- `sso:PutApplicationAuthenticationMethod` – Grants Lake Formation authentication access.
- `sso:GetApplicationGrant` – Used to list trusted token issuer information.
- `sso>DeleteApplicationGrant` – Deletes the trust token issuer information.
- `sso:PutApplicationAccessScope` – Adds or updates the list of authorized targets for an IAM Identity Center access scope for an application.
- `sso:PutApplicationAssignmentConfiguration` – Used to configure how users gain access to an application.

Connecting Lake Formation with IAM Identity Center

Before you can use IAM Identity Center to manage identities to grant access to Data Catalog resources using Lake Formation, you must complete the following steps. You can create the IAM Identity Center integration using the Lake Formation console or AWS CLI.

AWS Management Console

To connect Lake Formation with IAM Identity Center

1. Sign in to the AWS Management Console, and open the Lake Formation console at <https://console.aws.amazon.com/lakeformation/>.
2. In the left navigation pane, select **IAM Identity Center integration**.

Create IAM Identity Center Integration

Enable IAM Identity Center and then create Lake Formation - IAM Identity Center integration to manage identities from IAM Identity Center (external IDPs like Azure AD or Okta Universal Directory). [Learn more](#)

▼ How it works

Enable IAM Identity Center

Enable IAM Identity Center for your account or organization and select an identity provider.


Create Lake Formation integration

Integrate Lake Formation with IAM Identity Center to permit Lake Formation to access users from your selected identity provider.

Grant permissions

Grant permissions to users on Data Catalog databases and tables using fine-grained Lake Formation permissions.


Connect Lake Formation to IAM Identity Center



Connect to organization instance of IAM Identity Center

Manage access to Lake Formation by assigning users and groups from the Identity Center directory for your organization. [Learn more](#)

Recommended



Connect to account instance of IAM Identity Center

Manage access to Lake Formation by assigning existing or creating dedicated users and groups from your Identity Center directory. [Learn more](#)

instance of IAM Identity Center

Manage access to Lake Formation by assigning users and groups from your Identity Center directory.

 `arn:aws:sso::instance/ssoins-6987513bf5410c2f`

Add AWS account and organization IDs


Add AWS accounts and organizations whose users need access to Lake Formation managed resources.

AWS Accounts and AWS organizations

Enter one or more AWS account IDs and AWS organization IDs. Press Enter after each ID.

► Lake Formation application integration - optional


Connecting Lake Formation application with IAM Identity Center registers data locations registered with Lake Formation on behalf of the user.

 After this step, you can't edit the connection. You can edit AWS accounts, organizations, and applications. If you want to modify the connection, delete it and create a new connection.

3. (Optional) Enter one or more valid AWS account IDs, organization IDs, and/or organizational unit IDs to allow external accounts to access the Data Catalog resources. When IAM Identity Center users or groups try to access Lake Formation managed Data Catalog resources, Lake Formation assumes an IAM role to authorize metadata access. If the IAM role belongs to an external account that does not have an AWS Glue resource policy and an AWS RAM resource share, the IAM Identity Center users and groups won't be able to access the resource even if they've Lake Formation permissions.

Lake Formation uses the AWS Resource Access Manager (AWS RAM) service to share the resource with external accounts and organizations. AWS RAM sends an invitation to the grantee account to accept or reject the resource share.

For more information, see [Accepting a resource share invitation from AWS RAM](#).

 **Note**

Lake Formation permits IAM roles from external accounts to act as carrier roles on behalf of IAM Identity Center users and groups for accessing Data Catalog resources, but permissions can only be granted on Data Catalog resources within the owning account. If you try to grant permissions to IAM Identity Center users and groups on Data Catalog resources in an external account, Lake Formation throws the following error - "Cross-account grants are not supported for the principal."

4. (Optional) On the **Create Lake Formation integration** screen, specify the ARNs of third-party applications that can access data in Amazon S3 locations registered with Lake Formation. Lake Formation vends scoped-down temporary credentials in the form of AWS STS tokens to registered Amazon S3 locations based on the effective permissions, so that authorized applications can access data on behalf of users.
5. Select **Submit**.

After the Lake Formation administrator finishes the steps and creates the integration, the IAM Identity Center properties appear in the Lake Formation console. Completing these tasks makes Lake Formation an IAM Identity Center enabled application. The properties in the console include the integration status. The integration status says Success when it's completed. This status indicates if IAM Identity Center configuration is completed.

AWS CLI

- The following example shows how to create Lake Formation integration with IAM Identity Center. You can also specify the Status (ENABLED, DISABLED) of the applications.

```
aws lakeformation create-lake-formation-identity-center-configuration \  
  --catalog-id <123456789012> \  
  --instance-arn <arn:aws:sso:::instance/ssoins-112111f12ca1122p> \  
  --share-recipients '[{"DataLakePrincipalIdentifier": "<123456789012>"},  
                        {"DataLakePrincipalIdentifier": "<5555555555555555>"}]' \  
  --external-filtering '{"AuthorizedTargets": [<app arn1>", "<app arn2>"],  
                        "Status": "ENABLED"}'
```

- The following example shows how to view a Lake Formation integration with IAM Identity Center.

```
aws lakeformation describe-lake-formation-identity-center-configuration  
  --catalog-id <123456789012>
```

Updating a IAM Identity Center integration

After creating the connection, you can add third-party applications for the IAM Identity Center integration to integrate with Lake Formation, and get access to Amazon S3 data on behalf of the users. You can also remove existing applications from the IAM Identity Center integration. You can add or remove applications using Lake Formation console, AWS CLI, and using [UpdateLakeFormationIdentityCenterConfiguration](#) operation.

Note

After creating IAM Identity Center integration, you can't update the instance ARN.

AWS Management Console

To update an existing IAM Identity Center connection with Lake Formation

1. Sign in to the AWS Management Console, and open the Lake Formation console at <https://console.aws.amazon.com/lakeformation/>.

2. In the left navigation pane, select **IAM Identity Center integration**.
3. Select **Add** on the **IAM Identity Center integration** page.
4. Enter one or more valid AWS account IDs, organization IDs, and/or organizational unit IDs to allow external accounts to access the Data Catalog resources.
5. On the **Add applications** screen, enter the application IDs of the third-party applications that you want to integrate with Lake Formation.
6. Select **Add**.

AWS CLI

You can add or remove third-party applications for the IAM Identity Center integration by running the following AWS CLI command. When you set external filtering status to ENABLED, it enables the IAM Identity Center to provide identity management for third-party applications to access data managed by Lake Formation. You can also enable or disable the IAM Identity Center integration by setting the application status.

```
aws lakeformation update-lake-formation-identity-center-configuration \
  --external-filtering '{"AuthorizedTargets": ["<app arn1>", "<app arn2>"], "Status": "ENABLED"}' \
  --share-recipients '[{"DataLakePrincipalIdentifier": "<444455556666>"} {"DataLakePrincipalIdentifier": "<777788889999>"}]' \
  --application-status ENABLED
```

Deleting a Lake Formation connection with IAM Identity Center

If you would like to delete an existing IAM Identity Center integration, you can do it using Lake Formation console, AWS CLI, or [DeleteLakeFormationIdentityCenterConfiguration](#) operation.

AWS Management Console

To delete an existing IAM Identity Center connection with Lake Formation

1. Sign in to the AWS Management Console, and open the Lake Formation console at <https://console.aws.amazon.com/lakeformation/>.
2. In the left navigation pane, select **IAM Identity Center integration**.
3. Select **Delete** on the **IAM Identity Center integration** page.
4. On the **Confirm integration** screen, confirm the action, and select **Delete**.

AWS CLI

You can delete IAM Identity Center integration by running the following AWS CLI command.

```
aws lakeformation delete-lake-formation-identity-center-configuration \  
  --catalog-id <123456789012>
```

Granting permissions to users and groups

Your data lake administrator can grant permissions to IAM Identity Center users and groups on Data Catalog resources (databases, tables, and views) to allow easy data access. To grant or revoke data lake permissions, the grantor requires permissions for the following IAM Identity Center actions.

- [DescribeUser](#)
- [DescribeGroup](#)
- [DescribeInstance](#)

You can grant permissions by using the Lake Formation console, the API, or the AWS CLI.

For more information on granting permissions, see [the section called “Granting and revoking Data Catalog permissions”](#).

Note

You can only grant permissions on resources in your account. To cascade permissions to users and groups on resources shared with you, you must use AWS RAM resources shares.

AWS Management Console

To grant permissions to users and groups

1. Sign in to the AWS Management Console, and open the Lake Formation console at <https://console.aws.amazon.com/lakeformation/>.
2. Select **Data lake permissions** under **Permissions** in the Lake Formation console.
3. Select **Grant**.

4. On the **Grant data lake permissions** page, choose, **SSM** users and groups.
5. Select **Add** to choose the users and groups to grant permissions.

[AWS Lake Formation](#) > Grant permissions

Grant data lake permissions

Principals
Choose the principals to grant permissions.

IAM users and roles
Users or roles from this AWS account.

IAM Identity Center - new
Users and groups configured in IAM Identity Center.

SAML users and groups
SAML users and group or QuickSight ARNs.

External accounts
AWS account, AWS organization or IAM principal outside of this account

Users and groups (3) Remove Add
Choose users and groups to grant permissions.

Find users and groups

<input type="checkbox"/>	Name ↗	Type
<input type="checkbox"/>	DataStewards	Group
<input type="checkbox"/>	user1	User
<input type="checkbox"/>	user2	User

6. On the **Assign users and groups** screen, choose the users and/or groups to grant permissions.

Select **Assign**.

Assign users and groups ✕

🔍 Search by user display name or group name

Users

user1 Remove

user2 | b Remove

Groups

DataStewards Remove

Manage groups [🔗](#)

[Learn more about managing groups from IAM Identity Center](#) [🔗](#)

Cancel Assign

7. Next, choose the method to grant permissions.

For instructions on granting permissions using named resources method, see [Granting data lake permissions using the named resource method](#).

For instructions on granting permission using LF-Tags, see [Granting data lake permissions using the LF-TBAC method](#).

8. Choose the Data Catalog resources on which you want to grant permissions.
9. Choose the Data Catalog permissions to grant.
10. Select **Grant**.

AWS CLI

The following example shows how to grant IAM Identity Center user SELECT permission on a table.

```
aws lakeformation grant-permissions \  
--principal DataLakePrincipalIdentifier=arn:aws:identitystore:::user/<UserId> \  
--permissions "SELECT" \  
--resource '{ "Table": { "DatabaseName": "retail", "TableWildcard": {} } }'
```

To retrieve `UserId` from IAM Identity Center, see [GetUserId](#) operation in the IAM Identity Center API Reference.

Adding an Amazon S3 location to your data lake

To add an Amazon Simple Storage Service (Amazon S3) location as storage in your data lake, you *register* the location (**Data lake location**) with AWS Lake Formation. You can then use Lake Formation permissions for fine-grained access control to AWS Glue Data Catalog objects that point to this location and to the underlying data in the location.

Lake Formation also allows to register a data location in hybrid access mode and provide you the flexibility to selectively enable Lake Formation permissions for databases and tables in your Data Catalog. With the Hybrid access mode, you have an incremental path that allows you to set Lake Formation permissions for a specific set of users without interrupting the permission policies of other existing users or workloads.

For more information on setting up hybrid access mode, see [Hybrid access mode](#)

When you register a location, that Amazon S3 path and all folders under that path are registered.

For example, suppose that you have an Amazon S3 path organization like the following:

```
/mybucket/accounting/sales/
```

If you register `S3://mybucket/accounting`, the `sales` folder is also registered and under Lake Formation management.

For more information about registering locations, see [Underlying data access control](#).

Note

Lake Formation permissions are recommended for structured data (arranged in tables with rows and columns). If your data contains object-based unstructured data, consider using IAM permission for Amazon S3 to manage data access.

Topics

- [Requirements for roles used to register locations](#)
- [Registering an Amazon S3 location](#)
- [Registering an encrypted Amazon S3 location](#)
- [Registering an Amazon S3 location in another AWS account](#)
- [Registering an encrypted Amazon S3 location across AWS accounts](#)
- [Deregistering an Amazon S3 location](#)

Requirements for roles used to register locations

You must specify an AWS Identity and Access Management (IAM) role when you register an Amazon Simple Storage Service (Amazon S3) location. AWS Lake Formation assumes that role when accessing the data in that location.

You can use one of the following role types to register a location:

- The Lake Formation service-linked role. This role grants the required permissions on the location. Using this role is the simplest way to register the location. For more information, see [Using service-linked roles for Lake Formation](#).
- A user-defined role. Use a user-defined role when you need to grant more permissions than the service-linked role provides.

You must use a user-defined role in the following circumstances:

- When registering a location in another account.

For more information, see [the section called “Registering an Amazon S3 location in another AWS account”](#) and [the section called “Registering an encrypted Amazon S3 location across AWS accounts”](#).

- If you used an AWS managed CMK (aws/s3) to encrypt the Amazon S3 location.

For more information, see [Registering an encrypted Amazon S3 location](#).

- If you plan to access the location using Amazon EMR.

If you already registered a location with the service-linked role and want to begin accessing the location with Amazon EMR, you must deregister the location and reregister it with a user-defined role. For more information, see [the section called “Deregistering an Amazon S3 location”](#).

Using service-linked roles for Lake Formation

AWS Lake Formation uses an AWS Identity and Access Management (IAM) *service-linked role*. A service-linked role is a unique type of IAM role that is linked directly to Lake Formation. The service-linked role is predefined by Lake Formation and includes all the permissions that the service requires to call other AWS services on your behalf.

A service-linked role makes setting up Lake Formation easier because you don't have to create a role and manually add the necessary permissions. Lake Formation defines the permissions of its service-linked role, and unless defined otherwise, only Lake Formation can assume its roles. The defined permissions include the trust policy and the permissions policy, and that permissions policy can't be attached to any other IAM entity.

This service-linked role trusts the following services to assume the role:

- `lakeformation.amazonaws.com`

When you use a service-linked role in account A to register an Amazon S3 location that is owned by account B, the Amazon S3 bucket policy (a resource-based policy) in account B must grant access permissions to the service-linked role in account A.

Note

Service control policies (SCPs) don't affect service-linked roles.

For more information, see [Service control policies \(SCPs\)](#) in the *AWS Organizations user guide*.

Service-linked role permissions for Lake Formation

Lake Formation uses the service-linked role named `AWSServiceRoleForLakeFormationDataAccess`. This role provides a set of Amazon Simple Storage Service (Amazon S3) permissions that enable the Lake Formation integrated service (such as Amazon Athena) to access registered locations. When you register a data lake location, you must provide a role that has the required Amazon S3 read/write permissions on that location. Instead of creating a role with the required Amazon S3 permissions, you can use this service-linked role.

The first time that you name the service-linked role as the role with which to register a path, the service-linked role and a new IAM policy are created on your behalf. Lake Formation adds the path to the inline policy and attaches it to the service-linked role. When you register subsequent paths with the service-linked role, Lake Formation adds the path to the existing policy.

While signed in as a data lake administrator, register a data lake location. Then, in the IAM console, search for the role `AWSServiceRoleForLakeFormationDataAccess` and view its attached policies.

For example, after you register the location `s3://my-kinesis-test/logs`, Lake Formation creates the following inline policy and attaches it to `AWSServiceRoleForLakeFormationDataAccess`.

```
{
  "Version": "2012-10-17",
  "Statement": [
    {
      "Sid": "LakeFormationDataAccessPermissionsForS3",
      "Effect": "Allow",
      "Action": [
        "s3:PutObject",
        "s3:GetObject",
        "s3:DeleteObject",
        "s3:AbortMultipartUpload",
        "s3:ListMultipartUploadParts"
      ],
      "Resource": [
        "arn:aws:s3:::my-kinesis-test/logs/*"
      ]
    },
    {
      "Sid": "LakeFormationDataAccessPermissionsForS3ListBucket",
```

```
    "Effect": "Allow",
    "Action": [
        "s3:ListBucket",
        "s3:ListBucketMultipartUploads"
    ],
    "Resource": [
        "arn:aws:s3:::my-kinesis-test"
    ]
  }
]
```

Creating a Service-Linked Role for Lake Formation

You don't need to manually create a service-linked role. When you register an Amazon S3 location with Lake Formation in the AWS Management Console, the AWS CLI, or the AWS API, Lake Formation creates the service-linked role for you.

Important

This service-linked role can appear in your account if you completed an action in another service that uses the features supported by this role. To learn more, see [A New Role Appeared in My IAM Account](#).

If you delete this service-linked role, and then need to create it again, you can use the same process to recreate the role in your account. When you register an Amazon S3 location with Lake Formation, Lake Formation creates the service-linked role for you again.

You can also use the IAM console to create a service-linked role with the **Lake Formation** use case. In the AWS CLI or the AWS API, create a service-linked role with the `lakeformation.amazonaws.com` service name. For more information, see [Creating a Service-Linked Role](#) in the *IAM User Guide*. If you delete this service-linked role, you can use this same process to create the role again.

Editing a Service-Linked Role for Lake Formation

Lake Formation does not allow you to edit the `AWSServiceRoleForLakeFormationDataAccess` service-linked role. After you create a service-linked role, you cannot change the name of the role because various entities might reference the

role. However, you can edit the description of the role using IAM. For more information, see [Editing a Service-Linked Role](#) in the *IAM User Guide*.

Deleting a Service-Linked Role for Lake Formation

If you no longer need to use a feature or service that requires a service-linked role, we recommend that you delete that role. That way you don't have an unused entity that is not actively monitored or maintained. However, you must clean up the resources for your service-linked role before you can manually delete it.

Note

If the Lake Formation service is using the role when you try to delete the resources, then the deletion might fail. If that happens, wait for a few minutes and try the operation again.

To delete Lake Formation resources used by the Lake Formation

- If you've used the service-linked role to register Amazon S3 locations with Lake Formation, before deleting the service-linked role, you need to deregister the location and reregister it using a custom role.

To manually delete the service-linked role using IAM

Use the IAM console, the AWS CLI, or the AWS API to delete the `AWSServiceRoleForLakeFormationDataAccess` service-linked role. For more information, see [Deleting a Service-Linked Role](#) in the *IAM User Guide*.

The following are the requirements for a user-defined role:

- When creating the new role, on the **Create role** page of the IAM console, choose **AWS service**, and then under **Choose a use case**, choose **Lake Formation**.

If you create the role using a different path, ensure that the role has a trust relationship with `lakeformation.amazonaws.com`. For more information, see [Modifying a Role Trust Policy \(Console\)](#).

- The role must have trust relationships with the following entities:
 - `glue.amazonaws.com`
 - `lakeformation.amazonaws.com`

For more information, see [Modifying a Role Trust Policy \(Console\)](#).

- The role must have an inline policy that grants Amazon S3 read/write permissions on the location. The following is a typical policy.

```
{
  "Version": "2012-10-17",
  "Statement": [
    {
      "Effect": "Allow",
      "Action": [
        "s3:PutObject",
        "s3:GetObject",
        "s3:DeleteObject"
      ],
      "Resource": [
        "arn:aws:s3:::awsexamplebucket/*"
      ]
    },
    {
      "Effect": "Allow",
      "Action": [
        "s3:ListBucket"
      ],
      "Resource": [
        "arn:aws:s3:::awsexamplebucket"
      ]
    }
  ]
}
```

- Add the following trust policy to the IAM role to allow the Lake Formation service to assume the role and vend temporary credentials to the integrated analytical engines.

```
{
  "Version": "2012-10-17",
  "Statement": [
    {
      "Sid": "DataCatalogViewDefinerAssumeRole1",
      "Effect": "Allow",
      "Principal": {
        "Service": [
          "glue.amazonaws.com",

```

```

        "lakeformation.amazonaws.com"
    ]
},
"Action": [
    "sts:AssumeRole"
]
}
]
}

```

- The data lake administrator who registers the location must have the `iam:PassRole` permission on the role.

The following is an inline policy that grants this permission. Replace `<account-id>` with a valid AWS account number, and replace `<role-name>` with the name of the role.

```

{
  "Version": "2012-10-17",
  "Statement": [
    {
      "Sid": "PassRolePermissions",
      "Effect": "Allow",
      "Action": [
        "iam:PassRole"
      ],
      "Resource": [
        "arn:aws:iam::<account-id>:role/<role-name>"
      ]
    }
  ]
}

```

- To permit Lake Formation to add logs in CloudWatch Logs and publish metrics, add the following inline policy.

Note

Writing to CloudWatch Logs incurs a charge.

```

{

```

```
"Version": "2012-10-17",
"Statement": [
  {
    "Sid": "Sid1",
    "Effect": "Allow",
    "Action": [
      "logs:CreateLogStream",
      "logs:CreateLogGroup",
      "logs:PutLogEvents"
    ],
    "Resource": [
      "arn:aws:logs:<region>:<account-id>:log-group:/aws-lakeformation-
acceleration/*",
      "arn:aws:logs:<region>:<account-id>:log-group:/aws-lakeformation-
acceleration/*:log-stream:*"
    ]
  }
]
```

Registering an Amazon S3 location

You must specify an AWS Identity and Access Management (IAM) role when you register an Amazon Simple Storage Service (Amazon S3) location. Lake Formation assumes that role when it grants temporary credentials to integrated AWS services that access the data in that location.

Important

Avoid registering an Amazon S3 bucket that has **Requester pays** enabled. For buckets registered with Lake Formation, the role used to register the bucket is always viewed as the requester. If the bucket is accessed by another AWS account, the bucket owner is charged for data access if the role belongs to the same account as the bucket owner.

You can use the AWS Lake Formation console, Lake Formation API, or AWS Command Line Interface (AWS CLI) to register an Amazon S3 location.

Before you begin

Review the [requirements for the role used to register the location](#).

To register a location (console)

Important

The following procedures assume that the Amazon S3 location is in the same AWS account as the Data Catalog and that the data in the location is not encrypted. Other sections in this chapter cover cross-account registration and registration of encrypted locations.

1. Open the AWS Lake Formation console at <https://console.aws.amazon.com/lakeformation/>. Sign in as the data lake administrator or as a user with the `Lakeformation:RegisterResource` IAM permission.
2. In the navigation pane, under **Administration**, select **Data lake locations**.
3. Choose **Register location**, and then choose **Browse** to select an Amazon Simple Storage Service (Amazon S3) path.
4. (Optional, but strongly recommended) Select **Review location permissions** to view a list of all existing resources in the selected Amazon S3 location and their permissions.

Registering the selected location might result in your Lake Formation users gaining access to data already at that location. Viewing this list helps you ensure that existing data remains secure.

5. For **IAM role**, choose either the `AWSServiceRoleForLakeFormationDataAccess` service-linked role (the default) or a custom IAM role that meets the requirements in [the section called “Requirements for roles used to register locations”](#).

You can update a registered location or other details only when you register it using a custom IAM role. To edit a location registered using a service-linked role, you should deregister the location and register it again.

6. Choose **Enable Data Catalog Federation** option to allow Lake Formation to assume a role and vend temporary credentials to integrated AWS services to access tables under federated databases. If a location is registered with Lake Formation, and you want to use the same location for a table under a federated database, you need to register the same location with the **Enable Data Catalog Federation** option.
7. Choose **Hybrid access mode** to not enable Lake Formation permissions by default. When you register Amazon S3 location in hybrid access mode, you can enable Lake Formation permissions by opting in principals for databases and tables under that location.

For more information on setting up hybrid access mode, see [Hybrid access mode](#).

8. Select **Register location**.

To register a location (AWS CLI)

1. Register a new location with Lake Formation

This example uses a service-linked role to register the location. You can use the `--role-arn` argument instead to supply your own role.

Replace `<s3-path>` with a valid Amazon S3 path, account number with a valid AWS account, and `<s3-access-role>` with an IAM role that has permissions to register a data location.

Note

You can't edit properties of a registered location if it is registered using a service-linked role.

```
aws lakeformation register-resource \  
  --resource-arn arn:aws:s3:::<s3-path> \  
  --use-service-linked-role
```

The following example uses a custom role to register the location.

```
aws lakeformation register-resource \  
  --resource-arn arn:aws:s3:::<s3-path> \  
  --role-arn arn:aws:iam::<123456789012>:role/<s3-access-role>
```

2. To update a location registered with Lake Formation

You can edit a registered location only if it is registered using a custom IAM role. For a location registered with service-linked role, you should deregister the location and register it again. For more information, see [the section called "Deregistering an Amazon S3 location"](#).

```
aws lakeformation update-resource \  
  --role-arn arn:aws:iam::<123456789012>:role/<s3-access-role>\  
  --resource-arn arn:aws:s3:::<s3-path>
```



```
aws lakeformation update-resource \  
  --resource-arn arn:aws:s3:::<s3-path> \  
  --use-service-linked-role
```

3. Register a data location in hybrid access mode with federation

```
aws lakeformation register-resource \  
  --resource-arn arn:aws:s3:::<s3-path> \  
  --role-arn arn:aws:iam::<123456789012>:role/<s3-access-role> \  
  --hybrid-access-enabled
```

```
aws lakeformation register-resource \  
  --resource-arn arn:aws:s3:::<s3-path> \  
  --role-arn arn:aws:iam::<123456789012>:role/<s3-access-role> \  
  --with-federation
```

```
aws lakeformation update-resource \  
  --resource-arn arn:aws:s3:::<s3-path> \  
  --role-arn arn:aws:iam::<123456789012>:role/<s3-access-role> \  
  --hybrid-access-enabled
```

For more information, see [RegisterResource](#) API operation.

Note

Once you register an Amazon S3 location, any AWS Glue table pointing to the location (or any of its child locations) will return the value for the `IsRegisteredWithLakeFormation` parameter as `true` in the `GetTable` call. There is a known limitation that Data Catalog API operations such as `GetTables` and `SearchTables` do not update the value for the `IsRegisteredWithLakeFormation` parameter, and return the default, which is `false`. It is recommended to use the `GetTable` API to view the correct value for the `IsRegisteredWithLakeFormation` parameter.

Registering an encrypted Amazon S3 location

Lake Formation integrates with [AWS Key Management Service](#) (AWS KMS) to enable you to more easily set up other integrated services to encrypt and decrypt data in Amazon Simple Storage Service (Amazon S3) locations.

Both customer managed AWS KMS keys and AWS managed keys are supported. Currently, client-side encryption/decryption is supported only with Athena.

You must specify an AWS Identity and Access Management (IAM) role when you register an Amazon S3 location. For encrypted Amazon S3 locations, either the role must have permission to encrypt and decrypt data with the AWS KMS key, or the KMS key policy must grant permissions on the key to the role.

Important

Avoid registering an Amazon S3 bucket that has **Requester pays** enabled. For buckets registered with Lake Formation, the role used to register the bucket is always viewed as the requester. If the bucket is accessed by another AWS account, the bucket owner is charged for data access if the role belongs to the same account as the bucket owner.

The simplest way to register the location is to use the Lake Formation service-linked role. This role grants the required read/write permissions on the location. You may also use a custom role to register the location, provided that it meets the requirements in [the section called “Requirements for roles used to register locations”](#).

Important

If you used an AWS managed key to encrypt the Amazon S3 location, you can't use the Lake Formation service-linked role. You must use a custom role and add IAM permissions on the key to the role. Details are provided later in this section.

The following procedures explain how to register an Amazon S3 location that is encrypted with either a customer managed key or an AWS managed key.

- [Registering a location encrypted with a customer managed key](#)
- [Registering a location encrypted with an AWS managed key](#)

Before You Begin

Review the [requirements for the role used to register the location](#).

To register an Amazon S3 location encrypted with a customer managed key

Note

If the KMS key or Amazon S3 location are not in the same AWS account as the Data Catalog, follow the instructions in [the section called “Registering an encrypted Amazon S3 location across AWS accounts”](#) instead.

1. Open the AWS KMS console at <https://console.aws.amazon.com/kms> and log in as an AWS Identity and Access Management (IAM) administrative user or as a user who can modify the key policy of the KMS key used to encrypt the location.
2. In the navigation pane, choose **Customer managed keys**, and then choose the name of the desired KMS key.
3. On the KMS key details page, choose the **Key policy** tab, and then do one of the following to add your custom role or the Lake Formation service-linked role as a KMS key user:
 - **If the default view is showing** (with **Key administrators**, **Key deletion**, **Key users**, and **Other AWS accounts** sections) – Under the **Key users** section, add your custom role or the Lake Formation service-linked role `AWSServiceRoleForLakeFormationDataAccess`.
 - **If the key policy (JSON) is showing** – Edit the policy to add your custom role or the Lake Formation service-linked role `AWSServiceRoleForLakeFormationDataAccess` to the object "Allow use of the key," as shown in the following example.

Note

If that object is missing, add it with the permissions shown in the example. The example uses the service-linked role.

```
...
{
    "Sid": "Allow use of the key",
    "Effect": "Allow",
```

```

    "Principal": {
      "AWS": [
        "arn:aws:iam::111122223333:role/aws-service-role/
lakeformation.amazonaws.com/AWSServiceRoleForLakeFormationDataAccess",
        "arn:aws:iam::111122223333:user/keyuser"
      ]
    },
    "Action": [
      "kms:Encrypt",
      "kms:Decrypt",
      "kms:ReEncrypt*",
      "kms:GenerateDataKey*",
      "kms:DescribeKey"
    ],
    "Resource": "*"
  },
  ...

```

4. Open the AWS Lake Formation console at <https://console.aws.amazon.com/lakeformation/>. Sign in as the data lake administrator or as a user with the `lakeformation:RegisterResource` IAM permission.
5. In the navigation pane, under **Administration**, choose **Data lake locations**.
6. Choose **Register location**, and then choose **Browse** to select an Amazon Simple Storage Service (Amazon S3) path.
7. (Optional, but strongly recommended) Choose **Review location permissions** to view a list of all existing resources in the selected Amazon S3 location and their permissions.

Registering the selected location might result in your Lake Formation users gaining access to data already at that location. Viewing this list helps you ensure that existing data remains secure.

8. For **IAM role**, choose either the `AWSServiceRoleForLakeFormationDataAccess` service-linked role (the default) or your custom role that meets the [the section called "Requirements for roles used to register locations"](#).
9. Choose **Register location**.

For more information about the service-linked role, see [Service-linked role permissions for Lake Formation](#).

To register an Amazon S3 location encrypted with an AWS managed key

Important

If the Amazon S3 location is not in the same AWS account as the Data Catalog, follow the instructions in [the section called “Registering an encrypted Amazon S3 location across AWS accounts”](#) instead.

1. Create an IAM role to use to register the location. Ensure that it meets the requirements listed in [the section called “Requirements for roles used to register locations”](#).
2. Add the following inline policy to the role. It grants permissions on the key to the role. The Resource specification must designate the Amazon Resource Name (ARN) of the AWS managed key. You can obtain the ARN from the AWS KMS console. To get the correct ARN, ensure that you log in to the AWS KMS console with the same AWS account and Region as the AWS managed key that was used to encrypt the location.

```
{
  "Version": "2012-10-17",
  "Statement": [
    {
      "Effect": "Allow",
      "Action": [
        "kms:Encrypt",
        "kms:Decrypt",
        "kms:ReEncrypt*",
        "kms:GenerateDataKey*",
        "kms:DescribeKey"
      ],
      "Resource": "<AWS managed key ARN>"
    }
  ]
}
```

3. Open the AWS Lake Formation console at <https://console.aws.amazon.com/lakeformation/>. Sign in as the data lake administrator or as a user with the `lakeformation:RegisterResource` IAM permission.
4. In the navigation pane, under **Administration**, choose **Data lake locations**.
5. Choose **Register location**, and then choose **Browse** to select an Amazon S3 path.

6. (Optional, but strongly recommended) Choose **Review location permissions** to view a list of all existing resources in the selected Amazon S3 location and their permissions.

Registering the selected location might result in your Lake Formation users gaining access to data already at that location. Viewing this list helps you ensure that existing data remains secure.

7. For **IAM role**, choose the role that you created in Step 1.
8. Choose **Register location**.

Registering an Amazon S3 location in another AWS account

AWS Lake Formation enables you to register Amazon Simple Storage Service (Amazon S3) locations across AWS accounts. For example, if the AWS Glue Data Catalog is in account A, a user in account A can register an Amazon S3 bucket in account B.

Registering an Amazon S3 bucket in AWS account B using an AWS Identity and Access Management (IAM) role in AWS account A requires the following permissions:

- The role in account A must grant permissions on the bucket in account B.
- The bucket policy in account B must grant access permissions to the role in Account A.

Important

Avoid registering an Amazon S3 bucket that has **Requester pays** enabled. For buckets registered with Lake Formation, the role used to register the bucket is always viewed as the requester. If the bucket is accessed by another AWS account, the bucket owner is charged for data access if the role belongs to the same account as the bucket owner.

You can't use the Lake Formation service-linked role to register a location in another account. You must use a user-defined role instead. The role must meet the requirements in [the section called "Requirements for roles used to register locations"](#). For more information about the service-linked role, see [Service-linked role permissions for Lake Formation](#).

Before you begin

Review the [requirements for the role used to register the location](#).

To register a location in another AWS account

Note

If the location is encrypted, follow the instructions in [the section called “Registering an encrypted Amazon S3 location across AWS accounts”](#) instead.


The following procedure assumes that a principal in account 1111-2222-3333, which contains the Data Catalog, wants to register the Amazon S3 bucket `awsexamplebucket1`, which is in account 1234-5678-9012.

1. In account 1111-2222-3333, sign in to the AWS Management Console and open the IAM console at <https://console.aws.amazon.com/iam/>.
2. Create a new role or view an existing role that meets the requirements in [the section called “Requirements for roles used to register locations”](#). Ensure that the role grants Amazon S3 permissions on `awsexamplebucket1`.
3. Open the Amazon S3 console at <https://console.aws.amazon.com/s3/>. Sign in with account 1234-5678-9012.
4. In the **Bucket name** list, choose the bucket name, `awsexamplebucket1`.
5. Choose **Permissions**.
6. On the **Permissions** page, choose **Bucket Policy**.
7. In the **Bucket policy editor**, paste the following policy. Replace `<role-name>` with the name of your role.

```
{
  "Version": "2012-10-17",
  "Statement": [
    {
      "Effect": "Allow",
      "Principal": {
        "AWS": "arn:aws:iam::111122223333:role/<role-name>"
      },
      "Action": "s3:ListBucket",
      "Resource": "arn:aws:s3:::awsexamplebucket1"
    },
    {
      "Effect": "Allow",
```

```
    "Principal": {
      "AWS": "arn:aws:iam::111122223333:role/<role-name>"
    },
    "Action": [
      "s3:DeleteObject",
      "s3:GetObject",
      "s3:PutObject"
    ],
    "Resource": "arn:aws:s3::awsexamplebucket1/*"
  }
]
```

8. Choose **Save**.
9. Open the AWS Lake Formation console at <https://console.aws.amazon.com/lakeformation/>. Sign in to account 1111-2222-3333 as the data lake administrator or as a user with sufficient permissions to register locations.
10. In the navigation pane, under **Administration**, choose **Data lake locations**.
11. On **Data lake locations** page, choose **Register location**.
12. On the **Register location** page, for **Amazon S3 path**, enter the bucket name `s3://awsexamplebucket1`.

 **Note**

You must type the bucket name because cross-account buckets do not appear in the list when you choose **Browse**.

13. For **IAM role**, choose your role.
14. Choose **Register location**.

Registering an encrypted Amazon S3 location across AWS accounts

AWS Lake Formation integrates with [AWS Key Management Service](#) (AWS KMS) to enable you to more easily set up other integrated services to encrypt and decrypt data in Amazon Simple Storage Service (Amazon S3) locations.

Both customer managed keys and AWS managed keys are supported. Client-side encryption/decryption is not supported.

⚠ Important

Avoid registering an Amazon S3 bucket that has **Requester pays** enabled. For buckets registered with Lake Formation, the role used to register the bucket is always viewed as the requester. If the bucket is accessed by another AWS account, the bucket owner is charged for data access if the role belongs to the same account as the bucket owner.

This section explains how to register an Amazon S3 location under the following circumstances:

- The data in the Amazon S3 location is encrypted with a KMS key created in AWS KMS.
- The Amazon S3 location is not in the same AWS account as the AWS Glue Data Catalog.
- The KMS key either is or is not in the same AWS account as the Data Catalog.

Registering an AWS KMS–encrypted Amazon S3 bucket in AWS account B using an AWS Identity and Access Management (IAM) role in AWS account A requires the following permissions:

- The role in account A must grant permissions on the bucket in account B.
- The bucket policy in account B must grant access permissions to the role in Account A.
- If the KMS key is in account B, the key policy must grant access to the role in account A, and the role in account A must grant permissions on the KMS key.

In the following procedure, you create a role in the AWS account that contains the Data Catalog (account A in the previous discussion). Then, you use this role to register the location. Lake Formation assumes this role when accessing underlying data in Amazon S3. The assumed role has the required permissions on the KMS key. As a result, you don't have to grant permissions on the KMS key to principals accessing underlying data with ETL jobs or with integrated services such as Amazon Athena.

⚠ Important

You can't use the Lake Formation service-linked role to register a location in another account. You must use a user-defined role instead. The role must meet the requirements in [the section called "Requirements for roles used to register locations"](#). For more information about the service-linked role, see [Service-linked role permissions for Lake Formation](#).

Before You Begin

Review the [requirements for the role used to register the location](#).

To register an encrypted Amazon S3 location across AWS accounts

1. In the same AWS account as the Data Catalog, sign into the AWS Management Console and open the IAM console at <https://console.aws.amazon.com/iam/>.
2. Create a new role or view an existing role that meets the requirements in [the section called "Requirements for roles used to register locations"](#). Ensure that the role includes a policy that grants Amazon S3 permissions on the location.
3. If the KMS key is not in the same account as the Data Catalog, add to the role an inline policy that grants the required permissions on the KMS key. The following is an example policy. Replace *<cmk-region>* and *<cmk-account-id>* with the region and account number of the KMS key. Replace *<key-id>* with the key ID.

```
{
  "Version": "2012-10-17",
  "Statement": [
    {
      "Effect": "Allow",
      "Action": [
        "kms:Encrypt",
        "kms:Decrypt",
        "kms:ReEncrypt*",
        "kms:GenerateDataKey*",
        "kms:DescribeKey"
      ],
      "Resource": "arn:aws:kms:<cmk-region>:<cmk-account-id>:key/<key-id>"
    }
  ]
}
```

4. On the Amazon S3 console, add a bucket policy granting the required Amazon S3 permissions to the role. The following is an example bucket policy. Replace *<catalog-account-id>* with the AWS account number of the Data Catalog, *<role-name>* with the name of your role, and *<bucket-name>* with the name of the bucket.


```
{
  "Version": "2012-10-17",
  "Statement": [
```

```

    {
      "Effect": "Allow",
      "Principal": {
        "AWS": "arn:aws:iam::<catalog-account-id>:role/<role-name>"
      },
      "Action": "s3:ListBucket",
      "Resource": "arn:aws:s3:::<bucket-name>"
    },
    {
      "Effect": "Allow",
      "Principal": {
        "AWS": "arn:aws:iam::<catalog-account-id>:role/<role-name>"
      },
      "Action": [
        "s3:DeleteObject",
        "s3:GetObject",
        "s3:PutObject"
      ],
      "Resource": "arn:aws:s3:::<bucket-name>/*"
    }
  ]
}

```

5. In AWS KMS, add the role as a user of the KMS key.
 - a. Open the AWS KMS console at <https://console.aws.amazon.com/kms>. Then, sign in as an administrator user or as a user who can modify the key policy of the KMS key used to encrypt the location.
 - b. In the navigation pane, choose **Customer managed keys**, and then choose the name of the KMS key.
 - c. On the KMS key details page, under the **Key policy** tab, if the JSON view of the key policy is not showing, choose **Switch to policy view**.
 - d. In the **Key policy** section, choose **Edit**, and add the Amazon Resource Name (ARN) of the role to the Allow use of the key object, as shown in the following example.

 **Note**

If that object is missing, add it with the permissions shown in the example.

```

...
{
  "Sid": "Allow use of the key",
  "Effect": "Allow",
  "Principal": {
    "AWS": [
      "arn:aws:iam::<catalog-account-id>:role/<role-name>"
    ]
  },
  "Action": [
    "kms:Encrypt",
    "kms:Decrypt",
    "kms:ReEncrypt*",
    "kms:GenerateDataKey*",
    "kms:DescribeKey"
  ],
  "Resource": "*"
},
...

```

For more information, see [Allowing Users in Other Accounts to Use a KMS key](#) in the *AWS Key Management Service Developer Guide*.

6. Open the AWS Lake Formation console at <https://console.aws.amazon.com/lakeformation/>. Sign into the Data Catalog AWS account as the data lake administrator.
7. In the navigation pane, under **Administration**, choose **Data lake locations**.
8. Choose **Register location**.
9. On the **Register location** page, for **Amazon S3 path**, enter the location path as **s3://<bucket>/<prefix>**. Replace **<bucket>** with the name of the bucket and **<prefix>** with the rest of the path for the location.

Note

You must type the path because cross-account buckets do not appear in the list when you choose **Browse**.

10. For **IAM role**, choose the role from Step 2.
11. Choose **Register location**.

Deregistering an Amazon S3 location

You can deregister an Amazon Simple Storage Service (Amazon S3) location if you no longer want it to be managed by Lake Formation. Deregistering a location does not affect Lake Formation data location permissions that are granted on that location. You can reregister a location that you deregistered, and the data location permissions remain in effect. You can use a different role to reregister the location.

To deregister a location (console)

1. Open the AWS Lake Formation console at <https://console.aws.amazon.com/lakeformation/>. Sign in as the data lake administrator or as a user with the `lakeformation:RegisterResource` IAM permission.
2. In the navigation pane, under **Administration**, choose **Data lake locations**.
3. Select a location, and on the **Actions** menu, choose **Remove**.
4. When prompted for confirmation, choose **Remove**.

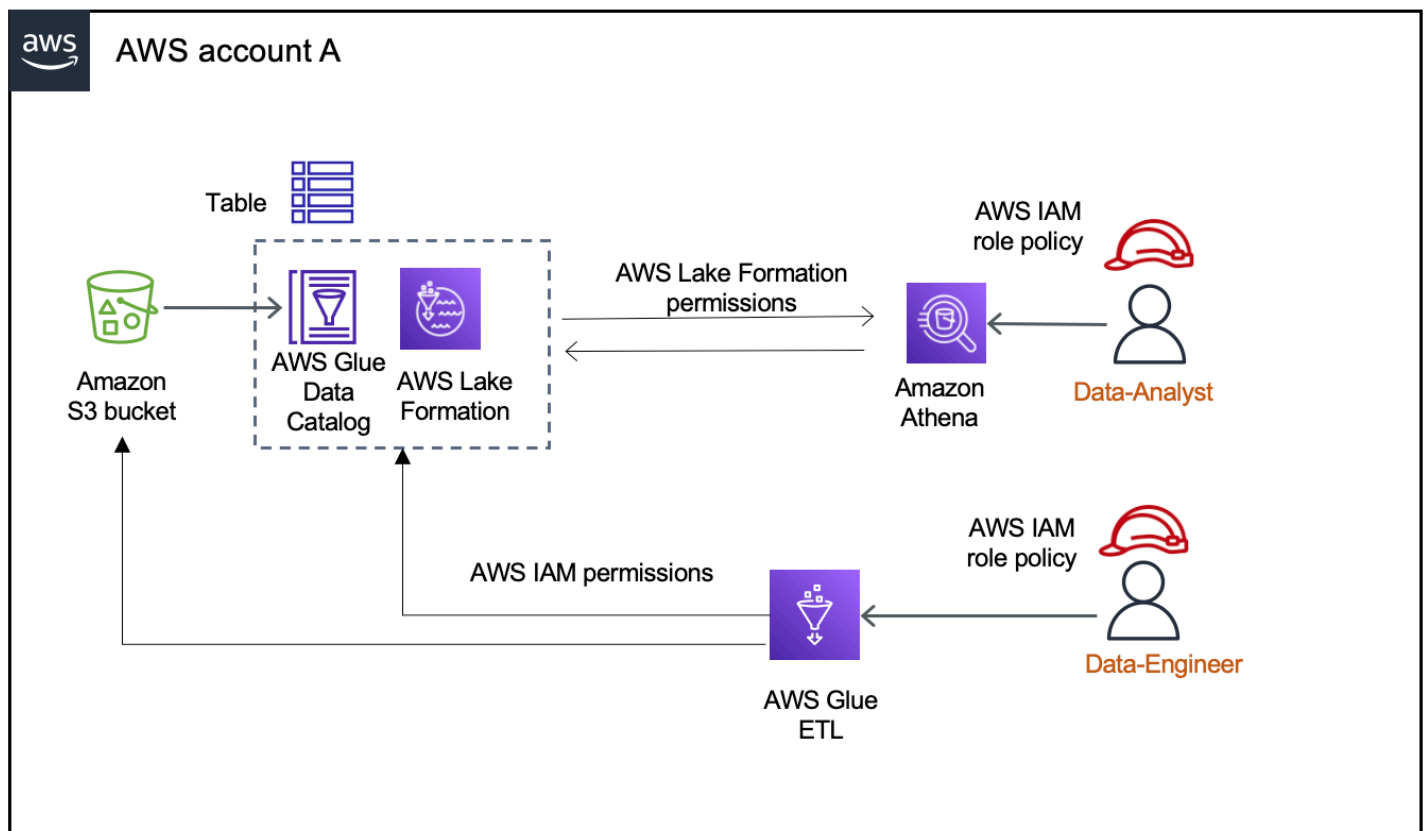
Hybrid access mode

AWS Lake Formation *hybrid access mode* supports two permission pathways to the same AWS Glue Data Catalog databases and tables.

In the first pathway, Lake Formation allows you to select specific principals, and grant them Lake Formation permissions to access databases and tables by opting in. The second pathway allows all other principals to access these resources through the default IAM principal policies for Amazon S3 and AWS Glue actions.

When registering an Amazon S3 location with Lake Formation, you have the option to either enforce Lake Formation permissions for all resources at this location or use hybrid access mode. The hybrid access mode enforces only `CREATE_TABLE`, `CREATE_PARTITION`, `UPDATE_TABLE` permissions by default. When an Amazon S3 location is in the hybrid mode, you can enable Lake Formation permissions by opting in principals for databases and tables under that location.

Thus, hybrid access mode provides the flexibility to selectively enable Lake Formation for databases and tables in your Data Catalog for a specific set of users without interrupting the access for other existing users or workloads.



For considerations and limitations, see [Hybrid access mode considerations and limitations](#).

Terms and definitions

Here are the definitions of Data Catalog resources based on how you set up access permissions:

Lake Formation resource

A resource that is registered with Lake Formation. Users require Lake Formation permissions to access the resource.

AWS Glue resource

A resources that is not registered with Lake Formation. Users require only IAM permissions to access the resource because it has `IAMAllowedPrincipals` group permissions. Lake Formation permissions are not enforced.

For more information on `IAMAllowedPrincipals` group permissions, see [Metadata permissions](#).

Hybrid resource

A resource that is registered in hybrid access mode. Based on the users accessing the resource, the resource dynamically switches between being a Lake Formation resource or an AWS Glue resource.

Common hybrid access mode use cases

You can use hybrid access mode to provide access in single account and cross-account data sharing scenarios:

Single account scenarios

- **Convert an AWS Glue resource to a hybrid resource** – In this scenario, you are not currently using Lake Formation but want to adopt Lake Formation permissions for Data Catalog databases and tables. When you register the Amazon S3 location in hybrid access mode, you can grant Lake Formation permissions to users who opt in specific databases and tables pointing to that location.
- **Convert a Lake Formation resource to a hybrid resource** – Currently, you are using Lake Formation permissions to control access for a Data Catalog database but want to provide access to new principals using IAM permissions for Amazon S3 and AWS Glue without interrupting the existing Lake Formation permissions.

When you update a data location registration to hybrid access mode, new principals can access the Data Catalog database pointing to the Amazon S3 location using IAM permissions policies without interrupting existing users' Lake Formation permissions.

Before updating the data location registration to enable hybrid access mode, you need to first opt in principals that are currently accessing the resource with Lake Formation permissions.

This is to prevent potential interruption to the current workflow.

You need to also grant Super permission on the tables in the database to the `IAMAllowedPrincipal` group.

Cross-account data sharing scenarios

- **Share AWS Glue resources using hybrid access mode** – In this scenario, the producer account has tables in a database that are currently shared with a consumer account using IAM

permissions policies for Amazon S3 and AWS Glue actions. The data location of the database is not registered with Lake Formation.

Before registering the data location in hybrid access mode, you need to update the **Cross account version settings** to version 4. Version 4 provides the new AWS RAM permission policies required for cross-account sharing when `IAMAllowedPrincipal` group has `Super` permission on the resource. For those resources with `IAMAllowedPrincipal` group permissions, you can grant Lake Formation permissions to external accounts and opt them in to use Lake Formation permissions. The data lake administrator in the recipient account can grant Lake Formation permissions to principals in the account and opt them in to enforce the Lake Formation permissions.

- **Share Lake Formation resources using hybrid access mode** – Currently, the producer account has tables in a database that are shared with a consumer account enforcing Lake Formation permissions. The data location of the database is registered with Lake Formation.

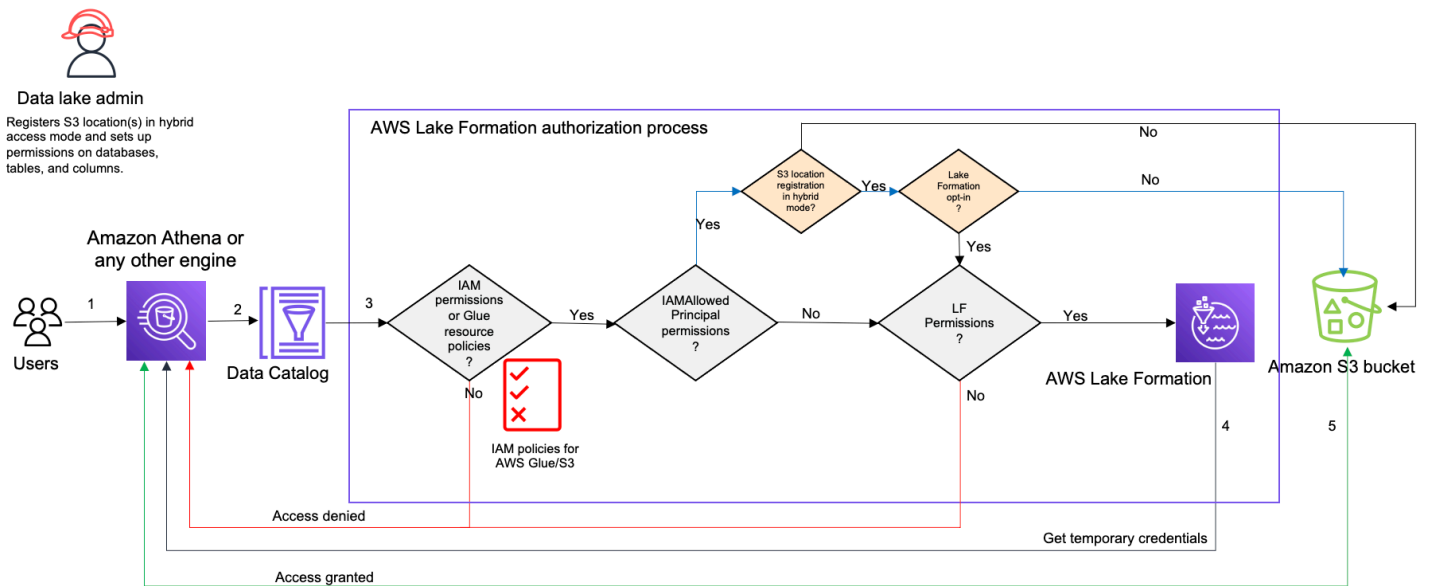
In this case, you can update the Amazon S3 location registration to hybrid access mode, and share the data from Amazon S3 and metadata from Data Catalog using Amazon S3 bucket policies and Data Catalog resource policies to principals in the consumer account. You need to re-grant the existing Lake Formation permissions and opt in the principals before updating the Amazon S3 location registration. Also, you need to grant `Super` permission on the tables in the database to the `IAMAllowedPrincipals` group.

Topics

- [How hybrid access mode works](#)
- [Setting up hybrid access mode - common scenarios](#)
- [Removing principals and resources from hybrid access mode](#)
- [Viewing principals and resources in hybrid access mode](#)
- [Additional resources](#)

How hybrid access mode works

The following diagram shows how Lake Formation authorization works in hybrid access mode when you query the Data Catalog resources.



Before accessing data in your data lake, a data lake administrator or a user with administrative permissions sets up individual Data Catalog table user policies to allow or deny access to tables in your Data Catalog. Then, a principal who has the permissions to perform `RegisterResource` operation registers the Amazon S3 location of the table with Lake Formation in hybrid access mode. The administrator grants Lake Formation permissions to specific users on the Data Catalog databases and tables and opt them in to use Lake Formation permissions for those databases and tables in hybrid access mode.

1. **Submits a query** - A principal submits a query or an ETL script using an integrated service such as Amazon Athena, AWS Glue, Amazon EMR, or Amazon Redshift Spectrum.
2. **Requests data** - The integrated analytical engine identifies the table that is being requested and sends the metadata request to the Data Catalog (`GetTable`, `GetDatabase`).
3. **Checks permissions** - The Data Catalog verifies the querying principal's access permissions with Lake Formation.
 - a. If the table doesn't have `IAMAllowedPrincipals` group permissions attached, Lake Formation permissions are enforced.
 - b. If the principal has opted in to use Lake Formation permissions in the hybrid access mode, and the table has `IAMAllowedPrincipals` group permissions attached, Lake Formation permissions are enforced. The query engine applies the filters it received from Lake Formation and returns the data to the user.

- c. If the table location is not registered with Lake Formation and the principal has not opted in to use Lake Formation permissions in hybrid access mode, the Data Catalog checks if the table has `IAMAllowedPrincipals` group permissions attached to it. If this permission exists on the table, all principals in the account gets `Super` or `All` permissions on the table.
4. **Get credentials** – The Data Catalog checks and lets the engine know if the table location is registered with Lake Formation or not. If the underlying data is registered with Lake Formation, the analytical engine requests Lake Formation for temporary credentials to access data in the Amazon S3 bucket.
5. **Get data** – If the principal is authorized to access the table data, Lake Formation provides temporary access to the integrated analytical engine. Using the temporary access, the analytical engine fetches the data from Amazon S3, and performs necessary filtering such as column, row, or cell filtering. When the engine finishes running the job, it returns the results back to the user. This process is called credential vending. For more information, see [Integrating with Lake Formation](#).
6.
If the data location of the table is not registered with Lake Formation, the second call from the analytic engine is made directly to Amazon S3. The concerned Amazon S3 bucket policy and IAM user policy are evaluated for data access. Whenever you use IAM policies, make sure that you follow IAM best practices. For more information, see [Security best practices in IAM in the IAM User Guide](#).

Setting up hybrid access mode - common scenarios

As with Lake Formation permissions, you generally have two types of scenarios in which you can use hybrid access mode to manage data access: Provide access to principals within one AWS account and provide access to an external AWS account or principal.

This section provides instructions for setting up hybrid access mode in the following scenarios:

Manage permissions in hybrid access mode within one AWS account

- [Converting an AWS Glue resource to a hybrid resource](#) – You are currently providing access to tables in a database for all principals in your account using IAM permissions for Amazon S3 and AWS Glue but want to adopt Lake Formation to manage permissions incrementally.

- [Converting a Lake Formation resource to a hybrid resource](#) – You are currently using Lake Formation to manage access for tables in a database for all principals in your account but want to use Lake Formation only for specific principals. You want to provide access to new principals by using IAM permissions for AWS Glue and Amazon S3 on the same database and tables.

Manage permissions in hybrid access mode across AWS accounts

- [Sharing an AWS Glue resource using hybrid access mode](#) – You're currently not using Lake Formation to manage permissions for a table but want to apply Lake Formation permissions to provide access for principals in another account.
- [Sharing a Lake Formation resource using hybrid access mode](#) – You're using Lake Formation to manage access for a table but want to provide access for principals in another account by using IAM permissions for AWS Glue and Amazon S3 on the same database and tables.

Setting up hybrid access mode – High-level steps

1. Register the Amazon S3 data location with Lake Formation by selecting **Hybrid access mode**.
2. Principals must have `DATA_LOCATION` permission on a data lake location to create Data Catalog tables or databases that point to that location.
3. Set the **Cross-account version setting** to Version 4.
4. Grant fine-grained permissions to specific IAM users or roles on databases and tables. At the same time, make sure to set `Super` or `All` permissions to the `IAMAllowedPrincipals` group on the database and all or selected tables in the database.
5. Opt in the principals and resources. Other principals in the account can continue accessing the databases and tables using IAM permission policies for AWS Glue and Amazon S3 actions.
6. Optionally clean up IAM permission policies for Amazon S3 for the principals that are opted in to use Lake Formation permissions.

Prerequisites for setting up hybrid access mode

The following are the prerequisites for setting up hybrid access mode:

Note

We recommend that a Lake Formation administrator registers the Amazon S3 location in hybrid access mode, and opt in principals and resources.

1. Grant data location permission (DATA_LOCATION_ACCESS) to create Data Catalog resources that point to the Amazon S3 locations. Data location permissions control the ability to create Data Catalog databases and tables that point to particular Amazon S3 locations.
2. To share Data Catalog resources with another account in hybrid access mode (without removing IAMAllowedPrincipals group permissions from the resource), you need to update the **Cross account version settings** to Version 4. To update the version using Lake Formation console, choose **Version 4** under **Cross account version settings** on the **Data Catalog settings** page.

You can also use the `put-data-lake-settings` AWS CLI command to set the `CROSS_ACCOUNT_VERSION` parameter to version 4:

```
aws lakeformation put-data-lake-settings --region us-east-1 --data-lake-settings
file://settings
{
  "DataLakeAdmins": [
    {
      "DataLakePrincipalIdentifier": "arn:aws:iam::<111122223333>:user/<user-name>"
    }
  ],
  "CreateDatabaseDefaultPermissions": [],
  "CreateTableDefaultPermissions": [],
  "Parameters": {
    "CROSS_ACCOUNT_VERSION": "4"
  }
}
```

3. To grant cross-account permissions in hybrid access mode, the grantor must have the required IAM permissions for AWS Glue and AWS RAM services. The AWS managed policy `AWSLakeFormationCrossAccountManager` grants the required permissions.

To enable cross-account data sharing in hybrid access mode, we've updated the `AWSLakeFormationCrossAccountManager` managed policy by adding two new IAM permissions:

- `ram:ListResourceSharePermissions`
- `ram:AssociateResourceSharePermission`

 **Note**

If you are not using the AWS managed policy for the grantor role, add the above policies to your custom policies.

Converting an AWS Glue resource to a hybrid resource

Follow these steps to register an Amazon S3 location in hybrid access mode and on-board new Lake Formation users without interrupting the existing Data Catalog users' data access.

Scenario description - The data location is not registered with Lake Formation, and users' access to the Data Catalog database and tables is determined by IAM permissions policies for Amazon S3 and AWS Glue actions.

The `IAMAllowedPrincipals` group by default has `Super` permissions on all tables in the database.

To enable hybrid access mode for a data location that is not registered with Lake Formation

1. Register an Amazon S3 location enabling hybrid access mode.

Console

1. Sign in to the [Lake Formation console](#) as a data lake administrator.
2. In the navigation pane, choose **Data lake locations** under **Administration**.
3. Choose **Register location**.

Register location

Amazon S3 location

Register an Amazon S3 path as the storage location for your data lake.

Amazon S3 path

Choose an Amazon S3 path for your data lake.

e.g.: s3://bucket/prefix/

Browse

Review location permissions - strongly recommended


Registering the selected location may result in your users gaining access to data already at that location. Before registering a location, we recommend that you review existing location permissions on resources in that location.

Review location permissions

IAM role

To add or update data, Lake Formation needs read/write access to the chosen Amazon S3 path. Choose a role that you know has permission to do this, or choose the **AWSServiceRoleForLakeFormationDataAccess** service-linked role. When you register the first Amazon S3 path, the service-linked role and a new inline policy are created on your behalf. Lake Formation adds the first path to the inline policy and attaches it to the service-linked role. When you register subsequent paths, Lake Formation adds the path to the existing policy.

AWSServiceRoleForLakeFormationDataAccess

 Do not select the service linked role if you plan to use EMR.


Enable Data Catalog Federation

Checking this box will allow Lake Formation to assume a role to access tables in a federated database.

Permission mode

Select the permission mode you want to use to manage access.

Hybrid access mode - *new*

Lake Formation permissions can co-exist with IAM permission policies for AWS Glue and S3 actions to manage access. [Learn more](#) 

Lake Formation

Only Lake Formation permissions are enforced.

Cancel

Register location

- On the **Register location** window, choose the **Amazon S3** path that you want to register with Lake Formation.
- For **IAM role**, choose either the **AWSServiceRoleForLakeFormationDataAccess** service-linked role (the default) or a custom IAM role that meets the requirements in [Requirements for roles used to register locations](#).

6. Choose **Hybrid access mode** to apply fine-grained Lake Formation access control policies to opt-in principals and Data Catalog databases and tables pointing to the registered location.

Choose Lake Formation to allow Lake Formation to authorize access requests to the registered location.

7. Choose **Register location**.

AWS CLI

Following is an example for registering a data location with Lake Formation with `HybridAccessEnabled:true/false`. Default value for the `HybridAccessEnabled` parameter is false. Replace Amazon S3 path, role name, and AWS account id with valid values.

```
aws lakeformation register-resource --cli-input-json file:file path
json:
  {
    "ResourceArn": "arn:aws:s3:::s3-path",
    "UseServiceLinkedRole": false,
    "RoleArn": "arn:aws:iam::<123456789012>:role/<role-name>",
    "HybridAccessEnabled": true
  }
```

2. **Grant permissions and opt in principals to use Lake Formation permissions for resources in hybrid access mode**

Before you opt in principals and resources in hybrid access mode, verify that grant `Super` or `All` permissions to `IAMAllowedPrincipals` group exists on the databases and tables that have location registered with Lake Formation in hybrid access mode.

Note

You can't grant the `IAMAllowedPrincipals` group permission on `All` tables within a database. You need to select each table separately from the drop-down menu, and grant permissions. Also, when you create new tables in the database, you can choose to use the `Use only IAM access control` for new tables in new databases in the **Data Catalog Settings**. This option grants `Super` permission to the

IAMAllowedPrincipals group automatically when you create new tables within the database.

Console

1. On the Lake Formation console, under **Data Catalog**, choose **Databases** or **Tables**.
2. Select a database or a table from the list, and choose **Grant** from the **Actions** menu.
3. Choose principals to grant permissions on the database, tables, and columns using named resource method or LF-Tags.

Alternatively, choose **Data lake permissions**, select the principals to grant permissions from the list, and choose **Grant**.

For more details on granting data permissions, see [Granting and revoking permissions on Data Catalog resources](#).

Note

If you're granting a principal Create table permission, you also need to grant data location permissions (DATA_LOCATION_ACCESS) to the principal. This permission is not needed to update tables.

For more information, see [Granting data location permissions](#).


4. When you use **Named resource method** to grant permissions, the option to opt in principals and resources is available on the lower section of the **Grant data permission** page.

Choose **Make Lake Formation permissions effective immediately** to enable Lake Formation permissions for the principals and resources.

Hybrid access mode - *new*

In hybrid access mode, Lake Formation and IAM policies for AWS Glue and S3 work together.

Make Lake Formation permissions effective immediately
 Lake Formation permissions are enforced for databases, tables, and principals.

 **You might get access denied.**
 If the checkbox is selected, your Lake Formation permissions are enforced. Make sure that you've completed the required setup for Lake Formation permissions to work. If the checkbox is clear, you can go to [hybrid access mode](#) to add resources and principals. [Learn more](#)

Cancel Grant

5. Choose **Grant**.

When you opt in principal A on table A that is pointing to a data location, it allows principal A to have access to this table's location using Lake Formation permissions if the data location is registered in hybrid mode.

AWS CLI

Following is an example for opting in a principal and a table in hybrid access mode. Replace the role name, AWS account id, database name, and table name with valid values.

```
aws lakeformation create-lake-formation-opt-in --cli-input-json file://file path
json:
{
  "Principal": {
    "DataLakePrincipalIdentifier":
    "arn:aws:iam::<123456789012>:role/<hybrid-access-role>"
  },
  "Resource": {
    "Table": {
      "CatalogId": "<123456789012>",
      "DatabaseName": "<hybrid_test>",
      "Name": "<hybrid_test_table>"
    }
  }
}
```

- a. (Optional) If you choose LF-Tags to grant permissions, you can opt in principals to use Lake Formation permissions in a separate step. You can do this by choosing **Hybrid access mode** under **Permissions** from the left navigation bar.
- b. On the lower section of the **Hybrid access mode** page, choose **Add** to add resources and principals to hybrid access mode.
- c. On the **Add resources and principals** page, choose the databases and tables registered in hybrid access mode. Choose principals to opt in to use Lake Formation permissions in hybrid access mode.

You can choose **All tables** under a database to grant access.

Add resources and principals

Choose databases, tables, and principals to add in hybrid access mode. Lake Formation permissions will be enforced.

[Learn more](#)

Resources

Databases

Select one or more databases.

Choose databases ▼

Load more

test X

Tables - optional

Select one or more tables.

Choose tables ▼

All tables X

Principals

IAM users and roles

Add one or more IAM users or roles.

Choose IAM principals to add ▼

datalake_user X
User

AWS account, AWS organization, or IAM principal outside of this account

Enter one or more AWS account IDs, AWS organization IDs, or IAM principal ARNs. Press Enter after each ID or ARN.

Choose AWS account, AWS organization ID, or IAM principal ARN



You might get access denied

Lake Formation permissions are enforced after you add databases, tables, and principals in hybrid access mode. Make sure that you've completed the required setup for Lake Formation for the permissions to work.

[Learn more](#)

Cancel

Add

Converting a Lake Formation resource to a hybrid resource

In cases where you're currently using Lake Formation permissions for your Data Catalog databases and tables, you can edit the location registration properties to enable hybrid access mode. This allows you to provide new principals access to the same resources using IAM permission policies for Amazon S3 and AWS Glue actions without interrupting existing Lake Formation permissions.

Scenario description - The following steps assume that you've a data location registered with Lake Formation, and you've set up permissions for principals on databases, tables, or columns pointing to that location. If the location was registered with a service linked role, you can't update the location parameters and enable hybrid access mode. The `IAMAllowedPrincipals` group by default has Super permissions on the database and all its tables.

Important

Don't update a location registration to hybrid access mode without opting in the principals that are accessing data in this location.

Enabling hybrid access mode for a data location registered with Lake Formation

1.

Warning

We don't recommend converting a Lake Formation managed data location to hybrid access mode to avoid interrupting the permission policies of other existing users or workloads.

Opt in the existing principals who have Lake Formation permissions.

1. List and review the permissions you've granted to principals on databases and tables. For more information, see [Viewing database and table permissions in Lake Formation](#).
2. Choose **Hybrid access mode** under **Permissions** from the left navigation bar, and choose **Add**.
3. On the **Add principals and resources** page, choose the databases and tables from the Amazon S3 data location that you want to use in hybrid access mode. Choose the principals that already have Lake Formation permissions.

4. Choose **Add** to opt in the principals to use Lake Formation permissions in hybrid access mode.
2. Update the Amazon S3 bucket/prefix registration by choosing **Hybrid access mode** option.

Console

1. Sign in to the Lake Formation console as the data lake administrator.
2. In the navigation pane, under **Register and Ingest**, choose **Data lake locations**.
3. Select a location, and on the **Actions** menu, choose **Edit**.
4. Choose **Hybrid access mode**.
5. Choose **Save**.
6. Under Data Catalog, select the database or table and grant Super or All permissions to the virtual group called IAMAllowedPrincipals.
7. Verify that your existing Lake Formation users' access is not interrupted when you updated the location registration properties. Sign in to Athena console as a Lake Formation principal and run a sample query on a table that is pointing to the updated location.

Similarly, verify the access of AWS Glue users who are using IAM permissions policies to access the database and tables.

AWS CLI

Following is an example for registering a data location with Lake Formation with HybridAccessEnabled:true/false. Default value for the HybridAccessEnabled parameter is false. Replace Amazon S3 path, role name, and AWS account id with valid values.

```
aws lakeformation update-resource --cli-input-json file://file path
json:
{
  "ResourceArn": "arn:aws:s3:::s3-path",
  "RoleArn": "arn:aws:iam::123456789012:role/test",
  "HybridAccessEnabled": true
}
```

Sharing an AWS Glue resource using hybrid access mode

Share data with another AWS account or a principal in another AWS account enforcing Lake Formation permissions without interrupting existing Data Catalog users' IAM based access.

Scenario description - The producer account has a Data Catalog database that has access controlled using IAM principal policies for Amazon S3 and AWS Glue actions. The data location of the database is not registered with Lake Formation. The `IAMAllowedPrincipals` group, by default, has `Super` permissions on the database and all its tables.

Granting cross-account Lake Formation permissions in hybrid access mode

1. Producer account set up

1. Sign in to the Lake Formation console using a role that has `lakeformation:PutDataLakeSettings` IAM permission.
2. Go to **Data Catalog settings**, and choose `Version 4` for the **Cross account version settings**.

If you're currently using version 1 or 2, see [Updating cross-account data sharing version settings](#) instructions on updating to version 3.

There are no permission policy changes required when upgrading from version 3 to 4.

3. Register the Amazon S3 location of the database or table that you're planning to share in hybrid access mode.
4. Verify that `Super` permission to the `IAMAllowedPrincipals` group exists on the databases and tables of which you registered the data location in hybrid access mode in the above step.
5. Grant Lake Formation permissions to AWS organizations, organizational units (OUs), or directly with an IAM principal in another account.
6. If you're granting permissions directly to an IAM principal, opt in the principal from the consumer account to enforce Lake Formation permissions in hybrid access mode by enabling the option **Make Lake Formation permissions effective immediately**.

If you're granting cross-account permissions to another AWS account, when you opt in the account, Lake Formation permissions are enforced only for the admins of that account. The recipient account data lake administrator need to cascade down the permissions and opt in

the principals in the account to enforce Lake Formation permissions for the shared resources that are in hybrid access mode.

If you choose **Resources matched by LF-Tags** option to grant cross-account permissions, you need to first complete granting permissions step. You can opt in principals and resources to hybrid access mode as a separate step by choosing **Hybrid access mode** under Permissions on the left-navigation bar of the Lake Formation console. Then choose **Add** to add the resources and principals that you want to enforce Lake Formation permissions.

2. Consumer account set up

1. Sign in to the Lake Formation console at <https://console.aws.amazon.com/lakeformation/> as a data lake administrator.
2. Go to <https://console.aws.amazon.com/ram>, and accept the resource share invitation. The **Shared with me** tab in the AWS RAM console displays the database and tables that are shared with your account.
3. Create a resource link to the shared database and/or table in Lake Formation.
4. Grant `Describe` permission on resource link and `Grant on target` permission (on the original shared resource) to the IAM principals in your (consumer) account.
5. Grant Lake Formation permissions on the database or table shared with you to the principals in your account. Opt in the principals and resources to enforce Lake Formation permissions in hybrid access mode by enabling the option **Make Lake Formation permissions effective immediately**.
6. Test the principal's Lake Formation permissions by running sample Athena queries. Test the existing access of your AWS Glue users with IAM principal policies for Amazon S3 and AWS Glue actions.

(Optional) Remove the Amazon S3 bucket policy for data access and IAM principal policies for AWS Glue and Amazon S3 data access for the principals that you configured to use Lake Formation permissions.

Sharing a Lake Formation resource using hybrid access mode

Allow new Data Catalog users in an external account to access Data Catalog databases and tables using IAM based policies without interrupting the existing Lake Formation cross-account sharing permissions.

Scenario description - The producer account has Lake Formation managed database and tables that are shared with an external (consumer) account at account-level or IAM principal-level. The data location of the database is registered with Lake Formation. The `IAMAllowedPrincipals` group does not have `Super` permissions on the database and its tables.

Granting cross-account access to new Data Catalog users via IAM based policies without interrupting existing Lake Formation permissions

1. Producer account set up

1. Sign in to the Lake Formation console using a role that `lakeformation:PutDataLakeSettings`.
2. Under **Data Catalog settings**, choose `Version 4` for the **Cross account version settings**.

If you're currently using version 1 or 2, see [Updating cross-account data sharing version settings](#) instructions on updating to version 3.

There are no permission policy changes required to upgrade from version 3 to 4.

3. List the permissions you've granted to principals on databases and tables. For more information, see [Viewing database and table permissions in Lake Formation](#).
4. Regrant existing Lake Formation cross- account permissions by opting in principals and resources.

Note

Before updating a data location registration to hybrid access mode to grant cross-account permissions, you need to regrant at least one cross-account data share per account. This step is necessary to update the AWS RAM managed permissions attached to the AWS RAM resource share.

In July 2023, Lake Formation has updated the AWS RAM managed permissions used for sharing databases and tables:

- `arn:aws:ram::aws:permission/AWSRAMLFEnabledGlueAllTablesReadWriteForDatabase` (database-level share policy)
- `arn:aws:ram::aws:permission/AWSRAMLFEnabledGlueTableReadWrite` (table-level share policy)

The cross-account permission grants made before July 2023 don't have these updated AWS RAM permissions.

If you've granted cross-account permissions directly to principals, you need to individually regrant those permissions to the principals. If you skip this step, the principals accessing the shared resource might get an illegal combination error.

5. Go to <https://console.aws.amazon.com/ram>.
6. The **Shared by me** tab in the AWS RAM console displays the database and table names that you've shared with an external account or principal.

Ensure that the permissions attached to the shared resource has the correct ARN.

7. Verify the resources in the AWS RAM share are in `Associated` status. If the status shows as `Associating`, wait until they go into `Associated` state. If the status becomes `Failed`, stop and contact Lake Formation service team.
8. Choose **Hybrid access mode** under **Permissions** from the left navigation bar, and choose **Add**.
9. The **Add principals and resources** page shows the databases, and/or tables and the principals that have access. You can make the required updates by adding or removing principals and resources.
10. Choose the principals with Lake Formation permissions for the database and tables that you want to change to hybrid access mode. Choose the databases and tables.
11. Choose **Add** to opt in the principals to enforce Lake Formation permissions in hybrid access mode.
12. Grant `Super` permission to the virtual group `IAMAllowedPrincipals` on your database and selected tables.
13. Edit the Amazon S3 location Lake Formation registration to hybrid access mode.
14. Grant permissions for the AWS Glue users in the external (consumer) account using IAM permission policies for Amazon S3 AWS Glue actions.

2. Consumer account set up

1. Sign in to the Lake Formation console at <https://console.aws.amazon.com/lakeformation/> as a data lake administrator.
2. Go to <https://console.aws.amazon.com/ram> and accept the resource share invitation. The **Resources shared with me** tab in the AWS RAM page displays the database and table names that are shared with your account.

For the AWS RAM share, ensure that the attached permission has the correct ARN of the shared AWS RAM invite. Check if the resources in the AWS RAM share are in `Associated` status. If the status shows as `Associating`, wait until they go into `Associated` state. If the status becomes `Failed`, stop and contact Lake Formation service team.

3. Create a resource link to the shared database and/or table in Lake Formation.
4. Grant `Describe` permission on resource link and `Grant on target` permission (on the original shared resource) to the IAM principals in your (consumer) account.
5. Next, set up Lake Formation permissions for principals in your account on the shared database or table.

On the left navigation bar, under **Permissions**, choose **Hybrid access mode**.

6. Choose **Add** in the lower section of the **Hybrid access mode** page to opt in the principals and the database or table shared with you from the producer account.
7. Grant permissions for the AWS Glue users in your account using IAM permission policies for Amazon S3 AWS Glue actions.
8. Test users' Lake Formation permissions and AWS Glue permissions by running separate sample queries on the table using Athena

(Optional) Clean up IAM permission policies for Amazon S3 for the principals that are in the hybrid access mode.

Removing principals and resources from hybrid access mode

Follow these steps to remove databases, tables, and principals from hybrid access mode.

Console

1. Sign in to the Lake Formation console at <https://console.aws.amazon.com/lakeformation/>.
2. Under **Permissions**, choose **Hybrid access mode**.
3. On the **Hybrid access mode** page, select the checkbox next to the database or table name and choose `Remove`.
4. A warning message prompts you to confirm the action. Choose **Remove**.

Lake Formation no longer enforces permissions for those resources, and access to this resource will be controlled using IAM and AWS Glue permissions. This may cause the user to no longer have access to this resource if they don't have the appropriate IAM permissions.

AWS CLI

The following example shows how to remove resources from hybrid access mode.

```
aws lakeformation delete-lake-formation-opt-in --cli-input-json file://file path

json:
{
  "Principal": {
    "DataLakePrincipalIdentifier": "arn:aws:iam::<123456789012>:role/role name"
  },
  "Resource": {
    "Table": {
      "CatalogId": "<123456789012>",
      "DatabaseName": "<database name>",
      "Name": "<table name>"
    }
  }
}
```

Viewing principals and resources in hybrid access mode

Follow these steps to view databases, tables, and principals in hybrid access mode.

Console

1. Sign in to the Lake Formation console at <https://console.aws.amazon.com/lakeformation/>.
2. Under **Permissions**, choose **Hybrid access mode**.
3. The **Hybrid access mode** page shows the resources and principals that are currently in hybrid access mode..

AWS CLI

The following example shows how to list all opt in principals and resources that are in hybrid access mode.

```
aws lakeformation list-lake-formation-opt-ins
```

The following example shows how to list opt in for a specific principal-resource pair.

```
aws lakeformation list-lake-formation-opt-ins --cli-input-json file://file path

json:
{
  "Principal": {
    "DataLakePrincipalIdentifier": "arn:aws:iam::<account-id>:role/<role name>"
  },
  "Resource": {
    "Table": {
      "CatalogId": "<account-id>",
      "DatabaseName": "<database name>",
      "Name": "<table name>"
    }
  }
}
```

Additional resources

In the following blog post, we walk you through the instructions to onboard Lake Formation permissions in hybrid access mode for selected users while the database is already accessible to other users through IAM and Amazon S3 permissions. We will review the instructions to set-up hybrid access mode within an AWS account and between two accounts.

- [Introducing hybrid access mode for AWS Glue Data Catalog to secure access using Lake Formation and IAM and Amazon S3 policies.](#)

Creating Data Catalog tables and databases

AWS Lake Formation uses the AWS Glue Data Catalog to store metadata about data lakes, data sources, transforms, and targets. Metadata about data sources and targets is in the form of databases and tables. Tables store information about the underlying data, including schema information, partition information, and data location. Databases are collections of tables. The Data Catalog also contains resource links, which are links to shared databases and tables in external accounts, and are used for cross-account access to data in the data lake.

Each AWS account has one Data Catalog per AWS Region.

Topics

- [Creating a database](#)
- [Creating tables](#)
- [Working with views](#)

Creating a database

Metadata tables in the Data Catalog are stored within databases. You can create as many databases as you need, and you can grant different Lake Formation permissions on each database.

Databases can have an optional location property. This location is typically within an Amazon Simple Storage Service (Amazon S3) location that is registered with Lake Formation. When you specify a location, principals do not need data location permissions to create Data Catalog tables that point to locations within the database location. For more information, see [Underlying data access control](#).

To create a database using the Lake Formation console, you must be signed in as a data lake administrator or *database creator*. A database creator is a principal who has been granted the Lake Formation CREATE_DATABASE permission. You can see a list of database creators on the **Administrative roles and tasks** page of the Lake Formation console. To view this list, you must have the lakeformation:ListPermissions IAM permission and be signed in as a data lake administrator or as a database creator with the grant option on the CREATE_DATABASE permission.

To create a database

1. Open the AWS Lake Formation console at <https://console.aws.amazon.com/lakeformation/>, and sign in as a data lake administrator or database creator.
2. In the navigation pane, under **Data catalog**, choose **Databases**.
3. Choose **Create database**.
4. In the **Create database** dialog box, enter a database name, optional location, and optional description.
5. Optionally select **Use only IAM access control for new tables in this database**.

For information about this option, see [the section called “Changing the default settings for your data lake”](#).

6. Choose **Create database**.

Creating tables

AWS Lake Formation metadata tables contain information about data in the data lake, including schema information, partition information, and data location. These tables are stored in the AWS Glue Data Catalog. You use them to access underlying data in the data lake and manage that data with Lake Formation permissions. Tables are stored within databases in the Data Catalog.

There are several ways to create Data Catalog tables:

- Run a crawler in AWS Glue. See [Defining crawlers](#) in the *AWS Glue Developer Guide*.
- Create and run a workflow. See [the section called “Importing data using workflows”](#).
- Create a table manually using the Lake Formation console, AWS Glue API, or AWS Command Line Interface (AWS CLI).
- Create a table using Amazon Athena.
- Create a resource link to a table in an external account. See [the section called “Creating resource links”](#).

Creating Apache Iceberg tables

AWS Lake Formation supports creating Apache Iceberg tables that use the Apache Parquet data format in the AWS Glue Data Catalog with data residing in Amazon S3. A table in the Data Catalog

is the metadata definition that represents the data in a data store. By default, Lake Formation creates Iceberg v2 tables. For the difference between v1 and v2 tables, see [Format version changes](#) in the Apache Iceberg documentation.

[Apache Iceberg](#) is an open table format for very large analytic datasets. Iceberg allows for easy changes to your schema, also known as schema evolution, meaning that users can add, rename, or remove columns from a data table without disrupting the underlying data. Iceberg also provides support for data versioning, which allows users to track changes to data overtime. This enables the time travel feature, which allows users to access and query historical versions of data and analyze changes to the data between updates and deletes.

You can use Lake Formation console or the `CreateTable` operation in the AWS Glue API to create an Iceberg table in the Data Catalog. For more information, see [CreateTable action \(Python: create_table\)](#).

When you create an Iceberg table in the Data Catalog, you must specify the table format and metadata file path in Amazon S3 to be able to perform reads and writes.

You can use Lake Formation to secure your Iceberg table using fine-grained access control permissions when you register the Amazon S3 data location with AWS Lake Formation. For source data in Amazon S3 and metadata that is not registered with Lake Formation, access is determined by IAM permissions policies for Amazon S3 and AWS Glue actions. For more information, see [Managing Lake Formation permissions](#).

Note

Data Catalog doesn't support creating partitions and adding Iceberg table properties.

Topics

- [Prerequisites](#)
- [Creating an Iceberg table](#)

Prerequisites

To create Iceberg tables in the Data Catalog, and set up Lake Formation data access permissions, you need to complete the following requirements:

1. Permissions required to create Iceberg tables without the data registered with Lake Formation.

In addition to the permissions required to create a table in the Data Catalog, the table creator requires the following permissions:

- `s3:PutObject` on resource `arn:aws:s3:::{bucketName}`
- `s3:GetObject` on resource `arn:aws:s3:::{bucketName}`
- `s3:DeleteObject` on resource `arn:aws:s3:::{bucketName}`

2. Permissions required to create Iceberg tables with data registered with Lake Formation:

To use Lake Formation to manage and secure the data in your data lake, register your Amazon S3 location that has the data for tables with Lake Formation. This is so that Lake Formation can vend credentials to AWS analytical services such as Athena, Redshift Spectrum, and Amazon EMR to access data. For more information on registering an Amazon S3 location, see [Adding an Amazon S3 location to your data lake](#).

A principal who reads and writes the underlying data that is registered with Lake Formation requires the following permissions:

- `lakeformation:GetDataAccess`
- `DATA_LOCATION_ACCESS`

A principal who has data location permissions on a location also has location permissions on all child locations.

For more information on data location permissions, see [Underlying data access control](#).

To enable compaction, the service needs to assume an IAM role that has permissions to update tables in the Data Catalog. For details, see [Table optimization prerequisites](#)

Creating an Iceberg table

You can create Iceberg v1 and v2 tables using Lake Formation console or AWS Command Line Interface as documented on this page. You can also create Iceberg tables using AWS Glue console or AWS Glue crawler. For more information, see [Data Catalog and Crawlers](#) in the AWS Glue Developer Guide.

To create an Iceberg table

Console

1. Sign in to the AWS Management Console, and open the Lake Formation console at <https://console.aws.amazon.com/lakeformation/>.
2. Under Data Catalog, choose **Tables**, and use the **Create table** button to specify the following attributes:
 - **Table name:** Enter a name for the table. If you're using Athena to access tables, use these [naming tips](#) in the Amazon Athena User Guide.
 - **Database:** Choose an existing database or create a new one.
 - **Description:** The description of the table. You can write a description to help you understand the contents of the table.
 - **Table format:** For **Table format**, choose Apache Iceberg.

Table format

Data Catalog managed tables support data compaction for Iceberg table type. [Learn more](#)

Standard AWS Glue table (default)
 Create a standard AWS Glue table.

Apache Iceberg table - New
 Create an Iceberg table that supports automatic data compaction.

Enable compaction
 Enable compaction for open table formats to optimize storage and improve query performance. [View pricing](#)

IAM role

To run compaction, the IAM role assumed by the job should have necessary permissions. [Learn more](#)

Choose an IAM role

- **Enable compaction:** Choose **Enable compaction** to compact small Amazon S3 objects in the table into larger objects.
- **IAM role:** To run compaction, the service assumes an IAM role on your behalf. You can choose an IAM role using the drop-down. Ensure that the role has the permissions required to enable compaction.

To learn more about the required permissions, see [Table optimization prerequisites](#).

- **Location:** Specify the path to the folder in Amazon S3 that stores the metadata table. Iceberg needs a metadata file and location in the Data Catalog to be able to perform reads and writes.
- **Schema:** Choose **Add columns** to add columns and data types of the columns. You have the option to create an empty table and update the schema later. Data Catalog supports Hive data types. For more information, see [Hive data types](#).

Iceberg allows you to evolve schema and partition after you create the table. You can use [Athena queries](#) to update the table schema and [Spark queries](#) for updating partitions.

AWS CLI

```
aws glue create-table \  
  --database-name iceberg-db \  
  --region us-west-2 \  
  --open-table-format-input '{  
    "IcebergInput": {  
      "MetadataOperation": "CREATE",  
      "Version": "2"  
    }  
  }' \  
  --table-input '{"Name":"test-iceberg-input-demo",  
    "TableType": "EXTERNAL_TABLE",  
    "StorageDescriptor":{  
      "Columns":[  
        {"Name":"col1", "Type":"int"},  
        {"Name":"col2", "Type":"int"},  
        {"Name":"col3", "Type":"string"}  
      ],  
      "Location":"s3://DOC_EXAMPLE_BUCKET_ICEBERG/"  
    }  
  }'
```

Optimizing Iceberg tables

The Amazon S3 data lakes using open table formats such as Apache Iceberg store the data as Amazon S3 objects. Having thousands of small Amazon S3 objects in a data lake table increases metadata overhead on Iceberg tables and affects the read performance. For better

read performance by AWS analytics services such as Amazon Athena and Amazon EMR, and AWS Glue ETL jobs, AWS Glue Data Catalog provides managed compaction (a process that compacts small Amazon S3 objects into larger objects) for Iceberg tables in Data Catalog. You can use Lake Formation console, AWS Glue console, AWS CLI, or AWS API to enable or disable compaction for individual Iceberg tables that are in the Data Catalog.

The table optimizer continuously monitors table partitions and kicks off the compaction process when the threshold is exceeded for the number of files and file sizes. An Iceberg table qualifies for compaction if the file size specified in the `write.target-file-size-bytes` property is within the 128MB to 512MB range. In the Data Catalog, the compaction process starts if the table has more than five files, each smaller than 75% of the `write.target-file-size-bytes` property.

For example, you have a table with the file size threshold set to 512MB in the `write.target-file-size-bytes` property (within the prescribed range of 128MB to 512MB), and the table contains 10 files. If 6 out of the 10 files are less than 384MB ($.75 \times 512$) each, then the Data Catalog triggers compaction.

Data Catalog performs compaction without interfering with concurrent queries. Data Catalog supports data compaction only for tables in the Parquet format.

For supported data types, compression formats, and limitations, see [Supported formats and limitations for managed data compaction](#).

Topics

- [Table optimization prerequisites](#)
- [Enabling compaction](#)
- [Disabling compaction](#)
- [Viewing compaction details](#)
- [Viewing Amazon CloudWatch metrics](#)
- [Deleting an optimizer](#)

Table optimization prerequisites

The table optimizer assumes the permissions of the AWS Identity and Access Management (IAM) role that you specify when you enable compaction for a table. The IAM role must have the permissions to read data and update metadata in the Data Catalog. You can create an IAM role and attach the following inline policies:

- Add the following inline policy that grants Amazon S3 read/write permissions on the location for data that is not registered with Lake Formation. This policy also includes permissions to update the table in the Data Catalog, and to permit AWS Glue to add logs in Amazon CloudWatch logs and publish metrics. For source data in Amazon S3 that isn't registered with Lake Formation, access is determined by IAM permissions policies for Amazon S3 and AWS Glue actions.

In the following inline policies, replace `bucket-name` with your Amazon S3 bucket name, `aws-account-id` and `region` with a valid AWS account number and Region of the Data Catalog, `database_name` with the name of your database, and `table_name` with the name of the table.

```
{
  "Version": "2012-10-17",
  "Statement": [
    {
      "Effect": "Allow",
      "Action": [
        "s3:PutObject",
        "s3:GetObject",
        "s3:DeleteObject"
      ],
      "Resource": [
        "arn:aws:s3:::<bucket-name>/*"
      ]
    },
    {
      "Effect": "Allow",
      "Action": [
        "s3:ListBucket"
      ],
      "Resource": [
        "arn:aws:s3:::<bucket-name>"
      ]
    },
    {
      "Effect": "Allow",
      "Action": [
        "glue:UpdateTable",
        "glue:GetTable"
      ],
      "Resource": [
        "arn:aws:glue:<region>:<aws-account-id>:table/<database-name>/<table-
name>",
```

```

        "arn:aws:glue:<region>:<aws-account-id>:database/<database-name>",
        "arn:aws:glue:<region>:<aws-account-id>:catalog"
    ]
},
{
    "Effect": "Allow",
    "Action": [
        "logs:CreateLogGroup",
        "logs:CreateLogStream",
        "logs:PutLogEvents"
    ],
    "Resource": "arn:aws:logs:<region>:<aws-account-id>:log-group:/aws-glue/iceberg-compaction/logs:*"
}
]
}

```

- Use the following policy to enable compaction for data registered with Lake Formation.

If the compaction role doesn't have IAM_ALLOWED_PRINCIPALS group permissions granted on the table, the role requires Lake Formation ALTER, DESCRIBE, INSERT and DELETE permissions on the table.

For more information on registering an Amazon S3 bucket with Lake Formation, see [Adding an Amazon S3 location to your data lake](#).

```

{
    "Version": "2012-10-17",
    "Statement": [
        {
            "Effect": "Allow",
            "Action": [
                "lakeformation:GetDataAccess"
            ],
            "Resource": "*"
        },
        {
            "Effect": "Allow",
            "Action": [
                "glue:UpdateTable",
                "glue:GetTable"
            ],

```

```

    "Resource": [
      "arn:aws:glue:<region>:<aws-account-id>:table/<databaseName>/<tableName>",
      "arn:aws:glue:<region>:<aws-account-id>:database/<database-name>",
      "arn:aws:glue:<region>:<aws-account-id>:catalog"
    ]
  },
  {
    "Effect": "Allow",
    "Action": [
      "logs:CreateLogGroup",
      "logs:CreateLogStream",
      "logs:PutLogEvents"
    ],
    "Resource": "arn:aws:logs:<region>:<aws-account-id>:log-group:/aws-glue/iceberg-compaction/logs:*"
  }
]
}

```

- (Optional) To compact Iceberg tables with data in Amazon S3 buckets encrypted using [Server-side encryption](#), the compaction role requires permissions to decrypt Amazon S3 objects and generate a new data key to write objects to the encrypted buckets. Add the following policy to the desired AWS KMS key. We support only bucket-level encryption.

```

{
  "Effect": "Allow",
  "Principal": {
    "AWS": "arn:aws:iam::<aws-account-id>:role/<compaction-role-name>"
  },
  "Action": [
    "kms:Decrypt",
    "kms:GenerateDataKey"
  ],
  "Resource": "*"
}

```

- (Optional) For data location registered with Lake Formation, the role used to register the location requires permissions to decrypt Amazon S3 objects and generate a new data key to write objects to the encrypted buckets. For more information, see [Registering an encrypted Amazon S3 location](#).

- (Optional) If the AWS KMS key is stored in a different AWS account, you need to include the following permissions to the compaction role.

```
{
  "Version": "2012-10-17",
  "Statement": [
    {
      "Effect": "Allow",
      "Action": [
        "kms:Decrypt",
        "kms:GenerateDataKey"
      ],
      "Resource": ["arn:aws:kms:<REGION>:<KEY_OWNER_ACCOUNT_ID>:key/<KEY_ID>" ]
    }
  ]
}
```

- The role you use to run compaction must have the `iam:PassRole` permission on the role.

```
{
  "Version": "2012-10-17",
  "Statement": [
    {
      "Effect": "Allow",
      "Action": [
        "iam:PassRole"
      ],
      "Resource": [
        "arn:aws:iam::<account-id>:role/<compaction-role-name>"
      ]
    }
  ]
}
```

- Add the following trust policy to the role for AWS Glue service to assume the IAM role to run the compaction process.

```
{
  "Version": "2012-10-17",
  "Statement": [
    {
```

```
        "Sid": "",
        "Effect": "Allow",
        "Principal": {
            "Service": "glue.amazonaws.com"
        },
        "Action": "sts:AssumeRole"
    }
]
}
```

Enabling compaction

You can use Lake Formation console, AWS Glue console, AWS CLI, or AWS API to enable compaction for your Apache Iceberg tables in the Data Catalog. For new tables, you can choose Apache Iceberg as table format and enable compaction when you create the table. Compaction is disabled by default for new tables.

Console

To enable compaction

1. Open the Lake Formation console at <https://console.aws.amazon.com/lakeformation/> and sign in as a data lake administrator, the table creator, or a user who has been granted the `glue:UpdateTable` and `lakeformation:GetDataAccess` permissions on the table.
2. In the navigation pane, under **Data Catalog**, choose **Tables**.
3. On the **Tables** page, choose a table in open table format that you want to enable compaction for, then under **Actions** menu, choose **Enable compaction**.
4. You can also enable compaction by selecting the table and opening the **Table details** page. Choose the **Table optimization** tab on the lower section of the page, and choose **Enable compaction**.

The screenshot shows the AWS Lake Formation console for a table named 'icebergtable1'. The interface includes a left-hand navigation menu with categories like 'Data Catalog', 'Permissions', 'Administration', and 'Ingestion'. The main content area displays 'Table details' for 'icebergtable1', including its database ('icebergdemo'), table format ('Apache Iceberg'), location, and last updated time. Below this, there are tabs for 'Schema', 'Table optimization' (which is active), 'LF-Tags', and 'AWS accounts and AWS organizations with access'. The 'Table optimization' tab shows a 'Compaction history (0)' section with a message: 'No compaction run. No compaction run to display.' and an 'Enable compaction' button.

5. Next, select an existing IAM role from the drop down with the permissions shown in the [Table optimization prerequisites](#) section.

When you choose **Create a new IAM role** option, the service creates a custom role with the required permissions to run compaction.

The screenshot shows the 'Enable compaction' dialog box. It has a title 'Enable compaction' and a subtitle 'Enable compaction for managed tables in Glue Data Catalog to optimize storage and improve query performances. View pricing'. Below this, there is an 'IAM role' section with a description: 'This IAM role will run the compaction job on your behalf. Learn more'. Underneath, there is another 'IAM role' section with a description: 'To run compaction, the IAM role assumed by the job should have necessary permissions. Learn more'. A dropdown menu is set to 'Admin', and there are 'View' and 'Refresh' buttons. At the bottom left, there is a 'Create new IAM role' button. At the bottom right, there are 'Cancel' and 'Enable compaction' buttons.

Follow the steps below to update an existing IAM role:

- a. To update the permissions policy for the IAM role, in the IAM console, go to the IAM role that is being used for running compaction.
- b. In the Add permissions section, choose Create policy. In the newly opened browser window, create a new policy to use with your role.
- c. On the Create policy page, choose the JSON tab. Copy the JSON code shown in the Prerequisites into the policy editor field.

AWS CLI

The following example shows how to enable compaction. Replace the account ID with a valid AWS account ID. Replace the database name and table name with actual Iceberg table name and the database name. Replace the `roleArn` with the AWS Resource Name (ARN) of the IAM role and name of the IAM role that has the required permissions to run compaction.

```
aws glue create-table-optimizer \  
  --catalog-id 123456789012 \  
  --database-name iceberg_db \  
  --table-name iceberg_table \  
  --table-optimizer-configuration  
'{"roleArn":"arn:aws:iam::123456789012:role/compaction_role", "enabled":'true'}' \  
  --type compaction
```

AWS API

Call `CreateTableOptimizer` operation to enable compaction for a table.

After you enable compaction, **Table optimization** tab shows the following compaction details (after approximately 15-20 minutes):

Start time

The time at which the compaction process started within Lake Formation. The value is a timestamp in UTC time.

End time

The time at which the compaction process ended in Data Catalog. The value is a timestamp in UTC time.

Status

The status of the compaction run. Values are success or fail.

Files compacted

Total number of files compacted.

Bytes compacted

Total number of bytes compacted.

Disabling compaction

You can disable automatic compaction for a particular Apache Iceberg table using AWS Glue console or AWS CLI.

Console

1. Choose **Data Catalog** and choose **Tables**. From the tables list, choose the table in open table format that you want to disable compaction.
2. You can choose an Iceberg table, and choose **Disable compaction** under **Actions**.

You can also disable compaction for the table by choosing **Disable compaction** on the lower section of the **Tables details** page.

The screenshot displays the AWS Glue console interface for a table named 'icebergtable1'. The left sidebar shows the navigation menu with 'Data Catalog' and 'Tables' selected. The main content area shows the 'Table details' for 'icebergtable1', including the database 'icebergdemo', table format 'Apache Iceberg', and location 's3://emv-iceberg-demo-syamr1-nt/iceberg/icebergdemo.db/icebergtable1'. Below the details, there is a 'Compaction history' section with a table showing two successful compaction runs. A 'Disable compaction' button is visible in the top right of the compaction history section.

Start time	Compaction status	End time	Files compacted	Bytes compacted
Wednesday, November 1, 2023 at 2:42 PM UTC	Success	Wednesday, November 1, 2023 at 2:43 PM UTC	0	0 Bytes
Wednesday, November 1, 2023 at 2:40 PM UTC	Success	Wednesday, November 1, 2023 at 2:41 PM UTC	7920	98.98 MB

3. Choose **Disable compaction** on the confirmation message. You can re-enable compaction at a later time.

After the you confirm, compaction is disabled and the compaction status for the table turns back to Off.

AWS CLI

In the following example, replace the account ID with a valid AWS account ID. Replace the database name and table name with actual Iceberg table name and the database name. Replace the `roleArn` with the AWS Resource Name (ARN) of the IAM role and actual name of the IAM role that has the required permissions to run compaction.

```
aws glue update-table-optimizer \
  --catalog-id 123456789012 \
  --database-name iceberg_db \
  --table-name iceberg_table \
  --table-optimizer-configuration
  '{"roleArn":"arn:aws:iam::123456789012:role/compaction_role", "enabled":'false'}'\
  --type compaction
```

AWS API

Call UpdateTableOptimizer operation to disable compaction for a specific table.

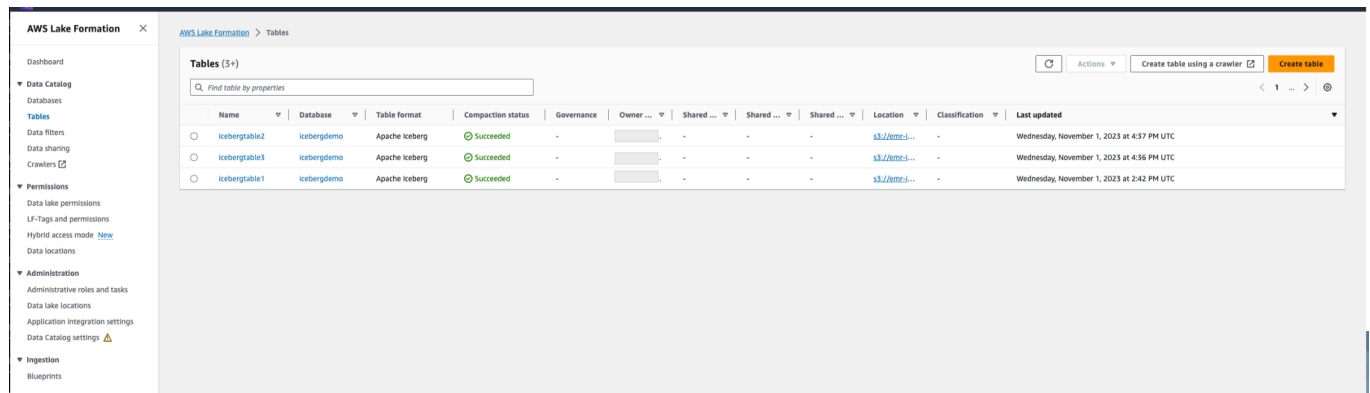
Viewing compaction details

You can view compaction status for Apache Iceberg in the Lake Formation console, AWS CLI, or using AWS API operations.

Console

To view compaction status for Iceberg tables (console)

- You can view compaction status for Iceberg tables on the Lake Formation console by choosing **Tables** under **Data Catalog**. The **Compaction status** field shows the status of the compaction run. You can display table format and compaction status using the table preferences.



- To view the compaction run history for a specific table, choose **Tables** under AWS Glue Data Catalog, and choose a table to view the table details. The **Table optimization** tab shows the compaction history for the table.

The screenshot shows the AWS Lake Formation console for a table named 'icebergtable1'. The interface includes a left-hand navigation menu with categories like Data Catalog, Permissions, Administration, and Ingestion. The main content area is titled 'icebergtable1' and shows 'Table details' and 'Compaction history (2)'. The table details section includes fields for Database (icebergdemo), Description, Location (s3://emr-iceberg-demo-s3yamr1-nrt/iceberg/icebergdemo.db/icebergtable1), and Table format (Apache Iceberg). The compaction history table has the following data:

Start time	Compaction status	End time	Files compacted	Bytes compacted
Wednesday, November 1, 2023 at 2:42 PM UTC	Success	Wednesday, November 1, 2023 at 2:43 PM UTC	0	0 Bytes
Wednesday, November 1, 2023 at 2:40 PM UTC	Success	Wednesday, November 1, 2023 at 2:41 PM UTC	7920	98.98 Mb

AWS CLI

You can view the compaction details using AWS CLI.

In the following examples, replace the account ID with a valid AWS account ID, the database name, and table name with actual Iceberg table name.

- **To get the last compaction run details for a table**

```
aws get-table-optimizer \
  --catalog-id 123456789012 \
  --database-name iceberg_db \
  --table-name iceberg_table \
  --type compaction
```

- Use the following example to retrieve the history of an optimizer for a specific table.

```
aws list-table-optimizer-runs \
  --catalog-id 123456789012 \
  --database-name iceberg_db \
  --table-name iceberg_table \
  --type compaction
```

- The following example shows how to retrieve the compaction run and configuration details for multiple optimizers. You can specify a maximum of 20 optimizers.

```
aws glue batch-get-table-optimizer \  
--entries '[{"catalogId":"123456789012", "databaseName":"iceberg_db",  
"tableName":"iceberg_table", "type":"compaction"}]'
```

AWS API

- Use `GetTableOptimizer` operation to retrieve the last run details of an optimizer.
- Use `ListTableOptimizerRuns` operation to retrieve history of a given optimizer on a specific table. You can specify 20 optimizers in a single API call.
- Use `BatchGetTableOptimizer` operation to retrieve configuration details for multiple optimizers in your account. This operation doesn't support cross account calls.

Viewing Amazon CloudWatch metrics

After running the compaction successfully, the service creates Amazon CloudWatch metrics on the compaction job performance. You can go to the **CloudWatch Metrics** and choose **Metrics, All metrics**. You can filter metrics by the specific namespace (for example AWS Glue), table name, or database name.

For more information, see [View available metrics](#) in the *Amazon CloudWatch User Guide*.

- Number of bytes compacted
- Number of files compacted
- Number of DPU allocated to job
- Duration of job (Hours)

Deleting an optimizer

You can delete an optimizer and associated metadata for the table using AWS CLI or AWS API operation.

Run the following AWS CLI command to delete compaction history for a table.

```
aws glue delete-table-optimizer \  
  --catalog-id 123456789012 \  
  --database-name iceberg_db \  
  --table-name iceberg_table \  
  --type compaction
```

Use `DeleteTableOptimizer` operation to delete an optimizer for a table.

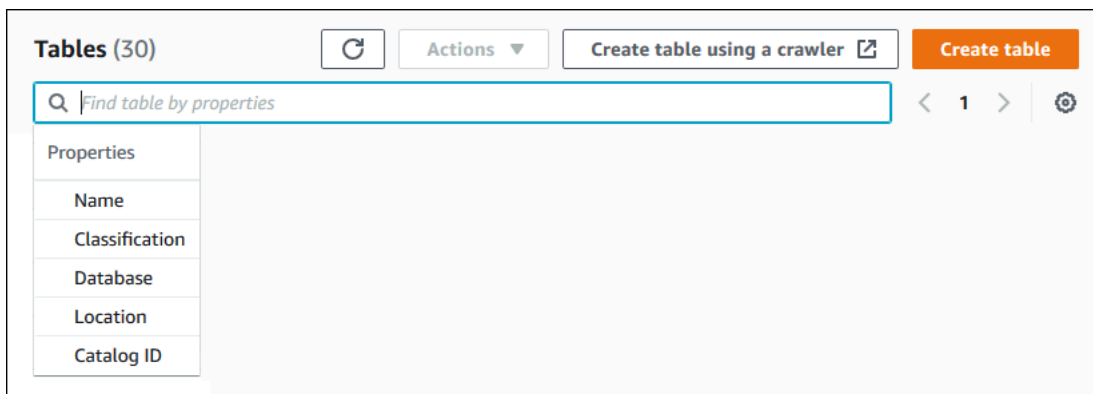
Searching for tables

You can use the AWS Lake Formation console to search for Data Catalog tables by name, location, containing database, and more. The search results show only the tables that you have Lake Formation permissions on.

To search for tables (console)

1. Sign in to the AWS Management Console and open the Lake Formation console at <https://console.aws.amazon.com/lakeformation/>.
2. In the navigation pane, choose **Tables**.
3. Position the cursor in the search field at the top of the page. The field has the placeholder text *Find table by properties*.

The **Properties** menu appears, showing the various table properties to search by.

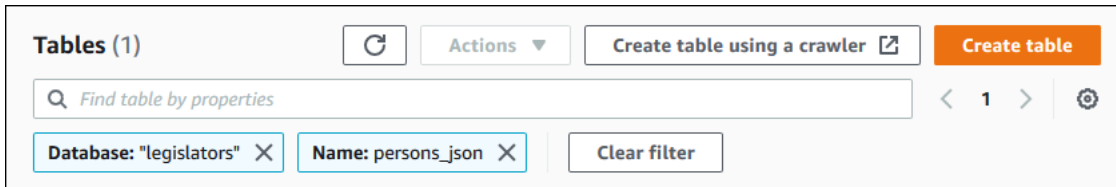


4. Do one of the following:
 - Search by containing database.
 1. Choose **Database** from the **Properties** menu, and then either choose a database from the **Databases** menu that appears or type a database name and press **Enter**.

The tables that you have permissions on in the database are listed.

- (Optional) To narrow down the list to a single table in the database, position the cursor in the search field again, choose **Name** from the **Properties** menu, and either choose a table name from the **Tables** menu that appears or type a table name and press **Enter**.

The single table is listed, and both the database name and table name appear as tiles under the search field.



To adjust the filter, close either of the tiles or choose **Clear filter**.

- Search by other properties.

- Choose a search property from the **Properties** menu.

To search by AWS account ID, choose **Catalog ID** from the **Properties** menu, enter a valid AWS account ID (for example, 111122223333), and press **Enter**.

To search by location, choose **Location** from the **Properties** menu, and select a location from the **Locations** menu that appears. All tables in the root location of the selected location (for example, Amazon S3) are returned.

Sharing Data Catalog tables and databases across AWS Accounts

You can share Data Catalog resources (databases and tables) with external AWS accounts by granting Lake Formation permissions on the resources to the external accounts. Users can then run queries and jobs that join and query tables across multiple accounts. With some restrictions, when you share a Data Catalog resource with another account, principals in that account can operate on that resource as if the resource were in their Data Catalog.

You don't share resources with specific principals in external AWS accounts—you share the resources with an AWS account or organization. When you share a resource with an AWS organization, you're sharing the resource with all accounts at all levels in that organization. The data lake administrator in each external account must then grant permissions on the shared resources to principals in their account.

For more information, see [Cross-account data sharing in Lake Formation](#) and [Granting and revoking permissions on Data Catalog resources](#).

 **See Also:**

- [Accessing and viewing shared Data Catalog tables and databases](#)
- [Prerequisites](#)

Working with views

This feature is in preview release and is subject to change. For more information, see the Betas and Previews section in the [AWS Service Terms](#) document.

In AWS Glue Data Catalog, a *view* is a virtual table in which the contents are defined by a query that references one or more tables. You can create a view that references up to 10 tables using SQL editors for Amazon Athena, Amazon Redshift, or Amazon EMR. Underlying reference tables for a view can belong to the same database or different databases within the same AWS account.

SQL is a programming language used for querying tables, and each AWS analytical engine uses its own variation of SQL, or SQL dialect. The Data Catalog supports creating views using different SQL dialects as long as each dialect references the same set of tables, columns, and data types. By defining a common view schema and metadata object that you can query from multiple engines, Data Catalog views enable you to use uniform views across your data lake.

When you manage views in the Data Catalog, you can use AWS Lake Formation to grant fine-grained permissions through the named resource method or using LF-Tags, and share them across AWS accounts, AWS organizations, and organizational units. You can also share Data Catalog views across AWS Regions. This allows users to provide data access across AWS Regions without duplicating the data source.

For more information on cross-account data sharing and cross-Region data access, see:

- [Cross-account data sharing in Lake Formation](#)
- [Accessing tables across Regions](#)

You can use Data Catalog views to:

- Create and manage permissions on a single view schema. This helps you avoid the risk of inconsistent permissions on duplicate views created in multiple engines.
- Grant permissions to users on a view that references multiple tables without granting permissions directly on the underlying reference tables.

For limitations, see [Data Catalog views considerations and limitations](#)

Topics

- [Prerequisites for creating views](#)
- [Creating views](#)
- [Granting permissions on Data Catalog views](#)

Prerequisites for creating views

- To create views in Data Catalog, you must register the underlying Amazon S3 data locations of the reference tables with Lake Formation.

For details on registering data with Lake Formation, see [Adding an Amazon S3 location to your data lake](#).

- The view definer must be an IAM role. Other IAM identities can't create Data Catalog views.
- The IAM role that defines the view must have the following permissions:
 - Full Lake Formation SELECT permission with Grantable option on all reference tables.
 - A trust policy for Lake Formation and AWS Glue services to assume the role.

```
{
  "Version": "2012-10-17",
  "Statement": [
    {
      "Sid": "DataCatalogViewDefinerAssumeRole1",
      "Effect": "Allow",
      "Principal": {
        "Service": [
          "glue.amazonaws.com",
          "lakeformation.amazonaws.com"
        ]
      }
    }
  ]
}
```

```

    },
    "Action": "sts:AssumeRole"
  }
]
}

```

- The iam:PassRole permission for AWS Glue and Lake Formation.

```

{
  "Version": "2012-10-17",
  "Statement": [
    {
      "Sid": "DataCatalogViewDefinerPassRole1",
      "Action": [
        "iam:PassRole"
      ],
      "Effect": "Allow",
      "Resource": "*",
      "Condition": {
        "StringEquals": {
          "iam:PassedToService": [
            "glue.amazonaws.com",
            "lakeformation.amazonaws.com"
          ]
        }
      }
    }
  ]
}

```

- AWS Glue and Lake Formation permissions.

```

{
  "Version": "2012-10-17",
  "Statement": [
    {
      "Effect": "Allow",
      "Action": [
        "Glue:GetDatabase",
        "Glue:GetDatabases",
        "Glue:CreateTable",
        "Glue:GetTable",

```

```

        "Glue:UpdateTable",
        "Glue>DeleteTable",
        "Glue:GetTables",
        "Glue:SearchTables",
        "Glue:BatchGetPartition",
        "Glue:GetPartitions",
        "Glue:GetPartition",
        "Glue:GetTableVersion",
        "Glue:GetTableVersions",
        "lakeFormation:GetDataAccess",
        "lakeFormation:GetTemporaryTableCredentials",
        "lakeFormation:GetTemporaryGlueTableCredentials",
        "lakeFormation:GetTemporaryUserCredentialsWithSAML"
    ],
    "Resource": "*"
}
]
}

```

- You can't create views if the database under which the view is being created has Super or ALL permission granted to the IAMAllowedPrincipals group. To revoke the Super permission from IAMAllowedPrincipals group on a database, see [Step 4: Switch your data stores to the Lake Formation permissions model](#).

If your existing data lake settings don't allow you to set CreateTableDefaultPermissions empty for IAMAllowedPrincipals group, you can create a new database and code the data lake setting using the following structure.

```

{
  "DataLakeSettings": {
    "DataLakeAdmins": [
      {
        "DataLakePrincipalIdentifier":
"arn:aws:iam::<AccountId>:user/<Username>"
      }
    ],
    "CreateTableDefaultPermissions": [
      {
        "Principal": {
          "DataLakePrincipalIdentifier": "IAM_ALLOWED_PRINCIPALS"
        },
        "Permissions": []
      }
    ]
  }
}

```

```
} ]
```

Creating views

You can use SQL editors for Athena, Amazon Redshift, or Amazon EMR to create views in the AWS Glue Data Catalog.

For more information about the syntax for creating and managing Data Catalog views, see:

- [Using AWS Glue Data Catalog views](#) in the Amazon Athena User Guide.
- [Creating views in the AWS Glue Data Catalog](#) in the Amazon Redshift Database Developer Guide.
- [Working with AWS Glue Data Catalog views](#) in the Amazon EMR Management Guide.

After you create a Data Catalog view, the details of the view in the Lake Formation console.

1. Choose **Views** under Data Catalog in the Lake Formation console.
2. A list of available views appears on the views page.
3. Choose a view from the list and the details page shows the attributes of the view.

[AWS Lake Formation](#) > [Views](#) > europe_players

europe_players

Version 1 (Current version) ▼

Actions ▼

Details

Name europe_players	Database views_demo_database	Definer role admin
Last updated November 22, 2023 at 10:41 PM UTC	Status Ready	Description -

Schema

SQL definitions

LF-Tags

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Underlying tables

SQL definitions (2)

Add SQL definition ▼

List of available SQL definitions in different engines. Choose an engine from the list to add or edit the definition.

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Engine name ▲	Version ▼	Status ▼	SQL statement	Edit definition
Athena	3	Ready	View	Amazon Athena
Redshift	1.0	Ready	View	Amazon Redshift

Schema

Choose a Column row, and select **Edit LF-Tags** to update tag values or assigning new LF-Tags.

SQL definitions

You can see a list of available SQL definitions. Select **Add SQL definition**, and choose a query engine to add a SQL definition. Choose a query engine (Athena or Amazon Redshift) under Edit definition column to update a SQL definitions.

LF-Tags

Choose **Edit LF-Tags** to edit values for a tag or assign new tags. You can use LF-Tags to grant permissions on views.

Cross-account access

You can see a list of AWS accounts, organizations and organizational units (OUs) that you've shared the Data Catalog view.

Underlying tables

The underlying tables referenced in the SQL definition used to create the view are shown under this tab.

Granting permissions on Data Catalog views

After creating views, you can grant data lake permissions on views to principals across AWS accounts, organizations and organizational units. For more information on granting permissions, see [Granting permissions on views using the named resource method](#).

Importing data using workflows in Lake Formation

With AWS Lake Formation, you can import your data using *workflows*. A workflow defines the data source and schedule to import data into your data lake. It is a container for AWS Glue crawlers, jobs, and triggers that are used to orchestrate the processes to load and update the data lake.

Topics

- [Blueprints and workflows in Lake Formation](#)
- [Creating a workflow](#)
- [Running a workflow](#)

Blueprints and workflows in Lake Formation

A workflow encapsulates a complex multi-job extract, transform, and load (ETL) activity. Workflows generate AWS Glue crawlers, jobs, and triggers to orchestrate the loading and update of data. Lake Formation executes and tracks a workflow as a single entity. You can configure a workflow to run on demand or on a schedule.

Workflows that you create in Lake Formation are visible in the AWS Glue console as a directed acyclic graph (DAG). Each DAG node is a job, crawler, or trigger. To monitor progress and troubleshoot, you can track the status of each node in the workflow.


When a Lake Formation workflow has completed, the user who ran the workflow is granted the Lake Formation SELECT permission on the Data Catalog tables that the workflow creates.

You can also create workflows in AWS Glue. However, because Lake Formation enables you to create a workflow from a blueprint, creating workflows is much simpler and more automated in Lake Formation. Lake Formation provides the following types of blueprints:

- **Database snapshot** – Loads or reloads data from all tables into the data lake from a JDBC source. You can exclude some data from the source based on an exclude pattern.
- **Incremental database** – Loads only new data into the data lake from a JDBC source, based on previously set bookmarks. You specify the individual tables in the JDBC source database to include. For each table, you choose the bookmark columns and bookmark sort order to keep track of data that has previously been loaded. The first time that you run an incremental database blueprint against a set of tables, the workflow loads all data from the tables and sets bookmarks for the next incremental database blueprint run. You can therefore use an incremental database blueprint instead of the database snapshot blueprint to load all data, provided that you specify each table in the data source as a parameter.
- **Log file** – bulk loads data from log file sources, including AWS CloudTrail, Elastic Load Balancing logs, and Application Load Balancer logs.

Use the following table to help decide whether to use a database snapshot or incremental database blueprint.

Use database snapshot when...	Use incremental database when...
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Schema evolution is flexible. (Columns are re-named, previous columns are deleted, and new columns are added in their place.) • Complete consistency is needed between the source and the destination. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Schema evolution is incremental. (There is only successive addition of columns.) • Only new rows are added; previous rows are not updated.

 **Note**

Users cannot edit blue prints and workflows created by Lake Formation.

Creating a workflow

Before you start, ensure that you have granted the required data permissions and data location permissions to the role `LakeFormationWorkflowRole`. This is so the workflow can create metadata tables in the Data Catalog and write data to target locations in Amazon S3. For more information, see [\(Optional\) Create an IAM role for workflows](#) and [Overview of Lake Formation permissions](#).

Note

Lake Formation uses `GetTemplateInstance`, `GetTemplateInstances`, and `InstantiateTemplate` operations to create workflows from blueprints. These operations are not publicly available, and are used only internally for creating resources on your behalf. You receive CloudTrail events for creating workflows.

To create a workflow from a blueprint

1. Open the AWS Lake Formation console at <https://console.aws.amazon.com/lakeformation/>. Sign in as the data lake administrator or as a user who has data engineer permissions. For more information, see [Lake Formation personas and IAM permissions reference](#).
2. In the navigation pane, choose **Blueprints**, and then choose **Use blueprint**.
3. On the **Use a blueprint** page, choose a tile to select the blueprint type.
4. Under **Import source**, specify the data source.

If you are importing from a JDBC source, specify the following:

- **Database connection**—Choose a connection from the list. Create additional connections using the AWS Glue console. The JDBC user name and password in the connection determine the database objects that the workflow has access to.
- **Source data path**—Enter `<database>/<schema>/<table>` or `<database>/<table>`, depending on the database product. Oracle Database and MySQL don't support schema in the path. You can substitute the percent (%) character for `<schema>` or `<table>`. For example, for an Oracle database with a system identifier (SID) of `orcl`, enter `orcl/%` to import all tables that the user named in the connection has access to.

⚠ Important

This field is case sensitive. The workflow will fail if there is a case mismatch for any of the components.

If you specify a MySQL database, AWS Glue ETL uses the Mysql5 JDBC driver by default, so MySQL8 is not natively supported. You can edit the ETL job script to use a `customJdbcDriverS3Path` parameter as described in [JDBC connectionType Values](#) in the *AWS Glue Developer Guide* to use a different JDBC driver that supports MySQL8.

If you are importing from a log file, ensure that the role that you specify for the workflow (the "workflow role") has the required IAM permissions to access the data source. For example, to import AWS CloudTrail logs, the user must have the `cloudtrail:DescribeTrails` and `cloudtrail:LookupEvents` permissions to see the list of CloudTrail logs while creating the workflow, and the workflow role must have permissions on the CloudTrail location in Amazon S3.

5. Do one of the following:

- For the **Database snapshot** blueprint type, optionally identify a subset of data to import by specifying one or more exclude patterns. These exclude patterns are Unix-style `glob` patterns. They are stored as a property of the tables that are created by the workflow.

For details on the available exclude patterns, see [Include and Exclude Patterns](#) in the *AWS Glue Developer Guide*.

- For the **Incremental database** blueprint type, specify the following fields. Add a row for each table to import.

Table name

Table to import. Must be all lower case.

Bookmark keys

Comma-delimited list of column names that define the bookmark keys. If blank, the primary key is used to determine new data. Case for each column must match the case as defined in the data source.

Note

The primary key qualifies as the default bookmark key only if it is sequentially increasing or decreasing (with no gaps). If you want to use the primary key as the bookmark key and it has gaps, you must name the primary key column as a bookmark key.

Bookmark order

When you choose **Ascending**, rows with values greater than bookmarked values are identified as new rows. When you choose **Descending**, rows with values less than bookmarked values are identified as new rows.

Partitioning scheme

(Optional) List of partitioning key columns, delimited by slashes (/). Example: year/month/day.

Incremental data
Enter tables in the data source to import along with bookmark columns to determine previously imported data.

Table name	Bookmark keys	Bookmark order	Partitioning scheme - optional	Remove
<input style="width: 100%;" type="text" value="Enter a table name"/>	<input style="width: 100%;" type="text" value="Enter a bookmark"/> <small>Comma-delimited list of bookmark columns.</small>	<input style="width: 100%;" type="text" value="Choose a sort. ▼"/>	<input style="width: 100%;" type="text" value="Type partitioning"/>	<input type="button" value="Remove"/>
<input type="button" value="Add"/>				

For more information, see [Tracking Processed Data Using Job Bookmarks](#) in the *AWS Glue Developer Guide*.

6. Under **Import target**, specify the target database, target Amazon S3 location, and data format.

Ensure that the workflow role has the required Lake Formation permissions on the database and Amazon S3 target location.

Note

Currently, blueprints do not support encrypting data at the target.

7. Choose an import frequency.

You can specify a cron expression with the **Custom** option.

8. Under **Import options**:

- a. Enter a workflow name.
 - b. For role, choose the role `LakeFormationWorkflowRole`, which you created in [\(Optional\) Create an IAM role for workflows](#).
 - c. Optionally specify a table prefix. The prefix is prepended to the names of Data Catalog tables that the workflow creates.
9. Choose **Create**, and wait for the console to report that the workflow was successfully created.

Tip

Did you get the following error message?

```
User: arn:aws:iam::<account-id>:user/<username> is not authorized
to perform: iam:PassRole on resource:arn:aws:iam::<account-
id>:role/<rolename>...
```

If so, check that you replaced `<account-id>` with a valid AWS account number in all policies.

See also:

- [Blueprints and workflows in Lake Formation](#)

Running a workflow

You can run a workflow using the Lake Formation console, the AWS Glue console, or the AWS Glue Command Line Interface (AWS CLI), or API.

To run a workflow (Lake Formation console)

1. Open the AWS Lake Formation console at <https://console.aws.amazon.com/lakeformation/>. Sign in as the data lake administrator or as a user who has data engineer permissions. For more information, see [Lake Formation personas and IAM permissions reference](#).

2. In the navigation pane, choose **Blueprints**.
3. On the **Blueprints** page, select the workflow. Then on the **Actions** menu, choose **Start**.
4. As the workflow runs, view its progress in the **Last run status** column. Choose the refresh button occasionally.

The status goes from **RUNNING**, to **Discovering**, to **Importing**, to **COMPLETED**.

When the workflow is complete:

- The Data Catalog has new metadata tables.
- Your data is ingested into the data lake.

If the workflow fails, do the following:

- a. Select the workflow. Choose **Actions**, and then choose **View graph**.

The workflow opens in the AWS Glue console.

- b. Ensure that the workflow is selected, and choose the **History** tab.
- c. Under **History**, select the most recent run and choose **View run details**.
- d. Select a failed job or crawler in the dynamic (runtime) graph, and review the error message. Failed nodes are either red or yellow.

 **See also:**

- [Blueprints and workflows in Lake Formation](#)

Managing Lake Formation permissions

Lake Formation provides central access controls for data in your data lake. You can define security policy-based rules for your users and applications by role in Lake Formation, and integration with AWS Identity and Access Management authenticates those users and roles. Once the rules are defined, Lake Formation enforces your access controls at table and column-level granularity for users of Amazon Redshift Spectrum and Amazon Athena.

Topics

- [Granting data location permissions](#)
- [Granting and revoking permissions on Data Catalog resources](#)
- [Permissions example scenario](#)
- [Data filtering and cell-level security in Lake Formation](#)
- [Viewing database and table permissions in Lake Formation](#)
- [Revoking permission using the Lake Formation console](#)
- [Cross-account data sharing in Lake Formation](#)
- [Accessing and viewing shared Data Catalog tables and databases](#)
- [Creating resource links](#)
- [Accessing tables across Regions](#)

Granting data location permissions

Data location permissions in AWS Lake Formation enable principals to create and alter Data Catalog resources that point to designated registered Amazon S3 locations. Data location permissions work in addition to Lake Formation data permissions to secure information in your data lake.

Lake Formation does not use the AWS Resource Access Manager (AWS RAM) service for data location permission grants, so you don't need to accept resource share invitations for data location permissions.

You can grant data location permissions by using the Lake Formation console, API, or AWS Command Line Interface (AWS CLI).

Note

For a grant to succeed, you must first register the data location with Lake Formation.

See Also:

- [Underlying data access control](#)

Topics

- [Granting data location permissions \(same account\)](#)
- [Granting data location permissions \(external account\)](#)
- [Granting permissions on a data location shared with your account](#)

Granting data location permissions (same account)

Follow these steps to grant data location permissions to principals in your AWS account. You can grant permissions by using the Lake Formation console, the API, or the AWS Command Line Interface (AWS CLI).

To grant data location permissions (same account, console)

1. Open the AWS Lake Formation console at <https://console.aws.amazon.com/lakeformation/>. Sign in as a data lake administrator or as a principal who has grant permissions on the desired data location.
2. In the navigation pane, under **Permissions**, choose **Data locations**.
3. Choose **Grant**.
4. In the **Grant permissions** dialog box, ensure that the **My account** tile is selected. Then provide the following information:
 - For **IAM users and roles**, choose one or more principals.
 - For **SAML and Amazon QuickSight users and groups**, enter one or more Amazon Resource Names (ARNs) for users or groups federated through SAML or ARNs for Amazon QuickSight users or groups.

Enter one ARN at a time, and press **Enter** after each ARN. For information about how to construct the ARNs, see [Lake Formation grant and revoke AWS CLI commands](#).

- For **Storage locations**, choose **Browse**, and choose an Amazon Simple Storage Service (Amazon S3) storage location. The location must be registered with Lake Formation. Choose **Browse** again to add another location. You can also type the location, but ensure that you precede the location with `s3://`.
- For **Registered account location**, enter the AWS account ID where the location is registered. This defaults to your account ID. In a cross-account scenario, data lake administrators in a recipient account can specify the owner account here when granting the data location permission to other principals in the recipient account.
- (Optional) To enable the selected principals to grant data location permissions on the selected location, select **Grantable**.

Grant permissions

Add access permissions for specific storage locations.

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My account
User or role from this AWS account.

External account
AWS account or AWS organization outside of my account.

IAM users and roles
Add one or more IAM users or roles.

Choose IAM principals to add

datalake_user ✕
User

SAML and Amazon QuickSight users and groups
Enter a SAML user or group ARN or Amazon QuickSight ARN. Press Enter to add additional ARNs.

Ex: arn:aws:iam:<AccountId>:saml-provider/<SamlProviderName>

Storage locations
Choose one or more data lake locations.

s3://retail/transactions/2020q1

Browse

Registered account location
The account where this storage location is registered in AWS Lake Formation.

123456789012

Grantable

Cancel

Grant

5. Choose **Grant**.

To grant data location permissions (same account, AWS CLI)

- Run a `grant-permissions` command, and grant `DATA_LOCATION_ACCESS` to the principal, specifying the Amazon S3 path as the resource.

Example

The following example grants data location permissions on `s3://retail` to user `datalake_user1`.

```
aws lakeformation grant-permissions --principal
DataLakePrincipalIdentifier=arn:aws:iam:<account-id>:user/datalake_user1
--permissions "DATA_LOCATION_ACCESS" --resource '{ "DataLocation":
{"ResourceArn":"arn:aws:s3:::retail"}}'
```

Example

The following example grants data location permissions on `s3://retail` to `ALLIAMPrincipals` group.

```
aws lakeformation grant-permissions --principal
DataLakePrincipalIdentifier=111122223333:IAMPrincipals --
permissions "DATA_LOCATION_ACCESS" --resource '{ "DataLocation":
{"ResourceArn":"arn:aws:s3:::retail", "CatalogId": "111122223333"}}'
```

See Also:

- [Lake Formation permissions reference](#)

Granting data location permissions (external account)

Follow these steps to grant data location permissions to an external AWS account or organization.

You can grant permissions by using the Lake Formation console, the API, or the AWS Command Line Interface (AWS CLI).

Before you begin

Ensure that all cross-account access prerequisites are satisfied. For more information, see [Prerequisites](#).

To grant data location permissions (external account, console)

1. Open the AWS Lake Formation console at <https://console.aws.amazon.com/lakeformation/>. Sign in as a data lake administrator.
2. In the navigation pane, under **Permissions**, choose **Data locations**, and then choose **Grant**.
3. In the **Grant permissions** dialog box, choose the **External account** tile.
4. Provide the following information:
 - For **AWS account ID or AWS organization ID**, enter valid AWS account numbers, organization IDs, or organizational unit IDs.

Press **Enter** after each ID.

An organization ID consists of "o-" followed by 10 to 32 lower-case letters or digits.

An organizational unit ID consists of "ou-" followed by 4 to 32 lowercase letters or digits (the ID of the root that contains the OU). This string is followed by a second "-" (hyphen) and 8 to 32 additional lowercase letters or digits.

- Under **Storage locations**, choose **Browse**, and choose an Amazon Simple Storage Service (Amazon S3) storage location. The location must be registered with Lake Formation.

5. Select **Grantable**.
6. Choose **Grant**.

To grant data location permissions (external account, AWS CLI)

- To grant permissions to an external AWS account, enter a command similar to the following.

```
aws lakeformation grant-permissions --principal
  DataLakePrincipalIdentifier=111122223333 --permissions "DATA_LOCATION_ACCESS"
  --permissions-with-grant-option "DATA_LOCATION_ACCESS" --resource
  '{ "DataLocation": {"CatalogId":"123456789012","ResourceArn":"arn:aws:s3::retail/
  transactions/2020q1"}}'
```

This command grants `DATA_LOCATION_ACCESS` with the grant option to account `1111-2222-3333` on the Amazon S3 location `s3://retail/transactions/2020q1`, which is owned by account `1234-5678-9012`.

To grant permissions to an organization, enter a command similar to the following.

```
aws lakeformation grant-permissions --principal
  DataLakePrincipalIdentifier=arn:aws:organizations::111122223333:organization/
  o-abcdefghijkl --permissions "DATA_LOCATION_ACCESS" --permissions-
```

```
with-grant-option "DATA_LOCATION_ACCESS" --resource '{"DataLocation":
{"CatalogId":"123456789012","ResourceArn":"arn:aws:s3::retail/
transactions/2020q1"}}'
```

This command grants `DATA_LOCATION_ACCESS` with grant option to the organization `o-abcdefghijkl` on the Amazon S3 location `s3://retail/transactions/2020q1`, which is owned by account `1234-5678-9012`.

To grant permissions to a principal in an external AWS account, enter a command similar to the following.

```
aws lakeformation grant-permissions --principal
DataLakePrincipalIdentifier=arn:aws:iam::111122223333:user/datalake_user1
--permissions "DATA_LOCATION_ACCESS" --resource '{ "DataLocation":
{"ResourceArn":"arn:aws:s3::retail/transactions/2020q1", "CatalogId":
"123456789012"}}'
```

This command grants `DATA_LOCATION_ACCESS` to a principal in account `1111-2222-3333` on the Amazon S3 location `s3://retail/transactions/2020q1`, which is owned by account `1234-5678-9012`.

Example

The following example grants data location permissions on `s3://retail` to `ALLIAMPrincipals` group in an external account.

```
aws lakeformation grant-permissions --principal
DataLakePrincipalIdentifier=111122223333:IAMPrincipals --
permissions "DATA_LOCATION_ACCESS" --resource '{ "DataLocation":
{"ResourceArn":"arn:aws:s3::retail", "CatalogId": "123456789012"}}'
```

See Also:

- [Lake Formation permissions reference](#)

Granting permissions on a data location shared with your account

After a Data Catalog resource is shared with your AWS account, as a data lake administrator, you can grant permissions on the resource to other principals in your account. If the ALTER permission is granted on a shared table, and the table points to a registered Amazon S3 location, you must also grant data location permissions on the location. Likewise, if the CREATE_TABLE or ALTER permission is granted on a shared database and the database has a location property that points to a registered location, you must also grant data location permissions on the location.

To grant data location permissions on a shared location to a principal in your account, your account must have been granted the DATA_LOCATION_ACCESS permission on the location with the grant option. When you then grant DATA_LOCATION_ACCESS to another principal in your account, you must include the Data Catalog ID (AWS account ID) of the owner account. The owner account is the account that registered the location.

You can use the AWS Lake Formation console, the API, or the AWS Command Line Interface (AWS CLI) to grant data location permissions.

To grant permissions on a data location shared with your account (console)

- Follow the steps in [Granting data location permissions \(same account\)](#).

For **Storage locations**, you must type the locations. For **Registered account location**, enter the AWS account ID of the owner account.

To grant permissions on a data location shared with your account (AWS CLI)

- Enter one of the following commands to grant permissions to either a user or a role.

```
aws lakeformation grant-permissions --principal
  DataLakePrincipalIdentifier=arn:aws:iam::<account-id>:user/<user-name>
  --permissions "DATA_LOCATION_ACCESS" --resource '{ "DataLocation":
  {"CatalogId":"<owner-account-ID>","ResourceArn":"arn:aws:s3:::<s3-location>"}}'
aws lakeformation grant-permissions --principal
  DataLakePrincipalIdentifier=arn:aws:iam::<account-id>:role/<role-name>
  --permissions "DATA_LOCATION_ACCESS" --resource '{ "DataLocation":
  {"CatalogId":"<owner-account-ID>","ResourceArn":"arn:aws:s3:::<s3-location>"}}'
```

Granting and revoking permissions on Data Catalog resources

You can grant **Data lake permissions** to principals in AWS Lake Formation so that the principals can create and manage Data Catalog resources, and can access underlying data. You can grant **Data lake permissions** on databases, tables, and views. When you grant permissions on tables, you can limit access to specific table columns or rows for even more fine-grained access control.

You can grant permissions on individual tables and views, or with a single grant operation, you can grant permissions on all tables and views in a database. If you grant permissions on all tables in a database, you are implicitly granting the DESCRIBE permission on the database. The database then appears on the **Databases** page on the console, and is returned by the GetDatabases API operation.

You can grant permissions by using either the named resource method or the Lake Formation tag-based access control (LF-TBAC) method.

You can grant permissions to principals in the same AWS account or to external accounts or organizations. When you grant to external accounts or organizations, you are sharing resources that you own with those accounts or organizations. Principals in those accounts or organizations can then access Data Catalog resources that you own and the underlying data.

Note

Currently, the LF-TBAC method supports granting cross-account permissions to IAM principals, AWS accounts, organizations, and organizational units (OUs).

When you grant permissions to external accounts or organizations, you must include the grant option. Only the data lake administrator in the external account can access the shared resources until the administrator grants permissions on the shared resources to other principals in the external account.

You can grant Data Catalog permissions by using the AWS Lake Formation console, the API, or the AWS Command Line Interface (AWS CLI).

Note

When you delete a Data Catalog resource, all permissions that are associated with the resource become invalid. Recreating the same resource with the same name, will not recover Lake Formation permissions. Users will have to setup new permissions again.

See also:

- [Sharing Data Catalog tables and databases across AWS Accounts](#)
- [Metadata access control](#)
- [Lake Formation permissions reference](#)

IAM permissions required to grant or revoke Lake Formation permissions

All principals, including the data lake administrator, need the following AWS Identity and Access Management (IAM) permissions to grant or revoke AWS Lake Formation Data Catalog permissions or data location permissions with the Lake Formation API or the AWS CLI:

- `lakeformation:GrantPermissions`
- `lakeformation:BatchGrantPermissions`
- `lakeformation:RevokePermissions`
- `lakeformation:BatchRevokePermissions`
- `glue:GetTable` or `glue:GetDatabase` for a table or database that you're granting permissions using the named resource method.

Note

Data lake administrators have implicit Lake Formation permissions to grant and revoke Lake Formation permissions. But they still need the IAM permissions on the Lake Formation grant and revoke API operations.

IAM roles with `AWSLakeFormationDataAdmin` AWS managed policy cannot add new data lake administrators because this policy contains an explicit deny for the Lake Formation API operation, `PutDataLakeSetting`.

The following IAM policy is recommended for principals who are not data lake administrators and who want to grant or revoke permissions using the Lake Formation console.

```
{
  "Version": "2012-10-17",
  "Statement": [
    {
      "Effect": "Allow",
      "Action": [
        "lakeformation:ListPermissions",
        "lakeformation:GrantPermissions",
        "lakeformation:BatchGrantPermissions",
        "lakeformation:RevokePermissions",
        "lakeformation:BatchRevokePermissions",
        "glue:GetDatabases",
        "glue:SearchTables",
        "glue:GetTables",
        "glue:GetDatabase",
        "glue:GetTable",
        "iam:ListUsers",
        "iam:ListRoles",
        "sso-directory:DescribeUser",
        "sso-directory:DescribeGroup",
        "sso:DescribeInstance"
      ],
      "Resource": "*"
    }
  ]
}
```

All of the `glue:` and `iam:` permissions in this policy are available in the AWS managed policy `AWSGlueConsoleFullAccess`.

To grant permissions by using Lake Formation tag-based access control (LF-TBAC), principals need additional IAM permissions. For more information, see [Lake Formation tag-based access control best practices and considerations](#) and [Lake Formation personas and IAM permissions reference](#).

Cross-account permissions

Users who want to grant cross-account Lake Formation permissions by using the named resource method must also have the permissions in the `AWSLakeFormationCrossAccountManager` AWS managed policy.

Data lake administrators need those same permissions for granting cross-account permissions, plus the AWS Resource Access Manager (AWS RAM) permission to enable granting permissions to organizations. For more information, see [Data lake administrator permissions](#).

The administrative user

A principal with administrative permissions—for example, with the `AdministratorAccess` AWS managed policy—has permissions to grant Lake Formation permissions and create data lake administrators. To deny a user or role access to Lake Formation administrator operations, attach or add into its policy a Deny statement for administrator API operations.

```
{
  "Version": "2012-10-17",
  "Statement": [
    {
      "Action": [
        "lakeformation:GetDataLakeSettings",
        "lakeformation:PutDataLakeSettings"
      ],
      "Effect": "Deny",
      "Resource": [
        "*"
      ]
    }
  ]
}
```

Important

To prevent users from adding themselves as an administrator with an extract, transform, and load (ETL) script, make sure that all non-administrator users and roles are denied access to these API operations. The `AWSLakeFormationDataAdmin` AWS managed policy contains an explicit deny for the Lake Formation API operation, `PutDataLakeSetting` that prevents users from adding new data lake administrators.

Granting data lake permissions using the named resource method

You can use the named resource method to grant Lake Formation permissions on specific Data Catalog databases, tables, and views. You can grant permissions by using the AWS Lake Formation console, the API, or the AWS Command Line Interface (AWS CLI).

Topics

- [Granting database permissions using the named resource method](#)
- [Granting table permissions using the named resource method](#)
- [Granting permissions on views using the named resource method](#)

Granting database permissions using the named resource method

The following steps explain how to grant database permissions by using the named resource method.

Console

Use the **Grant data lake permissions** page on the Lake Formation console. The page is divided into the following sections:

- **Principals** – The IAM users, roles, IAM Identity Center users and groups, SAML users and groups, AWS accounts, organizations, or organizational units to grant permissions.
- **LF-Tags or catalog resources** – The databases, tables, views, or resource links to grant permissions on.
- **Permissions** – The Lake Formation permissions to grant.

Note


To grant permissions on a database resource link, see [Granting resource link permissions](#).

1. Open the **Grant data lake permissions** page.

Open the AWS Lake Formation console at <https://console.aws.amazon.com/lakeformation/>, and sign in as a data lake administrator, the database creator, or an IAM user who has **Grantable permissions** on the database.

Do one of the following:

- In the navigation pane, under **Permissions**, choose **Data lake permissions**. Then choose **Grant**.
- In the navigation pane, choose **Databases** under **Data Catalog**. Then, on the **Databases** page, choose a database, and from the **Actions** menu, under **Permissions**, choose **Grant**.

 **Note**

You can grant permissions on a database through its resource link. To do so, on the **Databases** page, choose a resource link, and on the **Actions** menu, choose **Grant on target**. For more information, see [How resource links work in Lake Formation](#).

2. Next, in the **Principals** section, choose a principal type and then specify principals to grant permissions.

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Grant data lake permissions

Principals

Choose the principals to grant permissions.

IAM users and roles
Users or roles from this AWS account.

IAM Identity Center - new
Users and groups configured in IAM Identity Center.

SAML users and groups
SAML users and group or QuickSight ARNs.

External accounts
AWS account, AWS organization or IAM principal outside of this account

Users and groups (3)

Choose users and groups to grant permissions.

Remove

Add

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<input type="checkbox"/>	Name ↗	Type
<input type="checkbox"/>	DataStewards	Group
<input type="checkbox"/>	user1	User
<input type="checkbox"/>	user2	User

IAM users and roles

Choose one or more users or roles from the **IAM users and roles** list.

IAM Identity Center

Choose one or more users or groups from the **Users and groups** list. Select **Add** to add more users or groups.

SAML users and groups

For **SAML and Amazon QuickSight users and groups**, enter one or more Amazon Resource Names (ARNs) for users or groups federated through SAML, or ARNs for Amazon QuickSight users or groups. Press Enter after each ARN.

For information about how to construct the ARNs, see [Lake Formation grant and revoke AWS CLI commands](#).

Note

Lake Formation integration with Amazon QuickSight is supported only for Amazon QuickSight Enterprise Edition.

External accounts

For **AWS account**, **AWS organization**, or **IAM Principal** enter one or more valid AWS account IDs, organization IDs, organizational unit IDs, or ARN for the IAM user or role. Press **Enter** after each ID.

An organization ID consists of "o-" followed by 10–32 lower-case letters or digits.

An organizational unit ID starts with "ou-" followed by 4–32 lowercase letters or digits (the ID of the root that contains the OU). This string is followed by a second "-" dash and 8 to 32 additional lowercase letters or digits.

3. In the **LF-Tags or catalog resources** section, choose **Named data catalog resources**.

LF-Tags or catalog resources

Resources matched by LF-Tags (recommended)
Manage permissions indirectly for resources or data matched by a specific set of LF-Tags.

Named data catalog resources
Manage permissions for specific databases or tables, in addition to fine-grained data access.

Databases
Select one or more databases.

Choose databases ▼ Load more

retail ✕

Tables - optional
Select one or more tables.

Choose tables ▼ Load more

- Choose one or more databases from the **Database** list. You can also choose one or more **Tables** and/or **Data filters**.
- In the **Permissions** section, select permissions and grantable permissions. Under **Database permissions**, select one or more permissions to grant.

Database permissions

Database permissions
Choose specific access permissions to grant.

Create table Alter Drop

Describe


Super
 This permission is the union of all the individual permissions to the left, and supersedes them.

Grantable permissions
Choose the permission that may be granted to others.

Create table Alter Drop

Describe

Super
 This permission allows the principal to grant any of the permissions to the left, and supersedes those grantable permissions.

 **Note**

After granting `Create Table` or `Alter` on a database that has a location property that points to a registered location, be sure to also grant data location permissions on the location to the principals. For more information, see [Granting data location permissions](#).

- (Optional) Under **Grantable permissions**, select the permissions that the grant recipient can grant to other principals in their AWS account. This option is not supported when you are granting permissions to an IAM principal from an external account.
- Choose **Grant**.

AWS CLI

You can grant database permissions by using the named resource method and the AWS Command Line Interface (AWS CLI).

To grant database permissions using the AWS CLI

- Run a `grant-permissions` command, and specify a database or the Data Catalog as the resource, depending on the permission being granted.

In the following examples, replace `<account-id>` with a valid AWS account ID.

Example – Grant to create a database

This example grants `CREATE_DATABASE` to user `dataLake_user1`. Because the resource on which this permission is granted is the Data Catalog, the command specifies an empty `CatalogResource` structure as the `resource` parameter.

```
aws lakeformation grant-permissions --principal
DataLakePrincipalIdentifier=arn:aws:iam::<account-id>:user/dataLake_user1 --
permissions "CREATE_DATABASE" --resource '{ "Catalog": {} }'
```

Example – Grant to create tables in a designated database

The next example grants `CREATE_TABLE` on the database `retail` to user `dataLake_user1`.

```
aws lakeformation grant-permissions --principal
DataLakePrincipalIdentifier=arn:aws:iam::<account-id>:user/dataLake_user1 --
permissions "CREATE_TABLE" --resource '{ "Database": { "Name": "retail" } }'
```

Example – Grant to an external AWS account with the Grant option

The next example grants `CREATE_TABLE` with the `grant option` on the database `retail` to external account `1111-2222-3333`.

```
aws lakeformation grant-permissions --principal
DataLakePrincipalIdentifier=111122223333 --permissions "CREATE_TABLE"
--permissions-with-grant-option "CREATE_TABLE" --resource '{ "Database":
{ "Name": "retail" } }'
```

Example – Grant to an organization

The next example grants `ALTER` with the `grant option` on the database `issues` to the organization `o-abcdefghijkl`.

```
aws lakeformation grant-permissions --principal
DataLakePrincipalIdentifier=arn:aws:organizations::111122223333:organization/
o-abcdefghijkl --permissions "ALTER" --permissions-with-grant-option "ALTER" --
resource '{ "Database": {"Name":"issues"}}'
```

Example - Grant to ALLIAMPrincipals in the same account

The next example grants CREATE_TABLE permission on the database `retail` to all principals in the same account. This option enables every principal in the account to create a table in the database and create a table resource link allowing integrated query engines to access shared databases and tables. This option is especially useful when a principal receives a cross-account grant, and does not have the permission to create resource links. In this scenario, the data lake administrator can create a placeholder database and grant CREATE_TABLE permission to the ALLIAMPrincipal group, enabling every IAM principal in the account to create resource links in the placeholder database.

```
aws lakeformation grant-permissions --principal
DataLakePrincipalIdentifier=111122223333:IAMPrincipals
--permissions "CREATE_TABLE" --resource '{ "Database":
{"Name":"temp","CatalogId":"111122223333"}}'
```

Example - Grant to ALLIAMPrincipals in an external account

The next example grants CREATE_TABLE on the database `retail` to all principals in an external account. This option enables every principal in the account to create a table in the database.

```
aws lakeformation grant-permissions --principal
DataLakePrincipalIdentifier=111122223333:IAMPrincipals
--permissions "CREATE_TABLE" --resource '{ "Database":
{"Name":"retail","CatalogId":"123456789012"}}'
```

Note

After granting CREATE_TABLE or ALTER on a database that has a location property that points to a registered location, be sure to also grant data location permissions

on the location to the principals. For more information, see [Granting data location permissions](#).

See also

- [Lake Formation permissions reference](#)
- [Granting permissions on a database or table shared with your account](#)
- [Accessing and viewing shared Data Catalog tables and databases](#)

Granting table permissions using the named resource method

You can use the Lake Formation console or AWS CLI to grant Lake Formation permissions on Data Catalog tables. You can grant permissions on individual tables, or with a single grant operation, you can grant permissions on all tables in a database.

If you grant permissions on all tables in a database, you are implicitly granting the DESCRIBE permission on the database. The database then appears on the **Databases** page on the console, and is returned by the GetDatabases API operation.

When you choose SELECT as the permission to grant, you have the option to apply a column filter, row filter, or cell filter.

Console

The following steps explain how to grant table permissions by using the named resource method and the **Grant data lake permissions** page on the Lake Formation console. The page is divided into these sections:

- **Principals** – The users, roles, AWS accounts, organizations, or organizational units to grant permissions to.
- **LF-Tags or catalog resources** – The databases, tables, or resource links to grant permissions on.
- **Permissions** – The Lake Formation permissions to grant.

Note

To grant permissions on a table resource link, see [Granting resource link permissions](#).

1. Open the Grant data lake permissions page.

Open the AWS Lake Formation console at <https://console.aws.amazon.com/lakeformation/>, and sign in as a data lake administrator, the table creator, or a user who has been granted permissions on the table with the grant option.

Do one of the following:

- In the navigation pane, choose **Data lake permissions** under **Permissions**. Then choose **Grant**.
- In the navigation pane, choose **Tables**. Then, on the **Tables** page, choose a table, and on the **Actions** menu, under **Permissions**, choose **Grant**.

Note

You can grant permissions on a table through its resource link. To do so, on the **Tables** page, choose a resource link, and on the **Actions** menu, choose **Grant on target**. For more information, see [How resource links work in Lake Formation](#).

2. Next, in the **Principals** section, choose a principal type and specify principals to grant permissions.

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Grant data lake permissions

Principals

Choose the principals to grant permissions.

IAM users and roles
Users or roles from this AWS account.

IAM Identity Center - new
Users and groups configured in IAM Identity Center.

SAML users and groups
SAML users and group or QuickSight ARNs.

External accounts
AWS account, AWS organization or IAM principal outside of this account

Users and groups (3)

Choose users and groups to grant permissions.

Remove

Add

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<input type="checkbox"/>	Name ↗	Type
<input type="checkbox"/>	DataStewards	Group
<input type="checkbox"/>	user1	User
<input type="checkbox"/>	user2	User

IAM users and roles

Choose one or more users or roles from the **IAM users and roles** list.

IAM Identity Center

Choose one or more users or groups from the **Users and groups** list.

SAML users and groups

For **SAML and Amazon QuickSight users and groups**, enter one or more Amazon Resource Names (ARNs) for users or groups federated through SAML, or ARNs for Amazon QuickSight users or groups. Press Enter after each ARN.

For information about how to construct the ARNs, see [Lake Formation grant and revoke AWS CLI commands](#).

Note

Lake Formation integration with Amazon QuickSight is supported for Amazon QuickSight Enterprise Edition only.

External accounts

For **AWS account** , **AWS organization** , or **IAM Principal** enter one or more valid AWS account IDs, organization IDs, organizational unit IDs, or the ARN for the IAM user or role. Press **Enter** after each ID.

An organization ID consists of "o-" followed by 10–32 lower-case letters or digits.

An organizational unit ID starts with "ou-" followed by 4–32 lowercase letters or digits (the ID of the root that contains the OU). This string is followed by a second "-" character and 8 to 32 additional lowercase letters or digits.

3. In the **LF-Tags or catalog resources** section, choose a database. Then choose one or more tables, or **All tables**.

LF-Tags or catalog resources

Resources matched by LF-Tags (recommended)
 Manage permissions indirectly for resources or data matched by a specific set of LF-Tags.

Named data catalog resources
 Manager permissions for specific databases or tables, in addition to fine-grained data access.

Databases
Select one or more databases.

Choose databases ▼

Load more

retail
✕

Tables - optional
Select one or more tables.

Choose tables ▼

Load more

inventory
✕

No description available

4. Specify the permissions with no data filtering

In the **Permissions** section, select the table permissions to grant, and optionally select grantable permissions.

Table and column permissions

Table permissions
Choose specific access permissions to grant.

<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Alter	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Insert	<input type="checkbox"/> Drop	<input type="checkbox"/> Super
<input type="checkbox"/> Delete	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Select	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Describe	This permission is the union of all the individual permissions to the left, and supersedes them.

Grantable permissions
Choose the permission that may be granted to others.

<input type="checkbox"/> Alter	<input type="checkbox"/> Insert	<input type="checkbox"/> Drop	<input type="checkbox"/> Super
<input type="checkbox"/> Delete	<input type="checkbox"/> Select	<input type="checkbox"/> Describe	This permission allows the principal to grant any of the permissions to the left, and supersedes those grantable permissions.

If you grant **Select**, the **Data permissions** section appears beneath the **Table and column permissions** section, with the **All data access** option selected by default. Accept the default.

Data permissions

All data access
Grant access to all data without any restrictions.

Simple column-based access
Grant data access to specific columns only.

Advanced cell-level filters
Grant access to specific columns and/or rows with data filters.

5. Choose **Grant**.
6. **Specify the Select permission with data filtering**

Select the **Select** permission. Don't select any other permissions.

The **Data permissions** section appears beneath the **Table and column permissions** section.

7. Do one of the following:
 - Apply simple column filtering only.
 1. Choose **Simple column-based access**.

Table and column permissions

Table permissions
Choose specific access permissions to grant.

<input type="checkbox"/> Alter	<input type="checkbox"/> Insert	<input type="checkbox"/> Drop	<input type="checkbox"/> Super This permission is the union of all the individual permissions to the left, and supersedes them.
<input type="checkbox"/> Delete	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Select	<input type="checkbox"/> Describe	

Grantable permissions
Choose the permission that may be granted to others.

<input type="checkbox"/> Alter	<input type="checkbox"/> Insert	<input type="checkbox"/> Drop	<input type="checkbox"/> Super This permission allows the principal to grant any of the permissions to the left, and supersedes those grantable permissions.
<input type="checkbox"/> Delete	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Select	<input type="checkbox"/> Describe	

Data permissions

All data access
Grant access to all data without any restrictions.

Simple column-based access
Grant data access to specific columns only.

Advanced cell-level filters
Grant access to specific columns and/or rows with data filters.

Choose permission filter
Choose whether to include or exclude columns.

Include columns
Grant permissions to access specific columns.

Exclude columns
Grant permissions to access all but specific columns.

Select columns

Choose one or more columns ▼

Grantable permissions
Choose the permission that may be granted to others.

Select

2. Choose whether to include or exclude columns, and then choose the columns to include or exclude.

Only include lists are supported when granting permissions to an external AWS account or organization.

3. (Optional) Under **Grantable permissions**, turn on the grant option for the Select permission.

If you include the grant option, the grant recipient can grant permissions only on the columns that you grant to them.

Note

You can also apply column filtering only by creating a data filter that specifies a column filter and specifies all rows as the row filter. However, this requires more steps.

- Apply column, row, or cell filtering.

1. Choose **Advanced cell-level filters**.

Data permissions

All data access
Grant access to all data without any restrictions.

Simple column-based access
Grant data access to specific columns only.

Advanced cell-level filters
Grant access to specific columns and/or rows with data filters.

▶ View existing permissions

Data filters to grant 🔄 🔗 Manage filters Create new filter

🔍 Find filter

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<input type="checkbox"/>	Filter name	Table	Database	Table catalog ID
<input type="checkbox"/>	restrict-pharma	orders	sales	111122223333
<input type="checkbox"/>	no-pharma	orders	sales	111122223333

2. (Optional) Expand **View existing permissions**.
3. (Optional) Choose **Create new filter**.
4. (Optional) To view details for the listed filters, or to create new or delete existing filters, choose **Manage filters**.

The **Data filters** page opens in a new browser window.

When you are finished on the **Data filters** page, return to the **Grant permissions** page, and if necessary, refresh the page to view any new data filters that you created.

5. Select one or more data filters to apply to the grant.

Note

If there are no data filters in the list, it means that no data filters were created for the selected table.

8. Choose Grant.

AWS CLI

You can grant table permissions by using the named resource method and the AWS Command Line Interface (AWS CLI).

To grant table permissions using the AWS CLI

- Run a `grant-permissions` command, and specify a table as the resource.

Example – Grant on a single table - no filtering

The following example grants `SELECT` and `ALTER` to user `datalake_user1` in AWS account `1111-2222-3333` on the table `inventory` in the database `retail`.

```
aws lakeformation grant-permissions --principal
  DataLakePrincipalIdentifier=arn:aws:iam::111122223333:user/datalake_user1 --
permissions "SELECT" "ALTER" --resource '{ "Table": {"DatabaseName":"retail",
  "Name":"inventory"}}'
```

Note

If you grant the `ALTER` permission on a table that has its underlying data in a registered location, be sure to also grant data location permissions on the location to the principals. For more information, see [Granting data location permissions](#).

Example – Grant on All Tables with the Grant option - no filtering

The next example grants `SELECT` with the grant option on all tables in database `retail`.

```
aws lakeformation grant-permissions --principal
  DataLakePrincipalIdentifier=arn:aws:iam::111122223333:user/datalake_user1 --
```



```
permissions "SELECT" --permissions-with-grant-option "SELECT" --resource '{ "Table":
{ "DatabaseName": "retail", "TableWildcard": {} } }'
```

Example – Grant with simple column filtering

This next example grants SELECT on a subset of columns in the table persons. It uses simple column filtering.

```
aws lakeformation grant-permissions --principal
DataLakePrincipalIdentifier=arn:aws:iam::111122223333:user/datalake_user1 --
permissions "SELECT" --resource '{ "TableWithColumns": {"DatabaseName":"hr",
"Name":"persons", "ColumnNames":["family_name", "given_name", "gender"]}}'
```

Example – Grant with a data filter

This example grants SELECT on the orders table and applies the restrict-pharma data filter.

```
aws lakeformation grant-permissions --cli-input-json file://grant-params.json
```

The following are the contents of file grant-params.json.

```
{
  "Principal": {"DataLakePrincipalIdentifier": "arn:aws:iam::111122223333:user/
datalake_user1"},
  "Resource": {
    "DataCellsFilter": {
      "TableCatalogId": "111122223333",
      "DatabaseName": "sales",
      "TableName": "orders",
      "Name": "restrict-pharma"
    }
  },
  "Permissions": ["SELECT"],
  "PermissionsWithGrantOption": ["SELECT"]
}
```

See also

- [Overview of Lake Formation permissions](#)
- [Data filtering and cell-level security in Lake Formation](#)
- [Lake Formation personas and IAM permissions reference](#)
- [Granting resource link permissions](#)
- [Accessing and viewing shared Data Catalog tables and databases](#)

Granting permissions on views using the named resource method

The following steps explain how to grant permissions on views by using the named resource method and the **Grant data lake permissions** page. The page is divided into the following sections:

- **Principals** – The IAM users, roles, IAM Identity Center users and groups, AWS accounts, organizations, or organizational units to grant permissions.
- **LF-Tags or catalog resources** – The databases, tables, views, or resource links to grant permissions on.
- **Permissions** – The data lake permissions to grant.

Open the Grant data lake permissions page

1. Open the AWS Lake Formation console at <https://console.aws.amazon.com/lakeformation/>, and sign in as a data lake administrator, the database creator, or an IAM user who has **Grantable permissions** on the database.
2. Do one of the following:
 - In the navigation pane, under **Permissions**, choose **Data lake permissions**. Then choose **Grant**.
 - In the navigation pane, choose **Views** under **Data Catalog**. Then, on the **Views** page, choose a view, and from the **Actions** menu, under **Permissions**, choose **Grant**.

Note

You can grant permissions on a view through its resource link. To do so, on the **Views** page, choose a resource link, and on the **Actions** menu, choose **Grant on target**. For more information, see [How resource links work in Lake Formation](#).

Specify the principals

In the **Principals** section, choose a principal type and then specify principals to grant permissions.

IAM users and roles

Choose one or more users or roles from the **IAM users and roles** list.

IAM Identity Center

Choose one or more users or groups from the **Users and groups** list.

SAML users and groups

For **SAML and Amazon QuickSight users and groups**, enter one or more Amazon Resource Names (ARNs) for users or groups federated through SAML, or ARNs for Amazon QuickSight users or groups. Press Enter after each ARN.

For information about how to construct the ARNs, see [Lake Formation grant and revoke AWS CLI commands](#).

Note

Lake Formation integration with Amazon QuickSight is supported only for Amazon QuickSight Enterprise Edition.

External accounts

For **AWS account**, **AWS organization**, or **IAM Principal** enter one or more valid AWS account IDs, organization IDs, organizational unit IDs, or ARN for the IAM user or role. Press **Enter** after each ID.

An organization ID consists of "o-" followed by 10–32 lower-case letters or digits.

An organizational unit ID starts with "ou-" followed by 4–32 lowercase letters or digits (the ID of the root that contains the OU). This string is followed by a second "-" dash and 8 to 32 additional lowercase letters or digits.

See Also

- [Accessing and viewing shared Data Catalog tables and databases](#)

Specify the views

In the **LF-Tags or catalog resources** section, choose one or more views to grant permissions on.

1. Choose **Named data catalog resources**.
2. Choose one or more views from the **Views** list. You can also choose one or more Databases, Tables, and/or Data filters.

Granting data lake permissions to **All** views within a database will result in the grantee having permissions on all tables and views within the database.

Specify the permissions

In the **Permissions** section, select permissions and grantable permissions.

View permissions

View permissions
Choose specific access permissions to grant.

Select Describe Drop

Super
This permission is the union of all the individual permissions to the left, and supersedes them.

Grantable permissions
Choose the permission that may be granted to others.

Select Describe Drop

Super
This permission allows the principal to grant any of the permissions to the left, and supersedes those grantable permissions.

Cancel **Grant**

1. Under **View permissions**, select one or more permissions to grant.
2. (Optional) Under **Grantable permissions**, select the permissions that the grant recipient can grant to other principals in their AWS account. This option is not supported when you are granting permissions to an IAM principal from an external account.
3. Choose **Grant**.

See Also

- [Lake Formation permissions reference](#)
- [Granting permissions on a database or table shared with your account](#)

Lake Formation tag-based access control

Lake Formation tag-based access control (LF-TBAC) is an authorization strategy that defines permissions based on attributes. In Lake Formation, these attributes are called *LF-Tags*. You can attach LF-Tags to Data Catalog resources, and grant permissions to Lake Formation principals on those resources using these LF-Tags. Lake Formation allows operations on those resources when

the principal's tag value matches the resource tag value. LF-TBAC is helpful in environments that are growing rapidly and helps with situations where policy management becomes cumbersome.

LF-TBAC is the recommended method to use to grant Lake Formation permissions when there is a large number of Data Catalog resources. LF-TBAC is more scalable than the named resource method and requires less permission management overhead.

Note

IAM tags are not the same as LF-Tags. These tags are not interchangeable. LF-Tags are used to grant Lake Formation permissions and IAM tags are used to define IAM policies.

How Lake Formation tag-based access control works

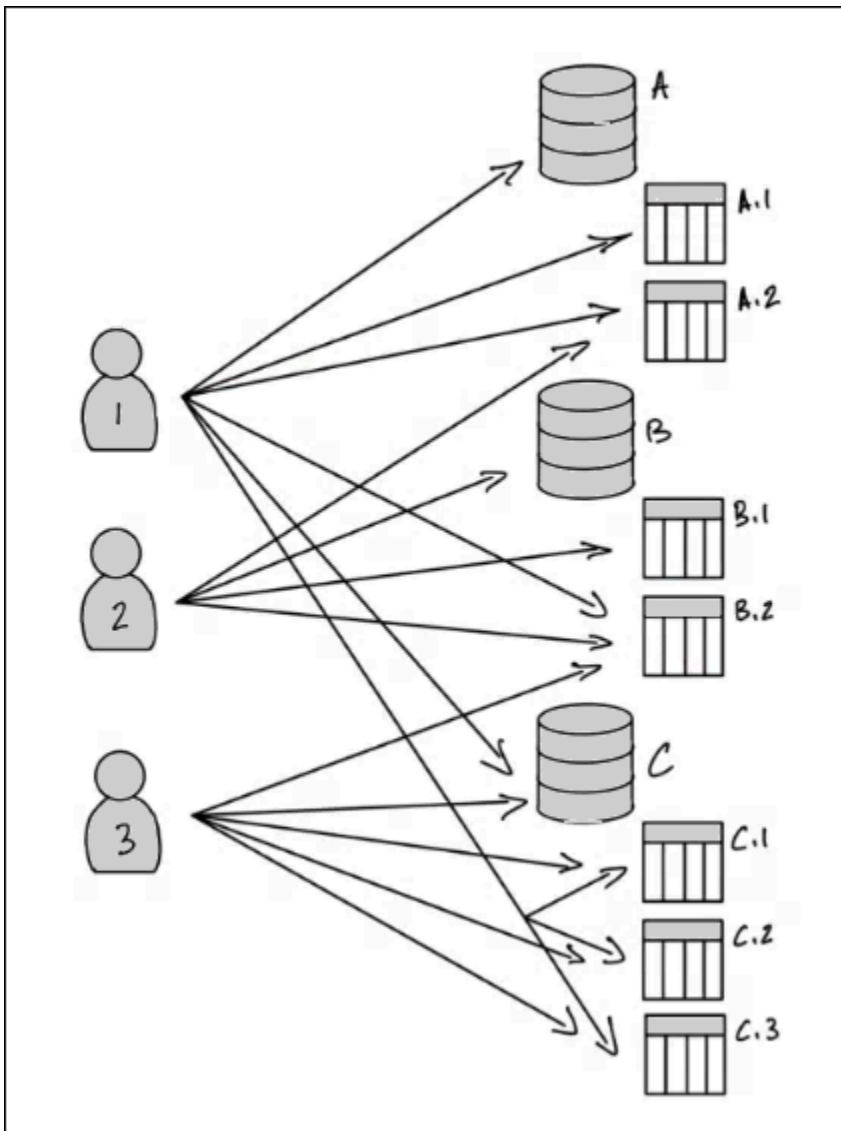
Each LF-Tag is a key-value pair, such as `department=sales` or `classification=restricted`. A key can have multiple defined values, such as `department=sales,marketing,engineering,finance`.

To use the LF-TBAC method, data lake administrators and data engineers perform the following tasks.

Task	Task details
1. Define the properties and relationships of LF-Tags.	-
2. Create the LF-Tag creators in Lake Formation.	Adding LF-Tag creators
3. Create the LF-Tag in Lake Formation.	Creating LF-Tags
4. Assign LF-Tags to Data Catalog resources.	Assigning LF-Tags to Data Catalog resources
5. Grant permissions to other principals to assign LF-Tags to resources, optionally with the grant option.	Granting, revoking, and listing LF-Tag value permissions

Task	Task details
6. Grant LF-Tag expressions to principals, optionally with the grant option.	Granting data lake permissions using the LF-TBAC method
7. (Recommended) After verifying that principals have access to the correct resources through the LF-TBAC method, revoke permissions that were granted by using the named resource method.	-

Consider the case where you must grant permissions to three principals on three databases and seven tables.



To achieve the permissions indicated in the preceding diagram by using the named resource method, you would have to make 17 grants, as follows (in pseudo-code).

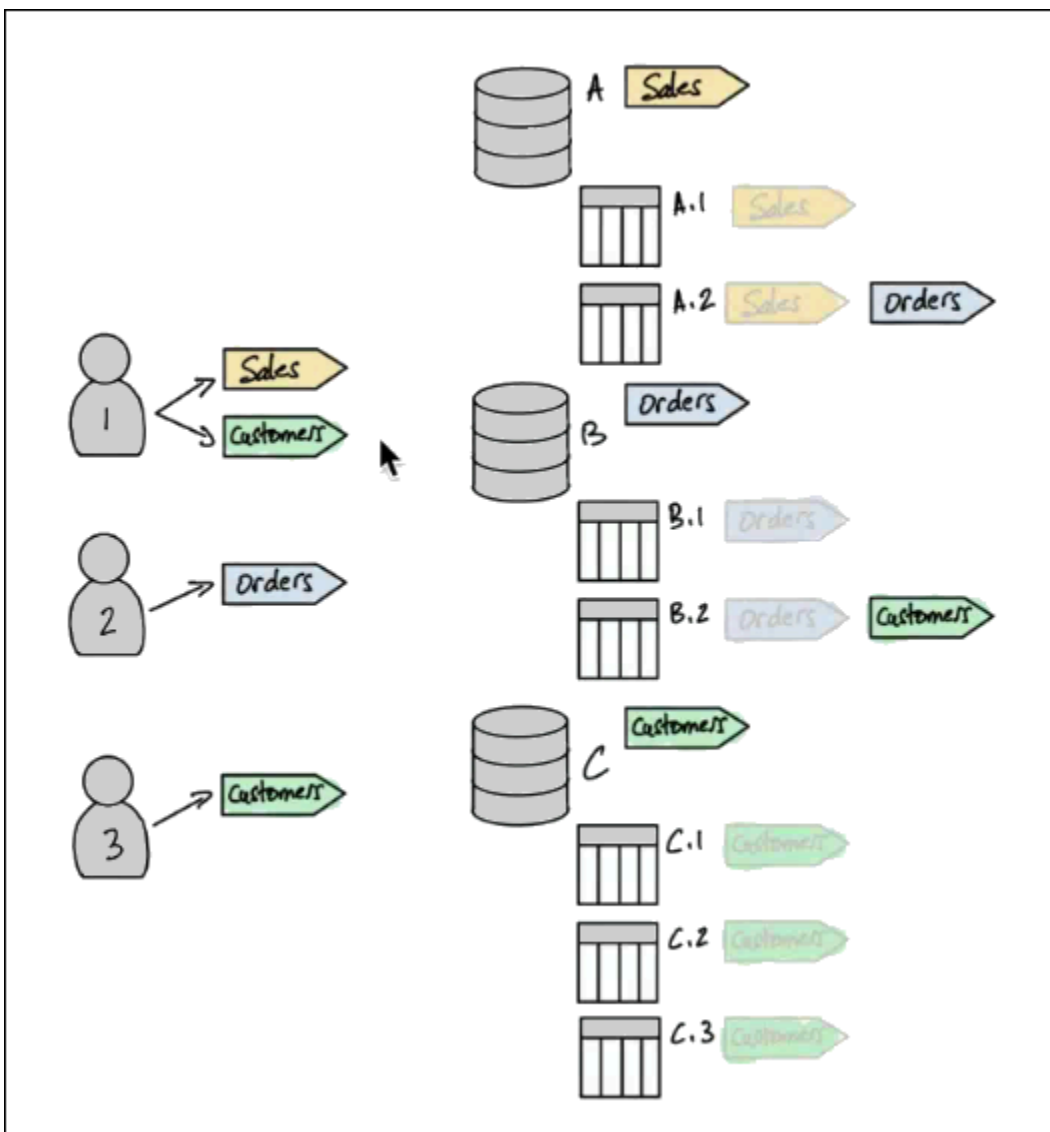
```
GRANT CREATE_TABLE ON Database A TO PRINCIPAL 1
GRANT SELECT, INSERT ON Table A.1 TO PRINCIPAL 1
GRANT SELECT, INSERT ON Table A.2 TO PRINCIPAL 1
GRANT SELECT, INSERT ON Table B.2 TO PRINCIPAL 1
...
GRANT SELECT, INSERT ON Table A.2 TO PRINCIPAL 2
GRANT CREATE_TABLE ON Database B TO PRINCIPAL 2
...
GRANT SELECT, INSERT ON Table C.3 TO PRINCIPAL 3
```


Now consider how you would grant permissions by using LF-TBAC. The following diagram indicates that you've assigned LF-Tags to databases and tables, and has granted permissions on LF-Tags to principals.

In this example, the LF-Tags represent areas of the data lake that contain analytics for different modules of an enterprise resource planning (ERP) application suite. You to control access to the analytics data for the various modules. All LF-Tags have the key module and possible values Sales, Orders, and Customers. An example LF-Tag looks like this:

```
module=Sales
```

The diagram shows only the LF-Tag values.



Tag assignments to Data Catalog resources and inheritance

Tables inherit LF-Tags from databases and columns inherit LF-Tags from tables. Inherited values can be overridden. In the preceding diagram, dimmed LF-Tags are inherited.

Because of inheritance, the data lake administrator needs to make only the five following LF-Tag assignments to resources (in pseudo-code).

```
ASSIGN TAGS module=Sales TO database A
ASSIGN TAGS module=Orders TO table A.2
ASSIGN TAGS module=Orders TO database B
ASSIGN TAGS module=Customers TO table B.2
ASSIGN TAGS module=Customers TO database C
```

Tag grants to principals

After assigning LF-Tags to the databases and tables, the data lake administrator must make only four grants of LF-Tags to principals, as follows (in pseudo-code).

```
GRANT TAGS module=Sales TO Principal 1
GRANT TAGS module=Customers TO Principal 1
GRANT TAGS module=Orders TO Principal 2
GRANT TAGS module=Customers TO Principal 3
```

Now, a principal with the `module=Sales` LF-Tag can access Data Catalog resources with the `module=Sales` LF-Tag (for example, database A), a principal with the `module=Customers` LF-Tag can access resources with the `module=Customers` LF-Tag, and so on.

The preceding grant commands are incomplete. This is because although they indicate through LF-Tags the Data Catalog resources that the principals have permissions on, they don't indicate exactly which Lake Formation permissions (such as `SELECT`, `ALTER`) the principals have on those resources. Therefore, the following pseudo-code commands are a more accurate representation of how Lake Formation permissions are granted on Data Catalog resources through LF-Tags.

```
GRANT (CREATE_TABLE ON DATABASES) ON TAGS module=Sales TO Principal 1
GRANT (SELECT, INSERT ON TABLES) ON TAGS module=Sales TO Principal 1
GRANT (CREATE_TABLE ON DATABASES) ON TAGS module=Customers TO Principal 1
GRANT (SELECT, INSERT ON TABLES) ON TAGS module=Customers TO Principal 1
GRANT (CREATE_TABLE ON DATABASES) ON TAGS module=Orders TO Principal 2
GRANT (SELECT, INSERT ON TABLES) ON TAGS module=Orders TO Principal 2
GRANT (CREATE_TABLE ON DATABASES) ON TAGS module=Customers TO Principal 3
GRANT (SELECT, INSERT ON TABLES) ON TAGS module=Customers TO Principal 3
```

Putting it together - Resulting permissions on resources

Given the LF-Tags assigned to the databases and tables in the preceding diagram, and the LF-Tags granted to the principals in the diagram, the following table lists the Lake Formation permissions that the principals have on the databases and tables.

Principal	Permissions Granted Through LF-Tags
Principal 1	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • CREATE_TABLE on database A • SELECT, INSERT on table A.1 • SELECT, INSERT on table B.2 • CREATE_TABLE on database C • SELECT, INSERT on table C.1 • SELECT, INSERT on table C.2 • SELECT, INSERT on table C.3
Principal 2	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • SELECT, INSERT on table A.2 • CREATE_TABLE on database B • SELECT, INSERT on table B.1 • SELECT, INSERT on table B.2
Principal 3	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • SELECT, INSERT on table B.2 • CREATE_TABLE on database C • SELECT, INSERT on table C.1 • SELECT, INSERT on table C.2 • SELECT, INSERT on table C.3

Bottom line

In this simple example, using five assignment operations and eight grant operations, the data lake administrator was able to specify 17 permissions. When there are tens of databases and hundreds of tables, the advantage of the LF-TBAC method over the named resource method becomes clear. In the hypothetical case of the need to grant every principal access to every resource, and where $n(P)$ is the number of principals and $n(R)$ is the number of resources:

- With the named resource method, the number of grants required is $n(P) \times n(R)$.
- With the LF-TBAC method, using a single LF-Tag, the total of the number of grants to principals and assignments to resources is $n(P) + n(R)$.

See also

- [Managing LF-Tags for metadata access control](#)
- [Granting data lake permissions using the LF-TBAC method](#)

Topics

- [Managing LF-Tags for metadata access control](#)
- [Granting, revoking, and listing LF-Tag value permissions](#)

Managing LF-Tags for metadata access control

To use the Lake Formation tag-based access control (LF-TBAC) method to secure Data Catalog resources (databases, tables, and columns), you create LF-Tags, assign them to resources, and grant LF-Tag permissions to principals.

Before you can assign LF-Tags to Data Catalog resources or grant permissions to principals, you need to define LF-Tags. Only a data lake administrator or a principal with LF-Tag creator permissions can create LF-Tags.

LF-Tag creators

LF-Tag creator is a non-admin principal who has permissions to create and manage LF-Tags. Data lake administrators can add LF-Tag creators using the Lake Formation console or CLI. LF-Tag creators have implicit Lake Formation permissions to update, and delete LF-Tags, to assign LF-Tags to resources, and to grant LF-Tag permissions and LF-Tag value permissions to other principals.

With LF-Tag creator roles, data lake administrators can delegate tag management tasks such as creating and updating tag keys and values to non-admin principals. Data lake administrators can also grant LF-Tag creators grantable Create LF-Tag permissions. Then, the LF-Tag creator can grant the permission to create LF-Tags to other principals.

You can grant two types of permissions on LF-Tags:

- **LF-Tag permissions - Create LF-Tag, Alter, and Drop.** These permissions are required to create, update, and delete LF-Tags.

Data lake administrators and LF-Tag creators implicitly have these permissions on the LF-Tags they create and can grant these permissions explicitly to principals to manage tags in the data lake.

- **LF-Tag key-value pair permissions - Assign, Describe, and Grant with LF-Tag expressions.** These permissions are required to assign LF-Tags to Data Catalog databases, tables, and columns, and to grant permissions on the resources to principals using Lake Formation tag-based access control. LF-Tag creators implicitly receive these permissions when creating LF-Tags.

After receiving the `Create LF-Tag` permission and successfully creating LF-Tags, the LF-Tag creator can assign LF-Tags to resources and grant LF-Tag permissions (`Create LF-Tag`, `Alter`, `Drop`, and) to other non-administrative principals to manage tags in the data lake. You can manage LF-Tags by using the Lake Formation console, the API, or the AWS Command Line Interface (AWS CLI).

Note

Data lake administrators have implicit Lake Formation permissions to create, update, and delete LF-Tags, to assign LF-Tags to resources, and to grant LF-Tag permissions to principals.

For best practices and considerations, see [Lake Formation tag-based access control best practices and considerations](#)

Topics

- [Adding LF-Tag creators](#)
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See also

- [Granting, revoking, and listing LF-Tag value permissions](#)
- [Granting data lake permissions using the LF-TBAC method](#)
- [Lake Formation tag-based access control](#)

Adding LF-Tag creators

By default, data lake administrators can create, update, and delete LF-Tags, assign tags to Data Catalog resources, and grant tag permissions to principals. If you wish to delegate the tag creation and management operations to non-admin principals, the data lake administrator can create LF-Tag creator roles and grant Lake Formation `Create LF-Tag` permission to the roles. With grantable `Create LF-Tag` permission, LF-Tag creators can delegate tag creation and maintenance tasks to other non-administrative principals.

Note

Cross-account permission grants can include only `Describe` and `Associate` permissions. You can't grant `Create LF-Tag`, `Drop`, `Alter`, and `Grant with LFTag expressions` permissions to principals in a different account.

Topics

- [IAM permissions required to create LF-Tags](#)
- [Add LF-Tag creators](#)

See also

- [Granting, revoking, and listing LF-Tag value permissions](#)

- [Granting data lake permissions using the LF-TBAC method](#)
- [Lake Formation tag-based access control](#)

IAM permissions required to create LF-Tags

You must configure permissions to allow a Lake Formation principal to create LF-Tags. Add the following statement to the permissions policy for the principal that needs to be a LF-Tag creator.

Note

Although data lake administrators have implicit Lake Formation permissions to create, update, and delete LF-Tags, to assign LF-Tags to resources, and to grant LF-Tags to principals, data lake administrators also need the following IAM permissions.

For more information, see [Lake Formation personas and IAM permissions reference](#).

```
{
  "Sid": "Transformational",
  "Effect": "Allow",
  "Action": [
    "lakeformation:AddLFTagsToResource",
    "lakeformation:RemoveLFTagsFromResource",
    "lakeformation:GetResourceLFTags",
    "lakeformation:ListLFTags",
    "lakeformation:CreateLFTag",
    "lakeformation:GetLFTag",
    "lakeformation:UpdateLFTag",
    "lakeformation>DeleteLFTag",
    "lakeformation:SearchTablesByLFTags",
    "lakeformation:SearchDatabasesByLFTags"
  ]
}
```

Principals who assign LF-Tags to resources and grant LF-Tags to principals must have the same permissions, except for the `CreateLFTag`, `UpdateLFTag`, and `DeleteLFTag` permissions.

Add LF-Tag creators

A LF-Tag creator can create a LF-Tag, update tag key and values, delete tags, associate tags to Data Catalog resources, and grant permissions on Data Catalog resources to principals using LF-TBAC method. The LF-Tag creator can also grant these permissions to principals.

You can create LF-Tag creator roles by using the AWS Lake Formation console, the API, or the AWS Command Line Interface (AWS CLI).

console

To add a LF-Tag creator

1. Open the Lake Formation console at <https://console.aws.amazon.com/lakeformation/>.

Sign in as a datalake administrator.

2. In the navigation pane, under **Permissions**, choose **LF-Tags and permissions**.

On the **LF-Tags and permissions** page, choose **LF-Tag creators** section and choose **Add LF-Tag creators**.

Add LF-Tag creators

LF-Tag creators can create and manage LF-Tags. [Learn more](#)

LF-Tag creator details

IAM users and roles
Add IAM users or roles.

Choose IAM principals to add ▼

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User

Permission
Choose the permission to grant.

Create LF-Tag

Grantable permission
Choose the permission that may be granted to others.

Create LF-Tag

Cancel
Add

3. On the **Add LF-Tag creators** page, choose an IAM role or user who has the required permissions to create LF-Tags.
4. Enable Create LF-Tag permission check box.
5. (Optional) To enable the selected principals to grant Create LF-Tag permission to principals, choose Grantable Create LF-Tag permission.
6. Choose **Add**.

AWS CLI

```
aws lakeformation grant-permissions --cli-input-json file://grantCreate
{
  "Principal": {
    "DataLakePrincipalIdentifier": "arn:aws:iam::123456789012:user/tag-manager"
  },
  "Resource": {
    "Catalog": {}
  },
  "Permissions": [
    "CreateLFTag"
  ],
  "PermissionsWithGrantOption": [
    "CreateLFTag"
  ]
}
```

The following are the permissions available for a LF-Tag creator role:

Permission	Description
Drop	A principal with this permission on a LF-Tag can delete a LF-Tag from the data lake. The principal gets implicit Describe permission on all tag values of a LF-Tag resource.
Alter	A principal with this permission on a LF-Tag can add or remove tag value from a LF-Tag. The principal gets implicit Alter permission on all tag values of a LF-Tag.

Permission	Description
Describe	A principal with this permission on a LF-Tag can view the LF-Tag and its values when they assign LF-Tags to resources or grant permissions on LF-Tags. You can grant Describe on all key values or on specific values.
Associate	A principal with this permission on a LF-Tag can assign the LF-Tag to a Data Catalog resource. Granting Associate implicitly grants Describe.
Grant with LF-Tag expression	A principal with this permission on a LF-Tag can grant permissions on a Data Catalog resources using the LF-Tag key and values. Granting Grant with LF-Tag expression implicitly grants Describe.

These permissions are grantable. A principal who has been granted these permissions with the grant option can grant them to other principals.

Creating LF-Tags

All LF-Tags must be defined in Lake Formation before they can be used. A LF-Tag consists of a key and one or more possible values for the key.

After the data lake administrator has setup the required IAM permissions and Lake Formation permissions for the LF-Tag creator role, the principal can create a LF-Tag. The LF-Tag creator gets implicit permission to update or remove any tag value from the LF-Tag and delete the LF-Tag.

You can create LF-Tags by using the AWS Lake Formation console, the API, or the AWS Command Line Interface (AWS CLI).

Console

To create a LF-Tag

1. Open the Lake Formation console at <https://console.aws.amazon.com/lakeformation/>.
Sign in as a principal with LF-Tag creator permissions or as data lake administrator.
2. In the navigation pane, under **LF-Tags and permissions**, choose **LF-Tags**.

The **LF-Tags** page appears.

LF-Tags (2)
LF-Tags have a key and one or more values that can be associated with data catalog resources. [Learn more](#)

Delete Edit Grant permissions **Add LF-Tag**

Find LF-Tags

	Key	Values	Owner account ID	LF-Tag permissions
<input type="radio"/>	LF-Test	lf-businessanalyst, customer	054881201579	View
<input type="radio"/>	module	Customers	054881201579	View

3. Choose **Add LF-Tag**.
4. In the **Add LF-Tag** dialog box, enter a key and one or more values.

Each key must have at least one value. To enter multiple values, either enter a comma-delimited list and then press **Enter**, or enter one value at a time and choose **Add** after each one. The maximum number of values permitted is 1000.

5. Choose **Add tag**.

AWS CLI

To create a LF-Tag

- Enter a `create-lf-tag` command.

The following example creates a LF-Tag with key `module` and values `Customers` and `Orders`.

```
aws lakeformation create-lf-tag --tag-key module --tag-values Customers Orders
```

As tag creator, the principal gets `Alter` permission on this LF-Tag and can update or remove any tag value from this LF-Tag. The LF-Tag creator principal can also grant `Alter` permission to another principal to update and remove tag values on this LF-Tag.

Updating LF-Tags

You update a LF-Tag that you have the `Alter` permission on by adding or deleting permitted key values. You can't change the LF-Tag key. To change the key, delete the LF-Tag and add one with the

required key. In addition to `Alter` permission, you also need the `lakeformation:UpdateLFTag` IAM permission to update values.

When you delete a LF-Tag value, no check is performed for the presence of that LF-Tag value on any Data Catalog resource. If the deleted LF-Tag value is associated with a resource, it is no longer visible for the resource, and any principals that were granted permissions on that key-value pair no longer have the permissions.

Before deleting a LF-Tag value, you can optionally use the [remove-lf-tags-from-resource command](#) to remove the LF-Tag from Data Catalog resources that have the value that you want to delete, and then retag the resource with the values that you want to keep.

Only data lake administrators, the LF-Tag creator, and principals that have `Alter` permissions on the LF-Tag can update a LF-Tag.

You can update a LF-Tag by using the AWS Lake Formation console, the API, or the AWS Command Line Interface (AWS CLI).

Console

To update a LF-Tag (console)

1. Open the Lake Formation console at <https://console.aws.amazon.com/lakeformation/>.

Sign in as a data lake administrator, LF-Tag creator or a principal with `Alter` permission on the LF-Tag.

2. In the navigation pane, under **LF-Tags and permissions**, choose **LF-Tags**.
3. On the **LF-Tags** page, select a LF-Tag, and then choose **Edit**.
4. In the **Edit LF-Tag** dialog box, add or remove LF-Tag values.

To add multiple values, in the **Values** field, either enter a comma-delimited list and press **Enter**, or enter one value at a time or choose **Add** after each one.

5. Choose **Save**.

AWS CLI

To update a LF-Tag (AWS CLI)

- Enter an `update-lf-tag` command. Provide one or both of the following arguments:

- `--tag-values-to-add`
- `--tag-values-to-delete`

Example

The following example replaces the value `vp` with the value `vice-president` for the LF-Tag key `level`.

```
aws lakeformation update-lf-tag --tag-key level --tag-values-to-add vice-president
--tag-values-to-delete vp
```

Deleting LF-Tags

You can delete LF-Tags that are no longer in use. No check is performed for the presence of the LF-Tag on a Data Catalog resource. If the deleted LF-Tag is associated with a resource, it is no longer visible for the resource, and any principals that were granted permissions on that LF-Tag no longer have the permissions.

Before deleting a LF-Tag, you can optionally use the [remove-lf-tags-from-resource](#) command to remove the LF-Tag from all resources.

Only data lake administrators, the LF-Tag creator, or a principal that has Drop permission on the LF-Tag can delete a LF-Tag. In addition to the Drop permission, the principal also needs `lakeformation:DeleteLFTag` IAM permission to delete a LF-Tag.

You can delete a LF-Tag by using the AWS Lake Formation console, the API, or the AWS Command Line Interface (AWS CLI).

Console

To delete a LF-Tag (console)

1. Open the Lake Formation console at <https://console.aws.amazon.com/lakeformation/>.
Sign in as a data lake administrator.
2. In the navigation pane, under **LF-Tags and permissions**, choose **LF-Tags**.
3. On the **LF-Tags** page, select a LF-Tag, and then choose **Delete**.

4. In the **Delete tag environment?** dialog box, to confirm the deletion, enter the LF-Tag key value in the designated field and then choose **Delete**.

AWS CLI

To delete a LF-Tag (AWS CLI)

- Enter a `delete-lf-tag` command. Provide the key of the LF-Tag to delete.

Example

The following example deletes the LF-Tag with the key `region`.

```
aws lakeformation delete-lf-tag --tag-key region
```

Listing LF-Tags

You can list the LF-Tags that you have the `Describe` or `Associate` permissions on. The values listed with each LF-Tag key are the values that you have permissions on.

LF-Tag creator has implicit permissions to see the LF-Tags they have created.

Data lake administrators can see all LF-Tags that are defined in the local AWS account and all LF-Tags for which the `Describe` and `Associate` permissions have been granted to the local account from external accounts. The data lake administrator can see all values for all LF-Tags.

You can list LF-Tags by using the AWS Lake Formation console, the API, or the AWS Command Line Interface (AWS CLI).

Console

To list LF-Tags (console)

1. Open the Lake Formation console at <https://console.aws.amazon.com/lakeformation/>.

Sign in as the LF-Tag creator, as a data lake administrator, or as a principal that has been granted permissions on LF-Tags and that has the `lakeformation:ListLFTags` IAM permission.

2. In the navigation pane, under **LF-Tags and permissions**, choose **LF-Tags**.

The LF-Tags page appears.

	Key	Values	Owner account ID	LF-Tag permissions
<input type="radio"/>	LF-Test	lf-businessanalyst, customer	054881201579	View
<input type="radio"/>	module	Customers	054881201579	View

Check the **Owner account ID** column to determine the LF-Tags that were shared with your account from an external account.

AWS CLI

To list LF-Tags (AWS CLI)

- Run the following command as a data lake administrator or as a principal that has been granted permissions on LF-Tags and that has the `lakeformation:ListLFTags` IAM permission.

```
aws lakeformation list-lf-tags
```

The output is similar to the following.

```
{
  "LFTags": [
    {
      "CatalogId": "111122223333",
      "TagKey": "level",
      "TagValues": [
        "director",
        "vp",
        "c-level"
      ]
    }
  ],
}
```

```

    {
      "CatalogId": "111122223333",
      "TagKey": "module",
      "TagValues": [
        "Orders",
        "Sales",
        "Customers"
      ]
    }
  ]
}

```

To also see LF-Tags that were granted from external accounts, include the command option `--resource-share-type ALL`.

```
aws lakeformation list-lf-tags --resource-share-type ALL
```

The output is similar to the following. Note the `NextToken` key, which indicates that there is more to list.

```

{
  "LFTags": [
    {
      "CatalogId": "111122223333",
      "TagKey": "level",
      "TagValues": [
        "director",
        "vp",
        "c-level"
      ]
    },
    {
      "CatalogId": "111122223333",
      "TagKey": "module",
      "TagValues": [
        "Orders",
        "Sales",
        "Customers"
      ]
    }
  ],
  "NextToken": "eyJleHBpcmF0aW...ZXh0Ijpo0cnVlfQ=="
}

```



```
}

```

Repeat the command, and add the `--next-token` argument to view any remaining local LF-Tags and LF-Tags that were granted from external accounts. LF-Tags from external accounts are always on a separate page.

```
aws lakeformation list-lf-tags --resource-share-type ALL
--next-token eyJleHBpcmF0aW...ZXh0Ijpo0cnVlfQ==

```

```
{
  "LFTags": [
    {
      "CatalogId": "123456789012",
      "TagKey": "region",
      "TagValues": [
        "central",
        "south"
      ]
    }
  ]
}
```

API

You can use the SDKs available for Lake Formation to lists the tags that the requester has permission to view.

```
import boto3

client = boto3.client('lakeformation')
...

response = client.list_lf_tags(
    CatalogId='string',
    ResourceShareType='ALL',
    MaxResults=50'
)
```

This command returns a dict object with the following structure:

```
{
  'LFTags': [
    {
      'CatalogId': 'string',
      'TagKey': 'string',
      'TagValues': [
        'string',
      ]
    },
  ],
  'NextToken': 'string'
}
```

For more information about the required permissions, see [Lake Formation personas and IAM permissions reference](#).

Assigning LF-Tags to Data Catalog resources

You can assign LF-Tags to Data Catalog resources (databases, tables, and columns) to control access to those resources. Only principals that are granted matching LF-Tags (and principals that are granted access with the named resource method) can access the resources.

If a table inherits a LF-Tag from a database or a column inherits a LF-Tag from a table, you can override the inherited value by assigning a new value to the LF-Tag key.

The maximum number of LF-Tags that you can assign to a resource is 50.

Topics

- [Requirements for managing tags assigned to resources](#)
- [Assign LF-Tags to a table column](#)
- [Assign LF-Tags to a Data Catalog resource](#)
- [Updating LF-Tags for a resource](#)
- [Removing LF-Tag from a resource](#)

Requirements for managing tags assigned to resources

To assign a LF-Tag to a Data Catalog resource, you must:

- Have the Lake Formation ASSOCIATE permission on the LF-Tag.

- Have the IAM `lakeformation:AddLFTagsToResource` permission.
- Have `glue:GetDatabase` permission on a Glue database.
- Be the resource owner (creator), have the `Super` Lake Formation permission on the resource with the `GRANT` option, or have the following permissions with the `GRANT` option:
 - For databases in the same AWS account: `DESCRIBE`, `CREATE_TABLE`, `ALTER`, and `DROP`
 - For databases in an external account: `DESCRIBE`, `CREATE_TABLE` and `ALTER`
 - For tables (and columns): `DESCRIBE`, `ALTER`, `DROP`, `INSERT`, `SELECT`, and `DELETE`

In addition, the LF-Tag and the resource that it is being assigned to must be in the same AWS account.

To remove a LF-Tag from a Data Catalog resource, you must meet these requirements, and also have the `lakeformation:RemoveLFTagsFromResource` IAM permission.

Assign LF-Tags to a table column

To assign LF-Tags to a table column (console)

1. Open the Lake Formation console at <https://console.aws.amazon.com/lakeformation/>.

Sign in as a user who meets the requirements listed above.

2. In the navigation pane, choose **Tables**.
3. Choose a table name (not the option button next to the table name).
4. On the table details page, in the **Schema** section, choose **Edit schema**.
5. On the **Edit schema** page, select one or more columns, and then choose **Edit tags**.

Note

If you intend to add or delete columns and save a new version, do that first. Then edit the LF-Tags.

The **Edit LF-Tags** dialog box appears, and displays any LF-Tags that are inherited from the table.

Edit LF-Tags: product_id [Learn More](#) ✕

LF-Tags

After they are associated with catalog resources, LF-Tags allow you to create scalable permissions.

Inherited keys	Values
<input type="text" value="level"/>	director (inherited) ▼
<input type="text" value="module"/>	Orders (inherited) ▼

[Assign new LF-Tag](#)

You can add 50 more tags.

[Cancel](#) [Save](#)

- (Optional) For the **Values** list next to an **Inherited keys** field, choose a value to override the inherited value.
- (Optional) Choose **Assign new LF-Tag**. Then for **Assigned keys**, choose a key, and for **Values**, choose a value for the key.

Edit LF-Tags: product_id Learn More [↗](#)

✕

LF-Tags

After they are associated with catalog resources, LF-Tags allow you to create scalable permissions.

Inherited keys

Q level

Q module

Values

director (inherited) ▼

Orders (inherited) ▼

Assigned keys

Q environment ✕

Assign new LF-Tag

You can add 49 more tags.

Values

Production ▲

Production

Development

Remove

Cancel
Save

8. (Optional) Choose **Assign new LF-Tag** again to add another LF-Tag.

9. Choose **Save**.

Assign LF-Tags to a Data Catalog resource

Console

To assign LF-Tags to a Data Catalog database or table

1. Open the Lake Formation console at <https://console.aws.amazon.com/lakeformation/>.

Sign in as a user who meets the requirements listed earlier.

2. In the navigation pane, under **Data catalog**, do one of the following:

- To assign LF-Tags to databases, choose **Databases**.
- To assign LF-Tags to tables, choose **Tables**.

3. Choose a database or table, and on the **Actions** menu, choose **Edit tags**.

The **Edit LF-Tags: *resource-name*** dialog box appears.

If a table inherits LF-Tags from its containing database, the window displays the inherited LF-Tags. Otherwise, it displays the text "There are no inherited LF-Tags associated with the resource."

Edit LF-Tags: inventory [Learn More](#)
✕

LF-Tags

After they are associated with catalog resources, LF-Tags allow you to create scalable permissions.

Inherited keys	Values
<input type="text" value="level"/>	<input type="text" value="director (inherited)"/>

Assigned keys	Values	
<input type="text" value="module"/> ✕	<input type="text" value="Enter LF-Tag value"/> ▲	<input type="button" value="Remove"/>
<input type="button" value="Assign new LF-Tag"/>	<div style="border: 1px solid #ccc; padding: 2px;"> Orders </div> <div style="border: 1px solid #ccc; padding: 2px; margin-top: 2px;"> Sales </div> <div style="border: 1px solid #ccc; padding: 2px; margin-top: 2px;"> Customers </div>	
You can add 49 more tags.		

4. (Optional) If a table has inherited LF-Tags, for the **Values** list next to an **Inherited keys** field, you can choose a value to override the inherited value.
5. To assign new LF-Tags, perform these steps:
 - a. Choose **Assign new LF-Tag**.
 - b. In the **Assigned keys** field, choose a LF-Tag key, and in the **Values** field, choose a value.
 - c. (Optional) Choose **Assign new LF-Tag** again to assign an additional LF-Tag.
6. Choose **Save**.

AWS CLI

To assign LF-Tags to a Data Catalog resource

- Run the `add-lf-tags-to-resource` command.

The following example assigns the LF-Tag `module=orders` to the table `orders` in the database `erp`. It uses the shortcut syntax for the `--lf-tags` argument. The `CatalogID` property for `--lf-tags` is optional. If not provided, the catalog ID of the resource (in this case, the table) is assumed.

```
aws lakeformation add-lf-tags-to-resource --resource '{ "Table":
{"DatabaseName":"erp", "Name":"orders"}}' --lf-tags
CatalogId=111122223333,TagKey=module,TagValues=orders
```

The following is the output if the command succeeds.

```
{
  "Failures": []
}
```

This next example assigns two LF-Tags to the `sales` table, and uses the JSON syntax for the `--lf-tags` argument.

```
aws lakeformation add-lf-tags-to-resource --resource '{ "Table":
{"DatabaseName":"erp", "Name":"sales"}}' --lf-tags '[{"TagKey":
"module","TagValues": ["sales"]}, {"TagKey": "environment","TagValues":
["development"]}']
```

This next example assigns the LF-Tag `level=director` to the `total` column of the table `sales`.

```
aws lakeformation add-lf-tags-to-resource --resource '{ "TableWithColumns":
{"DatabaseName":"erp", "Name":"sales", "ColumnNames":["total"]}}' --lf-tags
TagKey=level,TagValues=director
```

Updating LF-Tags for a resource

To update a LF-Tag for a Data Catalog resource (AWS CLI)

- Use the `add-lf-tags-to-resource` command, as described in the previous procedure.

Adding a LF-Tag with the same key as an existing LF-Tag, but with a different value updates the existing value.

Removing LF-Tag from a resource

To remove a LF-Tag for a Data Catalog resource (AWS CLI)

- Run the `remove-lf-tags-from-resource` command.

If a table has a LF-Tag value that overrides the value that is inherited from the parent database, removing that LF-Tag from the table restores the inherited value. This behavior also applies to a column that overrides key values inherited from the table.

The following example removes the LF-tag `level=director` from the `total` column of the `sales` table. The `CatalogID` property for `--lf-tags` is optional. If not provided, the catalog ID of the resource (in this case, the table) is assumed.

```
aws lakeformation remove-lf-tags-from-resource
--resource ' { "TableWithColumns":
{ "DatabaseName": "erp", "Name": "sales", "ColumnNames": [ "total" ] } } '
--lf-tags CatalogId=111122223333,TagKey=level,TagValues=director
```

Viewing LF-Tags assigned to a resource

You can view the LF-Tags that are assigned to a Data Catalog resource. You must have the `DESCRIBE` or `ASSOCIATE` permission on a LF-Tag to view it.

Console

To view the LF-Tags that are assigned to a resource (console)

1. Open the Lake Formation console at <https://console.aws.amazon.com/lakeformation/>.

Sign in as the data lake administrator, the resource owner, or a user who has been granted Lake Formation permissions on the resource.

2. In the navigation pane, under the heading **Data catalog**, do one of the following:
 - To view LF-Tags assigned to a database, choose **Databases**.
 - To view LF-Tags assigned to a table, choose **Tables**.
3. On the **Tables** or **Databases** page, choose the name of the database or table. Then on the details page, scroll down to the **LF-Tags** section.

The following screenshot shows the LF-Tags assigned to a customers table, which is contained in the retail database. The module LF-Tag is inherited from the database. The credit_limit column has the level=vp LF-Tag assigned.

LF-Tags (3) Edit tags

LF-Tags are key-value pairs that you can assign to data catalog resources, such as databases, tables, and columns. You can then grant permissions to principals based on these tags to control access to the resources. Table columns inherit all LF-Tags that are assigned to the table. [Learn More](#)

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Resource ▲	Key ▼	Value ▼	Inherited from
customers (table)	module	Customers	retail
customers (table)	environment	Production	-
credit_limit (column)	level	vp	-

AWS CLI

To view the LF-Tags that are assigned to a resource (AWS CLI)

- Enter a command similar to the following.

```
aws lakeformation get-resource-lf-tags --show-assigned-lf-tags --
resource '{ "Table": {"CatalogId":"111122223333", "DatabaseName":"erp",
"Name":"sales"}}'
```

The command returns the following output.

```
{
  "TableTags": [
    {
      "CatalogId": "111122223333",
      "TagKey": "module",
      "TagValues": [
        "sales"
      ]
    },
    {
      "CatalogId": "111122223333",
      "TagKey": "environment",
      "TagValues": [
        "development"
      ]
    }
  ],
  "ColumnTags": [
    {
      "Name": "total",
      "Tags": [
        {
          "CatalogId": "111122223333",
          "TagKey": "level",
          "TagValues": [
            "director"
          ]
        }
      ]
    }
  ]
}
```

This output shows only LF-Tags that are explicitly assigned, not inherited. If you want to see all LF-Tags on all columns, including inherited LF-Tags, omit the `--show-assigned-lf-tags` option.

Viewing the resources that a LF-Tag is assigned to

You can view all the Data Catalog resources that a particular LF-Tag key is assigned to. To do so, you need the following Lake Formation permissions:

- Describe or Associate on the LF-Tag.
- Describe or any other Lake Formation permission on the resource.

In addition, you need the following AWS Identity and Access Management (IAM) permissions:

- `lakeformation:SearchDatabasesByLFTags`
- `lakeformation:SearchTablesByLFTags`

Console

To view the resources that a LF-Tag is assigned to (console)

1. Open the Lake Formation console at <https://console.aws.amazon.com/lakeformation/>.

Sign in as a data lake administrator or as a user who meets the requirements listed earlier.

2. In the navigation pane, under **Permissions** and **LF-Tags and permissions**, choose **LF-Tags**.
3. Choose a LF-Tag key (not the option button next to the key name).

The LF-Tag details page displays a list of resources that the LF-Tag has been assigned to.

module

LF-Tag

Delete

Edit

Key
module

Values
Orders, Sales, Customers

Associated data catalog resources (12)

Q Find resource

Key	Values ▾	Resource type ▾	Resource ▾
module	Customers	DATABASE	retail
module	Customers	TABLE	customers
module	Orders	TABLE	inventory
module	Customers	COLUMN	customers.cust_first_name
module	Customers	COLUMN	customers.work_phone_number
module	Customers	COLUMN	customers.company_name
module	Customers	COLUMN	customers.credit_limit

AWS CLI

To view the resources that a LF-Tag is assigned to

- Run a `search-tables-by-lf-tags` or `search-databases-by-lf-tags` command.

Example

The following example lists tables and columns that have the `level=vp` LF-Tag assigned. For each table and column listed, all assigned LF-Tags for the table or column are output, not just the search expression.

```
aws lakeformation search-tables-by-lf-tags --expression
TagKey=level,TagValues=vp
```

For more information about the required permissions, see [Lake Formation personas and IAM permissions reference](#).

Life cycle of a LF-Tag

1. The LF-Tag creator Michael creates a LF-Tag `module=Customers`.
2. Michael grants `Associate` on the LF-Tag to the data engineer Eduardo. Granting `Associate` implicitly grants `Describe`.
3. Michael grants `Super` on the table `Custs` to Eduardo with the grant option, so that Eduardo can assign LF-Tags to the table. For more information, see [Assigning LF-Tags to Data Catalog resources](#).
4. Eduardo assigns the LF-Tag `module=customers` to the table `Custs`.
5. Michael makes the following grant to data engineer Sandra (in pseudo-code).

```
GRANT (SELECT, INSERT ON TABLES) ON TAGS module=customers TO Sandra WITH GRANT OPTION
```

6. Sandra makes the following grant to data analyst Maria.

```
GRANT (SELECT ON TABLES) ON TAGS module=customers TO Maria
```

Maria can now run queries on the `Custs` table.

See also

- [Metadata access control](#)

Comparison of Lake Formation tag-based access control to IAM attribute-based access control

Attribute-based access control (ABAC) is an authorization strategy that defines permissions based on attributes. In AWS, these attributes are called *tags*. You can attach tags to IAM resources, including IAM entities (users or roles) and to AWS resources. You can create a single ABAC policy or small set of policies for your IAM principals. These ABAC policies can be designed to allow operations when the principal's tag matches the resource tag. ABAC is helpful in environments that are growing rapidly and helps with situations where policy management becomes cumbersome.

Cloud security and governance teams use IAM to define access policies and security permissions for all resources including Amazon S3 buckets, Amazon EC2 instances and any resources you can reference with an ARN. The IAM policies define broad (coarse-grained) permissions to your data lake resources, for example, to allow or deny access at Amazon S3 bucket or prefix level or database level. For more information about IAM ABAC, see [What is ABAC for AWS?](#) in the *IAM User Guide*.

For example, you can create three roles with the `project-access` tag key. Set the tag value of the first role to `Dev`, the second to `Marketing`, and the third to `Support`. Assign tags with the appropriate value to resources. You can then use a single policy that allows access when the role and the resource are tagged with the same value for `project-access`.

Data governance teams use Lake Formation to define fine-grained permissions to specific data lake resources. LF-Tags are assigned to Data Catalog resources (databases, tables, and columns) and are granted to principals. A principal with LF-Tags that match the LF-Tags of a resource can access that resource. Lake Formation permissions are secondary to IAM permissions. For example, if IAM permissions don't allow a user access to a data lake, Lake Formation doesn't grant access to any resource within that data lake to that user, even if the principal and resource have matching LF-Tags.

Lake Formation tag-based access control (LF-TBAC) works with IAM ABAC to provide additional levels of permissions for your Lake Formation data and resources.

- **Lake Formation TBAC permissions scale with innovation.** It's no longer necessary for an administrator to update existing policies to allow access to new resources. For example, assume that you use an IAM ABAC strategy with the `project-access` tag to provide access to specific databases within Lake Formation. Using LF-TBAC, the LF-Tag `Project=SuperApp` is assigned to specific tables or columns, and the same LF-Tag is granted to a developer for that project. Through IAM, the developer can access the database, and LF-TBAC permissions grant the developer further access to specific tables or columns within tables. If a new table is added to

the project, the Lake Formation administrator only needs to assign the tag to the new table for the developer to be given access to the table.

- **Lake Formation TBAC requires fewer IAM policies.** Because you use IAM policies to grant high level access to Lake Formation resources and Lake Formation TBAC for managing more precise data access, you create fewer IAM policies.
- **Using Lake Formation TBAC, teams can change and grow quickly.** This is because permissions for new resources are automatically granted based on attributes. For example, if a new developer joins the project, it's easy to grant this developer access by associating the IAM role to the user and then assigning the required LF-Tags to the user. You don't have to change the IAM policy to support a new project or to create new LF-Tags.
- **Finer-grained permissions are possible using Lake Formation TBAC.** IAM policies grant access to the top-level resources, such as Data Catalog databases or tables. Using **Lake Formation TBAC**, you can grant access to specific tables or columns that contain specific data values.

Note

IAM tags are not the same as LF-Tags. These tags are not interchangeable. LF-Tags are used to grant Lake Formation permissions and IAM tags are used to define IAM policies.

Granting, revoking, and listing LF-Tag value permissions

You can grant the `Drop`, `Alter` permissions on LF-Tags to principals to manage LF-Tag value expressions. You can also grant `Describe`, `Associate`, and `Grant with LF-Tag expressions` permissions on LF-Tags to principals to view the LF-Tags and assign them to Data Catalog resources (databases, tables, and columns). When LF-Tags are assigned to Data Catalog resources, you can use the Lake Formation tag-based access control (LF-TBAC) method to secure those resources. For more information, see [Lake Formation tag-based access control](#).

You can grant these permissions with the `grant` option so that other principals can grant them. The `Grant with LF-Tag expressions`, `Describe`, and `Associate` permissions are explained in [Add LF-Tag creators](#).

You can grant the `Describe` and `Associate` permissions on a LF-Tag to an external AWS account. A data lake administrator in that account can then grant those permissions to other principals in the account. Principals to whom the data lake administrator in the external account grants the

Associate permission can then assign LF-Tags to Data Catalog resources that you shared with their account.

When granting to an external account, you must include the grant option.

You can grant permissions on LF-Tags by using the Lake Formation console, the API, or the AWS Command Line Interface (AWS CLI).

Topics

- [Listing LF-Tag permissions using the console](#)
- [Granting LF-Tag permissions using the console](#)
- [Granting, revoking, and listing LF-Tag permissions using the AWS CLI](#)

For more information see [Managing LF-Tags for metadata access control](#) and [Lake Formation tag-based access control](#).

Listing LF-Tag permissions using the console

You can use the Lake Formation console to view the permissions granted on LF-Tags. You must be a LF-Tag creator, a data lake administrator, or have the Describe or Associate permission on a LF-Tag to see it.

To list LF-Tag permissions (console)

1. Open the Lake Formation console at <https://console.aws.amazon.com/lakeformation/>.

Sign in as the LF-Tag creator, a data lake administrator, or as a user to whom the Drop, Alter, Associate, or Describe permissions on LF-Tags have been granted.

2. In the navigation pane, under **Permissions**, choose **LF-Tags and permissions**, and choose **LF-Tag permissions** section.

The **LF-Tag permissions** section shows a table that contains principal, tag keys, values, and permissions.

LF-Tag permissions (6)
View and manage the permissions granted on LF-Tags. [Learn more](#)

Find permissions by LF-Tag key and value

	Principal ▲	Principal type ▼	Keys ▼	Values ▼	LF-Tag permissions ▼	LF-Tag value permissions ▼	Grantable ▼
<input type="radio"/>	arn:aws:iam::[redacted]:role/Admin	IAM role	module	All values	Alter, Drop	-	Alter, Drop
<input type="radio"/>	arn:aws:iam::[redacted]:role/Admin	IAM role	module	All values	-	Describe	Describe
<input type="radio"/>	arn:aws:iam::[redacted]:role/Admin	IAM role	module	All values	-	Associate	Associate
<input type="radio"/>	arn:aws:iam::[redacted]:role/Admin	IAM role	module	All values	-	Grant with LF-Tag expression	Grant with LF-Tag expression
<input type="radio"/>	arn:aws:iam::[redacted]:role/Admin	IAM role	LF-Test	All values	-	Describe	Describe
<input type="radio"/>	arn:aws:iam::[redacted]:role/Admin	IAM role	LF-Test	All values	-	Associate	Associate

Granting LF-Tag permissions using the console

The following steps explain how to grant permissions on LF-Tags by using the **Grant LF-Tag permissions** page on the Lake Formation console. The page is divided into these sections:

- **Permission types** – The type of permission to grant.
- **Principals** – The users, roles, or AWS accounts to grant permissions to.
- **LF-Tags** – The LF-Tags to grant permissions on.
- **Permissions** – The permissions to grant.

Open the Grant LF-Tag permissions page

1. Open the Lake Formation console at <https://console.aws.amazon.com/lakeformation/>.

Sign in as the LF-Tag creator, a data lake administrator, or as a user LF-Tag permissions or LF-Tag key-value pair permissions on LF-Tags have been granted with the Grant option.

2. In the navigation pane, choose **LF-Tags and permissions**, choose **LF-Tag permissions** section.
3. Choose **Grant permissions**.

Specify the permissions type

In the **Permissions type** section, choose a permissions type.

LF-Tag permissions

Choose the **LF-Tag permissions** to allow principals to update LF-Tag values or delete LF-Tags.

LF-Tag key-value pair permissions

Choose the **LF-Tag key-value pair permissions** to allow principals to assign LF-Tags to Data Catalog resources, view LF-Tags and values, and grant LF-Tags based permissions on Data Catalog resources to principals.

The options available in the following sections depend on the **Permissions type**.

Specify the principals

Note

You can't grant LF-Tag permissions (Alter and Drop) to external accounts or principals in another account.

In the **Principals** section, choose a principal type and specify principals to grant permissions to.

Principals

IAM users and roles
Users or roles from this AWS account.

SAML users and groups
SAML users and group or QuickSight ARNs.

External accounts
AWS account, AWS organization or IAM principal outside of this account

IAM users and roles
Add one or more IAM users or roles.

Choose IAM principals to add ▼

IAM users and roles

Choose one or more users or roles from the **IAM users and roles** list.

SAML users and groups

For **SAML and Amazon QuickSight users and groups**, enter one or more Amazon Resource Names (ARNs) for users or groups federated through SAML, or ARNs for Amazon QuickSight users or groups. Press **Enter** after each ARN.

For information about how to construct the ARNs, see [Lake Formation grant and revoke AWS CLI commands](#).

Note

Lake Formation integration with Amazon QuickSight is supported for Amazon QuickSight Enterprise Edition only.

External accounts

For **AWS account**, enter one or more valid AWS account IDs. Press **Enter** after each ID.

An organization ID consists of "o-" followed by 10 to 32 lower-case letters or digits.

An organizational unit ID starts with "ou-" followed by 4 to 32 lowercase letters or digits (the ID of the root that contains the OU). This string is followed by a second "-" dash and 8 to 32 additional lowercase letters or digits.

For IAM principal, enter the ARN for the IAM user or role.

Specify the LF-Tags

To grant permissions on LF-Tags, in the **LF-Tag permissions** section, specify the LF-Tags to grant permissions on.

LF-Tag permissions

LF-Tags
Choose the LF-Tags you want to grant permissions to.

Choose one or more LF-Tags ▼

Department ✕

Permissions
Choose the specific LF-Tag permissions to grant.

- Alter**
Update or delete key values.
- Drop**
Delete tag(s).

Grantable permissions
Choose the permissions that the grant recipient(s) can grant to other principals.

- Alter**
Update or delete key values.
- Drop**
Delete tag(s).

Cancel **Grant**

- Choose one or more LF-Tag using the drop-down.

Specify the LF-Tag key-value pairs

1. To grant permissions on LF-Tag key-value pairs, (you need to first choose choose **LF-Tag key-value pair permissions** as the **Permission type**) choose **Add LF-Tag key-value pair** to reveal the first row of fields for specifying LF-Tag key and values.

LF-Tag key-value pair permissions

Key Values

You can add 50 more LF-Tags.

Permissions
Choose the specific key-value pair permissions to grant.

Describe
See keys and values.

Associate
Assign LF-Tags to databases, tables, and columns.

Grant with LF-Tag expression
Allow the principal(s) to grant access permissions using the LF-Tag(s).

Grantable permissions
Choose the permissions that the grant recipient(s) can grant to other principals.

Describe
See keys and values.

Associate
Assign LF-Tags to databases, tables, and columns.

Grant with LF-Tag expression
Allow the principal(s) to grant access permissions using the LF-Tag(s).

2. Position the cursor in the **Key** field, optionally start typing to narrow down the selection list, and select a LF-Tag key.
3. In the **Values** list, select one or more values, and then press **Tab** or click or tap outside the field to save the selected values.

Note

If one of the rows in the **Values** list has focus, pressing **Enter** selects or clears the check box.

The selected values appear as tiles below the **Values** list. Choose the **✕** to remove a value. Choose **Remove** to remove the entire LF-Tag.

4. To add another LF-Tag, choose **Add LF-Tag** again, and repeat the previous two steps.

Specify the permissions

This section shows either the **LF-Tag permissions** or the **LF-Tag value permissions** based on the **Permission type** you chose in the previous step.

Depending on the **Permission type** you chose to grant, select the **LF-Tag permissions** or **LF-Tag key-value pair permissions**, and grantable permissions.

1. Under **LF-Tag permissions**, select the permissions to grant.

Granting **Drop** and **Alter** implicitly grants **Describe**.

You need to grant **Alter** and **Drop** permissions on all tag values.

2. Under **LF-Tag key-value value permissions**, select the permissions to grant.

Granting **Associate** implicitly grants **Describe**. Choose **Grant with LF-Tag expression** to allow the grant recipient to grant or revoke access permissions on Data Catalog resources using LF-TBAC method.

3. (Optional) Under **Grantable permissions**, select the permissions that the grant recipient can grant to other principals in their AWS account.
4. Choose **Grant**.

Granting, revoking, and listing LF-Tag permissions using the AWS CLI

You can grant, revoke, and list permissions on LF-Tags by using the AWS Command Line Interface (AWS CLI).

To list LF-Tag permissions (AWS CLI)

- Enter a `list-permissions` command. You must be the LF-Tag creator, a data lake administrator, or have the `Drop`, `Alter`, `Describe`, `Associate`, `Grant with LF-Tag permissions` permission on a LF-Tag to see it.

The following command requests all LF-Tags that you have permissions on.

```
aws lakeformation list-permissions --resource-type LF_TAG
```

The following is sample output for a data lake administrator, who sees all LF-Tags granted to all principals. Non-administrative users see only LF-Tags granted to them. LF-Tag permissions granted from an external account appear on a separate results page. To see them, repeat the command and supply the `--next-token` argument with the token returned from the previous command run.

```
{
  "PrincipalResourcePermissions": [
    {
      "Principal": {
        "DataLakePrincipalIdentifier": "arn:aws:iam::111122223333:user/
datalake_admin"
      },
      "Resource": {
        "LFTag": {
          "CatalogId": "111122223333",
          "TagKey": "environment",
          "TagValues": [
            "*"
          ]
        }
      },
      "Permissions": [
        "ASSOCIATE"
      ],
      "PermissionsWithGrantOption": [
        "ASSOCIATE"
      ]
    },
    {
      "Principal": {
        "DataLakePrincipalIdentifier": "arn:aws:iam::111122223333:user/
datalake_user1"
      },
      "Resource": {
        "LFTag": {
          "CatalogId": "111122223333",
          "TagKey": "module",
          "TagValues": [
            "Orders",
            "Sales"
          ]
        }
      }
    }
  ]
}
```

```

        }
      },
      "Permissions": [
        "DESCRIBE"
      ],
      "PermissionsWithGrantOption": []
    },
    ...
  ],
  "NextToken": "eyJzaG91bGRRdWVy...Wlzc2lvdnMiOnRydWV9"
}

```

You can list all grants for a specific LF-Tag key. The following command returns all permissions granted on the LF-Tag module.

```
aws lakeformation list-permissions --resource-type LF_TAG --resource '{ "LFTag":
{"CatalogId":"111122223333","TagKey":"module","TagValues":["*"]}'
```

You can also list LF-Tag values granted to a specific principal for a specific LF-Tag. When supplying the `--principal` argument, you must supply the `--resource` argument. Therefore, the command can only effectively request the values granted to a specific principal for a specific LF-Tag key. The following command shows how to do this for the principal `datalake_user1` and the LF-Tag key `module`.

```
aws lakeformation list-permissions --principal
DataLakePrincipalIdentifier=arn:aws:iam::111122223333:user/
datalake_user1 --resource-type LF_TAG --resource '{ "LFTag":
{"CatalogId":"111122223333","TagKey":"module","TagValues":["*"]}'
```

The following is sample output.

```
{
  "PrincipalResourcePermissions": [
    {
      "Principal": {
        "DataLakePrincipalIdentifier": "arn:aws:iam::111122223333:user/
datalake_user1"
      },
      "Resource": {
        "LFTag": {

```



```

        "CatalogId": "111122223333",
        "TagKey": "module",
        "TagValues": [
            "Orders",
            "Sales"
        ]
    },
    "Permissions": [
        "ASSOCIATE"
    ],
    "PermissionsWithGrantOption": []
}
]
}

```

To grant permissions on LF-Tags (AWS CLI)

1. Enter a command similar to the following. This example grants to user `datalake_user1` the `Associate` permission on the LF-Tag with the key `module`. It grants permissions to view and assign all values for that key, as indicated by the asterisk (*).

```

aws lakeformation grant-permissions --principal
  DataLakePrincipalIdentifier=arn:aws:iam::111122223333:user/
  datalake_user1 --permissions "ASSOCIATE" --resource '{ "LFTag":
  {"CatalogId":"111122223333","TagKey":"module","TagValues":["*"]}}'

```

Granting the `Associate` permission implicitly grants the `Describe` permission.

The next example grants `Associate` to the external AWS account `1234-5678-9012` on the LF-Tag with the key `module`, with the grant option. It grants permissions to view and assign only the values `sales` and `orders`.

```

aws lakeformation grant-permissions --principal
  DataLakePrincipalIdentifier=123456789012 --permissions "ASSOCIATE"
  --permissions-with-grant-option "ASSOCIATE" --resource '{ "LFTag":
  {"CatalogId":"111122223333","TagKey":"module","TagValues":["sales", "orders"]}}'

```

2. Granting the `GrantWithLFTagExpression` permission implicitly grants the `Describe` permission.

The next example grants `GrantWithLFTagExpression` to a user on the LF-Tag with the key `module`, with the `grant` option. It grants permissions to view and grant permissions on Data Catalog resources using only the values `sales` and `orders`.

```
aws lakeformation grant-permissions --principal
  DataLakePrincipalIdentifier=111122223333 --permissions "GrantWithLFTagExpression"
  --permissions-with-grant-option "GrantWithLFTagExpression" --resource '{ "LFTag":
  {"CatalogId":"111122223333","TagKey":"module","TagValues":["sales", "orders"]}]'
```

3. The next example grants `Drop` permissions to a user on the LF-Tag with the key `module`, with the `grant` option. It grants permissions to delete the LF-Tag. To delete a LF-Tag, you need permissions on all values for that key.

```
aws lakeformation grant-permissions --principal
  DataLakePrincipalIdentifier=111122223333 --permissions "DROP"
  --permissions-with-grant-option "DROP" --resource '{ "LFTag":
  {"CatalogId":"111122223333","TagKey":"module","TagValues":["*"]}]'
```

4. The next example grants `Alter` permissions to the user on the LF-Tag with the key `module`, with the `grant` option. It grants permissions to delete the LF-Tag. To update a LF-Tag, you need permissions on all values for that key.

```
aws lakeformation grant-permissions --principal
  DataLakePrincipalIdentifier=111122223333 --permissions "ALTER"
  --permissions-with-grant-option "ALTER" --resource '{ "LFTag":
  {"CatalogId":"111122223333","TagKey":"module","TagValues":["*"]}]'
```

To revoke permissions on LF-Tags (AWS CLI)

- Enter a command similar to the following. This example revokes the `Associate` permission on the LF-Tag with the key `module` from user `datalake_user1`.

```
aws lakeformation revoke-permissions --principal
  DataLakePrincipalIdentifier=arn:aws:iam::111122223333:user/
  datalake_user1 --permissions "ASSOCIATE" --resource '{ "LFTag":
  {"CatalogId":"111122223333","TagKey":"module","TagValues":["*"]}]'
```

Granting data lake permissions using the LF-TBAC method

You can grant the DESCRIBE and ASSOCIATE Lake Formation permissions on LF-Tags to principals so that they can view the LF-Tags and assign them to Data Catalog resources (databases, tables, views, and columns). When LF-Tags are assigned to Data Catalog resources, you can use the Lake Formation tag-based access control (LF-TBAC) method to secure those resources. For more information, see [Lake Formation tag-based access control](#).

At first, only the data lake administrator can grant these permissions. If the data lake administrator grants these permissions with the grant option, other principals can grant them. The DESCRIBE and ASSOCIATE permissions are explained in [Lake Formation tag-based access control best practices and considerations](#).

You can grant the DESCRIBE and ASSOCIATE permissions on a LF-Tag to an external AWS account. A data lake administrator in that account can then grant those permissions to other principals in the account. Principals to whom the data lake administrator in the external account grants the ASSOCIATE permission can then assign LF-Tags to Data Catalog resources that you shared with their account.

When granting to an external account, you must include the grant option.

You can grant permissions on LF-Tags by using the AWS Lake Formation console, the API, or the AWS Command Line Interface (AWS CLI).

Topics

- [Granting Data Catalog permissions](#)

See also

- [Granting, revoking, and listing LF-Tag value permissions](#)
- [Managing LF-Tags for metadata access control](#)
- [Lake Formation tag-based access control](#)

Granting Data Catalog permissions

Use the Lake Formation console or AWS CLI to grant Lake Formation permissions on Data Catalog databases, tables, views, and columns using the Lake Formation tag-based access control (LF-TBAC) method.

Console

The following steps explain how to grant permissions by using the Lake Formation tag-based access control (LF-TBAC) method and the **Grant data lake permissions** page on the Lake Formation console. The page is divided into the following sections:

- **Principals** – The users, roles, and AWS accounts to grant permissions to.
- **LF-Tags or catalog resources** – The databases, tables, or resource links to grant permissions on.
- **Permissions** – The Lake Formation permissions to grant.

1. Open the Grant data lake permissions page.

Open the AWS Lake Formation console at <https://console.aws.amazon.com/lakeformation/>, and sign in as a data lake administrator or as a user who has been granted Lake Formation permissions on Data Catalog resources through LF-TBAC with the grant option.

In the navigation pane, under **Permissions**, choose **Data lake permissions**. Then choose **Grant**.

2. Specify the principals.

In the **Principals** section, choose a principal type and then specify principals to grant permissions to.

[AWS Lake Formation](#) > Grant permissions

Grant data lake permissions

Principals

Choose the principals to grant permissions.

IAM users and roles
Users or roles from this AWS account.

IAM Identity Center - new
Users and groups configured in IAM Identity Center.

SAML users and groups
SAML users and group or QuickSight ARNs.

External accounts
AWS account, AWS organization or IAM principal outside of this account

Users and groups (3)

Choose users and groups to grant permissions.

Remove

Add

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<input type="checkbox"/>	Name ↗	Type
<input type="checkbox"/>	DataStewards	Group
<input type="checkbox"/>	user1	User
<input type="checkbox"/>	user2	User

IAM users and roles

Choose one or more users or roles from the **IAM users and roles** list.

IAM Identity Center

Choose one or more users or from the **Users and groups** list.

SAML users and groups

For **SAML and Amazon QuickSight users and groups**, enter one or more Amazon Resource Names (ARNs) for users or groups federated through SAML, or ARNs for Amazon QuickSight users or groups. Press Enter after each ARN.

For information about how to construct the ARNs, see [Lake Formation grant and revoke AWS CLI commands](#).

Note

Lake Formation integration with Amazon QuickSight is supported for Amazon QuickSight Enterprise Edition only.

External accounts

For **AWS accounts**, **AWS organization**, or **IAM principal** enter one or more valid AWS account IDs, organization IDs, organizational unit IDs, or ARN for the IAM user or role. Press **Enter** after each ID.

An organization ID consists of "o-" followed by 10 to 32 lower-case letters or digits.

An organizational unit ID starts with "ou-" followed by 4 to 32 lowercase letters or digits (the ID of the root that contains the OU). This string is followed by a second "-" dash and 8 to 32 additional lowercase letters or digits.

3. Specify the LF-Tags.

Ensure that the **Resources matched by LF-Tags** option is chosen. Choose **Add LF-Tag**.

1. Choose a LF-Tag key and values.

If you choose more than one value, you are creating a LF-Tag expression with an OR operator. This means that if any of the LF-Tag values match a LF-Tag assigned to a Data Catalog resource, you are granted permissions on the resource.

LF-Tags or catalog resources

Resources matched by LF-Tags (recommended)
 Manage permissions indirectly for resources or data matched by a specific set of LF-Tags.

Named data catalog resources
 Manager permissions for specific databases or tables, in addition to fine-grained data access.

Key

Values

Choose tag values ▲

Orders

Sales

Customers

Add LF-Tag

Remove

2. (Optional) Choose **Add LF-Tag** again to specify another LF-Tag.

If you specify more than one LF-Tag, you are creating a LF-Tag expression with an AND operator. The principal is granted permissions on a Data Catalog resource only if the resource was assigned a matching LF-Tag for each LF-Tag in the LF-Tag expression.

4. **Specify the permissions.**

Specify the permissions that you want to grant the principal on matching Data Catalog resources. Matching resources are those resources that were assigned LF-Tags that match one of the LF-Tag expressions granted to the principal.

You can specify the permissions to grant on matching databases, matching tables, and matching views.

▼ **Database permissions**

Database permissions
Choose specific access permissions to grant.

Create table Alter Drop

Describe

Super
This permission is the union of all the individual permissions to the left, and supersedes them.

Grantable permissions
Choose the permission that may be granted to others.

Create table Alter Drop

Describe

Super
This permission allows the principal to grant any of the permissions to the left, and supersedes those grantable permissions.

▼ **Table permissions**

Table permissions
Choose specific access permissions to grant.

Alter Insert Drop

Delete Select Describe

Super
This permission is the union of all the individual permissions to the left, and supersedes them.

Grantable permissions
Choose the permission that may be granted to others.

Alter Insert Drop

Delete Select Describe

Super
This permission allows the principal to grant any of the permissions to the left, and supersedes those grantable permissions.

Under **Database permissions**, select the database permissions to grant to the principal on matching databases.

Under **Table permissions**, select the table or view permissions to grant to the principal on matching tables and views.

You can also choose **Select**, **Describe**, and **Drop** permissions from the **Table permissions** to apply on views.

5. Choose **Grant**.

AWS CLI

You can use the AWS Command Line Interface (AWS CLI) and the Lake Formation tag-based access control (LF-TBAC) method to grant Lake Formation permissions on Data Catalog databases, tables, and columns.

Granting data lake permissions using the AWS CLI and the LF-TBAC method

- Use the `grant-permissions` command.

Example

The following example grants the LF-Tag expression `"module=*" (all values of the LF-Tag key module) to user datalake_user1. That user will have the CREATE_TABLE permission on all matching databases—databases that have been assigned the LF-Tag with the key module, with any value.`

```
aws lakeformation grant-permissions --principal
  DataLakePrincipalIdentifier=arn:aws:iam::111122223333:user/
  datalake_user1 --permissions "CREATE_TABLE" --resource '{ "LFTagPolicy":
  {"CatalogId":"111122223333","ResourceType":"DATABASE","Expression":
  [{"TagKey":"module","TagValues":["*"]}]}'
```

Example

The next example grants the LF-Tag expression `"(level=director) AND (region=west OR region=south)" to user datalake_user1. That user will have the SELECT, ALTER, and DROP permissions with the grant option on matching tables—tables that have been assigned both level=director and (region=west or region=south).`

```
aws lakeformation grant-permissions --principal
  DataLakePrincipalIdentifier=arn:aws:iam::111122223333:user/
  datalake_user1 --permissions "SELECT" "ALTER" "DROP" --permissions-
  with-grant-option "SELECT" "ALTER" "DROP" --resource '{ "LFTagPolicy":
  {"CatalogId":"111122223333","ResourceType":"TABLE","Expression": [{"TagKey":
```



```
"level", "TagValues": ["director"]}, {"TagKey": "region", "TagValues": ["west", "south"]}]}}'
```

Example

This next example grants the LF-Tag expression "module=orders" to the AWS account 1234-5678-9012. The data lake administrator in that account can then grant the "module=orders" expression to principals in their account. Those principals will then have the CREATE_TABLE permission on matching databases owned by account 1111-2222-3333 and shared with account 1234-5678-9012 by using either the named resource method or the LF-TBAC method.

```
aws lakeformation grant-permissions --principal
DataLakePrincipalIdentifier=123456789012 --permissions "CREATE_TABLE" --
permissions-with-grant-option "CREATE_TABLE" --resource '{ "LFTagPolicy":
{"CatalogId": "111122223333", "ResourceType": "DATABASE", "Expression":
[{"TagKey": "module", "TagValues": ["orders"]}]}'
```

Permissions example scenario

The following scenario helps demonstrate how you can set up permissions to secure access to data in AWS Lake Formation.

Shirley is a data administrator. She wants to set up a data lake for her company, AnyCompany. Currently, all data is stored in Amazon S3. John is a marketing manager and needs write access to customer purchasing information (contained in `s3://customerPurchases`). A marketing analyst, Diego, joins John this summer. John needs the ability to grant Diego access to perform queries on the data without involving Shirley.

Mateo, from finance, needs access to query accounting data (for example, `s3://transactions`). He wants to query the transactions data in tables in a database (Finance_DB) that the finance team uses. His manager, Arnav, can give him access to the Finance_DB. Although he shouldn't be able to modify accounting data, he needs the ability to convert data into a format (schema) suitable for forecasting. This data will be stored in a separate bucket (`s3://financeForecasts`) that he can modify.

To summarize:

- Shirley is the data lake administrator.

- John requires `CREATE_DATABASE` and `CREATE_TABLE` permission to create new databases and tables in the Data Catalog.
- John also requires `SELECT`, `INSERT`, and `DELETE` permissions on tables he creates.
- Diego requires `SELECT` permission on the table to run queries.

The employees of AnyCompany perform the following actions to set up permissions. The API operations shown in this scenario show a simplified syntax for clarity.

1. Shirley registers the Amazon S3 path containing customer purchasing information with Lake Formation.

```
RegisterResource(ResourcePath("s3://customerPurchases"), false, Role_ARN )
```

2. Shirley grants John access to the Amazon S3 path containing customer purchasing information.

```
GrantPermissions(John, S3Location("s3://customerPurchases"),  
[DATA_LOCATION_ACCESS]) )
```

3. Shirley grants John permission to create databases.

```
GrantPermissions(John, catalog, [CREATE_DATABASE])
```

4. John creates the database `John_DB`. John automatically has `CREATE_TABLE` permission on that database because he created it.

```
CreateDatabase(John_DB)
```

5. John creates the table `John_Table` pointing to `s3://customerPurchases`. Because he created the table, he has all permissions on it, and can grant permissions on it.

```
CreateTable(John_DB, John_Table)
```

6. John allows his analyst, Diego, access to the table `John_Table`.

```
GrantPermissions(Diego, John_Table, [SELECT])
```

7. John allows his analyst, Diego, access to the `s3://customerPurchases/London/`. Because Shirley already registered `s3://customerPurchases`, its subfolders are registered with Lake Formation.

```
GrantDataLakePrivileges( 123456789012/datalake, Diego, [DATA_LOCATION_ACCESS], [],  
S3Location("s3://customerPurchases/London/") )
```

8. John allows his analyst, Diego, to create tables in database `John_DB`.

```
GrantDataLakePrivileges( 123456789012/datalake, Diego, John_DB, [CREATE_TABLE],  
[] )
```

9. Diego creates a table in `John_DB` at `s3://customerPurchases/London/` and automatically gets `ALTER`, `DROP`, `SELECT`, `INSERT`, and `DELETE` permissions.

```
CreateTable( 123456789012/datalake, John_DB, Diego_Table )
```

Data filtering and cell-level security in Lake Formation

When you grant Lake Formation permissions on a Data Catalog table, you can include data filtering specifications to restrict access to certain data in query results and engines integrated with Lake Formation. Lake Formation uses data filtering to achieve column-level security, row-level security, and cell-level security. You can define and apply data filters on nested columns if your source data contains nested structures.

Topics

- [Overview of data filtering](#)
- [Data filters in Lake Formation](#)
- [PartiQL support in row filter expressions](#)
- [Permissions required for querying tables with cell-level filtering](#)
- [Managing data filters](#)

Overview of data filtering

With the data filtering capabilities of Lake Formation, you can implement the following levels of data security.

Column-level security

Granting permissions on a Data Catalog table with column-level security (column filtering) allows users to view only specific columns and nested columns that they have access to in the table. Consider a `persons` table that is used in multiple applications for a large multi-region communications company. Granting permissions on Data Catalog tables with column filtering can restrict users who don't work in the HR department from seeing personally identifiable information (PII) such as a social security number or birth date. You can also define security policies and grant access to only partial sub-structures of nested columns.

Row-level security

Granting permissions on a Data Catalog table with row-level security (row filtering) allows users to view only specific rows of data that they have access to in the table. The filtering is based on the values of one or more columns. You can include nested column structures when defining row-filter expressions. For example, if different regional offices of the communications company have their own HR departments, you can limit the person records that HR employees can see to only records for employees in their region.

Cell-level security

Cell-level security combines row filtering and column filtering for a highly flexible permissions model. If you view the rows and columns of a table as a grid, by using cell-level security, you can restrict access to individual elements (cells) of the grid anywhere in the two dimensions. That is, you can restrict access to different columns depending on the row. This is illustrated by the following diagram, in which restricted columns are shaded.

	Col1	Col2	Col3	Col4	Col5	Col6
Row1						
Row2						
Row3						
Row4						
Row5						

Continuing the example of the `persons` table, you can create a *data filter* at the cell-level that restricts access to the street address column if the row has the country column set to "UK", but allows access to the street address column if the row has the country column set to "US".

Filters apply only to read operations. Therefore, you can grant only the `SELECT` Lake Formation permission with filters.

Cell-level security on nested columns

Lake Formation allows you to define and apply data filters with cell-level security on nested columns. However, the integrated analytical engines such as Amazon Athena, Amazon EMR, and Amazon Redshift Spectrum support executing queries against Lake Formation managed nested tables with row and column-level security.

For limitations, see [Data filtering limitations](#).

Data filters in Lake Formation

You can implement column-level, row-level, and cell-level security by creating *data filters*. You select a data filter when you grant the SELECT Lake Formation permission on tables. If your table contains nested column structures, you can define a data filter by including or excluding the child columns and define row-level filter expressions on nested attributes.

Each data filter belongs to a specific table in your Data Catalog. A data filter includes the following information:

- Filter name
- The Catalog IDs of the table associated with the filter
- Table name
- Name of the database that contains the table
- Column specification – a list of columns and nested columns (with `struct` datatypes) to include or exclude in query results.
- Row filter expression – an expression that specifies the rows to include in query results. With some restrictions, the expression has the syntax of a WHERE clause in the PartiQL language. To specify all rows, choose **Access to all rows** under **Row-level access** in the console or use `AllRowsWildcard` in API calls.

For more information about what is supported in row filter expressions, see [PartiQL support in row filter expressions](#).

The level of filtering that you get depends on how you populate the data filter.

- When you specify the "all columns" wildcard and provide a row filter expression, you are establishing row-level security (row filtering) only.
- When you include or exclude specific columns and nested columns, and specify "all rows" using the all-rows wildcard, you are establishing column-level security (column filtering) only.

- When you include or exclude specific columns and also provide a row filter expression, you are establishing cell-level security (cell filtering).

The following screenshot from the Lake Formation console shows a data filter that performs cell-level filtering. For queries against the `orders` table, it restricts access to the `customer_name` column and the query results return only rows where the `product_type` column contains 'pharma'.

Create data filter



Data filter name

Enter a name that describes this data access filter.

restrict-pharma

Name may contain letters (A-Z), numbers (0-9), hyphens (-), or under-scores (_), and be less than 256 characters.

Target database

Select the database that contains the target table.

Choose databases



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sales



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Target table

Select the table for which the data filter will be created.

Choose tables



Load more

orders



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Column-level access

Choose whether this filter should have column-level restrictions.

- Access to all columns
Filter won't have any column restrictions.
- Include columns
Filter will only allow access to specific columns.
- Exclude columns
Filter will allow access to all but specific columns.

Select columns

Choose one or more columns



customer_name



string

Note the use of single quotes to enclose the string literal, 'pharma'.

You can use the Lake Formation console to create this data filter, or you can supply the following request object to the `CreateDataCellsFilter` API operation.

```
{
  "Name": "restrict-pharma",
  "DatabaseName": "sales",
  "TableName": "orders",
  "TableCatalogId": "111122223333",
  "RowFilter": {"FilterExpression": "product_type='pharma'"},
  "ColumnWildcard": {
    "ExcludedColumnNames": ["customer_name"]
  }
}
```

You can create as many data filters as you need for a table. In order to do so, you require `SELECT` permission with the grant option on a table. Data Lake Administrators by default have the permission to create *data filters* on all tables in that account. You typically only use a subset of the possible data filters when granting permissions on the table to a principal. For example, you could create a second data filter for the `orders` table that is a row-security-only data filter. Referring to the preceding screenshot, you could choose the **Access to all columns** option and include a row filter expression of `product_type<>'pharma'`. The name of this data filter could be `no-pharma`. It restricts access to all rows that have the `product_type` column set to 'pharma'.

The request object for the `CreateDataCellsFilter` API operation for this data filter is the following.

```
{
  "Name": "no-pharma",
  "DatabaseName": "sales",
  "TableName": "orders",
  "TableCatalogId": "111122223333",
  "RowFilter": {"FilterExpression": "product_type<>'pharma'"},
  "ColumnNames": ["customer_id", "customer_name", "order_num",
    "product_id", "purchase_date", "product_type",
    "product_manufacturer", "quantity", "price"]
}
```

You could then grant `SELECT` on the `orders` table with the `restrict-pharma` data filter to an administrative user, and `SELECT` on the `orders` table with the `no-pharma` data filter to non-

administrative users. For users in the healthcare sector, you would grant `SELECT` on the `orders` table with full access to all rows and columns (no data filter), or perhaps with yet another data filter that restricts access to pricing information.

You can include or exclude nested columns when specifying column-level and row-level security within a data filter. In the following example, access to the `product.offer` field is specified using qualified column names (wrapped in double quotes). This is important for nested fields in order to avoid errors occurring when column names contain special characters, and to maintain backward compatibility with top level column-level security definitions.

```
{
  "Name": "example_dcf",
  "DatabaseName": "example_db",
  "TableName": "example_table",
  "TableCatalogId": "111122223333",
  "RowFilter": { "FilterExpression": "customer.customerName <> 'John'" },
  "ColumnNames": ["customer", "\"product\\.\\.offer\""]
}
```

See also

- [Managing data filters](#)

PartiQL support in row filter expressions

You can construct row filter expressions using a subset of PartiQL data types, operators, and aggregations. Lake Formation does not allow any user defined or standard partiQL functions in the filter expression. You can use comparison operators to compare columns with constants (for example, `views >= 10000`), but you can't compare columns with other columns.

A Row filter expression may be a simple expression or a composite expression. Total length of the expression must be less than 2048 characters.

Simple expression

A simple expression will be of the format: `<column name > <comparison operator ><value >`

- **Column name**

It can either a top level data column, a partition column, or a nested column present in the table schema and must belong to the [Supported data types](#) listed below.

- **Comparison operator**

The following are the supported operators: =, >, <, >=, <=, <>, !=, BETWEEN, IN, LIKE, NOT, IS [NOT] NULL

- All string comparisons and LIKE pattern matches are case-sensitive. You can't use IS [NOT] NULL operator on partition columns.

- **Column value**

The Column value must match the data type of the column name.

Composite expression

A composite expression will be of the format: (<simple expression >) <AND/OR >(<simple expression >). Composite expressions can be further combined using logical operators AND/OR.

Supported data types

Row filters that refer to an AWS Glue Data Catalog table that contains an unsupported data types will result in an error. The following are the supported data types for table columns and constants, which are mapped to Amazon Redshift data types:

- STRING, CHAR, VARCHAR
- INT, LONG, BIGINT, FLOAT, DECIMAL, DOUBLE
- BOOLEAN
- STRUCT

For more information about data types in Amazon Redshift, see [Data types](#) in *Amazon Redshift Database Developer Guide*.

Row filter expressions

Example

The following are examples of valid row filter expressions for a table with columns: `country` (String), `id` (Long), `year` (partition column of type Integer), `month` (partition column of type Integer)

- `year > 2010 and country != 'US'`
- `(year > 2010 and country = 'US') or (month < 8 and id > 23)`
- `(country between 'Z' and 'U') and (year = 2018)`
- `(country like '%ited%') and (year > 2000)`

Example

The following is a valid examples of row filter expressions for a table with nested columns: `year > 2010` and `customer.customerId <> 1`

Nested fields under partition columns should not be referenced when defining nested row-level expressions.

String constants must be enclosed in single-quotes.

Reserved keywords

If your row filter expression contains PartiQL keywords, you will receive a parsing error as column names may conflict with the keywords. When this happens, escape the column names by using double quotes. Some examples of reserved keywords are “first”, “last”, “asc”, “missing”. See PartiQL specification for a list of reserved keywords.

PartiQL reference

For more information about PartiQL, see <https://partiql.org/>.

Permissions required for querying tables with cell-level filtering

The following AWS Identity and Access Management (IAM) permissions are required to run queries against tables with cell-level filtering.

```
{
```

```
"Version": "2012-10-17",
"Statement": [
  {
    "Effect": "Allow",
    "Action": [
      "lakeformation:StartQueryPlanning",
      "lakeformation:GetQueryState",
      "lakeformation:GetWorkUnits",
      "lakeformation:GetWorkUnitResults"
    ],
    "Resource": "*"
  }
]
```

For more information about Lake Formation permissions, see [Lake Formation personas and IAM permissions reference](#).

Managing data filters

To implement column-level, row-level, and cell-level security, you can create and maintain data filters. Each data filter belongs to a Data Catalog table. You can create multiple data filters for a table, and then use one or more of them when granting permissions on the table. You can also define and apply data filters on nested columns that have `struct` datatypes allowing users to access only sub-structures of nested columns.

You require `SELECT` permission with the grant option to create or view a data filter. To allow principals in your account to view and use a data filter, you can grant the `DESCRIBE` permission on it.

Note

Lake Formation doesn't support granting `Describe` permission on a data filter, which is shared from another account.

You can manage data filters by using the AWS Lake Formation console, the API, or the AWS Command Line Interface (AWS CLI).

For information about data filters, see [Data filters in Lake Formation](#)

Creating a data filter

You can create one or more data filters for each Data Catalog table.

To create a data filter for a Data Catalog table (console)

1. Open the Lake Formation console at <https://console.aws.amazon.com/lakeformation/>.

Sign as a data lake administrator, the target table owner, or a principal who has a Lake Formation permission on the target table.

2. In the navigation pane, under **Data catalog**, choose **Data filters**.
3. On the **Data filters** page, choose **Create new filter**.
4. In the **Create data filter** dialog box, enter the following information:
 - Data filter name
 - Target database – Specify the database that contains the table.
 - Target table
 - Column-level access – Leave this set to **Access to all columns** to specify row filtering only. Choose **Include columns** or **Exclude columns** to specify column or cell filtering, and then specify the columns to include or exclude.

Nested columns – If you're applying the filter on a table that contains nested columns, you can explicitly specify sub-structures of the nested struct columns within a data filter.

When you grant SELECT permission to a principal on this filter, the principal executing the following query, will only see the data for `customer.customerName` and not `customer.customerId`.

```
SELECT "customer" FROM "example_db"."example_table";
```

Column-level access

Choose whether this filter should have column-level restrictions.

Column-level access

Choose whether this filter should have column-level restrictions.

- Access to all columns
Filter won't have any column restrictions.
- Include columns
Filter will only allow access to specific columns.
- Exclude columns
Filter will allow access to all but specific columns.

Included columns (4/11)

Choose the columns for column-level access

< 1 >

<input type="checkbox"/>	Name	Type
<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/> customer	struct
<input type="checkbox"/>	customerId	string
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	customerName	string
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/> customerapplication	struct
<input type="checkbox"/>	appld	string
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/> product	struct
<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/> offer	struct
<input type="checkbox"/>	listingId	string
<input type="checkbox"/>	prodId	string
<input type="checkbox"/>	type	string
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	purchaseid	string

Row-level access

Choose whether this filter should have row-level restrictions.

- Access to all rows
- Filter rows

Row filter expression

Enter the rest of the following query statement `SELECT * FROM nested-table WHERE...`
Please see the documentation for examples of filter expressions.

`customer.customerName <> 'John'`

When you grant permissions to the `customer` column, the principal receives the access to the column and the nested fields under the column (`customerName` and `customerID`).

- Row filter expression – Enter a filter expression to specify row or cell filtering. For supported data types and operators, see [PartiQL support in row filter expressions](#). Choose **Access to all rows** to grant access to all .

You can include partial column structs from nested columns in a row filter expression to filter rows that contain specific value.

When a principal is granted permissions to a table with a row filter expression `Select * from example_nesttable where customer.customerName <> 'John'`, and **Column-level** access is set to **Access to all columns**, the query results shows only rows where `customerName <> 'John'` evaluates to true.

The following screenshot shows a data filter that implements cell filtering. In queries against the `orders` table, it denies access to the `customer_name` column and shows only rows that have 'pharma' in the `product_type` column.

Create data filter ✕

Data filter name

Enter a name that describes this data access filter.

restrict-pharma

Name may contain letters (A-Z), numbers (0-9), hyphens (-), or under-scores (_), and be less than 256 characters.

Target database

Select the database that contains the target table.

Choose databases ▼

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Target table

Select the table for which the data filter will be created.

Choose tables ▼

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orders ✕
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Column-level access

Choose whether this filter should have column-level restrictions.

- Access to all columns
Filter won't have any column restrictions.
- Include columns
Filter will only allow access to specific columns.
- Exclude columns
Filter will allow access to all but specific columns.

Select columns

Choose one or more columns ▼

customer_name ✕
string

5. Choose **Create filter**.

To create a data filter with cell-filter policies on a nested field

This section uses the following sample schema to show how to create a data cells filter:

```
[
  { name: "customer", type: "struct<customerId:string,customerName:string>" },
  { name: "customerApplication", type: "struct<appId:string>" },
  { name: "product", type:
"struct<offer:struct<prodId:string,listingId:string>,type:string>" },
  { name: "purchaseId", type: "string" },
]
```

1. On the **Create a data filter**, page enter a name for the data filter.
2. Next, use the drop-down to choose a database name and table name.
3. In the **Column-level access** section, choose **Included columns**, and select a nested column (`customer.customerName`).
4. In the **Row-level access** section, choose the **Access to all rows** option.
5. Choose **Create filter**.

When you grant SELECT permission on this filter, the principal gets access to all rows in the `customerName` column.

6. Next, define another data filter for the same database/table.
7. In the **Column-level access** section, choose **Included columns**, and select another nested column (`customer.customerid`).
8. In the **Row-level access** section, choose **Filter rows**, and enter a **Row filter expression** (`customer.customerid <> 5`).
9. Choose **Create filter**.

When you grant SELECT permission on this filter, the principal receives access to all rows in the `customerName`, and `customerid` fields except the cell where the value is 5 in the `customerid` column.

Granting data filter permissions

You can grant the SELECT, DESCRIBE and DROP Lake Formation permissions on data filters to principals.

At first, only you can view the data filters that you create for a table. To enable another principal to view a data filter and grant Data Catalog permissions with the data filter, you must either:

- Grant SELECT on a table to the principal with the grant option, and apply the data filter to the grant.
- Grant the DESCRIBE or DROP permission on the data filter to the principal.

You can grant the SELECT permission to an external AWS account. A data lake administrator in that account can then grant that permission to other principals in the account. When granting to an external account, you must include the grant option so that administrator of the external account can further cascade the permission to other users in his/her account. When granting to a principal in your account, granting with the grant option is optional.

You can grant and revoke permissions on data filters by using the AWS Lake Formation console, the API, or the AWS Command Line Interface (AWS CLI).

Console

1. Sign in to the AWS Management Console and open the Lake Formation console at <https://console.aws.amazon.com/lakeformation/>.
2. In the navigation pane, under **Permissions**, choose **Data lake permissions**.
3. On the **Permissions** page, in the **Data permissions** section, choose **Grant**.
4. On the **Grant data permissions** page, choose the principals to grant the permissions to.
5. In the LF-Tags or catalog resources section, choose **Named data catalog resources**. Then choose the database, table, and data filter for which you want to grant permissions.

LF-Tags or catalog resources

Resources matched by LF-Tags (recommended)
Manage permissions indirectly for resources or data matched by a specific set of LF-Tags.

Named data catalog resources
Manager permissions for specific databases or tables, in addition to fine-grained data access.

Databases
Select one or more databases.

Choose databases ▼ Load more

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Tables - optional
Select one or more tables.

Choose tables ▼ Load more

cloudtrail_logs_awslogs ✕
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Data filters - optional
Select one or more data filters.

Choose data filters ▼ Load more Create new

cloudtrail_lakeformation_filter ✕
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6. In the **Data filter permissions** section, choose the permissions you want to grant to the selected principals.

Data filter permissions

Data filter permissions
Choose specific access permissions to grant.

Select Describe Drop

Grantable permissions
Choose the permission that may be granted to others.

Select Describe Drop

AWS CLI

- Enter a `grant-permissions` command. Specify `DataCellsFilter` for the resource argument, and specify `DESCRIBE` or `DROP` for the `Permissions` argument and, optionally, for the `PermissionsWithGrantOption` argument.

The following example grants `DESCRIBE` with the grant option to user `datalake_user1` on the data filter `restrict-pharma`, which belongs to the `orders` table in the `sales` database in AWS account `1111-2222-3333`.

```
aws lakeformation grant-permissions --cli-input-json file://grant-params.json
```

The following are the contents of file `grant-params.json`.

```
{
  "Principal": {"DataLakePrincipalIdentifier":
    "arn:aws:iam::111122223333:user/datalake_user1"},
  "Resource": {
    "DataCellsFilter": {
      "TableCatalogId": "111122223333",
      "DatabaseName": "sales",
      "TableName": "orders",
      "Name": "restrict-pharma"
    }
  },
  "Permissions": ["DESCRIBE"],
  "PermissionsWithGrantOption": ["DESCRIBE"]
}
```

Granting data permissions provided by data filters

Data filters represent a subset of data within a table. To provide data access to principals, `SELECT` permissions need to be granted to those principals. With this permission the principals can:

- View the actual table name in list of tables shared with their account.
- Create data filters on the shared table and grant permissions to their users on those data filters.

Console

To grant SELECT permissions

1. Go to the **Permissions** page in the Lake Formation console, and then choose **Grant**.

AWS Lake Formation > Permissions

Too many permissions? Filter by database or table. In the navigation page, choose **Databases** or **Tables**. Then choose a database or table, and on the **Actions** menu, choose **View Permissions**.

Data permissions Refresh Revoke Grant

Filter permissions by property or value

Principal ▲ Principal type ▼ Resource type ▼ Database ▼ Table ▼ Resource ▼ Catalog ▼

2. Select the principals you want to provide access to, and select **Named data catalog resources**.

LF-Tags or catalog resources

Resources matched by LF-Tags (recommended)
Manage permissions indirectly for resources or data matched by a specific set of LF-Tags.

Named data catalog resources
Manager permissions for specific databases or tables, in addition to fine-grained data access.

Databases
Select one or more databases.

Choose databases ▼

Load more

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Tables - optional
Select one or more tables.

Choose tables ▼

Load more

cloudtrail_logs_awslogs ×
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Data filters - optional
Select one or more data filters.

Choose data filters ▼

Load more

Create new

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- To provide access to the data that the filter represents, choose **Select** under **Data filter permissions**.

Data filter permissions

Data filter permissions
Choose specific access permissions to grant.

Select Describe Drop

Grantable permissions
Choose the permission that may be granted to others.

Select Describe Drop

i Select permissions on data filters will grant access to the table 'cloudtrail_logs_awslogs'.

CLI

Enter a `grant-permissions` command. Specify `DataCellsFilter` for the resource argument, and specify `SELECT` for the `Permissions` argument.

The following example grants `SELECT` with the `grant` option to user `datalake_user1` on the data filter `restrict-pharma`, which belongs to the `orders` table in the `sales` database in AWS account `1111-2222-3333`.

```
aws lakeformation grant-permissions --cli-input-json file://grant-params.json
```

The following are the contents of file `grant-params.json`.

```
{
  "Principal": {
    "DataLakePrincipalIdentifier": "arn:aws:iam::111122223333:user/
datalake_user1"
  },
  "Resource": {
    "DataCellsFilter": {
      "TableCatalogId": "111122223333",
      "DatabaseName": "sales",
      "TableName": "orders",
      "Name": "restrict-pharma"
    }
  },
}
```

```
"Permissions": ["SELECT"]
}
```

Viewing data filters

You can use the Lake Formation console, AWS CLI, or the Lake Formation API to view data filters.

To view data filters, you must be a Data Lake administrator or have the required permissions on the data filters.

Console

1. Sign in to the AWS Management Console and open the Lake Formation console at <https://console.aws.amazon.com/lakeformation/>.
2. In the navigation pane, under **Data catalog**, choose **Data filters**.

The page displays the data filters you have access to.

Filter name	Table	Database	Table catalog ID
test-df	cloudtrailtest_cloudtrail	lakeformation_cloudtrail	

3. To view the data filter details, choose the data filter, and then choose **View**. A new window appears with the data filter detailed information.

View data filter
✕

Name
test-df

Database
lakeformation_cloudtrail

Table
cloudtrailtest_cloudtrail

Column-level access
Include

Row filter expression
true

Columns
eventversion, useridentity, eventtime, eventsource, eventname

Close

AWS CLI

Enter a `list-data-cells-filter` command and specify a table resource.

The following example lists the data filters for the `cloudtrailtest_cloudtrail` table.

```
aws lakeformation list-data-cells-filter --table '{ "CatalogId":"123456789012",
"DatabaseName":"lakeformation_cloudtrail", "Name":"cloudtrailtest_cloudtrail"}
```

API/SDK

Use the `ListDataCellsFilter` API and specify a table resource.

The following example uses Python to list the first 20 data filters for the `myTable` table.

```
response = client.list_data_cells_filter(
    Table = {
        'CatalogId': '111122223333',
        'DatabaseName': 'mydb',
        'Name': 'myTable'
    },
    MaxResults=20
```

)

Listing data filter permissions

You can use the Lake Formation console to view the permissions granted on data filters.

To view permissions on a data filter, you must be a Data Lake administrator or have the required permissions on the data filter.

Console

1. Sign in to the AWS Management Console and open the Lake Formation console at <https://console.aws.amazon.com/lakeformation/>.
2. In the navigation pane, under **Permissions**, choose **Data permissions**.
3. On the **Data Permissions** page, click or tap in the search field, and on the **Properties** menu, choose **Resource type**.
4. On the **Resource type** menu, choose **Resource type: Data cell filter**.

The data filters that you have permissions on are listed. You might have to scroll horizontally to see the **Permissions** and **Grantable** columns.

Principal	Resource type	Database	Table	Resource	Catalog	Permissions
datalake_admin	Data cell filter	sales	orders	no-pharma	111122223333	Describe, Drop, Select
datalake_admin	Data cell filter	sales	orders	restrict-pharma	111122223333	Describe, Drop, Select
datalake_user1	Data cell filter	sales	orders	restrict-pharma	111122223333	Describe
datalake_user2	Data cell filter	sales	orders	restrict-pharma	111122223333	Select

AWS CLI

- Enter a list-permissions command. Specify DataCellsFilter for the resource argument, and specify DESCRIBE or DROP for the Permissions argument and, optionally, for the PermissionsWithGrantOption argument.

The following example lists DESCRIBE permissions with the grant option on the data filter `restrict-pharma`. The results are limited to permissions granted for the principal

datalake_user1 and the orders table in the sales database in AWS account 1111-2222-3333.

```
aws lakeformation list-permissions --cli-input-json file://list-params.json
```

The following are the contents of file grant-params.json.

```
{
  "Principal": {"DataLakePrincipalIdentifier":
    "arn:aws:iam::111122223333:user/datalake_user1"},
  "Resource": {
    "DataCellsFilter": {
      "TableCatalogId": "111122223333",
      "DatabaseName": "sales",
      "TableName": "orders",
      "Name": "restrict-pharma"
    }
  },
  "Permissions": ["DESCRIBE"],
  "PermissionsWithGrantOption": ["DESCRIBE"]
}
```

Viewing database and table permissions in Lake Formation

You can view the Lake Formation permissions that are granted on a Data Catalog database or table. You can do so by using the Lake Formation console, the API, or the AWS Command Line Interface (AWS CLI).

Using the console, you can view permissions starting from the **Databases** or **Tables** pages, or from the **Data permissions** page.

Note

If you're not a database administrator or resource owner, you can view permissions that other principals have on the resource only if you have a Lake Formation permission on the resource with the grant option.

In addition to the required Lake Formation permissions, you need the AWS Identity and Access Management (IAM) permissions `glue:GetDatabases`, `glue:GetDatabase`, `glue:GetTables`, `glue:GetTable`, and `glue:ListPermissions`.

To view permissions on a database (console, starting from the Databases page)

1. Open the Lake Formation console at <https://console.aws.amazon.com/lakeformation/>.

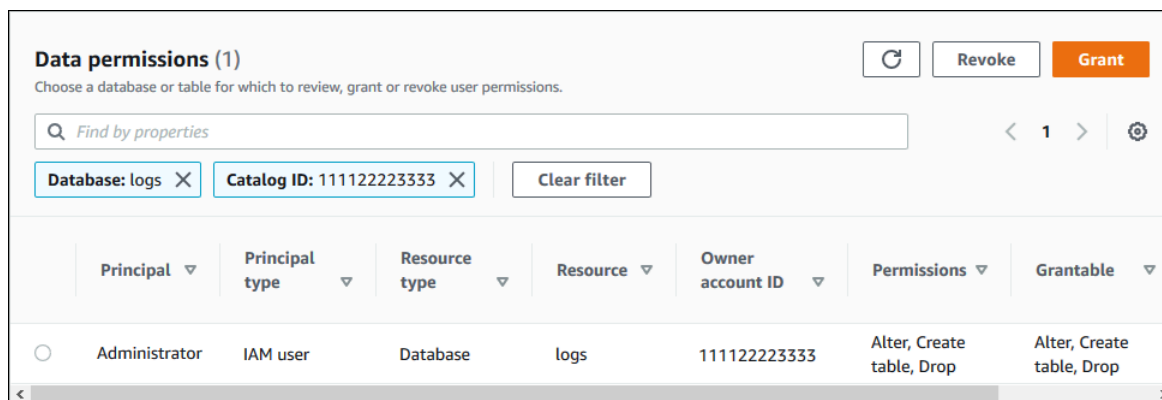
Sign in as a data lake administrator, the database creator, or as a user who has any Lake Formation permission on the database with the grant option.

2. In the navigation pane, choose **Databases**.
3. Choose a database, and on the **Actions** menu, choose **View permissions**.

Note

If you choose a database resource link, Lake Formation displays the permissions on the resource link, not on the target database of the resource link.

The **Data permissions** page lists all Lake Formation permissions for the database. The database name and catalog ID (AWS account ID) of the database owner appear as labels under the search box. The tiles indicate that a filter has been applied to list permissions only for that database. You can adjust the filter by closing a tile or choosing **Clear filter**.




Principal	Principal type	Resource type	Resource	Owner account ID	Permissions	Grantable	
<input type="radio"/>	Administrator	IAM user	Database	logs	111122223333	Alter, Create table, Drop	Alter, Create table, Drop

To view permissions on a database (console, starting from the Data permissions page)

1. Open the Lake Formation console at <https://console.aws.amazon.com/lakeformation/>.

Sign in as a data lake administrator, the database creator, or as a user who has any Lake Formation permission on the database with the grant option.

2. In the navigation pane, choose **Data permissions**.
3. Position the cursor in the search box at the top of the page, and on the **Properties** menu that appears, choose **Database**.
4. On the **Databases** menu that appears, choose a database.

 **Note**

If you choose a database resource link, Lake Formation displays the permissions on the resource link, not on the target database of the resource link.


The **Data permissions** page lists all Lake Formation permissions for the database. The database name appears as a tile under the search box. The tile indicates that a filter has been applied to list permissions only for that database. You can remove the filter by closing the tile or choosing **Clear filter**.

To view permissions on a table (console, starting from the Tables page)

1. Open the Lake Formation console at <https://console.aws.amazon.com/lakeformation/>.

Sign in as a data lake administrator, the table creator, or as a user who has any Lake Formation permission on the table with the grant option.

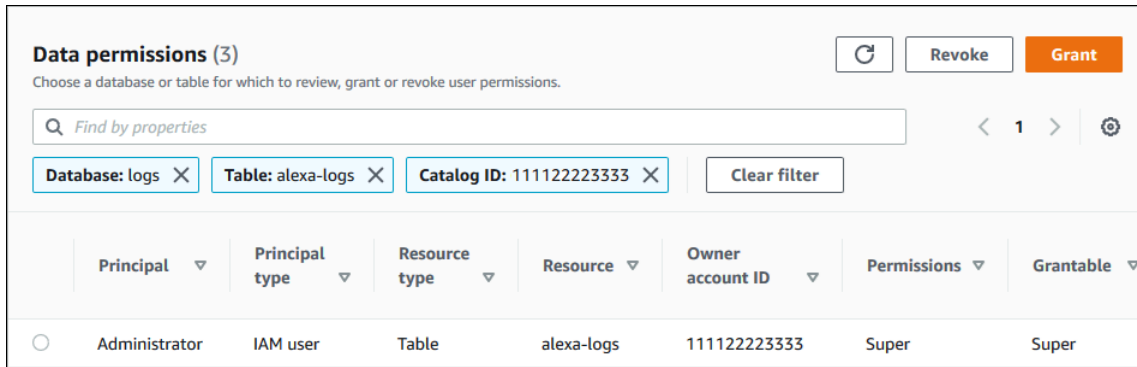
2. In the navigation pane, choose **Tables**.
3. Choose a table, and on the **Actions** menu, choose **View permissions**.

 **Note**

If you choose a table resource link, Lake Formation displays the permissions on the resource link, not on the target table of the resource link.

The **Data permissions** page lists all Lake Formation permissions for the table. The table name, the database name of the database that contains the table, and the catalog ID (AWS account ID) of the table owner appear as labels under the search box. The labels indicate that a filter

has been applied to list permissions only for that table. You can adjust the filter by closing a label or choosing **Clear filter**.



To view permissions on a table (console, starting from the Data permissions page)

1. Open the Lake Formation console at <https://console.aws.amazon.com/lakeformation/>.

Sign in as a data lake administrator, the table creator, or as a user who has any Lake Formation permission on the table with the grant option.

2. In the navigation pane, choose **Data permissions**.
3. Position the cursor in the search box at the top of the page, and on the **Properties** menu that appears, choose **Database**.
4. On the **Databases** menu that appears, choose a database.

⚠ Important

If you want to view permissions on a table that was shared with your AWS account from an external account, you must choose the database in the external account that contains the table, not a resource link to the database.

The **Data permissions** page lists all Lake Formation permissions for the database.

5. Position the cursor in the search box again, and on the **Properties** menu that appears, choose **Table**.
6. On the **Tables** menu that appears, choose a table.

The **Data permissions** page lists all Lake Formation permissions for the table. The table name and the database name of the database that contains the table appear as tiles under the

search box. The tiles indicate that a filter has been applied to list permissions only for that table. You can adjust the filter by closing a tile or choosing **Clear filter**.

To view permissions on a table (AWS CLI)

- Enter a `list-permissions` command.

The following example lists permissions on a table shared from an external account. The `CatalogId` property is the AWS account ID of the external account, and the database name refers to the database in the external account that contains the table.

```
aws lakeformation list-permissions --resource-type TABLE --resource '{ "Table":  
  {"DatabaseName":"logs", "Name":"alexa-logs", "CatalogId":"123456789012"} }'
```

Revoking permission using the Lake Formation console

You can use the console to revoke all types of Lake Formation permissions—Data Catalog permissions, policy tag permissions, data filter permissions, and location permissions.

To revoke Lake Formation permissions on a resource (console)

1. Open the Lake Formation console at <https://console.aws.amazon.com/lakeformation/>.

Sign in as a data lake administrator or as a user who has been granted permissions with the grant option on the resource.

2. In the navigation pane, under **Permissions**, choose **Data lake permissions, LF-Tags and permissions**, or **Data locations**.
3. Select the permission or location, and then choose **Revoke**.
4. In the dialog box that opens, choose **Revoke**.

Cross-account data sharing in Lake Formation

Lake Formation cross-account capabilities allow users to securely share distributed data lakes across multiple AWS accounts, AWS organizations or directly with IAM principals in another account providing fine-grained access to the Data Catalog metadata and underlying data. Large enterprises typically use multiple AWS accounts, and many of those accounts might need access to a data lake

managed by a single AWS account. Users and AWS Glue extract, transform, and load (ETL) jobs can query and join tables across multiple accounts and still take advantage of Lake Formation table-level and column-level data protections.

When you grant Lake Formation permissions on a Data Catalog resource to an external account or directly to an IAM principal in another account, Lake Formation uses the AWS Resource Access Manager (AWS RAM) service to share the resource. If the grantee account is in the same organization as the grantor account, the shared resource is available immediately to the grantee. If the grantee account is not in the same organization, AWS RAM sends an invitation to the grantee account to accept or reject the resource grant. Then, to make the shared resource available, the data lake administrator in the grantee account must use the AWS RAM console or AWS CLI to accept the invitation.

Lake Formation supports sharing Data Catalog resources with external accounts in hybrid access mode. Hybrid access mode provides the flexibility to selectively enable Lake Formation permissions for databases and tables in your AWS Glue Data Catalog.

With the Hybrid access mode, you now have an incremental path that allows you to set Lake Formation permissions for a specific set of users without interrupting the permission policies of other existing users or workloads.

For more information, see [Hybrid access mode](#).

Direct cross-account share

Authorized principals can share resources explicitly with an IAM principal in an external account. This feature is useful when an account owner wants to have control over who in the external account can access the resources. The permissions the IAM principal receives will be a union of direct grants and the account level grants that is cascaded down to the principals. The data lake administrator of the recipient account can view the direct cross-account grants, but cannot revoke permissions. The principal who receives the resource share cannot share the resource with other principals.

Methods for sharing Data Catalog resources

With a single Lake Formation grant operation, you can grant cross-account permissions on the following Data Catalog resources.


- A database
- An individual table (with optional column filtering)

- A few selected tables
- All tables in a database (by using the All Tables wildcard)

There are two options for sharing your databases and tables with another AWS account or IAM principals in another account.

- Lake Formation tag-based access control (LF-TBAC) (recommended)

Lake Formation tag-based access control is an authorization strategy that defines permissions based on attributes. You can use tag-based access control to share Data Catalog resources (databases, tables, and columns) with external IAM principals, AWS accounts, Organizations and organizational units (OUs). In Lake Formation, these attributes are called LF-tags. For more information, see [Managing a data lake using Lake Formation tag-based access control](#).

 **Note**

The LF-TBAC method of granting Data Catalog permissions use AWS Resource Access Manager for cross-account grants.

Lake Formation now supports granting cross-account permissions to Organizations and organizational units using LF-TBAC method.

To enable this capability, you need to update the **Cross account version settings** to **Version 3**.

For more information, see [Updating cross-account data sharing version settings](#).

- Lake Formation named resources

The Lake Formation cross-account data sharing using named resource method allows you to grant Lake Formation permissions with a grant option on Data Catalog tables and databases to external AWS accounts, IAM principals, organizations, or organizational units. The grant operation automatically shares those resources.

 **Note**

You can also allow the AWS Glue crawler to access a data store in a different account using Lake Formation credentials. For more information, see [Cross-account crawling](#) in AWS Glue Developer Guide.

Integrated services such as Athena and Amazon Redshift Spectrum require resource links to be able to include shared resources in queries. For more information about resource links, see [How resource links work in Lake Formation](#).

For considerations and limitation, see [Cross-account data sharing best practices and considerations](#).

Topics

- [Prerequisites](#)
- [Updating cross-account data sharing version settings](#)
- [Sharing Data Catalog tables and databases across AWS accounts or IAM principals from external accounts](#)
- [Granting permissions on a database or table shared with your account](#)
- [Granting resource link permissions](#)
- [Accessing the underlying data of a shared table](#)
- [Cross-account CloudTrail logging](#)
- [Managing cross-account permissions using both AWS Glue and Lake Formation](#)
- [Viewing all cross-account grants using the GetResourceShares API operation](#)

Related topics

- [Overview of Lake Formation permissions](#)
- [Accessing and viewing shared Data Catalog tables and databases](#)
- [Creating resource links](#)
- [Troubleshooting cross-account access](#)

Prerequisites

Before your AWS account can share Data Catalog resources (databases and tables) with another account or principals in another account, and before you can access the resources shared with your account, the following prerequisites must be met.

General cross-account data sharing requirements

- To share Data Catalog databases and tables in hybrid access mode, you need to update the **Cross account version settings** to **Version 4**.
- Before granting cross-account permissions on a Data Catalog resource, you must revoke all Lake Formation permissions from the `IAMAllowedPrincipals` group for the resource. If the calling principal has cross account permissions to access a resource and the `IAMAllowedPrincipals` permission exists on the resource, then Lake Formation throws `AccessDeniedException`.

This requirement is applicable only when you register the underlying data location in Lake Formation mode. If you register the data location in hybrid mode, the `IAMAllowedPrincipals` group permissions can exist on the shared database or table.

- For databases that contain tables that you intend to share, you must prevent new tables from having a default grant of `Super` to `IAMAllowedPrincipals`. On the Lake Formation console, edit the database and turn off **Use only IAM access control for new tables in this database** or enter the following AWS CLI command, replacing `database` with the name of the database. If the underlying data location is registered in hybrid access mode, you don't need to change this default setting. In hybrid access mode, Lake Formation allows you to selectively enforce Lake Formation permissions and IAM permissions policies for Amazon S3 and AWS Glue on the same resource.

```
aws glue update-database --name database --database-input
'{"Name": "database", "CreateTableDefaultPermissions": []}'
```

- To grant cross-account permissions, the grantor must have the required AWS Identity and Access Management (IAM) permissions on AWS Glue and AWS RAM service. The AWS managed policy `AWSLakeFormationCrossAccountManager` grants the required permissions.

Data lake administrators in accounts that receive resource shares using AWS RAM must have the following additional policy. It allows the administrator to accept AWS RAM resource share invitations. It also allows the administrator to enable resource sharing with organizations.

```
{
  "Version": "2012-10-17",
  "Statement": [
    {
      "Effect": "Allow",
```

```
    "Action": [
      "ram:AcceptResourceShareInvitation",
      "ram:RejectResourceShareInvitation",
      "ec2:DescribeAvailabilityZones",
      "ram:EnableSharingWithAwsOrganization"
    ],
    "Resource": "*"
  }
]
```

- If you want to share Data Catalog resources with AWS Organizations or organizational units, sharing with organizations must be enabled in AWS RAM.

For information on how to enable sharing with organizations, see [Enable sharing with AWS organizations](#) in the *AWS RAM User Guide*.

You must have the `ram:EnableSharingWithAwsOrganization` permission to enable sharing with organizations.

- To share resources directly with an IAM principal in another account, you need to update the **Cross account version settings** to **Version 3**. This setting is available on the **Data catalog settings** page. If you are using **Version 1**, see instructions to update the setting [Updating cross-account data sharing version settings](#).
- You cannot share Data Catalog resources encrypted with AWS Glue service managed key with another account. You can share only Data Catalog resources encrypted with customer's encryption key, and the account receiving the resource share must have permissions on the Data Catalog encryption key to decrypt the objects.

Cross-account data sharing using LF-TBAC requirements

- To share Data Catalog resources with AWS Organizations and organizational units (OUs), you need to update the **Cross account version settings** to **Version 3**.
- To share Data Catalog resources with version 3 of the **Cross account version settings**, the grantor requires to have the IAM permissions defined in the AWS managed policy `AWSLakeFormationCrossAccountManager` in your account.
- If you are using version 1 or version 2 of the **Cross account version settings**, you must have a Data Catalog resource policy (`glue:PutResourcePolicy`) that enables LF-TBAC. For more information, see [Managing cross-account permissions using both AWS Glue and Lake Formation](#).

- If you're currently using an AWS Glue Data Catalog resource policy to share resources, and you want to grant cross-account permissions using version 3 of the **Cross account version settings**, you must add the `glue:ShareResource` permission in the Data Catalog Settings using the `glue:PutResourcePolicy` API operation as shown in the [Managing cross-account permissions using both AWS Glue and Lake Formation](#) section. This policy is not required if your account has made no cross-account grants using the AWS Glue Data Catalog resource policy (version 1 and version 2 use `glue:PutResourcePolicy` permission) to grant cross-account access.

```
{
  "Effect": "Allow",
  "Action": [
    "glue:ShareResource"
  ],
  "Principal": {"Service": [
    "ram.amazonaws.com"
  ]},
  "Resource": [
    "arn:aws:glue:<region>:<account-id>:table/*/*",
    "arn:aws:glue:<region>:<account-id>:database/*",
    "arn:aws:glue:<region>:<account-id>:catalog"
  ]
}
```

- If your account has made cross-account shares using AWS Glue Data Catalog resource policy, and you are currently using named resource method or LF-TBAC with **Cross account settings** version 3 to share resources, which uses AWS RAM to share resources, you must set the `EnableHybrid` argument to `'true'` when you invoke the `glue:PutResourcePolicy` API operation. For more information, see [Managing cross-account permissions using both AWS Glue and Lake Formation](#).

Setup required in each account that accesses the shared resource

- If you are sharing resources with AWS accounts, at least one user in the consumer account must be a data lake administrator to view shared resources. For information on how to create a data lake administrator, see [Create a data lake administrator](#).

The data lake administrator can grant Lake Formation permissions on the shared resources to other principals in the account. Other principals can't access shared resources until the data lake administrator grants them permissions on the resources.

- Integrated services such as Athena and Redshift Spectrum require resource links to be able to include shared resources in queries. Principals need to create a resource link in their Data Catalog to a shared resource from another AWS account. For more information about resource links, see [How resource links work in Lake Formation](#).
- When a resource is shared directly with an IAM principal, to query the table using Athena, the principal needs to create a resource link. To create a resource link, the principal needs the Lake Formation `CREATE_TABLE` or `CREATE_DATABASE` permission, and the `glue:CreateTable` or `glue:CreateDatabase` IAM permission.

If the producer account shares a different table under the same database with the same or another principal, that principal can immediately query the table.

Note

For the data lake administrator and for principals whom the data lake administrator has granted permissions to, shared resources appear in the Data Catalog as if they are local (owned) resources. Extract, transform, and load (ETL) jobs can access the underlying data of shared resources.

For shared resources, the **Tables** and **Databases** pages on the Lake Formation console display the owner's account ID.

When the underlying data of a shared resource is accessed, CloudTrail log events are generated in both the shared resource recipient's account and the resource owner's account. The CloudTrail events can contain the ARN of the principal that accessed the data, but only if the recipient account opts in to include the principal ARN in the logs. For more information, see [Cross-account CloudTrail logging](#).

Updating cross-account data sharing version settings

From time to time, AWS Lake Formation updates the cross-account data sharing settings to distinguish the changes made to the AWS RAM usage and to support updates made to the cross-account data sharing feature. When Lake Formation does this, it creates a new version of the **Cross account version settings**.

Main differences between cross-account version settings

For more information about how cross-account data sharing works under different **Cross account version settings**, see the following sections.

Note

To share data with another account, the grantor must have `AWSLakeFormationCrossAccountManager` managed IAM policy permissions. This is a prerequisite for all versions.

Updating the **Cross account version settings** does not impact the permissions the recipient has on shared resources. This is applicable when updating from version 1 to version 2, version 2 to version 3, and version 1 to version 3. See the considerations listed below when updating versions.

Version 1

Named resource method: Maps each cross-account Lake Formation permission grant to one AWS RAM resource share. User (grantor role or principal) does not require additional permissions.

LF-TBAC method: Cross-account Lake Formation permission grants don't use AWS RAM to share data. User must have `glue:PutResourcePolicy` permission.

Benefits from updating versions: Initial version - not applicable.

Considerations when updating versions: Initial version - not applicable

Version 2

Named resource method: Optimizes the number of AWS RAM resource shares by mapping multiple cross-account permission grants with one AWS RAM resource share. User does not require additional permissions.

LF-TBAC method: Cross-account Lake Formation permission grants don't use AWS RAM to share data. User must have `glue:PutResourcePolicy` permission.

Benefits from updating versions: Scalable cross-account setup by optimal utilization of AWS RAM capacity.

Considerations when updating versions: Users who want to grant cross-account Lake Formation permissions must have the permissions in the `AWSLakeFormationCrossAccountManager`

AWS managed policy. Otherwise, you need to have `ram:AssociateResourceShare` and `ram:DisassociateResourceShare` permissions to successfully share resources with another account.

Version 3

Named resource method: Optimizes the number of AWS RAM resource shares by mapping multiple cross-account permission grants with one AWS RAM resource share. User does not require additional permissions.

LF-TBAC method: Lake Formation uses AWS RAM for cross-account grants. User must add `glue:ShareResource` statement to the `glue:PutResourcePolicy` permission. The recipient must accept resource share invitations from AWS RAM.

Benefits from updating versions: Supports the following capabilities:

- Allows sharing resources explicitly with an IAM principal in an external account.

For more information, see [Granting and revoking permissions on Data Catalog resources](#).

- Enables cross-account shares using LF-TBAC method to Organizations or organizational units (OUs).
- Removes the overhead of maintaining additional AWS Glue policies for cross-account grants.

Considerations when updating versions: When you use LF-TBAC method to share resources, if the grantor uses a version lower than version 3, and the recipient is using version 3 or higher, the grantor receives the following error message: "Invalid cross account grant request. Consumer account has opt-in to cross account version: v3. Please update `CrossAccountVersion` in `DataLakeSetting` to minimal version v3 (Service: AmazonDataCatalog; Status Code: 400; Error Code: `InvalidInputException`)". However, if the grantor uses version 3 and the recipient is using version 1 or version 2, the cross-account grants using LF-Tags go through successfully.

Cross-account grants made using the named resource method are compatible across different versions. Even if the grantor account is using an older version (version 1 or 2) and the recipient account is using a newer version (version 3 or higher), the cross-account access functionality operates seamlessly without any compatibility issues or errors.

To share resources directly with IAM principals in another account, only the grantor needs to use version 3.

Cross-account grants made using LF-TBAC method require users to have an AWS Glue Data Catalog resource policy in the account. When you update to version 3, LF-TBAC grants uses

AWS RAM. To allow AWS RAM based cross-account grants to succeed, you must add the `glue:ShareResource` statement to your existing Data Catalog resource policies as shown in the [Managing cross-account permissions using both AWS Glue and Lake Formation](#) section.

Version 4

The grantor needs version 4 or higher to share Data Catalog resources in hybrid access mode.

Optimize AWS RAM resource shares

New versions (version 2 and above) of cross-account grants optimally utilize AWS RAM capacity to maximize cross account usage. When you share a resource with an external AWS account or an IAM principal, Lake Formation may create a new resource share or associate the resource with an existing share. By associating with existing shares, Lake Formation reduces the number of resource share invitations a consumer needs to accept.

Enable AWS RAM shares via TBAC or share resources directly to principals

To share resources directly with IAM principals in another account or to enable TBAC cross-account shares to Organizations or organizational units, you need to update the **Cross account version settings** to version 3. For more information about AWS RAM resource limits, see [Cross-account data sharing best practices and considerations](#).

Required permissions for updating cross-account version settings

If a cross-account permission grantor has `AWSLakeFormationCrossAccountManager` managed IAM policy permissions, then there is no extra permission setup required for the cross-account permission grantor role or principal. However, if the cross-account grantor is not using the managed policy, then the grantor role or principal should have following IAM permissions granted for the new version of the cross-account grant to be successful.

```
{
  "Version": "2012-10-17",
  "Statement": [
    {
      "Sid": "VisualEditor1",
      "Effect": "Allow",
      "Action": [
        "ram:AssociateResourceShare",
```

```
        "ram:DisassociateResourceShare",
        "ram:GetResourceShares"
    ],
    "Resource": "*",
    "Condition": {
        "StringLike": {
            "ram:ResourceShareName": "LakeFormation*"
        }
    }
}
]
```

To enable the new version

Follow these steps to update **Cross account version settings** through the AWS Lake Formation console or the AWS CLI.

Console

1. Choose **Version 2**, **Version 3**, or **Version 4** under **Cross account version settings** on the **Data catalog settings** page. If you select **Version 1**, Lake Formation will use the default resource sharing mode.

AWS Lake Formation > Data catalog settings

Data catalog settings

Default permissions for newly created databases and tables

These settings maintain existing AWS Glue Data Catalog behavior. You can still set individual permissions on databases and tables, which will take effect when you revoke the Super permission from IAMAllowedPrincipals. See [Changing Default Settings for Your Data Lake](#).

- Use only IAM access control for new databases
- Use only IAM access control for new tables in new databases

Default permissions for AWS CloudTrail

These settings specify the information being shown in AWS CloudTrail.

Resource owners

Enter resource owners you wish to share your CloudTrail access details with.

Enter one or more AWS account IDs. Press Enter after each ID.

Cross account version settings

Version 1	cross account permissions. See
Version 2	
Version 3	
Version 3	

Cancel

Save

2. Choose **Save**.

AWS Command Line Interface (AWS CLI)

Use the `put-data-lake-settings` AWS CLI command to set the `CROSS_ACCOUNT_VERSION` parameter. Accepted values are 1, 2, 3, and 4.

```
aws lakeformation put-data-lake-settings --region us-east-1 --data-lake-settings
file://settings
{
```

```
"DataLakeAdmins": [
  {
    "DataLakePrincipalIdentifier": "arn:aws:iam::111122223333:user/test"
  }
],
"CreateDatabaseDefaultPermissions": [],
"CreateTableDefaultPermissions": [],
"Parameters": {
  "CROSS_ACCOUNT_VERSION": "3"
}
}
```

Important

Once you choose **Version 2** or **Version 3**, all new **named resource** grants will go through the new cross-account grant mode. To optimally use AWS RAM capacity for your existing cross-account shares, we recommend you to revoke the grants that were made with the older version, and re-grant in the new mode.

Sharing Data Catalog tables and databases across AWS accounts or IAM principals from external accounts

This section includes instructions on how to enable cross-account permissions on Data Catalog tables and databases to an external AWS account, IAM principal, organization, or organizational unit. The grant operation automatically shares those resources.

Topics

- [Data sharing using tag-based access control](#)
- [Cross-account data sharing using the named resource method](#)

Data sharing using tag-based access control

Set up required on the producer/grantor account


1. Define an LF tag. For instructions to create an LF-Tag, see [Creating LF-Tags](#).

2. Assign the LF-Tag to the target resource. For more information, see [Assigning LF-Tags to Data Catalog resources](#).
3. Grant LF-Tag permission to the external account. For more information, see [Granting LF-Tag permissions using the console](#).

At this point, the consumer data lake administrator should be able to find the policy tag being shared via the grantee account Lake Formation console, under **Permissions, Administrative roles and tasks, LF-Tags**.

4. Grant data permission to the external/grantee account.
 - a. In the navigation pane, under **Permissions, Data lake permissions**, choose **Grant**.
 - b. For **Principals**, choose **External accounts**, and enter the target AWS account ID or the IAM role of the principal or the Amazon Resource Name (ARN) for the principal (principal ARN).
 - c. For **LF-Tags or catalog resources**, choose the **key** and **values** of the **LF-Tag** that is being shared with the consumer account (**key** Confidentiality and **value** public).
 - d. For **Permissions**, under **Resources matched by LF-Tags (recommended)** choose **Add LF-Tag**.
 - e. Select the **key** and **value** of the tag that is being shared with the grantee account (key Confidentiality and value public).
 - f. For **Database permissions**, select **Describe** under **Database permissions** to grant access permissions at the database level.
 - g. The consumer data lake administrator should be able to find the policy tag being shared via the consumer account on the Lake Formation console at <https://console.aws.amazon.com/lakeformation/>, under **Permissions, Administrative roles and tasks, LF-Tags**.
 - h. Select **Describe** under **Grantable permissions** so the consumer account can grant database-level permissions to its users.

Because the data lake administrator must grant permissions on shared resources to the principals in the grantee account, cross-account permissions must always be granted with the grant option.

 **Note**

Principals who receive direct cross-account grants will not have the **Grantable permissions** option.

- i. For **Table and column permissions**, select **Select** and **Describe** under **Table permissions**.

- j. Select **Select** and **Describe** under **Grantable permissions**.
- k. Choose **Grant**.

Set up required on the receiving/grantee account

1. When you share a resource with another account, the resource still belongs to the producer account and is not visible within the Athena console. To make the resource visible in the Athena console, you need to create a resource link pointing to the shared resource. For instructions on creating a resource link, see [Creating a resource link to a shared Data Catalog table](#) and [Creating a resource link to a shared Data Catalog database](#)
2. You need to create a separate set of LF-Tags in the consumer account to use LF tag-based access control when sharing the resource links. Create and assign the required LF-Tags to the shared database/tables and the resource links.
3. Grant permissions on these LF-Tags to the IAM principals in the grantee account.

Cross-account data sharing using the named resource method

You can grant permissions directly to principals in the another AWS account, or to external AWS accounts or AWS Organizations. Granting Lake Formation permissions to Organizations or organizational units is equivalent to granting the permission to every AWS account in that organization or organizational unit.

When you grant permissions to external accounts or organizations, you must include the **Grantable permissions** option. Only the data lake administrator in the external account can access the shared resources until the administrator grants permissions on the shared resources to other principals in the external account.

Note

Grantable permissions option is not supported when granting permissions directly to IAM principals from external accounts.

Follow instructions in [Granting database permissions using the named resource method](#) to grant cross-account permissions using the named resource method.

Granting permissions on a database or table shared with your account

After a Data Catalog resource belonging to another AWS account is shared with your AWS account, as a data lake administrator, you can grant permissions on the shared resource to other principals in your account. You can't, however, grant permissions on the resource to other AWS accounts or organizations.

You can use the AWS Lake Formation console, the API, or the AWS Command Line Interface (AWS CLI) to grant the permissions.

To grant permissions on a shared database (named resource method, console)

- Follow the instructions in [Granting database permissions using the named resource method](#). In the **Database** list under **LF-Tags or catalog resources**, ensure that you select the database in the external account, not a resource link for the database.

If you don't see the database in the list of databases, ensure that you have accepted the AWS Resource Access Manager (AWS RAM) resource share invitation for the database. For more information, see [Accepting a resource share invitation from AWS RAM](#).

Also, for the CREATE_TABLE and ALTER permissions, follow the instructions in [Granting data location permissions \(same account\)](#), and be sure to enter the owning account ID in the **Registered account location** field.

To grant permissions on a shared table (named resource method, console)

- Follow the instructions in [Granting table permissions using the named resource method](#). In the **Database** list under **LF-Tags or catalog resources**, ensure that you select the database in the external account, not a resource link for the database.

If you don't see the table in the list of tables, ensure that you have accepted the AWS RAM resource share invitation for the table. For more information, see [Accepting a resource share invitation from AWS RAM](#).

Also, for the ALTER permission, follow the instructions in [Granting data location permissions \(same account\)](#), and be sure to enter the owning account ID in the **Registered account location** field.

To grant permissions on shared resources (LF-TBAC method, console)

- Follow the instructions in [Granting Data Catalog permissions](#). In the **LF-Tags or catalog resources** section, grant the exact LF-Tag expression that the external account granted to your account, or a subset of that expression.

For example, if an external account granted the LF-Tag expression `module=customers AND environment=production` to your account with the grant option, as a data lake administrator, you can grant that same expression, or `module=customers` or `environment=production` to a principal in your account. You can grant only the same or a subset of the Lake Formation permissions (for example, `SELECT`, `ALTER`, and so on) that were granted on resources through the LF-Tag expression.

To grant permissions on a shared table (named resource method, AWS CLI)

- Enter a command similar to the following. In this example:
 - Your AWS account ID is 1111-2222-3333.
 - The account that owns the table and that granted it to your account is 1234-5678-9012.
 - The `SELECT` permission is being granted on the shared table `pageviews` to user `datalake_user1`. That user is a principal in your account.
 - The `pageviews` table is in the `analytics` database, which is owned by account 1234-5678-9012.

```
aws lakeformation grant-permissions --principal
DataLakePrincipalIdentifier=arn:aws:iam::111122223333:user/datalake_user1
--permissions "SELECT" --resource '{ "Table": {"CatalogId":"123456789012",
"DatabaseName":"analytics", "Name":"pageviews"} }'
```

Note that the owning account must be specified in the `CatalogId` property in the `resource` argument.

Granting resource link permissions

Follow these steps to grant AWS Lake Formation permissions on one or more resource links to a principal in your AWS account.

After you create a resource link, only you can view and access it. (This assumes that **Use only IAM access control for new tables in this database** is not enabled for the database.) To permit other principals in your account to access the resource link, grant at least the DESCRIBE permission.

Important

Granting permissions on a resource link doesn't grant permissions on the target (linked) database or table. You must grant permissions on the target separately.

You can grant permissions by using the Lake Formation console, the API, or the AWS Command Line Interface (AWS CLI).

console

To grant resource link permissions using the Lake Formation console

1. Do one of the following:
 - For database resource links, follow the steps in [Granting database permissions using the named resource method](#). to do the following:
 1. Open the **Grant data lake permissions** page.
 2. Specify the databases. Specify one or more database resource links.
 3. Specify principals.
 - For table resource links, follow the steps in [Granting table permissions using the named resource method](#) to do the following:
 1. Open the **Grant data lake permissions** page.
 2. Specify tables. Specify one or more table resource links.
 3. Specify principals.
2. Under **Permissions**, select the permissions to grant. Optionally, select grantable permissions.

Permissions

Select the permissions to grant.

Resource link permissions
Grant resource-wide permissions.

Column-based permissions
Grant data access to specific columns.

Resource link permissions
Choose specific access permissions to grant.

Drop

Describe

Super

This permission is the union of the individual permissions above and supercedes them. [Learn More](#)

Grantable permissions
Choose the permission that may be granted to others.

Drop

Describe

Super

This permission is the union of the individual permissions above and supercedes them. [Learn More](#)

3. Choose **Grant**.

AWS CLI

To grant resource link permissions using AWS CLI

- Run the `grant-permissions` command, specifying a resource link as the resource.

Example

This example grants `DESCRIBE` to user `datalake_user1` on the table resource link `incidents-link` in the database `issues` in AWS account `1111-2222-3333`.

```
aws lakeformation grant-permissions --principal
DataLakePrincipalIdentifier=arn:aws:iam::111122223333:user/datalake_user1
--permissions "DESCRIBE" --resource '{ "Table": {"DatabaseName":"issues",
"Name":"incidents-link"} }'
```

See Also:

- [Creating resource links](#)
- [Lake Formation permissions reference](#)

Accessing the underlying data of a shared table

Assume that AWS account A shares a Data Catalog table with account B—for example, by granting SELECT with the grant option on the table to account B. For a principal in account B to be able to read the shared table's underlying data, the following conditions must be met:

- The data lake administrator in account B must accept the share. (This isn't necessary if accounts A and B are in the same organization or if the grant was made with the Lake Formation tag-based access control method.)
- The data lake administrator must re-grant to the principal the Lake Formation SELECT permission that account A granted on the shared table.
- The principal must have the following IAM permissions on the table, the database that contains it, and the account A Data Catalog.

Note

In the following IAM policy:

- Replace `<account-id-A>` with the AWS account ID of account A.
- Replace `<region>` with a valid Region.
- Replace `<database>` with the name of the database in account A that contains the shared table.
- Replace `<table>` with the name of the shared table.

```
{
  "Version": "2012-10-17",
  "Statement": [
    {
      "Effect": "Allow",
      "Action": [
```

```

    "glue:GetTable",
    "glue:GetTables",
    "glue:GetPartition",
    "glue:GetPartitions",
    "glue:BatchGetPartition",
    "glue:GetDatabase",
    "glue:GetDatabases"
  ],
  "Resource": [
    "arn:aws:glue:<region>:<account-id-A>:table/<database>/<table>",
    "arn:aws:glue:<region>:<account-id-A>:database/<database>",
    "arn:aws:glue:<region>:<account-id-A>:catalog"
  ]
},
{
  "Effect": "Allow",
  "Action": [
    "lakeformation:GetDataAccess"
  ],
  "Resource": [
    "*"
  ],
  "Condition": {
    "StringEquals": {
      "lakeformation:GlueARN": "arn:aws:glue:<region>:<account-id-
A>:table/<database>/<table>"
    }
  }
}
]
}

```

See Also:

- [Accepting a resource share invitation from AWS RAM](#)

Cross-account CloudTrail logging

Lake Formation provides a centralized audit trail of all cross-account access to data in your data lake. When a recipient AWS account accesses data in a shared table, Lake Formation copies the

CloudTrail event to the owning account's CloudTrail logs. Copied events include queries against the data by integrated services such as Amazon Athena and Amazon Redshift Spectrum, and data accesses by AWS Glue jobs.

CloudTrail events for cross-account operations on Data Catalog resources are similarly copied.

As a resource owner, if you enable object-level logging in Amazon S3, you can run queries that join S3 CloudTrail events with Lake Formation CloudTrail events to determine the accounts that have accessed your S3 buckets.

Topics

- [Including principal identities in cross-account CloudTrail logs](#)
- [Querying CloudTrail logs for Amazon S3 cross-account access](#)

Including principal identities in cross-account CloudTrail logs

By default, cross-account CloudTrail events added to the shared resource recipient's logs and copied to resource owner's logs contain only the AWS principal ID of the external account principal—not the human-readable Amazon Resource Name (ARN) of the principal (principal ARN). When sharing resources within trusted boundaries, such as within the same organization or team, you can opt in to include the principal ARN in the CloudTrail events. Resource owner accounts can then track the principals in recipient accounts that access their owned resources.

Important

As a shared resource recipient, to see the principal ARN in events in your own CloudTrail logs, you must opt in to share the principal ARN with the owner account.

If the data access occurs through a resource link, two events are logged in the shared resource recipient account: one for the resource link access and one for the target resource access. The event for the resource link access *does* include the principal ARN. The event for the target resource access does not include the principal ARN without the opt-in. The resource link access event is not copied to the owner account.

The following is an excerpt from a default cross-account CloudTrail event (without opt-in). The account performing the data access is 1111-2222-3333. This is the log that is shown in both the calling account and the resource owner account. Lake Formation populates logs in both accounts in the cross-account case.

```

{
  "eventVersion": "1.05",
  "userIdentity": {
    "type": "AWSAccount",
    "principalId": "AROAQGFTBBBG0BWV2EMZA:GlueJobRunnerSession",
    "accountId": "111122223333"
  },
  "eventSource": "lakeformation.amazonaws.com",
  "eventName": "GetDataAccess",
  ...
  ...
  "additionalEventData": {
    "requesterService": "GLUE_JOB",
    "lakeFormationRoleSessionName": "AWSLF-00-GL-111122223333-G13T0Rmng2"
  },
  ...
}

```

As a shared resource consumer, when you opt in to include the principal ARN, the excerpt becomes the following. The `lakeFormationPrincipal` field represents the end role or user performing the query through Amazon Athena, Amazon Redshift Spectrum, or AWS Glue jobs.

```

{
  "eventVersion": "1.05",
  "userIdentity": {
    "type": "AWSAccount",
    "principalId": "AROAQGFTBBBG0BWV2EMZA:GlueJobRunnerSession",
    "accountId": "111122223333"
  },
  "eventSource": "lakeformation.amazonaws.com",
  "eventName": "GetDataAccess",
  ...
  ...
  "additionalEventData": {
    "requesterService": "GLUE_JOB",
    "lakeFormationPrincipal": "arn:aws:iam::111122223333:role/ETL-Glue-Role",
    "lakeFormationRoleSessionName": "AWSLF-00-GL-111122223333-G13T0Rmng2"
  },
  ...
}

```

To opt in to include principal ARNs in cross-account CloudTrail logs

1. Open the Lake Formation console at <https://console.aws.amazon.com/lakeformation/>.
Sign in as the Administrator user, or a user with the Administrator Access IAM policy.
2. In the navigation pane, choose **Settings**.
3. On the **Data catalog settings** page, in the **Default permissions for AWS CloudTrail** section, for **Resource owners**, enter one or more AWS resource owner account IDs.
Press **Enter** after each account ID.
4. Choose **Save**.

Now cross-account CloudTrail events stored in the logs for both the shared resource recipient and the resource owner contain the principal ARN.

Querying CloudTrail logs for Amazon S3 cross-account access

As a shared resource owner, you can query S3 CloudTrail logs to determine the accounts that have accessed your Amazon S3 buckets (provided that you enabled object-level logging in Amazon S3). This applies only to S3 locations that you registered with Lake Formation. If shared resource consumers opt in to include principal ARNs in Lake Formation CloudTrail logs, you can determine the roles or users that accessed the buckets.

When running queries with Amazon Athena, you can join Lake Formation CloudTrail events and S3 CloudTrail events on the session name property. Queries can also filter Lake Formation events on `eventName="GetDataAccess"`, and S3 events on `eventName="Get Object"` or `eventName="Put Object"`.

The following is an excerpt from a Lake Formation cross-account CloudTrail event where data in a registered S3 location was accessed.

```
{
  "eventSource": "lakeformation.amazonaws.com",
  "eventName": "GetDataAccess",
  .....
  .....
  "additionalEventData": {
    "requesterService": "GLUE_JOB",
    "lakeFormationPrincipal": "arn:aws:iam::111122223333:role/ETL-Glue-Role",
    "lakeFormationRoleSessionName": "AWSLF-00-GL-111122223333-B8JSAjo5QA"
  }
}
```

```
}
}
```

The `lakeFormationRoleSessionName` key value, `AWSLF-00-GL-111122223333-B8JSAjo5QA`, can be joined with the session name in the `principalId` key of the S3 CloudTrail event. The following is an excerpt from the S3 CloudTrail event. It shows the location of the session name.

```
{
  "eventSource": "s3.amazonaws.com",
  "eventName": "Get Object"
  .....
  .....
  "principalId": "AROAQSOX5XXUR7D6RMYLR:AWSLF-00-GL-111122223333-B8JSAjo5QA",
  "arn": "arn:aws:sets::111122223333:assumed-role/Deformationally/AWSLF-00-GL-111122223333-B8JSAjo5QA",
  "session Context": {
    "session Issuer": {
      "type": "Role",
      "principalId": "AROAQSOX5XXUR7D6RMYLR",
      "arn": "arn:aws:iam::111122223333:role/aws-service-role/lakeformation.amazonaws.com/Deformationally",
      "accountId": "111122223333",
      "user Name": "Deformationally"
    },
    .....
    .....
  }
}
```

The session name is formatted as follows:

```
AWSLF-<version-number>-<query-engine-code>-<account-id>-<suffix>
```

version-number

The version of this format, currently `00`. If the session name format changes, the next version will be `01`.

query-engine-code

Indicates the entity that accessed the data. Current values are:

GL	AWS Glue ETL job
AT	Athena
RE	Amazon Redshift Spectrum

account-id

The AWS account ID that requested credentials from Lake Formation.

suffix

A randomly generated string.

Managing cross-account permissions using both AWS Glue and Lake Formation

It's possible to grant cross-account access to Data Catalog resources and underlying data by using either AWS Glue or AWS Lake Formation.

In AWS Glue, you grant cross-account permissions by creating or updating a Data Catalog resource policy. In Lake Formation, you grant cross-account permissions by using the Lake Formation GRANT/REVOKE permissions model and the `Grant Permissions` API operation.

Tip

We recommend that rely solely on Lake Formation permissions to secure your data lake.

You can view Lake Formation cross-account grants by using the Lake Formation console or the AWS Resource Access Manager (AWS RAM) console. However, those console pages don't show cross-account permissions granted by the AWS Glue Data Catalog resource policy. Similarly, you can view the cross-account grants in the Data Catalog resource policy using the **Settings** page of the AWS Glue console, but that page doesn't show the cross-account permissions granted using Lake Formation.

To ensure that you don't miss any grants when viewing and managing cross-account permissions, Lake Formation and AWS Glue require you to perform the following actions to indicate that you are aware of and are permitting cross-account grants by both Lake Formation and AWS Glue.

When granting cross-account permissions using the AWS Glue Data Catalog resource policy

If your account (grantor account or producer account) has made no cross-account grants that uses AWS RAM to share the resources, you can save a Data Catalog resource policy as usual in AWS Glue. However, if grants that involve AWS RAM resource shares have already been made, you must do one of the following to ensure that saving the resource policy succeeds:

- When you save the resource policy on the **Settings** page of the AWS Glue console, the console issues an alert stating that the permissions in the policy will be in addition to any permissions granted using the Lake Formation console. You must choose **Proceed** to save the policy.
- When you save the resource policy using the `glue:PutResourcePolicy` API operation, you must set the `EnableHybrid` field to 'TRUE' (type = string). The following code example shows how to do this in Python.

```
import boto3
import json

REGION = 'us-east-2'
PRODUCER_ACCOUNT_ID = '123456789012'
CONSUMER_ACCOUNT_IDS = ['111122223333']

glue = glue_client = boto3.client('glue')

policy = {
    "Version": "2012-10-17",
    "Statement": [
        {
            "Sid": "Cataloguers",
            "Effect": "Allow",
            "Action": [
                "glue:*"
            ],
            "Principal": {
                "AWS": CONSUMER_ACCOUNT_IDS
            },
            "Resource": [
                f"arn:aws:glue:{REGION}:{PRODUCER_ACCOUNT_ID}:catalog",
```

```

        f"arn:aws:glue:{REGION}:{PRODUCER_ACCOUNT_ID}:database/*",
        f"arn:aws:glue:{REGION}:{PRODUCER_ACCOUNT_ID}:table/*/*"
    ]
}

policy = json.dumps(policy)
glue.put_resource_policy(PolicyInJson=policy, EnableHybrid='TRUE')

```

For more information, see [PutResourcePolicy Action \(Python: put_resource_policy\)](#) in the *AWS Glue Developer Guide*.

When granting cross-account permissions using the Lake Formation named resources method

If there is no Data Catalog resource policy in your account (producer account), Lake Formation cross-account grants that you make proceed as usual. However, if a Data Catalog resource policy exists, you must add the following statement to it to permit your cross-account grants to succeed if they are made with the named resource method. Replace *<region>* with a valid Region name and *<account-id>* with your AWS account ID (producer account ID).

```

{
  "Effect": "Allow",
  "Action": [
    "glue:ShareResource"
  ],
  "Principal": {"Service": [
    "ram.amazonaws.com"
  ]},
  "Resource": [
    "arn:aws:glue:<region>:<account-id>:table/*/*",
    "arn:aws:glue:<region>:<account-id>:database/*",
    "arn:aws:glue:<region>:<account-id>:catalog"
  ]
}

```

Without this additional statement, the Lake Formation grant succeeds, but becomes blocked in AWS RAM, and the recipient account can't access the granted resource.

⚠ Important

When using the Lake Formation tag-based access control (LF-TBAC) method to make cross-account grants, you must have a Data Catalog resource policy with at least the permissions specified in [Prerequisites](#).

ℹ See Also:

- [Metadata access control](#) (for a discussion of the named resource method versus the Lake Formation tag-based access control (LF-TBAC) method).
- [Viewing shared Data Catalog tables and databases](#)
- [Working with Data Catalog Settings on the AWS Glue Console](#) in the *AWS Glue Developer Guide*
- [Granting Cross-Account Access](#) in the *AWS Glue Developer Guide* (for sample Data Catalog resource policies)

Viewing all cross-account grants using the `GetResourceShares` API operation

If your enterprise grants cross-account permissions using both an AWS Glue Data Catalog resource policy and Lake Formation grants, the only way to view all cross-account grants in one place is to use the `glue:GetResourceShares` API operation.

When you grant Lake Formation permissions across accounts by using the named resource method, AWS Resource Access Manager (AWS RAM) creates an AWS Identity and Access Management (IAM) resource policy and stores it in your AWS account. The policy grants the permissions required to access the resource. AWS RAM creates a separate resource policy for each cross-account grant. You can view all of these policies by using the `glue:GetResourceShares` API operation.

ℹ Note

This operation also returns the Data Catalog resource policy. However, if you enabled meta data encryption in Data Catalog settings, and you don't have permission on the AWS KMS key, the operation won't return the Data Catalog resource policy.

To view all cross-account grants

- Enter the following AWS CLI command.

```
aws glue get-resource-policies
```

The following is an example resource policy that AWS RAM creates and stores when you grant permissions on table `t` in database `db1` to AWS account `1111-2222-3333`.

```
{
  "Version": "2012-10-17",
  "Statement": [
    {
      "Effect": "Allow",
      "Action": [
        "glue:GetTable",
        "glue:GetTables",
        "glue:GetTableVersion",
        "glue:GetTableVersions",
        "glue:GetPartition",
        "glue:GetPartitions",
        "glue:BatchGetPartition",
        "glue:SearchTables"
      ],
      "Principal": {"AWS": [
        "111122223333"
      ]},
      "Resource": [
        "arn:aws:glue:<region>:111122223333:table/db1/t"
      ]
    }
  ]
}
```

See also:

- [GetResourceShares Action \(Python: `get_resource_policies`\)](#) in the *AWS Glue Developer Guide*

Accessing and viewing shared Data Catalog tables and databases

For the data lake administrator and for principals who have been granted permissions, resources that are shared with your AWS account appear in the Data Catalog as if they were resources in your account. The console displays the account that owns the resource.

You can view resources that are shared with your account by using the Lake Formation console. You can also use the AWS Resource Access Manager (AWS RAM) console to view both resources that are shared with your account and resources that you've shared with other AWS accounts by using the named resource method.

Important

When someone uses the named resource method to grant cross-account permissions on a Data Catalog resource to your account or AWS organization, Lake Formation uses the AWS Resource Access Manager (AWS RAM) service to share the resource. If your account is in the same AWS organization as the granting account, the shared resource is available to you immediately.

However, if your account is not in the same organization, AWS RAM sends an invitation to your account to accept or reject the resource share. Then, to make the shared resource available, the data lake administrator in your account must use the AWS RAM console or CLI to accept the invitation.

The Lake Formation console displays an alert if there is an AWS RAM resource share invitation waiting to be accepted. Only users authorized to view AWS RAM invitations receive the alert.

See Also:

- [Sharing Data Catalog tables and databases across AWS Accounts](#)
- [Cross-account data sharing in Lake Formation](#)
- [Accessing the underlying data of a shared table](#)
- [Metadata access control](#) (for information about the named resource method versus the LF-TBAC method for sharing resources.)

Topics

- [Accepting a resource share invitation from AWS RAM](#)
- [Viewing shared Data Catalog tables and databases](#)

Accepting a resource share invitation from AWS RAM

If a Data Catalog resource is shared with your AWS account and your account is not in the same AWS organization as the sharing account, you do not have access to the shared resource until you accept a resource share invitation from AWS Resource Access Manager (AWS RAM). As a data lake administrator, you must first query AWS RAM for pending invitations and then accept the invitation.

You can use the AWS RAM console, API, or AWS Command Line Interface (AWS CLI) to view and accept invitations.

To view and accept a resource share invitation from AWS RAM (console)

1. Ensure that you have the required AWS Identity and Access Management (IAM) permissions to view and accept resource share invitations.

For information about the suggested IAM policies for data lake administrators, see [the section called “Data lake administrator permissions”](#).

2. Follow the instructions in [Accepting and Rejecting Invitations](#) in the *AWS RAM User Guide*.

To view and accept a resource share invitation from AWS RAM (AWS CLI)

1. Ensure that you have the required AWS Identity and Access Management (IAM) permissions to view and accept resource share invitations.

For information about the suggested IAM policies for data lake administrators, see [the section called “Data lake administrator permissions”](#).

2. Enter the following command to view pending resource share invitations.

```
aws ram get-resource-share-invitations
```

The output should be similar to the following.

```
{
  "resourceShareInvitations": [
    {
      "resourceShareInvitationArn": "arn:aws:ram:us-
east-1:111122223333:resource-share-invitation/a93aa60a-1bd9-46e8-96db-
a4e72eec1d9f",
      "resourceShareName": "111122223333-123456789012-uswuU",
      "resourceShareArn": "arn:aws:ram:us-east-1:111122223333:resource-
share/2a4ab5fb-d859-4751-84f7-8760b35fc1fe",
      "senderAccountId": "111122223333",
      "receiverAccountId": "123456789012",
      "invitationTimestamp": 1589576601.79,
      "status": "PENDING"
    }
  ]
}
```

Note the status of PENDING.

3. Copy the value of the `resourceShareInvitationArn` key to the clipboard.
4. Paste the value into the following command, replacing `<invitation-arn>`, and enter the command.

```
aws ram accept-resource-share-invitation --resource-share-invitation-
arn <invitation-arn>
```

The output should be similar to the following.

```
{
  "resourceShareInvitations": [
    {
      "resourceShareInvitationArn": "arn:aws:ram:us-
east-1:111122223333:resource-share-invitation/a93aa60a-1bd9-46e8-96db-
a4e72eec1d9f",
      "resourceShareName": "111122223333-123456789012-uswuU",
      "resourceShareArn": "arn:aws:ram:us-east-1:111122223333:resource-
share/2a4ab5fb-d859-4751-84f7-8760b35fc1fe",
      "senderAccountId": "111122223333",
      "receiverAccountId": "123456789012",
      "invitationTimestamp": 1589576601.79,
      "status": "ACCEPTED"
    }
  ]
}
```



```

    }
  ]
}

```

Note the status of ACCEPTED.

Viewing shared Data Catalog tables and databases

You can view resources that are shared with your account by using the Lake Formation console or AWS CLI. You can also use the AWS Resource Access Manager (AWS RAM) console or CLI to view both resources that are shared with your account and resources that you've shared with other AWS accounts.

To view shared resources using the Lake Formation console

1. Open the Lake Formation console at <https://console.aws.amazon.com/lakeformation/>.

Sign in as a data lake administrator or a user who has been granted permissions on a shared table.

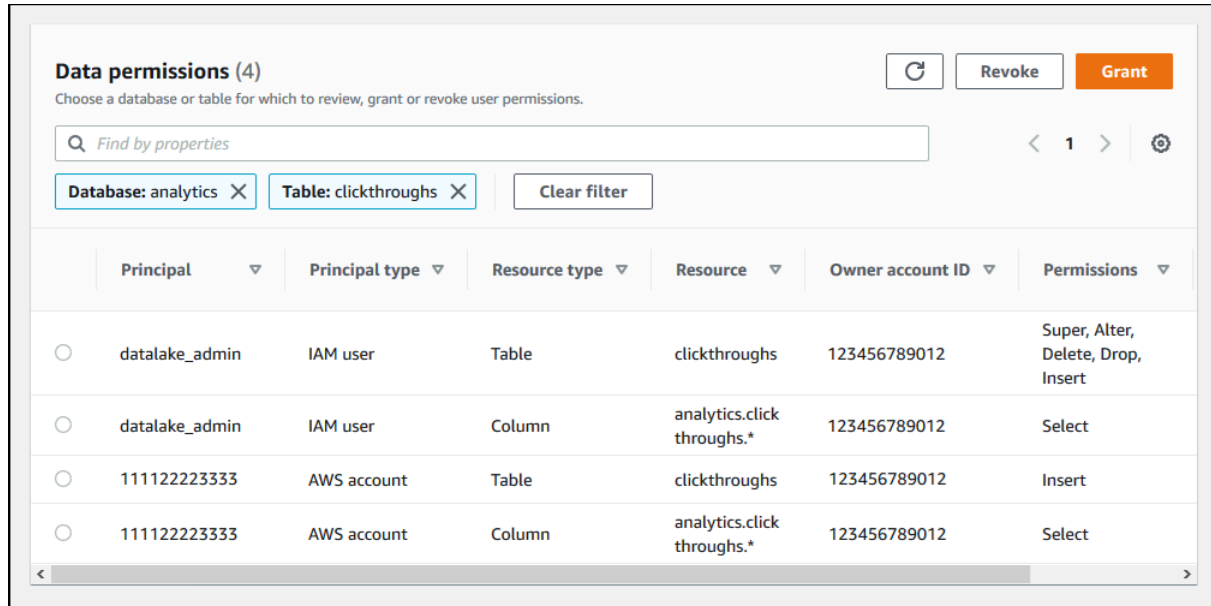
2. To view resources that are shared with your AWS account, do one of the following:
 - To view tables that are shared with your account, in the navigation pane, choose **Tables**.
 - To view databases that are shared with your account, in the navigation pane, choose **Databases**.

The console displays a list of databases or tables both in your account and shared with your account. For resources that are shared with your account, the console displays the owner's AWS account ID under the **Owner account ID** column (the third column in the following screenshot).

	Name	Database	Owner account ...	Shared resource	Shared resource owner
<input type="radio"/>	adviews	analytics	111122223333	-	-
<input type="radio"/>	pageviews	analytics	111122223333	-	-
<input type="radio"/>	blackholes	hubble	123456789012	-	-
<input type="radio"/>	celestial-events	hubble	123456789012	-	-
<input type="radio"/>	suns	hubble	123456789012	-	-

- To view resources that you shared with other AWS accounts or organizations, in the navigation pane, choose **Data permissions**.

Resources that you shared are listed on the **Data permissions** page with the external account number shown in the **Principal** column, as shown in the following image.



To view shared resources using the AWS RAM console

- Ensure that you have the required AWS Identity and Access Management (IAM) permissions to view shared resources using AWS RAM.

At a minimum, you must have the `ram:ListResources` permission. This permission is included in the AWS managed policy `AWSLakeFormationCrossAccountManager`.

- Sign in to the AWS Management Console and open the AWS RAM console at <https://console.aws.amazon.com/ram>.
- Do one of the following:
 - To see resources that you shared, in the navigation pane, under **Shared by me**, choose **Shared resources**.
 - To see resources that are shared with you, in the navigation pane, under **Shared with me**, choose **Shared resources**.

Creating resource links

Resource links are Data Catalog objects that are links to metadata databases and tables—typically to shared databases and tables from other AWS accounts. They help to enable cross-account access to data in the data lake across all AWS Regions.

Note

Lake Formation supports querying Data Catalog tables across AWS Regions. You can access the Data Catalog databases and tables from any AWS Region by creating resource links in those regions that point to shared databases and tables in different Regions.

Topics

- [How resource links work in Lake Formation](#)
- [Creating a resource link to a shared Data Catalog table](#)
- [Creating a resource link to a shared Data Catalog database](#)
- [Resource link handling in AWS Glue APIs](#)

How resource links work in Lake Formation

A *resource link* is a Data Catalog object that is a link to a local or shared database or table. After you create a resource link to a database or table, you can use the resource link name wherever you would use the database or table name. Along with tables that you own or tables that are shared with you, table resource links are returned by `glue:GetTables()` and appear as entries on the **Tables** page of the Lake Formation console. Resource links to databases act in a similar manner.

Creating a resource link to a database or table enables you to do the following:

- Assign a different name to a database or table in your Data Catalog. This is especially useful if different AWS accounts share databases or tables with the same name, or if multiple databases in your account have tables with the same name.
- Access the Data Catalog databases and tables from any AWS Region by creating resource links in those regions pointing to the database and tables in another region. You can run queries in any region with these resource links using Athena, Amazon EMR and run AWS Glue ETL Spark jobs, without copying source data nor the metadata in Glue Data Catalog.

- Use integrated AWS services such as Amazon Athena and Amazon Redshift Spectrum to run queries that access shared databases or tables. Some integrated services can't directly access databases or tables across accounts. However, they can access resource links in your account to databases and tables in other accounts.

Note

You don't need to create a resource link to reference a shared database or table in AWS Glue extract, transform, and load (ETL) scripts. However, to avoid ambiguity when multiple AWS accounts share a database or table with the same name, you can either create and use a resource link or specify the catalog ID when invoking ETL operations.

The following example shows the Lake Formation console **Tables** page, which lists two resource links. Resource link names are always displayed in italics. Each resource link is displayed along with the name and owner of its linked shared resource. In this example, a data lake administrator in AWS account 1111-2222-3333 shared the `inventory` and `incidents` tables with account 1234-5678-9012. A user in that account then created resource links to those shared tables.

Name	Database	Owner account ...	Shared resource	Shared resource owner
<i>inventory-link</i>	retail	123456789012	inventory	111122223333
<i>incidents-link</i>	issues-local	123456789012	incidents	111122223333
site-logs	logs	123456789012	-	-
alexa-logs	logs	123456789012	-	-

The following are notes and restrictions on resource links:

- Resource links are required to enable integrated services such as Athena and Redshift Spectrum to query the underlying data of shared tables. Queries in these integrated services are constructed against the resource link names.
- Assuming that the setting **Use only IAM access control for new tables in this database** is turned off for the containing database, only the principal who created a resource link can view and access it. To enable other principals in your account to access a resource link, grant the DESCRIBE permission on it. To enable others to drop a resource link, grant the DROP permission

on it. Data lake administrators can access all resource links in the account. To drop a resource link created by another principal, the data lake administrator must first grant themselves the DROP permission on the resource link. For more information, see [Lake Formation permissions reference](#).

Important

Granting permissions on a resource link doesn't grant permissions on the target (linked) database or table. You must grant permissions on the target separately.

- To create a resource link, you need the Lake Formation CREATE_TABLE or CREATE_DATABASE permission, as well as the glue:CreateTable or glue:CreateDatabase AWS Identity and Access Management (IAM) permission.
- You can create resource links to local (owned) Data Catalog resources, as well as to resources shared with your AWS account.
- When you create a resource link, no check is performed to see if the target shared resource exists or whether you have cross-account permissions on the resource. This enables you to create the resource link and shared resource in any order.
- If you delete a resource link, the linked shared resource is not dropped. If you drop a shared resource, resource links to that resource are not deleted.
- It's possible to create resource link chains. However, there is no value in doing so, because the APIs follow only the first resource link.

See also:

- [Granting and revoking permissions on Data Catalog resources](#)

Creating a resource link to a shared Data Catalog table

You can create a resource link to a shared table in any AWS Region by using the AWS Lake Formation console, API, or AWS Command Line Interface (AWS CLI).

To create a resource link to a shared table (console)

1. Open the AWS Lake Formation console at <https://console.aws.amazon.com/lakeformation/>. Sign in as a principal who has the Lake Formation CREATE_TABLE permission on the database to contain the resource link.
2. In the navigation pane, choose **Tables**, and then choose **Create, Resource link**.
3. On the **Create resource link** page, provide the following information:

Resource link name

Enter a name that adheres to the same rules as a table name. The name can be the same as the target shared table.

Database

The database in the local Data Catalog to contain the resource link.

Shared table owner Region

If you are creating the resource link in a different Region, select the region of the target shared table.

Shared table

Select a shared table from the list, or enter a local (owned) or shared table name.

The list contains all the tables shared with your account. Note the database and owner account ID that are listed with each table. If you don't see a table that you know was shared with your account, check the following:

- If you aren't a data lake administrator, check that the data lake administrator granted you Lake Formation permissions on the table.
- If you are a data lake administrator, and your account is not in the same AWS organization as the granting account, ensure that you have accepted the AWS Resource Access Manager (AWS RAM) resource share invitation for the table. For more information, see [Accepting a resource share invitation from AWS RAM](#).

Shared table's database

If you selected a shared table from the list, this field is populated with the shared table's database in the external account. Otherwise, enter a local database (for a resource link to a local table) or the shared table's database in the external account.

Shared table owner

If you selected a shared table from the list, this field is populated with the shared table's owner account ID. Otherwise, enter your AWS account ID (for a resource link to a local table) or the ID of the AWS account that shared the table.

4. Choose **Create** to create the resource link.

You can then view the resource link name under the **Name** column on the **Tables** page.

5. (Optional) Grant the Lake Formation DESCRIBE permission on the resource link to principals that must be able to view the link and access the target table.

However, granting permissions on a resource link doesn't grant permissions on the target (linked) database or table. You must grant permissions on the target database separately for the table/resource link to be visible in Athena.

To create a resource link to a shared table in the same Region (AWS CLI)

1. Enter a command similar to the following.

```
aws glue create-table --database-name myissues --table-input
'{"Name":"my_customers","TargetTable":
{"CatalogId":"111122223333","DatabaseName":"issues","Name":"customers"}}'
```

This command creates a resource link named `my_customers` to the shared table `customers`, which is in the database `issues` in the AWS account 1111-2222-3333. The resource link is stored in the local database `myissues`.

2. (Optional) Grant the Lake Formation DESCRIBE permission on the resource link to principals that must be able to view the link and access the target table.

However, granting permissions on a resource link doesn't grant permissions on the target (linked) table. You must grant permissions on the target database separately for the table/resource link to be visible in Athena.

To create a resource link to a shared table in a different Region (AWS CLI)

1. Enter a command similar to the following.

```
aws glue create-table --region eu-west-1 --cli-input-json '{
  "CatalogId": "111122223333",
  "DatabaseName": "ireland_db",
  "TableInput": {
    "Name": "rl_useast1salestb_ireland",
    "TargetTable": {
      "CatalogId": "444455556666",
      "DatabaseName": "useast1_salesdb",
      "Region": "us-east-1",
      "Name": "useast1_salestb"
    }
  }
}'
```

This command creates a resource link named `rl_useast1salestb_ireland` in the Europe (Ireland) Region to the shared table `useast1_salestb`, which is in the database `useast1_salesdb` in the AWS account `444455556666` in the US East (N. Virginia) Region. The resource link is stored in the local database `ireland_db`.

2. Grant the Lake Formation DESCRIBE permission to principals that must be able to view the link and access the link target through the link.

However, granting permissions on a resource link doesn't grant permissions on the target (linked) table. You must grant permissions on the target table separately for the table/resource link to be visible in Athena.

See also:

- [How resource links work in Lake Formation](#)
- [DESCRIBE](#)

Creating a resource link to a shared Data Catalog database

You can create a resource link to a shared database by using the AWS Lake Formation console, API, or AWS Command Line Interface (AWS CLI).

To create a resource link to a shared database (console)

1. Open the AWS Lake Formation console at <https://console.aws.amazon.com/lakeformation/>. Sign in as a data lake administrator or as a database creator.

A database creator is a principal who has been granted the Lake Formation `CREATE_DATABASE` permission.

2. In the navigation pane, choose **Databases**, and then choose **Create, Resource link**.
3. On the **Create resource link** page, provide the following information:

Resource link name

Enter a name that adheres to the same rules as a database name. The name can be the same as the target shared database.

Shared database owner Region

If you are creating the resource link in a different Region, select the Region of the target shared database.

Shared database

Choose a database from the list, or enter a local (owned) or shared database name.

The list contains all the databases shared with your account. Note the owner account ID that is listed with each database. If you don't see a database that you know was shared with your account, check the following:

- If you aren't a data lake administrator, check that the data lake administrator granted you Lake Formation permissions on the database.
- If you are a data lake administrator, and your account is not in the same AWS organization as the granting account, ensure that you have accepted the AWS Resource Access Manager (AWS RAM) resource share invitation for the database. For more information, see [Accepting a resource share invitation from AWS RAM](#).

Shared database owner

If you selected a shared database from the list, this field is populated with the shared database's owner account ID. Otherwise, enter your AWS account ID (for a resource link to a local database) or the ID of the AWS account that shared the database.

[AWS Lake Formation](#) > [Databases](#) > [Create database](#)

Create database

Database details
Create a database in the AWS Glue Data Catalog.

Database
Create a database in my account.

Resource link
Create a resource link to a shared database.

Resource link name
rl_useast1shared_irelanddb

Name may contain letters (A-Z), numbers (0-9), hyphens (-), or underscores (_), and must be less than 256 characters long.

Shared database owner region
Select the region where the database is shared

US East (N. Virginia) ▼

Shared database
Enter or choose a shared database.

Q useast1shared_db X

Shared database's owner ID
Enter the AWS account ID of the shared database owner.

444455556666

[Cancel](#) [Create](#)

4. Choose **Create** to create the resource link.

You can then view the resource link name under the **Name** column on the **Databases** page.

5. (Optional) Grant the Lake Formation DESCRIBE permission on the resource link to principals from the Europe (Ireland) Region that must be able to view the link and access the target database.

However, granting permissions on a resource link doesn't grant permissions on the target (linked) database or table. You must grant permissions on the target database separately for the table/resource link to be visible in Athena.

To create a resource link to a shared database in the same Region(AWS CLI)

1. Enter a command similar to the following.

```
aws glue create-database --database-input '{"Name":"myissues","TargetDatabase":
{"CatalogId":"111122223333","DatabaseName":"issues"}}'
```

This command creates a resource link named `myissues` to the shared database `issues`, which is in the AWS account `1111-2222-3333`.

2. (Optional) Grant the Lake Formation DESCRIBE permission to principals on the resource link that must be able to view the link and access the target database or table.

However, granting permissions on a resource link doesn't grant permissions on the target (linked) database or table. You must grant permissions on the target database separately for the table/resource link to be visible in Athena.

To create a resource link to a shared database in a different Region(AWS CLI)

1. Enter a command similar to the following.

```
aws glue create-database --region eu-west-1 --cli-input-json '{
  "CatalogId": "111122223333",
  "DatabaseInput": {
    "Name": "rl_useast1shared_irelanddb",
    "TargetDatabase": {
      "CatalogId": "444455556666",
      "DatabaseName": "useast1shared_db",
      "Region": "us-east-1"
    }
  }
}'
```

This command creates a resource link named `rl_useast1shared_irelanddb` in the AWS account `111122223333` in the Europe (Ireland) Region to the shared database `useast1shared_db`, which is in the AWS account `444455556666` in the US East (N. Virginia) Region.

2. Grant the Lake Formation DESCRIBE permission to principals from the Europe (Ireland) Region that must be able to view the link and access the link target through the link.

See also:

- [How resource links work in Lake Formation](#)
- [DESCRIBE](#)

Resource link handling in AWS Glue APIs

The following tables explain how the AWS Glue Data Catalog APIs handle database and table resource links. For all Get* API operations, only databases and tables that the caller has permissions on get returned. Also, when accessing a target database or table through a resource link, you must have both AWS Identity and Access Management (IAM) and Lake Formation permissions on both the target and the resource link. The Lake Formation permission that is required on resource links is DESCRIBE. For more information, see [DESCRIBE](#).

Database API operations

API operation	Resource link handling
CreateDatabase	If the database is a resource link, creates the resource link to the designated target database.
UpdateDatabase	If the designated database is a resource link, follows the link and updates the target database. If the resource link must be modified to link to a different database, you must delete it and create a new one.
DeleteDatabase	Deletes the resource link. It doesn't delete the linked (target) database.
GetDatabase	If the caller has permissions on the target, follows the link to return the target's properties. Otherwise, it returns the properties of the link.
GetDatabases	Returns a list of databases, including resource links. For each resource link in the result set, the operation follows the link to get the properties of the link target. You must specify <code>ResourceShareType = ALL</code> to see the databases shared with your account.

Table API operations

API operation	Resource link handling
CreateTable	If the database is a resource link, follows the database link and creates a table in the target database. If the table is a resource link, the operation creates the resource link in the designated database. Creating a table resource link through a database resource link is not supported.
UpdateTable	If either the table or designated database is a resource link, updates the target table. If both the table and database are resource links, the operation fails.
DeleteTable	If the designated database is a resource link, follows the link and deletes the table or table resource link in the target database. If the table is a resource link, the operation deletes the table resource link in the designated database. Deleting a table resource link does not delete the target table.
BatchDeleteTable	Same as DeleteTable .
GetTable	If the designated database is a resource link, follows the database link and returns the table or table resource link from the target database. Otherwise, if the table is a resource link, the operation follows the link and returns the target table properties.
GetTables	If the designated database is a resource link, follows the database link and returns the tables and table resource links from the target database. If the target database is a shared database from another AWS account, the operation returns only the shared tables in that database. It doesn't follow the table resource links in the target database. Otherwise, if the designated database is a local (owned) database, the operation returns all the tables in the local database, and follows each table resource link to return target table properties.

API operation	Resource link handling
SearchTables	Returns tables and table resource links. It doesn't follow links to return target table properties. You must specify <code>ResourceShareType = ALL</code> to see tables shared with your account.
GetTableVersion	Same as <code>GetTable</code> .
GetTableVersions	Same as <code>GetTable</code> .
DeleteTableVersion	Same as <code>DeleteTable</code> .
BatchDeleteTableVersion	Same as <code>DeleteTable</code> .

Partition API operations

API operation	Resource link handling
CreatePartition	If the designated database is a resource link, follows the database link and creates a partition in the designated table in the target database. If the table is a resource link, the operation follows the resource link and creates the partition in the target table. Creating a partition through both a table resource link and database resource link is not supported.
BatchCreatePartition	Same as <code>CreatePartition</code> .
UpdatePartition	If the designated database is a resource link, follows the database link and updates the partition in the designated table in the target database. If the table is a resource link, the operation follows the resource link and updates the partition in the target table. Updating a partition through both a table resource link and database resource link is not supported.
DeletePartition	If the designated database is a resource link, follows the database link and deletes the partition in the designated table in the target database. If the table is a resource link, the operation follows the

API operation	Resource link handling
	resource link and deletes the partition in the target table. Deleting a partition through both a table resource link and database resource link is not supported.
BatchDeletePartition	Same as DeletePartition .
GetPartition	If the designated database is a resource link, follows the database link and returns partition information from the designated table. Otherwise, if the table is a resource link, the operation follows the link and returns partition information. If both the table and database are resource links, it returns an empty result set.
GetPartitions	If the designated database is a resource link, follows the database link and returns partition information for all partitions in the designated table. Otherwise, if the table is a resource link, the operation follows the link and returns partition information. If both the table and database are resource links, it returns an empty result set.
BatchGetPartition	Same as GetPartition .

User-defined functions API operations

API operation	Resource Link Handling
(All API operations)	If the database is a resource link, follows the resource link and performs the operation on the target database.

See also:

- [How resource links work in Lake Formation](#)

Accessing tables across Regions

Lake Formation supports querying Data Catalog tables across AWS Regions. You can access data in a Region from other Regions using Amazon Athena, Amazon EMR, and AWS Glue ETL by [creating resource links](#) in other Regions pointing to the source databases and tables. With cross-Region table access, you can access data across Regions without copying the underlying data or the metadata into the Data Catalog.

For example, you can share a database or table in a producer account to a consumer account in Region A. After accepting the resource share invitation in Region A, the data lake administrator of the consumer account can create resource links to the shared resource in Region B. The consumer account administrator can grant permissions on the shared resource to the IAM principals in that account in Region A and can grant resource link permissions in Region B. Using the resource link, the principals in the consumer account can query the shared data from Region B.

You can also host the Amazon S3 data source in Region A in a producer account, and register the data location in a central account in Region B. You can create Data Catalog resources in the central account, set up Lake Formation permissions, and share data with consumers in your account or with external accounts in Region B. The cross-Region feature allows users to access these Data Catalog tables from Region C using resource links.

Using this feature, you can query federated databases in Apache Hive Metastores across Regions, and also join tables in the local Region with tables in another Region when running queries.

Lake Formation supports the following features with cross-Region table access:

- LF-Tag based access control
- Fine-grained access control permissions
- Write operations on the shared database or table with appropriate permissions
- Cross-account data sharing at account-level and direct with IAM principals-level

Non-administrative users with `Create_Database` and `Create_Table` permissions can create cross-Region resource links.

Note

You can create cross-Region resource links in any Region and access data without applying Lake Formation permissions. For source data in Amazon S3 that isn't registered with Lake

Formation, access is determined by IAM permissions policies for Amazon S3 and AWS Glue actions.

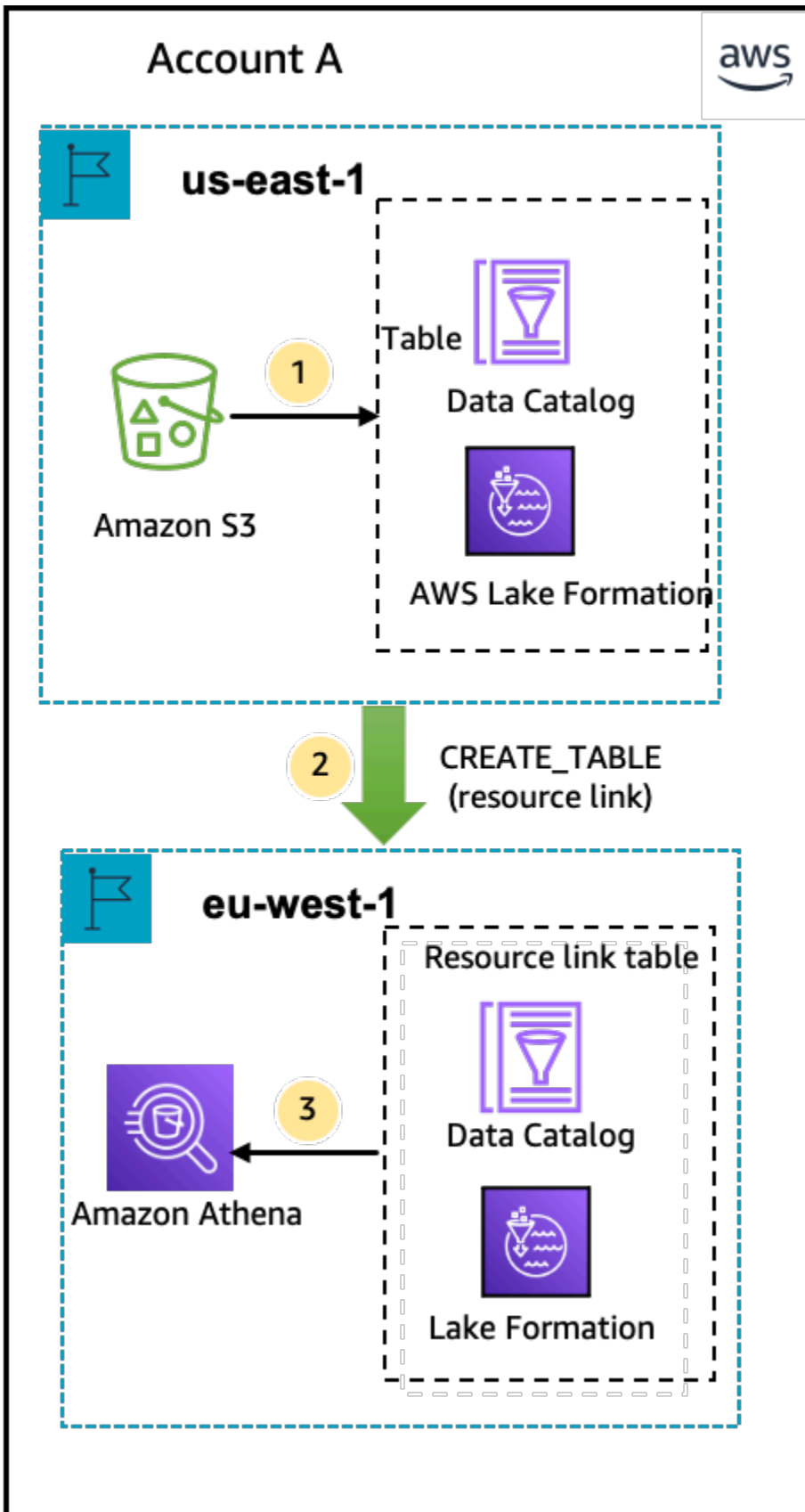
For limitations, see [Cross-Region data access limitations](#).

Workflows

The following diagrams show the workflows for accessing data across AWS Regions from the same AWS account and from an external account.

Workflow for accessing tables shared within the same AWS account

In the diagram below, the data is shared with a user in the same AWS account in the US East (N. Virginia) Region, and the user queries the shared data from the Europe (Ireland) Region.



The data lake administrator performs the following activities (steps 1-2):

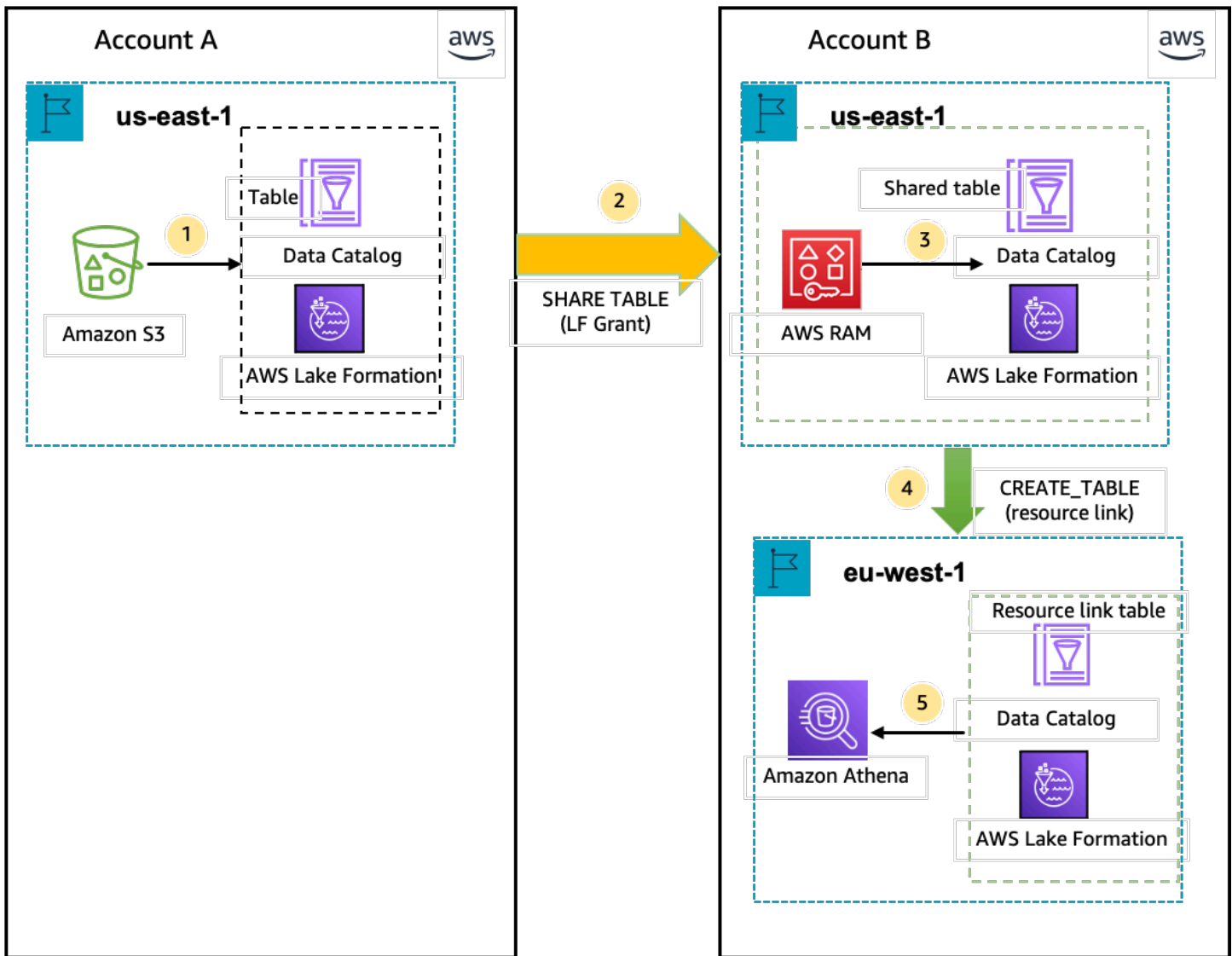
1. A data lake administrator sets up an AWS account with the Data Catalog databases and tables and registers an Amazon S3 data location with Lake Formation in the US East (N. Virginia) Region.

Grants `Select` permission on a Data Catalog resource (product table in the diagram) to a principal (user) in the same account.

2. Creates a resource link in the Europe (Ireland) Region pointing to the source table in the US East (N. Virginia) Region. Grants `DESCRIBE` permission on the resource link from the Europe (Ireland) Region to the principal.
3. The user queries the table from the Europe (Ireland) Region using Athena.

Workflow for accessing tables shared with an external AWS account

In the diagram below, the producer account (Account A) hosts the Amazon S3 bucket, registers the data location, and shares a Data Catalog table with a consumer account (Account B) in the US East (N. Virginia) Region and a user from the consumer account (Account B) queries the table from the Europe (Ireland) Region.



1. A data lake administrator sets up an AWS account (producer account) with the Data Catalog resources and an Amazon S3 data location registered with Lake Formation in the US East (N. Virginia) Region.
2. The data lake administrator of the producer account shares a Data Catalog table to a consumer account.
3. The data lake administrator of the consumer account accepts the data share invitation in the US East (N. Virginia) Region and Grants `Select` permission on the shared table to a principal from the same Region.
4. The data lake administrator of the consumer account creates a resource link in the Europe (Ireland) Region pointing to the target shared table in the US East (N. Virginia) Region and grants the user `DESCRIBE` permission on the resource link from Europe (Ireland) Region.

5. The user queries the data from the Europe (Ireland) Region using Athena.

Setting up cross-Region table access

To access data from a different Region, you need to first set up the Data Catalog databases and tables in the Region where you register your Amazon S3 data location. You can share the Data Catalog databases and tables with principals in your account or in another account. Then, you need to create data lake administrators who can create resource links pointing to the target shared data location in the Regions where users query the data.

To query data shared within the same account from a different Region

In this section, the target shared table Region is referred to as Region A and users run queries from Region B.

1. Account setup in Region A (where you create and share the data)

A data lake administrator needs to complete the following actions:

- a. Register an Amazon S3 data location.

For more information, see [Adding an Amazon S3 location to your data lake](#).

- b. Create databases and tables in the account. This can also be done by a non-administrative user who has permissions to create databases and tables.
- c. Grant data permissions on a table to the principals with `Grantable` permissions.

For more information see, [Granting and revoking permissions on Data Catalog resources](#).

2. Account setup in Region B (where you access the data)

A data lake administrator needs to complete the following actions:

- a. Create a resource link in Region B pointing to the target shared table in Region A. Specify the **Shared table owner Region** on the **Create table** screen.

Create table

Table details
Create a table in the AWS Glue Data Catalog.

Table
Create a table in my account.

Resource link
Create a resource link to a shared table.

Resource link name

 Name may contain letters (A-Z), numbers (0-9), hyphens (-), or underscores (_), and must be less than 256 characters long.

Database
Resource link will be contained in this database.

Shared table owner region
Select the region where the table is shared

Shared table
Enter or choose a shared table.

Shared table's database
Enter the database containing the shared table.

Shared table's owner ID
Enter the AWS account ID of the shared table owner.

For instructions on creating resource links to databases and tables, see [Creating resource links](#).

- b. Grant Describe permission to IAM principals on the resource link in Region B.

For more information on granting permissions on resource links, see [Granting resource link permissions](#).

IAM principals in Region B can query the target table through the link using Athena.

To access cross-account data from a different Region

1. Producer/grantor account setup

A data lake administrator needs to complete the following actions:

- a. Set up the producer/grantor account in Region A.
- b. Register an Amazon S3 data location in Region A.
- c. Create databases and tables. This can be done by a non-administrative user who has permissions to create tables.
- d. Grant data permissions to the consumer/grantee account on a table in Region A with `Grantable` permissions.

For more information, see [Sharing Data Catalog tables and databases across AWS accounts or IAM principals from external accounts](#).

2. Consumer/grantee account setup

A data lake administrator needs to complete the following actions:

- a. Accept the resource share invitation from AWS RAM in Region A.
- b. Create a resource link in Region B pointing to the shared table. Region B is where users will want to query the table.
- c. Grant data permissions on the shared table to IAM principals in Region A.

Note

You must grant permissions to the shared table in the the same Region where the table was shared.

- d. Grant permissions to principals on the resource link in Region B.

Principals in the consumer account in Region B then query the shared table from Region B using Athena.

Data sharing in AWS Lake Formation

You can use the AWS Lake Formation data sharing feature to grant and manage permissions on data stored in locations other than Amazon S3, and metadata stored in locations other than the AWS Glue Data Catalog. With the data sharing capability, you can set up and manage permissions on datasets in Amazon Redshift without migrating the data into Amazon S3. You can also use the Data Catalog federation feature to connect to external metastores.

Afterwards, you can use Lake Formation to manage data and access permissions in a central Data Catalog by defining fine-grained access control policies. Data lake administrators can grant permissions to other IAM principals within the account or cross-account on the Data Catalog resources. IAM principals can query the shared data using Amazon Redshift Spectrum and Amazon Athena.

Lake Formation provides the following methods to share data and manage permissions on external datasets and external metastores:

- **Integrating Lake Formation with Amazon Redshift data sharing** – Use Lake Formation to centrally manage database, table, column, and row-level access permissions of [Amazon Redshift](#) datashares and restrict user access to objects within a datashare.
- **Connecting AWS Glue Data Catalog to external metastores** – Connect the AWS Glue Data Catalog to external metastores to manage access permissions on datasets in Amazon S3 using Lake Formation. No migration of metadata into the AWS Glue Data Catalog is necessary.
- **Integrating Lake Formation with AWS Data Exchange** – Lake Formation supports licensing access to your data through AWS Data Exchange. If you're interested in licensing your Lake Formation data, see [What is AWS Data Exchange](#) in the *AWS Data Exchange User Guide*.

Topics

- [Managing permissions for data in an Amazon Redshift datashare](#)
- [Managing permissions on datasets that use external metastores](#)

Managing permissions for data in an Amazon Redshift datashare

With AWS Lake Formation, you can manage data securely in a datashare from Amazon Redshift. Amazon Redshift is a fully managed, petabyte-scale data warehouse service in the AWS Cloud. Using the data sharing capability, Amazon Redshift helps you to share data across AWS accounts. For more information about Amazon Redshift data sharing, see [Overview of data sharing in Amazon Redshift](#).

In Amazon Redshift, the producer cluster administrator creates a datashare, and shares it with the data lake administrator. For step-by-step instructions on creating a data lake administrator, see [Create a data lake administrator](#).

After you (data lake administrator) accept the datashare, you must create an AWS Glue Data Catalog database for the specific datashare. This is so that you can control access to it using Lake Formation permissions. Lake Formation maps each datashare to a corresponding Data Catalog database. These appear as federated databases in the Data Catalog.

A database is referred to as a *federated database* when it points to an entity outside of the Data Catalog. Tables and views in the Amazon Redshift datashare are listed as individual tables in the Data Catalog. You can share the federated database with selected IAM principals and SAML users within the same account or in another account with Lake Formation. You can also include row and column filter expressions to restrict access to certain data. For more information, see [Overview of data filtering](#).

To provide users access to an Amazon Redshift datashare, you must do the following:

1. Update **Data Catalog settings** to enable Lake Formation permissions.
2. Accept the datashare invitation from the Amazon Redshift producer cluster administrator and register the datashare in Lake Formation.

After completing this step, you can manage the datashare within the Lake Formation Data Catalog.

3. Create a federated database and define permissions on that database.
4. Grant permissions to users on databases and tables. You can share the entire database or a subset of tables with users in the same account or another account.

For limitations, see [Amazon Redshift data sharing limitations](#).

Topics

- [Prerequisites for setting up permissions on Amazon Redshift datashares](#)
- [Setting up permissions for Amazon Redshift datashares](#)
- [Querying federated databases](#)

Prerequisites for setting up permissions on Amazon Redshift datashares

Update default Data Catalog settings

To enable Lake Formation permissions for the Data Catalog resources, we recommend that you disable the default **Data Catalog settings** in Lake Formation. For more information, see [Change the default permission model or use hybrid access mode](#).

Update permissions

In addition to data lake administrator permissions (`AWSLakeFormationDataAdmin`), the following permissions are also required to accept an Amazon Redshift datashare in Lake Formation:

- `glue:PassConnection` on `aws:redshift`
- `redshift:AssociateDataShareConsumer`
- `redshift:DescribeDataSharesForConsumer`
- `redshift:DescribeDataShares`

The data lake administrator IAM user has the following permissions implicitly.

- `data_location_access`
- `create_database`
- `lakeformation:registerResource`

Setting up permissions for Amazon Redshift datashares

This topic describes the steps you need to follow to accept a datashare invitation, create a federated database, and grant permissions. You can use the Lake Formation console or the AWS

Command Line Interface (AWS CLI). The examples in this topic show the producer cluster, the Data Catalog, and the data consumer in the same account.

To learn more about Lake Formation cross-account capabilities, see [Cross-account data sharing in Lake Formation](#).

To set up permissions for a datashare

1. Review a datashare invitation and accept it.

Console

1. Sign in to the Lake Formation console as a data lake administrator at <https://console.aws.amazon.com/lakeformation/>. Navigate to the **Data sharing** page.
2. Review the datashares that you're authorized to access. The **Status** column indicates your current participation status for the datashare. The **Pending** status indicates that you have been added to a datashare, but you have not yet accepted it or have rejected the invitation.
3. To respond to a datashare invitation, select the datashare name and choose **Review invitation**. In **Accept or reject datashare**, review the invitation details. Choose **Accept** to accept the invitation or **Reject** to decline the invitation. You don't get access to the datashare if you reject the invitation.

AWS CLI

The following examples show how to view, accept, and register the invitation. Replace the AWS account ID with a valid AWS account ID. Replace the `data-share-arn` with the actual Amazon Resource Name (ARN) that references the datashare.

1. View a pending invitation.

```
aws redshift describe-data-shares \
  --data-share-arn 'arn:aws:redshift:us-
east-1:111122223333:datashare:abcd1234-1234-ab12-cd34-1a2b3c4d5e6f/
federatedds' \
```

2. Accept a datashare.

```
aws redshift associate-data-share-consumer \
```

```
--data-share-arn 'arn:aws:redshift:us-east-1:111122223333:datashare:abcd1234-1234-ab12-cd34-1a2b3c4d5e6f/federatedds' \  
--consumer-arn 'arn:aws:glue:us-east-1:111122223333:catalog
```

3. Register the datashare in the Lake Formation account. Use the [RegisterResource](#) API operation to register the datashare in Lake Formation. DataShareArn is the input parameter for ResourceArn.

Note

This is a mandatory step.

```
aws lakeformation register-resource \  
--resource-arn 'arn:aws:redshift:us-east-1:111122223333:datashare:abcd1234-1234-ab12-cd34-1a2b3c4d5e6f/federatedds'
```

2. Create a database.

After you've accepted a datashare invitation, you need to create a database that points to the Amazon Redshift database associated with the datashare. You must be a data lake administrator to create a database.

Console

1. Select the datashare from the **Invitations** pane and choose **Set database details**.
2. In **Set database details**, enter a unique name and identifier for the datashare. You use this identifier for mapping the datashare internally in the metadata hierarchy (dbName.schema.table).
3. Choose **Next** to grant permissions to other users on the shared database and tables.

AWS CLI

Use the following example code to create a database that points to the Amazon Redshift database shared with Lake Formation using the AWS CLI.

```
aws glue create-database --cli-input-json \  
{
```

```
'{
  "CatalogId": "111122223333",
  "DatabaseInput": {
    "Name": "tahoedb",
    "FederatedDatabase": {
      "Identifier": "arn:aws:redshift:us-
east-1:111122223333:datashare:abcd1234-1234-ab12-cd34-1a2b3c4d5e6f/federatedds",
      "ConnectionName": "aws:redshift"
    }
  }
}'
```

3. Grant permissions.

After you've created the database, you can grant permissions to users in your account or to external AWS accounts and organizations. You'll not be able to grant write data permissions (insert, delete) and metadata permissions (alter, drop, create) on the federated database that is mapped to an Amazon Redshift datashare. For more information on granting permissions, see [Managing Lake Formation permissions](#).

Note

As a data lake administrator, you can only view tables in the federated databases. To perform any other action, you need to grant yourself more permissions on those tables.

Console

1. On the **Grant permissions** screen, select the users to grant permissions to.
2. Choose **Grant**.

AWS CLI

Use the following examples to grant database and table permissions using the AWS CLI:

```
aws lakeformation grant-permissions --input-cli-json file://input.json

{
```

```

    "Principal": {
      "DataLakePrincipalIdentifier": "arn:aws:iam::111122223333:user/non-
admin"
    },
    "Resource": {
      "Database": {
        "CatalogId": "111122223333",
        "Name": "tahoedb"
      }
    },
    "Permissions": [
      "DESCRIBE"
    ],
    "PermissionsWithGrantOption": [
    ]
  ]
}

```

```
aws lakeformation grant-permissions --input-cli-json file://input.json
```

```

{
  "Principal": {
    "DataLakePrincipalIdentifier":
"arn:aws:iam::111122223333:user/non-admin"
  },
  "Resource": {
    "Table": {
      "CatalogId": "111122223333",
      "DatabaseName": "tahoedb",
      "Name": "public.customer"
    }
  },
  "Permissions": [
    "SELECT"
  ],
  "PermissionsWithGrantOption": [
    "SELECT"
  ]
}

```

Querying federated databases

After you grant permissions, users can sign in and start querying the federated database using Amazon Redshift. Users can now use the local database name to reference the Amazon Redshift datashare in SQL queries. In Amazon Redshift, the customer table in the public schema that is shared through the datashare will have a corresponding table created as `public.customer` in the Data Catalog.

1. Before querying the federated database using Amazon Redshift, the cluster administrator creates a database from the Data Catalog database using the following command:

```
CREATE DATABASE sharedcustomerdb FROM ARN
'arn:aws:glue:<region>:111122223333:database/tahoedb' WITH DATA CATALOG SCHEMA
tahoedb
```

2. The cluster admin grants usage permissions on the database.

```
GRANT USAGE ON DATABASE sharedcustomerdb TO IAM:user;
```

3. You (the federated user) can now log in into SQL tools to query the table.

```
Select * from sharedcustomerdb.public.customer limit 10;
```

For more information, see [Querying AWS Glue Data Catalog](#) in Amazon Redshift Management Guide.

Managing permissions on datasets that use external metastores

With AWS Glue Data Catalog metadata federation (Data Catalog federation), you can connect the Data Catalog to external metastores that store metadata for your Amazon S3 data, and securely manage data access permissions using AWS Lake Formation. You don't have to migrate the metadata from the external metastore into the Data Catalog.

The Data Catalog provides a centralized metadata repository that makes managing and discovering data across disparate systems easier. When your organization manages data in the Data Catalog, you can use AWS Lake Formation to control access to your datasets in Amazon S3.

Note

Currently, we support only Apache Hive (version 3 and above) metastore federation.

To set up Data Catalog federation, we provide an AWS Serverless Application Model (AWS SAM) application called [GlueDataCatalogFederation-HiveMetastore](#) in the AWS Serverless Application Repository.

The reference implementation is provided on GitHub as an open source project at [AWS Glue Data Catalog Federation - Hive Metastore](#).

The AWS SAM application creates and deploys the following resources that are required for connecting the Data Catalog to the Hive metastore:

- **An AWS Lambda function** – Hosts the implementation of the federation service that communicates between the Data Catalog and the Hive metastore. AWS Glue invokes this Lambda function to retrieve metadata objects from the Hive metastore.
- **Amazon API Gateway** – The connection endpoint for your Hive metastore that acts as a proxy to route all invocations to the Lambda function.
- **An IAM role** – A role with necessary permissions to create the connection between the Data Catalog and the Hive metastore.
- **AWS Glue connection** – An Amazon API Gateway type of AWS Glue connection that stores the Amazon API Gateway endpoint and an IAM role to invoke it.

When you query tables, the AWS Glue service makes a runtime call to the Hive metastore and fetches the metadata. The Lambda function acts as a translator between the Hive metastore and Data Catalog.

After establishing the connection, in order to sync the metadata in the Hive metastore with the Data Catalog, you need to create a *federated database* in the Data Catalog using the Hive metastore connection details, and map this database to the Hive database. A database is referred as a federated database when it points to an entity outside the Data Catalog.

You can apply Lake Formation permissions using tag-based access control and the named resource method on the federated database, and share it across multiple AWS accounts, AWS Organizations, and organizational units (OUs). You can also share the federated database directly with IAM principals from another account.

You can define fine-grained permissions at column level, row level, and cell level using Lake Formation data filters on the external Hive tables. You can use Amazon Athena, Amazon Redshift, or Amazon EMR to query the Lake Formation managed external Hive tables.

For more information on cross-account data sharing and data filtering, see:

- [Cross-account data sharing in Lake Formation](#)
- [Data filtering and cell-level security in Lake Formation](#)

Data Catalog metadata federation high-level steps

1. You create IAM users and roles that have appropriate permissions to deploy the AWS SAM application and to create federated databases.
2. You register the Amazon S3 data location with Lake Formation by selecting the `Enable Data Catalog federation` option for datasets that use an external Hive metastore.
3. You configure the AWS SAM application settings (AWS Glue connection name, URL to the Hive metastore, and Lambda function parameters) and deploy the AWS SAM application.
4. The AWS SAM application deploys the resources that are required to connect the external Hive metastore with the Data Catalog.
5. To apply Lake Formation permissions on the Hive database and tables, you create a database in the Data Catalog using the Hive metastore connection details, and map this database to the Hive database.
6. Grant permissions on the federated databases to principals in your account or in another account.

Note

You can connect the Data Catalog to an external Hive metastore, create federated databases, and run queries and ETL scripts on Hive databases and tables without applying Lake Formation permissions. For source data in Amazon S3 that isn't registered with Lake Formation, access is determined by IAM permissions policies for Amazon S3 and AWS Glue actions.

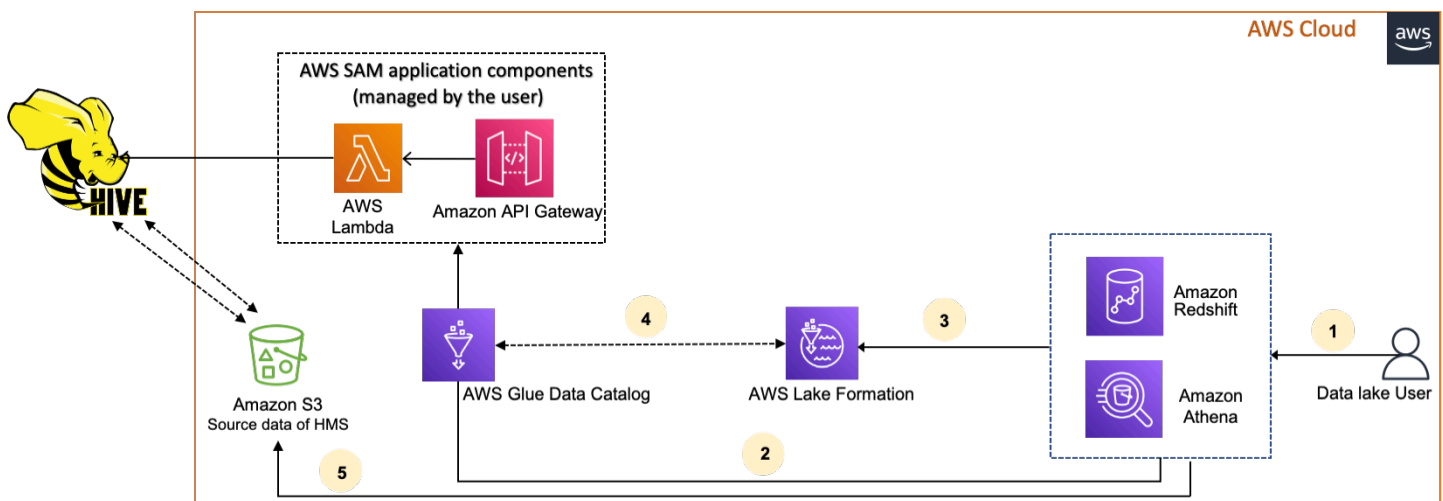
For limitations, see [Hive metadata store data sharing considerations and limitations](#).

Topics

- [Workflow](#)
- [Prerequisites for connecting the Data Catalog to the Hive metastore](#)
- [Connecting the Data Catalog to an external Hive metastore](#)
- [Additional resources](#)

Workflow

The following diagram shows the workflow for connecting the AWS Glue Data Catalog to an external Hive metastore.



1. A principal submits a query using an integrated service such as Athena or Redshift Spectrum.
2. The integrated service makes a call to the Data Catalog for the metadata, which in turn calls the Hive metastore endpoint available behind Amazon API Gateway, and receives responses to metadata requests.
3. The integrated service sends the request to Lake Formation to verify table information and credentials to access the table.
4. Lake Formation authorizes the request and vends temporary credentials to the integrated application, which allows data access.
5. Using the temporary credentials received from Lake Formation, the integrated service reads the data from Amazon S3, and shares the results to the principal.

Prerequisites for connecting the Data Catalog to the Hive metastore

To connect the AWS Glue Data Catalog to an external Apache Hive metastore and set up data access permissions, you need to complete the following requirements:

Note

We recommend that a Lake Formation administrator deploys the AWS SAM application, and only a privileged user uses the Hive metastore connection to create the corresponding federated databases.

1. Create IAM roles.

To deploy the AWS SAM application

- Create a role that has the necessary permissions for deploying resources (Lambda function, Amazon API Gateway, IAM role, and the AWS Glue connection) required to create a connection to the Hive metastore.

To create federated databases

The following permissions are required on resources:

- `glue:CreateDatabase` on resource `arn:aws:glue:region:account-id:database/gluedatabasename`
- `glue:PassConnection` on resource `arn:aws:glue:region:account-id:connection/hms_connection`

2. Register the Amazon S3 location with Lake Formation.

To use Lake Formation to manage and secure the data in your data lake, you must register the Amazon S3 location that has the data for tables in the Hive metastore with Lake Formation. By doing so, Lake Formation can vend credentials to AWS analytical services such as Athena, Redshift Spectrum, and Amazon EMR.

For more information on registering an Amazon S3 location, see [Adding an Amazon S3 location to your data lake](#).

When you register the Amazon S3 location, select the **Enable Data Catalog Federation** check box to allow Lake Formation to assume a role to access tables in a federated database.

[AWS Lake Formation](#) > [Data lake locations](#) > Register location

Register location

Amazon S3 location

Register an Amazon S3 path as the storage location for your data lake.

Amazon S3 path


Choose an Amazon S3 path for your data lake.

Review location permissions - strongly recommended

Registering the selected location may result in your users gaining access to data already at that location. Before registering a location, we recommend that you review existing location permissions on resources in that location.

IAM role

To add or update data, Lake Formation needs read/write access to the chosen Amazon S3 path. Choose a role that you know has permission to do this, or choose the **AWSServiceRoleForLakeFormationDataAccess** service-linked role. When you register the first Amazon S3 path, the service-linked role and a new inline policy are created on your behalf. Lake Formation adds the first path to the inline policy and attaches it to the service-linked role. When you register subsequent paths, Lake Formation adds the path to the existing policy.

 Do not select the service linked role if you plan to use EMR.

Enable Data Catalog Federation

Checking this box will allow Lake Formation to assume a role to access tables in a federated database.

For more information about registering a data location with Lake Formation, see [Configure an Amazon S3 location for your data lake](#).

3. Use the correct Amazon EMR version.

To use Amazon EMR with the federated Hive metastore databases, you need to have Hive version 3.x or higher and Amazon EMR version 6.x or higher.

Connecting the Data Catalog to an external Hive metastore

To connect the AWS Glue Data Catalog to a Hive metastore, you need to deploy an AWS SAM application called [GlueDataCatalogFederation-HiveMetastore](#). It creates the resources required to connect the external Hive metastore with the Data Catalog. You can access the AWS SAM application in the AWS Serverless Application Repository.

The AWS SAM application creates the connection for the Hive metastore behind Amazon API Gateway using a Lambda function. The AWS SAM application uses a uniform resource identifier (URI) as an input from the user and connects the external Hive metastore to the Data Catalog. When a user runs a query on Hive tables, the Data Catalog calls the API Gateway endpoint. The endpoint invokes the Lambda function to retrieve the metadata of the Hive tables.

To connect the Data Catalog to the Hive metastore and set up permissions

1. Deploy the AWS SAM application.

1. Sign in to the AWS Management Console and open the AWS Serverless Application Repository.
2. In the navigation pane, choose **Available applications**.
3. Choose **Public applications**.
4. Select the option **Show apps that create custom IAM roles or resource policies**.
5. In the search box, enter the name **GlueDataCatalogFederation-HiveMetastore**.
6. Choose the **GlueDataCatalogFederation-HiveMetastore** application.
7. Under **Application Settings**, enter the following minimum required settings for your Lambda function:
 - **Application name** - A name for your AWS SAM application.
 - **GlueConnectionName** - A name for the connection.
 - **HiveMetastoreURIs** - The URI of your Hive metastore host.
 - **LambdaMemory** - The amount of Lambda memory in MB from 128-10240. The default is 1024.
 - **LambdaTimeout** - The maximum Lambda invocation runtime in seconds. The default is 30.
 - **VPCSecurityGroupIds** and **VPCSubnetIds** - Information for the VPC where the Hive metastore exists.

8. Select **I acknowledge that this app creates custom IAM roles and resource policies**. For more information, choose the **Info** link.
9. At the bottom right of the **Application settings** section, choose **Deploy**. When the deployment is complete, the Lambda function appears in the **Resources** section in the Lambda console.

The application is deployed to Lambda. Its name is prepended with **serverlessrepo-** to indicate that the application was deployed from the AWS Serverless Application Repository. Selecting the application takes you to the **Resources** page where each of the resources of the application that were deployed are listed. The resources include the Lambda function that allows communication between the Data Catalog and the Hive metastore, the AWS Glue connection, and other resources that are needed for the database federation.

2. Create a federated database in the Data Catalog.

After you've created a connection to the Hive metastore, you can create federated databases in the Data Catalog that point to the external Hive metastore databases. You need to create a corresponding database in the Data Catalog for every Hive metastore database that you're connecting to the Data Catalog.

Lake Formation console

1. On the **Data sharing** page, choose the **Shared databases** tab, and then choose **Create database**.
2. For **Connection name**, choose the name of your Hive metastore connection from the dropdown menu.
3. Enter a unique database name and the federation source identifier for the database. This is the name that you use in your SQL statements when you query tables. The name can consist of a maximum of 255 characters maximum and must be unique within your account.
4. Choose **Create database**.

AWS CLI

```
aws glue create-database \  
'{  
  "CatalogId": "<111122223333>",
```

```
"database-input": {
  "Name": "<fed_glue_db>",
  "FederatedDatabase": {
    "Identifier": "<hive_db_on_emr>",
    "ConnectionName": "<hms_connection>"
  }
}
```

3. View tables in the federated database.

After you've created the federated database, you can view the list of tables in your Hive metastore using the Lake Formation console or the AWS CLI.

Lake Formation console

1. Select the database name from the **Shared databases** tab.
2. On the **Databases** page, choose **View tables**.

AWS CLI

The following examples show how to retrieve the connection definition, the database name, and some or all tables in the database. Replace the ID of the Data Catalog with the valid AWS account ID that you used to create the database. Replace `hms_connection` with the connection name.

```
aws glue get-connection \
--name <hms_connection> \
--catalog-id 111122223333
```

```
aws glue get-database \
--name <fed_glu_db> \
--catalog-id 111122223333
```

```
aws glue get-tables \
--database-name <fed_glue_db> \
--catalog-id 111122223333
```

```
aws glue get-table \  
--database-name <fed_glue_db> \  
--name <hive_table_name> \  
--catalog-id 111122223333
```

4. Grant permissions.

After you've created the database, you can grant permissions to other IAM users and roles in your account or to external AWS accounts and organizations. You will not be able to grant write data permissions (insert, delete) and metadata permissions (alter, drop, create) on the federated databases. For more information on granting permissions, see [Managing Lake Formation permissions](#).

5. Query the federated databases.

After you grant permissions, users can sign in and start querying the federated database using Athena and Amazon Redshift. Users can now use the local database name to reference the Hive database in SQL queries.

Example Amazon Athena query syntax

Replace `fed_glue_db` with the local database name that you created earlier.

```
Select * from fed_glue_db.customers limit 10;
```

Additional resources

The following blog post contains detailed instructions to set up Lake Formation permissions on a Hive metastore database and tables, and query them using Athena. We also illustrate a cross-account sharing use case, where a Lake Formation principal in producer account A shares a federated Hive database and tables using LF-Tag to consumer account B.

- [Query your Apache Hive metastore with AWS Lake Formation permissions](#)

Security in AWS Lake Formation

Cloud security at AWS is the highest priority. As an AWS customer, you benefit from a data center and network architecture that is built to meet the requirements of the most security-sensitive organizations.

Security is a shared responsibility between AWS and you. The [shared responsibility model](#) describes this as security *of* the cloud and security *in* the cloud:

- **Security of the cloud** – AWS is responsible for protecting the infrastructure that runs AWS services in the AWS Cloud. AWS also provides you with services that you can use securely. Third-party auditors regularly test and verify the effectiveness of our security as part of the [AWS compliance programs](#). To learn about the compliance programs that apply to AWS Lake Formation, see [AWS Services in Scope by Compliance Program](#).
- **Security in the cloud** – Your responsibility is determined by the AWS service that you use. You are also responsible for other factors including the sensitivity of your data, your company's requirements, and applicable laws and regulations.

This documentation helps you understand how to apply the shared responsibility model when using Lake Formation. The following topics show you how to configure Lake Formation to meet your security and compliance objectives. You also learn how to use other AWS services that help you to monitor and secure your Lake Formation resources.

Topics

- [Data Protection in Lake Formation](#)
- [Infrastructure Security in AWS Lake Formation](#)
- [Cross-service confused deputy prevention](#)
- [Security event logging in AWS Lake Formation](#)

Data Protection in Lake Formation

The AWS [shared responsibility model](#) applies to data protection in AWS Lake Formation. As described in this model, AWS is responsible for protecting the global infrastructure that runs all of the AWS Cloud. You are responsible for maintaining control over your content that is hosted on this infrastructure. You are also responsible for the security configuration and management tasks

for the AWS services that you use. For more information about data privacy, see the [Data Privacy FAQ](#). For information about data protection in Europe, see the [AWS Shared Responsibility Model and GDPR](#) blog post on the *AWS Security Blog*.

For data protection purposes, we recommend that you protect AWS account credentials and set up individual users with AWS IAM Identity Center or AWS Identity and Access Management (IAM). That way, each user is given only the permissions necessary to fulfill their job duties. We also recommend that you secure your data in the following ways:

- Use multi-factor authentication (MFA) with each account.
- Use SSL/TLS to communicate with AWS resources. We require TLS 1.2 and recommend TLS 1.3.
- Set up API and user activity logging with AWS CloudTrail.
- Use AWS encryption solutions, along with all default security controls within AWS services.
- Use advanced managed security services such as Amazon Macie, which assists in discovering and securing sensitive data that is stored in Amazon S3.
- If you require FIPS 140-2 validated cryptographic modules when accessing AWS through a command line interface or an API, use a FIPS endpoint. For more information about the available FIPS endpoints, see [Federal Information Processing Standard \(FIPS\) 140-2](#).

We strongly recommend that you never put confidential or sensitive information, such as your customers' email addresses, into tags or free-form text fields such as a **Name** field. This includes when you work with Lake Formation or other AWS services using the console, API, AWS CLI, or AWS SDKs. Any data that you enter into tags or free-form text fields used for names may be used for billing or diagnostic logs. If you provide a URL to an external server, we strongly recommend that you do not include credentials information in the URL to validate your request to that server.

Encryption at Rest

AWS Lake Formation supports data encryption in the following areas:

- Data in your Amazon Simple Storage Service (Amazon S3) data lake.

Lake Formation supports data encryption with [AWS Key Management Service](#) (AWS KMS). Data is typically written to the data lake by means of AWS Glue extract, transform, and load (ETL) jobs. For information about how to encrypt data written by AWS Glue jobs, see [Encrypting Data Written by Crawlers, Jobs, and Development Endpoints](#) in the *AWS Glue Developer Guide*.

- The AWS Glue Data Catalog, which is where Lake Formation stores metadata tables that describe data in the data lake.

For more information, see [Encrypting Your Data Catalog](#) in the *AWS Glue Developer Guide*.

To add an Amazon S3 location as storage in your data lake, you *register* the location with AWS Lake Formation. You can then use Lake Formation permissions for fine-grained access control to AWS Glue Data Catalog objects that point to this location, and to the underlying data in the location.

Lake Formation supports registering an Amazon S3 location that contains encrypted data. For more information, see [Registering an encrypted Amazon S3 location](#).

Infrastructure Security in AWS Lake Formation

As a managed service, AWS Lake Formation is protected by the AWS global network security procedures that are described in the [Amazon Web Services: Overview of Security Processes](#) whitepaper.

You use AWS published API calls to access Lake Formation through the network. Clients must support Transport Layer Security (TLS) 1.0 or later. We recommend TLS 1.2 or later. Clients must also support cipher suites with perfect forward secrecy (PFS) such as Ephemeral Diffie-Hellman (DHE) or Elliptic Curve Ephemeral Diffie-Hellman (ECDHE). Most modern systems such as Java 7 and later support these modes.

Additionally, requests must be signed by using an access key ID and a secret access key that is associated with an IAM principal. Or you can use the [AWS Security Token Service](#) (AWS STS) to generate temporary security credentials to sign requests.

Cross-service confused deputy prevention

The confused deputy problem is a security issue where an entity that doesn't have permission to perform an action can coerce a more-privileged entity to perform the action. In AWS, cross-service impersonation can result in the confused deputy problem. Cross-service impersonation can occur when one service (the *calling service*) calls another service (the *called service*). The calling service can be manipulated to use its permissions to act on another customer's resources in a way it should not otherwise have permission to access. To prevent this, AWS provides tools that help you protect your data for all services with service principals that have been given access to resources in your account.

We recommend using the [aws:SourceArn](#) and [aws:SourceAccount](#) global condition context keys in resource policies to limit the permissions that AWS Lake Formation gives another service to the resource. If you use both global condition context keys, the `aws:SourceAccount` value and the account in the `aws:SourceArn` value must use the same account ID when used in the same policy statement.

Currently, Lake Formation only supports `aws:SourceArn` in the following format:

```
arn:aws:lakeformation:aws-region:account-id*
```

The following example shows how you can use the `aws:SourceArn` and `aws:SourceAccount` global condition context keys in Lake Formation to prevent the confused deputy problem.


```
{
  "Version": "2012-10-17",
  "Statement": [
    {
      "Sid": "ConfusedDeputyPreventionExamplePolicy",
      "Effect": "Allow",
      "Principal": {
        "Service": "lakeformation.amazonaws.com"
      },
      "Action": [
        "sts:AssumeRole"
      ],
      "Condition": {
        "StringEquals": {
          "aws:SourceAccount": "account-id"
        },
        "ArnEquals": {
          "aws:SourceArn": "arn:aws:lakeformation:aws-region:account-id*"
        }
      }
    }
  ]
}
```

Security event logging in AWS Lake Formation

AWS Lake Formation is integrated with AWS CloudTrail, a service that provides a record of actions taken by a user, role, or an AWS service in Lake Formation. CloudTrail captures all API calls for Lake

Formation as events. The calls captured include calls from the Lake Formation console, the AWS Command Line Interface, and code calls to the Lake Formation API operations.

For more information about event logging in Lake Formation, see [Logging AWS Lake Formation API Calls Using AWS CloudTrail](#).

 **Note**

`GetTableObjects`, `UpdateTableObjects`, and `GetWorkUnitResults` are high-volume data plane operations. Calls to these APIs are not currently logged to CloudTrail. For more information about data plane operations in CloudTrail, see [Logging data events for trails](#) in the *AWS CloudTrail User Guide*.

Changes in Lake Formation to support additional CloudTrail events will be documented at [Document history for AWS Lake Formation](#).

Integrating third-party services with Lake Formation

Integrating with AWS Lake Formation enables third-party services to securely access data in their Amazon S3 based data lakes. You can use Lake Formation as your authorization engine to manage or enforce permissions to your data lake with integrated AWS services such as Amazon Athena, Amazon EMR, and Redshift Spectrum. Lake Formation provides two options for integrating services:

1. The Lake Formation application integration settings: Lake Formation can vend scoped-down temporary credentials in the form of AWS STS tokens to registered Amazon S3 locations based on the effective permissions, so that authorized applications can access data on behalf of users.
2. Central enforcement: Lake Formation [querying API](#) operations retrieve data from Amazon S3 and filter the results based on effective permissions. The engine or application integrating with the querying API operation can depend on Lake Formation to evaluate the calling identity's permissions and securely filter the data based on these permissions. Third-party query engines only see and operate on filtered data.

Topics

- [Using Lake Formation application integration](#)

Using Lake Formation application integration

Lake Formation allows third-party services to integrate with Lake Formation and get temporary access to Amazon S3 data on behalf of their users by using [GetTemporaryGlueTableCredentials](#) and [GetTemporaryGluePartitionCredentials](#) operations. This allows third-party services to use the same authorization and credential vending feature that the rest of AWS analytics services use. This section describes how to use these API operations to integrate a third-party query engine with Lake Formation.

These API operations are disabled by default. There are two options to authorize Lake Formation to integrate applications:

- Configure IAM session tags that are validated every time the application integration API operations are called

For more information, see [Enabling permissions for a third-party query engine to call application integration API operations](#).

- Enable the option that **Allows external engines to access data in Amazon S3 locations with full table access**

This option allows query engines and applications to get credentials without IAM session tags if the user has full table access. It provides query engines and applications performance benefits as well as simplifies data access. Amazon EMR on Amazon EC2 is able to leverage this setting.

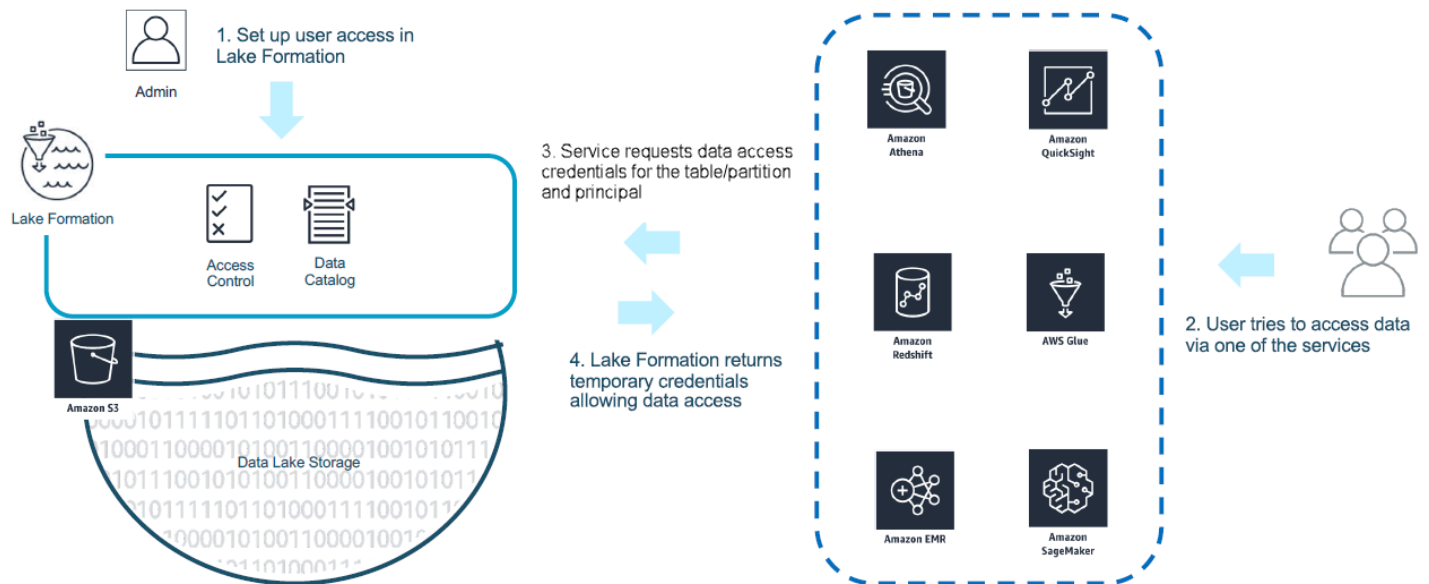
For more information, see [Application integration for full table access](#).

Topics

- [How Lake Formation application integration works](#)
- [Roles and responsibilities in Lake Formation application integration](#)
- [Lake Formation workflow for application integration API operations](#)
- [Registering a third-party query engine](#)
- [Enabling permissions for a third-party query engine to call application integration API operations](#)
- [Application integration for full table access](#)

How Lake Formation application integration works

This section describes how to use application integration API operations to integrate a third-party application (query engine) with Lake Formation.



1. The Lake Formation administrator performs the following activities:

- Registers an Amazon S3 location with Lake Formation by providing an IAM role (used for vending credentials) that has appropriate permissions to access data within the Amazon S3 location
- Registers a third-party application to be able to call Lake Formation's credential vending API operations. See [the section called "Registering a third-party query engine"](#)
- Grants permissions for users to access databases and tables

For example, if you want to publish a user sessions data set that includes some columns containing personally identifiable information (PII), to restrict access, you assign these columns an [LF-TBAC](#) tag named "classification" with a value of "sensitive". Next, you define a permission that allows a business analyst to access the user sessions data, but exclude those columns tagged with *classification = sensitive*.

2. A principal (user) submits a query to an integrated service.
3. The integrated application sends the request to Lake Formation asking for table information and credentials to access the table.
4. If the querying principal is authorized to access the table, Lake Formation returns the credentials to the integrated application, which allows data access.

Note

Lake Formation doesn't access the underlying data when vending credentials.

- The integrated service reads data from Amazon S3, filters columns based on the policies it received, and returns the results back to the principal.

Important

Lake Formation credential vending API operations enable a **distributed-enforcement with explicit deny on failure (fail-close) model**. This introduces a three-party security model between customers, third-party services and Lake Formation. Integrated services are trusted to properly enforce Lake Formation permissions (distributed-enforcement).

The integrated service is responsible for filtering the data read from Amazon S3 based on the policies returned from Lake Formation before the filtered data is returned back to the user. Integrated services follow a fail-close model, which means that they must fail the query if they are unable to enforce required Lake Formation permissions.

Roles and responsibilities in Lake Formation application integration

Role	Responsibility
The customer	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Enable Lake Formation application integration setting (see the section called "Registering a third-party query engine"). Explicitly registers approved third parties with Lake Formation (see the section called "Registering a third-party query engine"). Tests and validates third-party solutions with Lake Formation permissions. Monitors and audits third-party usage of Lake Formation credential vending API operations.
The third-party	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Publicly documents the supported capability for every software revision and provides instructions to enable it correctly.

Role	Responsibility
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Accurately advertises the supported capabilities when calling Lake Formation credential vending API operations (according to the documentation). • Securely stores and handles vended credentials to avoid credential leaks and privilege escalation. • Enforces permissions based on supported capabilities and returns only filtered data to users • Fails the query when unable to properly enforce required permissions
AWS Lake Formation	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Correctly derives and returns effective permissions for a given principal. • Validates third-party supported capabilities on an API operation call-by-call basis. • Returns scoped-down IAM credentials only when the engine's advertised capabilities match those defined on the catalog resources, otherwise returns an error.

Lake Formation workflow for application integration API operations

The following is the work flow for application integration API operations:

1. A user submits a query or request for data using an integrated third-party query engine. The query engine assumes an IAM role that represents the user or a group of users, and retrieves trusted credentials to be used when calling the application integration API operations.
2. The query engine calls `GetUnfilteredTableMetadata`, and if it is a partitioned table, the query engine calls `GetUnfilteredPartitionsMetadata` to retrieve metadata and policy information from the Data Catalog.
3. Lake Formation performs authorization for the request. If the user doesn't have appropriate permissions on the table, then *AccessDeniedException* is thrown.
4. As part of the request, the query engine sends the filtering it supports. There are two flags that can be sent within an array: `COLUMN_PERMISSIONS` and `CELL_FILTER_PERMISSION`. If the query engine doesn't support any of these features, and a policy exists on the table for the feature,

then a *PermissionTypeMismatchException* is thrown and the query fails. This is to avoid data leakage.

5. The returned response contains the following:

- The entire schema for the table so that query engines can use it to parse the data from storage.
- A list of authorized columns that the user has access. If the authorized column list is empty, it indicates that the user has DESCRIBE permissions, but does not have SELECT permissions, and the query fails.
- A flag, *IsRegisteredWithLakeFormation*, which indicates if Lake Formation can vend credentials to this resources data. If this returns false, then the customers' credentials should be used to access Amazon S3.
- A list of *CellFilters* if any that should be applied to rows of data. This list contains columns and an expression to evaluate each row. This should only be populated if *CELL_FILTER_PERMISSION* is sent as part of the request and there is a data filter against the table for the calling user.

6. After the metadata is retrieved, the query engine calls *GetTemporaryGlueTableCredentials* or *GetTemporaryGluePartitionCredentials* to get AWS credentials to retrieve data from the Amazon S3 location.

7. The query engine reads relevant objects from Amazon S3, filters the data based on the policies it received in step 2, and returns the results to the user.

The application integration API operations for Lake Formation contain additional content for configuring integration with third-party query engines. You can see the operation details in the [Credential vending API operations section](#).

Registering a third-party query engine

Before a third-party query engine can use the application integration API operations, you need to explicitly enable permissions for the query engine to call the API operations on your behalf. This is done in a few steps:

1. You need to specify the AWS accounts and IAM session tags that require permission to call the application integration API operations through the AWS Lake Formation console, the AWS CLI or the API/SDK.

- When the third-party query engine assumes the execution role in your account, the query engine must attach a session tag that is registered with Lake Formation representing the third-party engine. Lake Formation uses this tag to validate that if the request is coming from an approved engine. For more information about session tags, see [Session tags](#) in the IAM User Guide.
- When setting up a third-party query engine execution role, you must have the following minimum set of permissions in the IAM policy:

```
{
  "Version": "2012-10-17",
  "Statement": [{"Effect": "Allow",
    "Action": [
      "lakeformation:GetDataAccess",
      "glue:GetTable",
      "glue:GetTables",
      "glue:GetDatabase",
      "glue:GetDatabases",
      "glue>CreateDatabase",
      "glue:GetUserDefinedFunction",
      "glue:GetUserDefinedFunctions",
      "glue:GetPartition",
      "glue:GetPartitions"
    ],
    "Resource": "*"
  }]
}
```

- Set up a role trust policy on the query engine execution role to have fine access control on which session tag key value pair can be attached to this role. In the following example, this role is only allowed to have session tag key "LakeFormationAuthorizedCaller" and session tag value "engine1" to be attached, and no other session tag key value pair is allowed.

```
{
  "Sid": "AllowPassSessionTags",
  "Effect": "Allow",
  "Principal": {
    "AWS": "arn:aws:iam::111122223333:role/query-execution-role"
  },
  "Action": "sts:TagSession",
  "Condition": {
    "StringLike": {
      "aws:RequestTag/LakeFormationAuthorizedCaller": "engine1"
    }
  }
}
```

```
}  
}
```

When `LakeFormationAuthorizedCaller` calls the `STS:AssumeRole` API operation to fetch credentials for the query engine to use, the session tag must be included in the [AssumeRole request](#). The returned temporary credential can be used to make Lake Formation application integration API requests.

Lake Formation application integration API operations require the calling principal to be an IAM role. The IAM role must include a session tag with a predetermined value that has been registered with Lake Formation. This tag allows Lake Formation to verify that the role used to call the application integration API operations is allowed to do so.

Enabling permissions for a third-party query engine to call application integration API operations

Follow these steps to allow a third-party query engine to call application integration API operations through the AWS Lake Formation console, the AWS CLI or API/SDK.

Console

To register your account for external data filtering:

1. Sign in to the AWS Management Console, and open the Lake Formation console at <https://console.aws.amazon.com/lakeformation/>.
2. In the left-side navigation, expand **Administration**, and then choose **Application integration setting**.
3. On the **Application integration setting** page, choose the option **Allow external engines to filter data in Amazon S3 locations registered with Lake Formation**.
4. Enter the session tags that you created for the third-party engine. For information about session tags, see [Passing session tags in AWS STS](#) in the *AWS Identity and Access Management User Guide*.
5. Enter the account IDs for users that can use the third-party engine to access unfiltered metadata information and the data access credentials of resources in the current account.

You can also use the AWS account ID field for configuring cross-account access.

Application integration settings [Learn more](#)

Application integration settings

Use the options below to control which third-party engines are allowed to read and filter data in Amazon S3 locations registered with Lake Formation.

Allow external engines to filter data in Amazon S3 locations registered with Lake Formation

Check this box to allow third-party engines to access data in Amazon S3 locations that are registered with Lake Formation.

Session tag values

Enter one or more strings that match the LakeFormationAuthorizedCaller session tag defined for third-party engines.

Clear all

engine 1 ✕ engine 2 ✕ session 1 ✕

Enter one or several string values separated by comma.

AWS account IDs

Enter the external AWS account IDs from where third-party engines are allowed to access locations registered with Lake Formation.

Clear all

111111111111 ✕ 222222222222 ✕
Account Account

Enter one or more AWS account IDs. Press enter after each ID.

Allow external engines to access data in Amazon S3 locations with full table access.

When you enable this option, Lake Formation will return credentials to the integrated application directly without IAM session tag validation.

Cancel

Save

CLI

Use the `put-data-lake-settings` CLI command to set the following parameters.

There are three fields to configure when using this AWS CLI command:

- `allow-external-data-filtering` – (boolean) Indicates that a third-party engine can access unfiltered metadata information and data access credentials of resources in the current account.
- `external-data-filtering-allow-list` – (array) A list of account IDs that can access unfiltered metadata information and data access credentials of resources in the current account when using a third-party engine.

- `authorized-sessions-tag-value-list` – (array) A list of authorized session tag values (strings). If an IAM role credential has been attached with an authorized key-value pair, then if the session tag is included in the list, the session is granted access to unfiltered metadata information and data access credentials on resources in the configured account. The authorized session tag key is defined as `*LakeFormationAuthorizedCaller*`.
- `AllowFullTableExternalDataAccess` - (boolean) Whether to allow a third-party query engine to get data access credentials without session tags when a caller has full data access permissions.

For example:

```
aws lakeformation put-data-lake-settings --cli-input-json file://
datalakesettings.json

{
  "DataLakeSettings": {
    "DataLakeAdmins": [
      {
        "DataLakePrincipalIdentifier": "arn:aws:iam::111111111111:user/lakeAdmin"
      }
    ],
    "CreateDatabaseDefaultPermissions": [],
    "CreateTableDefaultPermissions": [],
    "TrustedResourceOwners": [],
    "AllowExternalDataFiltering": true,
    "ExternalDataFilteringAllowList": [
      {"DataLakePrincipalIdentifier": "111111111111"}
    ],
    "AuthorizedSessionTagValueList": ["engine1"],
    "AllowFullTableExternalDataAccess": false
  }
}
```

API/SDK

Use the `PutDataLakeSetting` API operation to set the following parameters.

There are three fields to configure when using this API operation:

- `AllowExternalDataFiltering` – (Boolean) Indicates whether a third-party engine can access unfiltered metadata information and data access credentials of resources in the current account.
- `ExternalDataFilteringAllowList` – (array) A list of account IDs that can access unfiltered metadata information and the data access credentials of resources in the current account using a third-party engine.
- `AuthorizedSectionsTagValueList` – (array) A list of authorized tag values (strings). If an IAM role credential has been attached with an authorized tag, then the session is granted access to unfiltered metadata information and the data access credentials on resources in the configured account. The authorized session tag key is defined as `*LakeFormationAuthorizedCaller*`.
- `AllowFullTableExternalDataAccess` - (boolean) Whether to allow a third-party query engine to get data access credentials without session tags when a caller has full data access permissions.

For example:

```
//Enable session tag on existing data lake settings
public void sessionTagSetUpForExternalFiltering(AWSLakeFormationClient
lakeformation) {
    GetDataLakeSettingsResult getDataLakeSettingsResult =
lfClient.getDataLakeSettings(new GetDataLakeSettingsRequest());
    DataLakeSettings dataLakeSettings =
getDataLakeSettingsResult.getDataLakeSettings();

    //set account level flag to allow external filtering
dataLakeSettings.setAllowExternalDataFiltering(true);

    //set account that are allowed to call credential vending or Glue
GetFilteredMetadata API
    List<DataLakePrincipal> allowlist = new ArrayList<>();
    allowlist.add(new
DataLakePrincipal().withDataLakePrincipalIdentifier("111111111111"));
    dataLakeSettings.setWhitelistedForExternalDataFiltering(allowlist);

    //set registered session tag values
    List<String> registeredTagValues = new ArrayList<>();
    registeredTagValues.add("engine1");
    dataLakeSettings.setAuthorizedSessionTagValueList(registeredTagValues);
}
```



```
lakeformation.putDataLakeSettings(new  
PutDataLakeSettingsRequest().withDataLakeSettings(dataLakeSettings));  
}
```

Application integration for full table access

Follow these steps to enable third-party query engines to access data without the IAM session tag validation:

Console

1. Sign in to the Lake Formation console at <https://console.aws.amazon.com/lakeformation/>.
2. In the left-side navigation, expand **Administration**, and choose **Application integration settings**.
3. On the **Application integration settings** page, choose the **Allow external engines to access data in Amazon S3 locations with full table access** option.

When you enable this option, Lake Formation returns credentials to the querying application directly without IAM session tag validation.

Application integration settings [Learn more](#)

Application integration settings

Use the options below to control which third-party engines are allowed to read and filter data in Amazon S3 locations registered with Lake Formation.

Allow external engines to filter data in Amazon S3 locations registered with Lake Formation

Check this box to allow third-party engines to access data in Amazon S3 locations that are registered with Lake Formation.

Session tag values

Enter one or more strings that match the LakeFormationAuthorizedCaller session tag defined for third-party engines.

Clear all

Enter one or several string values separated by comma.

AWS account IDs

Enter the external AWS account IDs from where third-party engines are allowed to access locations registered with Lake Formation.

Clear all

Account

Account

Enter one or more AWS account IDs. Press enter after each ID.

Allow external engines to access data in Amazon S3 locations with full table access.

When you enable this option, Lake Formation will return credentials to the integrated application directly without IAM session tag validation.

Cancel

Save

AWS CLI

Use the `put-data-lake-settings` CLI command to set the `AllowFullTableExternalDataAccess` parameter.

```
aws lakeformation put-data-lake-settings --cli-input-json file://put-data-lake-
settings.json --region ap-northeast-1
{
  "DataLakeSettings": {
    "DataLakeAdmins": [
      {
        "DataLakePrincipalIdentifier": "arn:aws:iam::111111111111:user/
lakeAdmin"
      }
    ]
  }
}
```

```
    ],  
    "AllowFullTableExternalDataAccess": true  
  }  
}
```

Working with other AWS services

AWS services such as Amazon Athena, AWS Glue, Amazon Redshift Spectrum, and Amazon EMR can use AWS Lake Formation to securely access data in Amazon S3 locations registered with Lake Formation. With Lake Formation, you can define and manage fine-grained access control (FGAC) permissions for your tables in the AWS Glue Data Catalog. Each of these AWS services is a trusted caller to Lake Formation, and Lake Formation provides access to data stored in Amazon S3 through temporary credentials. For more information, see [How Lake Formation application integration works](#).

To avail these capabilities, Lake Formation requires you to first register the Amazon S3 location, and assign appropriate permissions to the IAM principal for accessing the table, the database, and the Amazon S3 location. For more information see, [Managing Lake Formation permissions](#).

The following tables lists the types of Lake Formation permissions supported by Amazon Athena, AWS Glue, Amazon EMR, and Amazon Redshift Spectrum to access data from AWS Glue standard tables and transactional tables ([Apache Iceberg](#), [Apache Hudi](#), and [Linux foundation Delta Lake](#)) with data stored in Amazon S3 and table metadata in the Data Catalog .

AWS services and supported permission types for AWS Glue standard tables and views

AWS service	Table-level permissions	Column-level permissions	Row and cell-level permissions
Athena SQL	Read/write access	Read access	Read access
Athena Spark	Not supported	Not supported	Not supported
Redshift Spectrum on a provisioned cluster or Amazon Redshift serverless	Read/write access	Read access	Read access
Apache Spark on Amazon EMR (EC2)	Read/write access	Read access	Read access
Apache Hive on Amazon EMR (EC2)	Read/write access	Read access	Not supported

AWS service	Table-level permissions	Column-level permissions	Row and cell-level permissions
Apache Spark on EMR Serverless	Read/write access	Read access	Read access
Apache Hive on EMR Serverless	Not supported	Not supported	Not supported
Amazon EMR on EKS	Not supported	Not supported	Not supported
AWS Glue ETL	Read/write access	Not supported	Not supported

Considerations and limitations

- Athena Spark doesn't support querying Data Catalog tables with Lake Formation permissions.
- Athena SAML-based users can read data sources secured using Lake Formation permissions by enabling SAML 2.0-based federation. SAML users can insert data into Parquet tables.
- Apache Spark on EMR Serverless doesn't support querying Data Catalog views.
- Apache Hive on EMR Serverless doesn't support querying tables with Lake Formation permissions.
- AWS Glue ETL requires full access to the entire table while fetching data from underlying Amazon S3 location. AWS Glue ETL job fails if you apply column-level permissions on a table.

AWS services and supported permission types for transactional table formats

AWS service	Iceberg	Hudi	Delta Lake (native)	Delta Lake (symlink tables)
Athena SQL	Supports reading tables with table, column, row, and cell-level permissions. Write operations	Supports read and create operations on tables with table, column, row, and cell-level permissions. Write	Athena (engine version 3) supports reading native Delta Lake tables with table, column, row, and cell-level permission	Athena (engine version 3) supports reading symlink Delta Lake tables with table, column, row, and cell-level permission

AWS service	Iceberg	Hudi	Delta Lake (native)	Delta Lake (symlink tables)
	require full table access.	operations are not supported.	ns. Write operations are not supported.	ns. Write operations are not supported.
Redshift Spectrum on a provisioned cluster	Supports reading tables with table, column, row, and cell-level permissions. Write operations are not supported.	Supports reading tables with table, column, row, and cell-level permissions. Write operations are not supported.	No supported	Supports reading Delta Lake tables via symlink manifest with table, column, row, and cell-level permissions. Write operations are not supported.
Apache Spark on Amazon EMR (EC2)	Supports reading tables with table, column, row, and cell-level permissions. Write operations require full table access.	Supports reading tables with table, column, row, and cell-level permissions. Write operations require full table access.	Supports reading tables with table, column, row, and cell-level permissions. Write operations are not supported.	Supports reading tables with table, column, row, and cell-level permissions. Write operations require full table access.
AWS Glue ETL	Supports read/write on tables with table-level permissions.	Supports read/write on tables with table-level permissions.	Supports read/write on tables with table-level permissions.	Supports read/write on tables with table-level permissions.

Topics

- [Using AWS Lake Formation with Amazon Athena](#)
- [Using AWS Lake Formation with Amazon Redshift Spectrum](#)

- [Using AWS Lake Formation with AWS Glue](#)
- [Using AWS Lake Formation with Amazon EMR](#)
- [Using AWS Lake Formation with Amazon QuickSight](#)
- [Using AWS Lake Formation with AWS CloudTrail Lake](#)

Using AWS Lake Formation with Amazon Athena

[Amazon Athena](#) is a server-less query service that helps you analyze structured, semi-structured, and unstructured data stored in Amazon S3. You can use Athena SQL to query data from CSV, JSON, Parquet, and Avro data formats. Athena SQL also supports table formats like [Apache Hive](#), [Apache Hudi](#), and [Apache Iceberg](#). Athena integrates with the AWS Glue Data Catalog to store metadata of your data sets in Amazon S3. Athena can use Lake Formation to define and maintain access control policies on those data sets.

Here are some common use cases where you can use Lake Formation with Athena.

- Use Lake Formation permissions for accessing the Data Catalog resources (database and tables) from Athena. You can use either the named resource method or LF-tags to define permissions on database and tables. For more information, see:
 - [Granting database permissions using the named resource method](#)
 - [Lake Formation tag-based access control](#)

Note

Lake Formation permissions apply only when using Athena SQL to query source data from Amazon S3 and metadata in the Data Catalog.

Athena Spark doesn't support querying Data Catalog tables with Lake Formation permissions. Lake Formation permissions support both read and write operations on databases and tables.

Note

You can't apply data filters when you use LF-Tags to manage permissions on Data Catalog resources.

- Control the query results by using [Data filters in Lake Formation](#) to secure tables in your Amazon S3 data lakes by granting permissions at column, row, and cell-levels. See the [limitation on partition projection](#) in Amazon Athena User Guide.
- Enforce fine-grained access control on the data available to the SAML-based Athena user when running federated queries.

Athena JDBC and ODBC drivers support configuring federated access to your data source using SAML-based Identity Provider (IdP). Use Amazon QuickSight integrated with Lake Formation with your existing IAM role or SAML users or groups to visualize Athena query results.

Note

Lake Formation permissions for SAML users and groups will apply only when you submit queries to Athena using the JDBC or ODBC driver.

For more information, see [Using Lake Formation and the Athena JDBC and ODBC drivers for federated access to Athena](#).

Note

Currently, authorizing access to SAML identities in Lake Formation is not supported in the following regions:

- Middle East (Bahrain) - me-south-1
- Asia Pacific (Hong Kong) - ap-east-1
- Africa (Cape Town) - af-south-1
- China (Ningxia) - cn-northwest-1
- Asia Pacific (Osaka) - ap-northeast-3

- Use [Cross-account data sharing in Lake Formation](#) to query tables in another account.

Note

For more information on limitations when using Lake Formation permissions to Views, see [Considerations and Limitations](#).

Support for transactional table formats

Applying Lake Formation permissions allows you to secure your transactional data in your Amazon S3 based data lakes. The table below lists transactional table formats supported in Athena and the Lake Formation permissions. Lake Formation enforces these permissions when Athena users run their queries.

Table format	Description and allowed operations	Lake Formation permissions supported in Athena
Apache Hudi	<p>A format used to simplify incremental data processing and data pipeline development.</p> <p>Athena supports create and read operations using Apache Hudi table formats on Amazon S3 data sets for both Copy on Write (CoW) and Merge On Read (MoR) Hudi table types. Athena does not support write operations on Hudi tables.</p> <p>Use Athena to query Hudi datasets.</p>	<p>Use Data filtering and cell-level security in Lake Formation to secure Hudi table using table, column, row, and cell-level permissions.</p>
Apache Iceberg	<p>An open table format that manages large collections of files as tables, and supports modern analytic data lake operations such as record-level insert, update, delete, and time travel queries.</p> <p>For more information on Athena's support for Iceberg</p>	<p>Table, column, row, and cell-level permissions are supported. Currently, Lake Formation doesn't support managing permissions on write operations such as VACUUM, MERGE, UPDATE and OPTIMIZE on tables in Open Table Formats.</p>

Table format	Description and allowed operations	Lake Formation permissions supported in Athena
	tables, see Using Iceberg tables .	
Linux Foundation Delta Lake	<p>Delta Lake is an open-source project that helps to implement modern data lake architectures commonly built on Amazon S3 or Hadoop Distributed File System (HDFS).</p> <p>Athena supports Delta lake tables created using a symlink-based manifest table definition on AWS Glue Data Catalog from a Delta Lake table.</p> <p>For more information, see Crawl Delta Lake tables using AWS Glue crawlers.</p> <p>Athena (engine version 3) supports reading native Delta Lake tables.</p> <p>For more information, see Introducing native Delta Lake table support with AWS Glue crawlers.</p>	Table, column, row, and cell-level permissions are supported for symlink tables and native Delta Lake tables.

Additional resources

Blog posts, videos, and workshops

- [Query an Apache Hudi dataset in an Amazon S3 data lake with Amazon Athena](#)
- [Build an Apache Iceberg data lake using Amazon Athena, Amazon EMR, and AWS Glue](#)
- [Insert, update, delete on Amazon S3 with Athena and Apache Iceberg](#)
- [LF-Tag based access control](#) Lake Formation workshop on querying a data lake.

Using AWS Lake Formation with Amazon Redshift Spectrum

[Amazon Redshift Spectrum](#) lets you to query and retrieve data in Amazon S3 data lakes without loading data into Amazon Redshift cluster nodes.

Redshift Spectrum supports two ways of registering an external AWS Glue data catalog enabled with Lake Formation.

- Using a cluster attached IAM role that has permission to the Data Catalog

To create an IAM role, follow the steps outlined in the below procedure.

[To create an IAM role for Amazon Redshift using an AWS Glue Data Catalog enabled for AWS Lake Formation](#)

- Using a federated IAM identity configured to manage access to external AWS Glue Data Catalog resources

Redshift Spectrum supports querying Lake Formation tables using federated IAM identities. The IAM identities can be an IAM user or an IAM role. For more information on IAM identity federation in Redshift Spectrum, see [Using a federated identity to manage Amazon Redshift access to local resources and Redshift Spectrum external tables](#).

With Lake Formation integration with Redshift Spectrum, you can define row, column, and cell-level access control permissions on tables after your data is registered with Lake Formation.

For more information see [Using Redshift Spectrum with AWS Lake Formation](#).

Redshift Spectrum supports reads or SELECT queries on the Lake Formation managed external schema tables.

For more information, see [Creating external schemas for Redshift Spectrum](#).

Support for transactional table types

This table lists transactional table formats supported in Redshift Spectrum and the applicable Lake Formation permissions.

Supported table formats

Table format	Description and allowed operations	Lake Formation permissions supported in Redshift Spectrum
Apache Hudi	<p>A format used to simplify incremental data processing and data pipeline development.</p> <p>Redshift Spectrum supports insert, delete, and upsert write operations using Apache Hudi Copy on Write (CoW) table format on Amazon S3.</p> <p>For more information, see Creating external tables for data managed in Apache Hudi.</p>	<p>Use Data filtering and cell-level security in Lake Formation to secure Hudi tables using table, column, row, and cell-level permissions.</p>
Apache Iceberg	<p>An open table format that manages large collections of files as tables and supports modern analytic data lake operations such as record-level insert, update, delete, and time travel queries.</p>	<p>Redshift Spectrum supports Apache Iceberg tables for querying.</p>

Table format	Description and allowed operations	Lake Formation permissions supported in Redshift Spectrum
	For more information, see Using Apache Iceberg tables with Amazon Redshift .	
Linux Foundation Delta Lake	<p>Delta Lake is an open-source project that helps implement modern data lake architectures commonly built on Amazon S3 or Hadoop Distributed File System (HDFS).</p> <p>Redshift Spectrum supports querying Delta Lake tables. For more information, see Creating external tables for data managed in Delta Lake.</p>	Table, column, row, and cell-level permissions are supported.

Additional resources

Blog posts and workshops

- [Centralize governance for your data lake using AWS Lake Formation while enabling a modern data architecture with Amazon Redshift Spectrum](#)
- [Use Redshift Spectrum to query Apache Hudi Copy On Write \(CoW\) tables in Amazon S3 data lake](#)

Using AWS Lake Formation with AWS Glue

Data engineers and DevOps professionals use AWS Glue with Extract, Transform and Load (ETL) with Apache Spark to perform transformations on their data sets in Amazon S3 and load the transformed data into data lakes and data warehouses for analytics, machine learning, and

application development. With different teams accessing the same data set in Amazon S3, it is imperative to grant and restrict permissions based on their roles.

AWS Lake Formation is built on AWS Glue, and the services interact in the following ways:

- Lake Formation and AWS Glue share the same Data Catalog.
- The following Lake Formation console features invoke the AWS Glue console:
 - Jobs – For more information, see [Adding Jobs](#) in the *AWS Glue Developer Guide*.
 - Crawlers – For more information, see [Cataloging Tables with a Crawler](#) in the *AWS Glue Developer Guide*.
- The workflows generated when you use a Lake Formation blueprint are AWS Glue workflows. You can view and manage these workflows in both the Lake Formation console and the AWS Glue console.
- Machine learning transforms are provided with Lake Formation and are built on AWS Glue API operations. You create and manage machine learning transforms on the AWS Glue console. For more information, see [Machine Learning Transforms](#) in the *AWS Glue Developer Guide*.

You can use the Lake Formation fine-grained access control to manage your existing Data Catalog resources and Amazon S3 data locations.

Note

AWS Glue ETL requires full access to the entire table while fetching data from underlying Amazon S3 location. AWS Glue ETL job fails if you apply column-level permissions on a table.

Support for transactional table types

Applying Lake Formation permissions allows you to secure your transactional data in your Amazon S3 based data lakes. The table below lists transactional table formats supported in AWS Glue and the Lake Formation permissions. Lake Formation enforces these permissions for AWS Glue operations.

Supported table formats

Table format	Description and allowed operations	Lake Formation permissions supported in AWS Glue
Apache Hudi	<p>A open table format used to simplify incremental data processing and data pipeline development.</p> <p>For examples, see Using the Hudi framework in AWS Glue.</p>	<p>Table-level permissions are available for Hudi tables.</p> <p>For more information, see Limitations.</p>
Apache Iceberg	<p>An open table format that manages large collections of files as tables.</p> <p>For examples, see Using the Iceberg framework in AWS Glue.</p>	<p>Table-level permissions are available for Iceberg tables.</p> <p>For more information, see Limitations.</p>
Linux Foundation Delta Lake	<p>Delta Lake is an open-source project that helps implement modern data lake architectures commonly built on Amazon S3 or Hadoop Distributed File System (HDFS).</p> <p>For examples, see Using the Delta Lake framework in AWS Glue.</p>	<p>Table-level permissions are available for Delta Lake tables.</p> <p>For more information, see Limitations.</p>

Additional resources

Blog posts and repositories

- [Use the AWS Glue connector to read and write Apache Iceberg tables with ACID transactions and perform time travel](#)

- [Writing to Apache Hudi tables using AWS Glue custom connector](#)
- AWS repository of [Cloudformation template and pyspark code sample](#) to analyze streaming data using AWS Glue, Apache Hudi, and Amazon S3.

Using AWS Lake Formation with Amazon EMR

Amazon EMR is a flexible AWS managed cluster platform on which you can run any custom code on supported big data frameworks like Hadoop Map-Reduce, Spark, Hive, Presto, etc. Organizations also use Amazon EMR to run both batch and stream data processing applications across a highly distributed cluster. Using Apache Spark on Amazon EMR, you can run your data transformations and custom code on database and tables whose permissions are managed by Lake Formation.

There are three options for deploying Amazon EMR:

- EMR on EC2
- EMR Serverless
- Amazon EMR on EKS

For more information, see [Integrate Amazon EMR with Lake Formation](#) or [Using EMR Serverless with AWS Lake Formation for fine-grained access control](#)

Support for transactional table formats

Amazon EMR releases 6.15.0 and higher include support for Lake Formation table, row, column, and cell-level access control permissions on [Apache Hudi](#), [Apache Iceberg](#) and [Delta Lake](#) table formats when you read and write data with Spark SQL.

For limitations, see [Considerations for Amazon EMR with Lake Formation](#).

Supported table formats

Table format	Description and allowed operations	Lake Formation permissions supported in Amazon EMR
Apache Hudi	A open table format used to simplify incremental data processing and data pipeline development.	Amazon EMR supports table, row, column, and cell-level access control with Apache Hudi.

Table format	Description and allowed operations	Lake Formation permissions supported in Amazon EMR
	<p>For a list of supported operations, see Apache Hudi and Lake Formation.</p>	
Apache Iceberg	<p>An open table format that manages large collections of files as tables.</p> <p>For a list of supported operations, see Apache Iceberg and Lake Formation.</p>	Amazon EMR supports table, row, column, and cell-level access control with Apache Iceberg.
Linux Foundation Delta Lake	<p>Delta Lake is an open-source project that helps implement modern data lake architectures commonly built on Amazon S3 or Hadoop Distributed File System (HDFS).</p> <p>For a list of supported operations, see Delta Lake and Lake Formation.</p>	Amazon EMR supports table, row, column, and cell-level access control with Delta Lake tables.

Additional resources

User guide, blog posts, and workshops

- [Integration with Amazon EMR using Runtime Roles](#)
- [Get a quick start with Apache Hudi, Apache Iceberg, and Delta Lake with Amazon EMR on EKS](#)
- [Using Delta Lake OSS with EMR Serverless](#)

Using AWS Lake Formation with Amazon QuickSight

Amazon QuickSight supports exploring datasets managed by Lake Formation permissions in Amazon S3 using Athena.

Both Standard and Enterprise edition users of Amazon QuickSight integrate with Lake Formation, but slightly differently.

- Enterprise edition – Grant fine-grained access control (FGAC) permissions to individual Amazon QuickSight users, groups, and IAM roles to access databases and tables.
- Standard edition – Grant permissions to IAM roles to access databases and tables.

Note

By default, Amazon QuickSight uses a role named `aws-quicksight-service-role-v0`. You can also define custom roles with required permissions that enable Amazon QuickSight to access Athena.

For more information, see [Authorizing connections through AWS Lake Formation](#)

Additional resources

Blog posts

- [Enable fine-grained permissions for Amazon QuickSight authors in AWS Lake Formation](#)
- [Securely analyze your data with AWS Lake Formation and Amazon QuickSight](#)

Using AWS Lake Formation with AWS CloudTrail Lake

AWS CloudTrail Lake supports exploring event data stores using Amazon Athena with fine-grained permissions in AWS Lake Formation.

Note

CloudTrail Lake can only be queried through Amazon Athena.

To register your CloudTrail Lake event data store with Lake Formation, see [Federate an event data store](#).

Logging AWS Lake Formation API Calls Using AWS CloudTrail

AWS Lake Formation is integrated with AWS CloudTrail, a service that provides a record of actions taken by a user, role, or an AWS service in Lake Formation. CloudTrail captures all Lake Formation API calls as events. The calls captured include calls from the Lake Formation console, the AWS Command Line Interface, and code calls to the Lake Formation API actions. If you create a trail, you can enable continuous delivery of CloudTrail events to an Amazon S3 bucket, including events for Lake Formation. If you don't configure a trail, you can still view the most recent events in the CloudTrail console in **Event history**. Using the information collected by CloudTrail, you can determine the request that was made to Lake Formation, the IP address from which the request was made, who made the request, when it was made, and additional details.

To learn more about CloudTrail, see the [AWS CloudTrail User Guide](#).

Lake Formation Information in CloudTrail

CloudTrail is enabled by default when you create a new AWS account. When activity occurs in Lake Formation, that activity is recorded as a CloudTrail event along with other AWS service events in **Event history**. An event represents a single request from any source and includes information about the requested action, the date and time of the action, and request parameters. In addition, every event or log entry contains information about who generated the request. The identity information helps you determine the following:

- Whether the request was made with root or AWS Identity and Access Management (IAM) user credentials.
- Whether the request was made with temporary security credentials for a role or federated user.
- Whether the request was made by another AWS service.

For more information, see the [CloudTrail userIdentity element](#).

You can view, search, and download recent events for your AWS account. For more information, see [Viewing events with CloudTrail Event history](#).

For an ongoing record of events in your AWS account, including events for Lake Formation, create a trail. A *trail* enables CloudTrail to deliver log files to an Amazon S3 bucket. By default, when you

create a trail on the console, the trail applies to all AWS Regions. The trail logs events from all Regions in the AWS partition and delivers the log files to the Amazon S3 bucket that you specify. Additionally, you can configure other AWS services, such as Amazon Athena, to further analyze and act upon the event data collected in CloudTrail logs. CloudTrail can also deliver log files to Amazon CloudWatch Logs and CloudWatch Events.

For more information, see the following:

- [Overview for creating a trail](#)
- [CloudTrail supported services and integrations](#)
- [Configuring Amazon SNS notifications for CloudTrail](#)
- [Receiving CloudTrail log files from multiple regions](#) and [Receiving CloudTrail log files from multiple accounts](#)

Understanding Lake Formation Events

All Lake Formation API actions are logged by CloudTrail and are documented in the AWS Lake Formation Developer Guide. For example, calls to the `PutDataLakeSettings`, `GrantPermissions`, and `RevokePermissions` actions generate entries in the CloudTrail log files.

The following example shows a CloudTrail event for the `GrantPermissions` action. The entry includes the user who granted the permission (`datalake_admin`), the principal that the permission was granted to (`datalake_user1`), and the permission that was granted (`CREATE_TABLE`). The entry also shows that the grant failed because the target database was not specified in the `resource` argument.

```
{
  "eventVersion": "1.08",
  "userIdentity": {
    "type": "IAMUser",
    "principalId": "AIDAZKE67KM3P775X74U2",
    "arn": "arn:aws:iam::111122223333:user/datalake_admin",
    "accountId": "111122223333",
    "accessKeyId": "...",
    "userName": "datalake_admin"
  },
  "eventTime": "2021-02-06T00:43:21Z",
  "eventSource": "lakeformation.amazonaws.com",
```

```

    "eventName": "GrantPermissions",
    "awsRegion": "us-east-1",
    "sourceIPAddress": "72.21.198.65",
    "userAgent": "aws-cli/1.19.0 Python/3.6.12
Linux/4.9.230-0.1.ac.223.84.332.metal1.x86_64 boto3/1.20.0",
    "errorCode": "InvalidInputException",
    "errorMessage": "Resource must have one of the have either the catalog, table or
database field populated.",
    "requestParameters": {
      "principal": {
        "dataLakePrincipalIdentifier": "arn:aws:iam::111122223333:user/
datalake_user1"
      },
      "resource": {},
      "permissions": [
        "CREATE_TABLE"
      ]
    },
    "responseElements": null,
    "requestID": "b85e863f-e75d-4fc0-9ff0-97f943f706e7",
    "eventID": "8d2ccefc0-55f3-42d3-9ede-3a6faedaa5c1",
    "readOnly": false,
    "eventType": "AwsApiCall",
    "managementEvent": true,
    "eventCategory": "Management",
    "recipientAccountId": "111122223333"
  }

```

The next example shows a CloudTrail log entry for the `GetDataAccess` action. Principals do not directly call this API. Rather, `GetDataAccess` is logged whenever a principal or integrated AWS service requests temporary credentials to access data in a data lake location that is registered with Lake Formation.

```

{
  "eventVersion": "1.05",
  "userIdentity": {
    "type": "AWSAccount",
    "principalId": "AROAQGFTBBBG0BWV2EMZA:GlueJobRunnerSession",
    "accountId": "111122223333"
  },
  "eventSource": "lakeformation.amazonaws.com",
  "eventName": "GetDataAccess",
  ...
}

```

```
...
  "additionalEventData": {
    "requesterService": "GLUE_JOB",
    "lakeFormationPrincipal": "arn:aws:iam::111122223333:role/ETL-Glue-Role",
    "lakeFormationRoleSessionName": "AWSLF-00-GL-111122223333-G13T0Rmng2"
  },
...
}
```

See Also

- [Cross-account CloudTrail logging](#)

Lake Formation best practices, considerations, and limitations

Use this section to quickly find best practices, considerations, and limitations within AWS Lake Formation.

See [Service quotas](#) for the maximum number of service resources or operations for your AWS account.

Topics

- [Cross-account data sharing best practices and considerations](#)
- [Cross-Region data access limitations](#)
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- [Hive metadata store data sharing considerations and limitations](#)
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- [Supported formats and limitations for managed data compaction](#)

Cross-account data sharing best practices and considerations

Lake Formation cross-account capabilities allow users to securely share distributed data lakes across multiple AWS accounts, AWS organizations or directly with IAM principals in another account providing fine-grained access to the Data Catalog metadata and underlying data.

Consider the following best practices when using Lake Formation cross-account data sharing:

- There is no limit to the number of Lake Formation permission grants that you can make to principals in your own AWS account. However, Lake Formation uses AWS Resource Access Manager (AWS RAM) capacity for cross-account grants that your account can make with the named resource method. To maximize the AWS RAM capacity, follow these best practices for the named resource method:

- Use the new cross-account grant mode (**Version 3** and above under **Cross account version settings**) to share a resource with an external AWS account. For more information, see [Updating cross-account data sharing version settings](#).
- Arrange AWS accounts into organizations, and grant permissions to organizations or organizational units. A grant to an organization or organizational unit counts as one grant.

Granting to organizations or organizational units also eliminates the need to accept an AWS Resource Access Manager (AWS RAM) resource share invitation for the grant. For more information, see [Accessing and viewing shared Data Catalog tables and databases](#).

- Instead of granting permissions on many individual tables in a database, use the special **All tables** wildcard to grant permissions on all tables in the database. Granting on **All tables** counts as a single grant. For more information, see [Granting and revoking permissions on Data Catalog resources](#).

Note

For more information about requesting a higher limit for the number of resource shares in AWS RAM, see [AWS service quotas](#) in the *AWS General Reference*.

- You must create a resource link to a shared database for that database to appear in the Amazon Athena and Amazon Redshift Spectrum query editors. Similarly, to be able to query shared tables using Athena and Redshift Spectrum, you must create resource links to the tables. The resource links then appear in the tables list of the query editors.

Instead of creating resource links for many individual tables for querying, you can use the **All tables** wildcard to grant permissions on all tables in a database. Then, when you create a resource link for that database and select that database resource link in the query editor, you'll have access to all tables in that database for your query. For more information, see [Creating resource links](#).

- When you share resources directly with principals in another account, the IAM principal in the recipient account may not have permission to create resource links to be able to query the shared tables using Athena and Amazon Redshift Spectrum. Instead of creating a resource link for each table that is shared, the data lake administrator can create a placeholder database and grant CREATE_TABLE permission to the ALLIAMPrincipal group. Then, all IAM principals in the recipient account can create resource links in the placeholder database and start querying the shared tables.

See the example CLI command for granting permissions to `ALLIAMPPrincipals` in [Granting database permissions using the named resource method](#).

- Athena and Redshift Spectrum support column-level access control, but only for inclusion, not exclusion. Column-level access control is not supported in AWS Glue ETL jobs.
- When a resource is shared with your AWS account, you can grant permissions on the resource only to users in your account. You can't grant permissions on the resource to other AWS accounts, to organizations (not even your own organization), or to the `IAMAAllowedPrincipals` group.
- You can't grant `DROP` or `Super` on a database to an external account.
- Revoke cross-account permissions before you delete a database or table. Otherwise, you must delete orphaned resource shares in AWS Resource Access Manager.

See also

- [Lake Formation tag-based access control best practices and considerations](#)
- [CREATE_TABLE](#) in the [Lake Formation permissions reference](#) for more cross-account access rules and limitations.

Cross-Region data access limitations

Lake Formation supports querying Data Catalog tables across AWS Regions. You can access data in a Region from other Regions using Amazon Athena, Amazon EMR, and AWS Glue ETL by creating resource links in other Regions pointing to the source databases and tables. With cross-Region table access, you can access data across Regions without copying the underlying data or the metadata into the Data Catalog.

The following limitations apply to cross-Region table access.

- Lake Formation doesn't support querying Data Catalog tables from another Region using Amazon Redshift Spectrum.
- In the Lake Formation console, the database and table views don't show the source Region database/table names.

- To view the list of tables under a shared database from another Region, you need to first create a resource link to the shared database, then select the resource link, and choose **View tables**.
- Cross-Region table access feature doesn't work when you create resource links in AWS Regions that point to shared databases and tables created in opt in Regions.

For more information, see Opt in Regions on the [Supported AWS Regions and services](#) page.

- Lake Formation doesn't support cross-Region resource link calls made by SAML users.

Data Catalog views considerations and limitations

In AWS Glue Data Catalog, a *view* is a virtual table in which the contents are defined by a query that references one or more tables. You can create a view that references up to 10 tables using SQL editors for Amazon Athena or Amazon Redshift. Underlying reference tables for a view can belong to the same database or different databases within the same AWS account.

The following considerations and limitations apply to Data Catalog views.

- Amazon Redshift always creates views with varchar columns from tables with strings. You must cast string columns to varchar with an explicit length when adding dialects from other engines.
- Granting data lake permissions to All views within a database will result in the grantee having permissions on all tables and views within the database.
- You can't create views:
 - That references other views.
 - When the reference a table is a resource link.
 - When reference tables have IAM_ALLOWED_GROUP principal permissions.
 - When the reference table is in another account.
 - From external Hive metastores.

Data filtering limitations

When you grant Lake Formation permissions on a Data Catalog table, you can include data filtering specifications to restrict access to certain data in query results and engines integrated with Lake Formation. Lake Formation uses data filtering to achieve column-level security, row-level security, and cell-level security. You can define and apply data filters on nested columns if your source data contains nested structures.

Notes and restrictions for column-level filtering

There are three ways to specify column filtering:

- By using data filters
- By using simple column filtering or nested column filtering.
- By using TAGs.

Simple column filtering just specifies a list of columns to include or exclude. Both the Lake Formation console, the API, and the AWS CLI support simple column filtering. For an example, see [Grant with Simple Column Filtering](#).

The following notes and restrictions apply to column filtering:

- AWS Glue ETL jobs doesn't support column filtering. The job fails if column filtering is applied to any table that the job references.
- To grant SELECT with the grant option and column filtering, you must use an include list, not an exclude list. Without the grant option, you can use either include or exclude lists.
- To grant SELECT on a table with column filtering, you must have been granted SELECT on the table with the grant option and without any row restrictions. You must have access to all rows.
- If you grant SELECT with the grant option and column filtering to a principal in your account, that principal must specify column filtering for the same columns or a subset of the granted columns when granting to another principal. If you grant SELECT with the grant option and column filtering to an external account, the data lake administrator in the external account can grant SELECT on all columns to another principal in their account. However, even with SELECT on all columns, that principal will have visibility only on the columns granted to the external account.
- You can't apply column filtering on partition keys.
- A principal with the SELECT permission on a subset of columns in a table can't be granted the ALTER, DROP, DELETE, or INSERT permission on that table. For a principal with the ALTER, DROP, DELETE, or INSERT permission on a table, if you grant the SELECT permission with column filtering, it has no effect.

The following notes and restrictions apply to nested column filtering:

- You can include or exclude five-levels of nested fields in a data filter.

Example

Col1.Col1_1.Col1_1_1.Col1_1_1_1.Col1_1_1_1_1

- You can't apply column filtering on nested fields within partition columns.
- If your table schema contains a top-level column name ("customer"."address") that has the same pattern of a nested field representation within a data filter (a nested column with a top level column name `customer` and a nested field name `address` is specified as `"customer"."address"` in a data filter), you can't explicitly specify access to either top level column or nested field because both are represented using the same pattern in the inclusion/exclusion lists. This is ambiguous, and Lake Formation can't resolve if you're specifying the top level column or the nested field.
- If a top level column or nested field contains a double quote within the name, you must include a second double quote when you specify access to a nested field within a data cells filter's include and exclude list.

Example

Example nested column name with double quotes – `a.b.double"quote`

Example

Example nested column representation within a data filter – `"a"."b"."double""quote"`

Cell-level filtering limitations

Keep in mind the following notes and restrictions for row-level and cell-level filtering.

- Cell-level security is not supported on nested columns, views, and resource links.
- All expressions that are supported on top level columns are also supported on nested columns. However, nested fields under partition columns should **NOT** be referenced when defining nested row-level expressions.
- Cell-level security is available in all regions when using Athena engine version 3 or Amazon Redshift Spectrum. For other services, cell-level security is only available in the regions mentioned on the [Supported Regions](#).
- `SELECT INTO` statements are not supported.

- The `array`, and `map` data types aren't supported in row filter expressions. The `struct` data type is supported.
- There is no limit to the number of data filters that can be defined on a table, but there is a limit of 100 data filter `SELECT` permissions for a single principal on a table.
- The maximum number of data filters that can be included in a grant on a table is 10.
- To apply a data filter with a row filter expression, you must have `SELECT` with the grant option on all table columns. This restriction doesn't apply to administrators in external accounts when the grant was made to the external account.
- If a principal is a member of a group and both the principal and the group are granted permissions on a subset of rows, the principal's effective row permissions are the union of the principal's permissions and the group's permissions.
- The following column names are restricted in a table for row-level and cell-level filtering:
 - `ctid`
 - `oid`
 - `xmin`
 - `cmin`
 - `xmax`
 - `cmax`
 - `tableoid`
 - `insertxid`
 - `deletexid`
 - `importoid`
 - `redcatuniqueid`
- If you apply the all-rows filter expression on a table concurrently with other filter expressions with predicates, the all-rows expression will prevail over all other filter expressions.
- When permissions on a subset of rows are granted to an external AWS account and the data lake administrator of the external account grants those permissions to a principal in that account, the principal's effective filter predicate is the intersection of the account's predicate and any predicate that was directly granted to the principal.

For example, if the account has row permissions with the predicate `dept='hr'` and the principal was separately granted permission for `country='us'`, the principal has access only to rows with `dept='hr'` and `country='us'`.

For more information about cell-level filtering, see [Data filtering and cell-level security in Lake Formation](#).

Hybrid access mode considerations and limitations

Hybrid access mode provides the flexibility to selectively enable Lake Formation permissions for databases and tables in your AWS Glue Data Catalog.

With the Hybrid access mode, you now have an incremental path that allows you to set Lake Formation permissions for a specific set of users without interrupting the permission policies of other existing users or workloads.

The following considerations and limitations apply to hybrid access mode.

Limitations

- **Update Amazon S3 location registration** – You can't edit parameters of a location that is registered with Lake Formation using a service linked role.
- **Opt in option when using LF-Tags** – When you can grant Lake Formation permissions using LF-Tags, you can opt in principals to enforce Lake Formation permissions as a consecutive step by choosing databases and tables that has LF-Tags attached.
- **Opt in principals** – Currently, only a data lake administrator role can opt in principals to resources.
- **Opt in all tables in a database** – In cross-account grants, when you grant permissions, and opt in all tables in a database, you need to opt in the database also for the permissions to work.

Considerations

- **Updating Amazon S3 location registered with Lake Formation to hybrid access mode** – We do not recommend converting a Amazon S3 data location that is already registered with Lake Formation to hybrid access mode though it can be done.
- **API behaviors when a data location is registered in hybrid access mode**
 - **CreateTable** – The location is considered as registered with Lake Formation regardless of the hybrid access mode flag and opt in status. Thus, the user requires the data location permission to create a table.
 - **CreatePartition/BatchCreatePartitions/UpdatePartitions** (when partition location is updated to point to the location registered with hybrid) – The Amazon S3 location is considered as

registered with Lake Formation regardless of the hybrid access mode flag and opt in status. Thus, the user requires the data location permission to create or update a database.

- **CreateDatabase/UpdateDatabase** (when database location is updated to point to the location registered in hybrid access mode) – The location is considered as registered with Lake Formation regardless of the hybrid access mode flag and opt in status. Thus, the user requires the data location permission to create or update a database.
- **UpdateTable** (when a table location is updated to point to the location registered in hybrid access mode) – The location is considered as registered with Lake Formation regardless of the hybrid access mode flag and opt in status. Thus, the user requires data location permission to update the table. If the table location is not updated or it is pointing to a location that is not registered with Lake Formation, the user doesn't require data location permission to update the table.

Hive metadata store data sharing considerations and limitations

With AWS Glue Data Catalog metadata federation (Data Catalog federation), you can connect the Data Catalog to external metastores that store metadata for your Amazon S3 data, and securely manage data access permissions using AWS Lake Formation.

The following considerations and limitations apply to federated databases that are created from Hive databases:

Considerations

- **AWS SAM application support** – You're responsible for the availability of application resources that AWS SAM deploys (Amazon API Gateway and Lambda function). Make sure that the connection between the AWS Glue Data Catalog and the Hive metastore is working when users run queries.
- **Hive metastore version requirement** – You can create federated databases only using Apache Hive version 3 and above.
- **Mapped database requirement** – Every Hive database must be mapped to a new database in Lake Formation.
- **Database-level federation support** – You can connect to Hive metastore only at the database level.

- **Permissions on federated databases** – The permissions applied on a federated database or tables under a federated database persist even when a source table or a database is deleted. When the source database or table is recreated, you don't need to regrant the permissions. When a federated table with Lake Formation permissions is deleted at source, Lake Formation permissions are still visible, and you can revoke them if needed.

If a user deletes a federated database, all of its corresponding permissions are lost. Recreating the same database with the same name, will not recover Lake Formation permissions. Users will have to setup new permissions again.

- **IAMAllowedPrincipal group permissions** on federated databases – Based on the `DataLakeSettings`, Lake Formation might set permissions to all databases and tables to a virtual group named `IAMAllowedPrincipal`. The `IAMAllowedPrincipal` refers to all IAM principals who have access to Data Catalog resources through IAM principal policies and AWS Glue resource policies. If these permissions exist on a database or a table, all principals are granted access to the database or table.

However, Lake Formation doesn't allow `IAMAllowedPrincipal` permissions on tables under federated databases. When you create federated databases, make sure that you pass the `CreateTableDefaultPermissions` parameter as an empty list.

For more information, see [Changing the default settings for your data lake](#).

- **Joining tables in queries** – You can join Hive metastore tables with Data Catalog native tables to run queries.

Limitations

- **Limitation on syncing metadata between the AWS Glue Data Catalog and the Hive metastore** – After establishing the Hive metastore connection, you need to create a federated database to sync metadata in the Hive metastore with the AWS Glue Data Catalog. The tables under the federated database are synced at runtime when users run queries.
- **Limitation on creating new tables under a federated database** – You will not be able to create new tables under federated databases.
- **Data permission limitation** – Support for permissions on Hive metastore table views is not available.

Amazon Redshift data sharing limitations

AWS Lake Formation allows you to securely manage data in a datashare from Amazon Redshift. Amazon Redshift is a fully managed, petabyte-scale data warehouse service in the AWS Cloud. Using the data sharing capability, Amazon Redshift helps you to share data across AWS accounts. For more information about Amazon Redshift data sharing, see [Overview of data sharing in Amazon Redshift](#).

The following notes and restrictions apply to federated databases that are created from Amazon Redshift datashares:

- **Mapped database requirement** – Every Amazon Redshift datashare must be mapped to a new database in Lake Formation. This is required to maintain unique table names when the datashare objects representation is flattened in the Data Catalog database.
- **Limitation on creating new tables under a federated database** – You will not be able to create new tables under federated databases.
- **Permissions on the federated databases** – The permissions applied on a federated database or tables under a federated database persist even when a source table or a database is deleted. When the source database or table is recreated, you do not need to regrant the permissions. When a federated table with Lake Formation permissions is deleted at source, Lake Formation permissions will still be visible and you can revoke them if needed.

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For more information, see [Changing the default settings for your data lake](#).

- **Data filtering** – In Lake Formation, you can grant permissions on a table under a federated database with column-level and row-level filtering. However, you can't combine column-level and row-level filtering to restrict access at cell-level granularity on tables under federated databases.
- **Case sensitivity identifier** – Amazon Redshift datashare objects managed by Lake Formation, will support table names and column names only in lowercase. Don't turn on case sensitivity identifier for databases, tables, and columns in Amazon Redshift datashares, if they will be shared and managed using Lake Formation.

For more information on limitations when working with datashares in Amazon Redshift see, [Limitations for data sharing](#) in the Amazon Redshift Database Developer Guide.

IAM Identity Center integration limitations

With AWS IAM Identity Center, you can connect to identity providers (IdPs) and centrally manage access for users and groups across AWS analytics services. You can configure AWS Lake Formation as an enabled application in IAM Identity Center, and data lake administrators can grant fine-grained permissions to authorized users and groups on AWS Glue Data Catalog resources.

The following limitations apply to Lake Formation integration with IAM Identity Center:

- You can't assign IAM Identity Center users and groups as data lake administrators or read-only administrators in Lake Formation.

IAM Identity Center users and groups can query encrypted Data Catalog resources if you are using an IAM role that AWS Glue can assume on your behalf for encrypting and decrypting the Data Catalog. AWS managed keys don't support trusted identity propagation.

- IAM Identity Center users and groups can only invoke API operations listed in the `AWSIAMIdentityCenterAllowListForIdentityContext` policy provided by IAM Identity Center.
- Lake Formation permits IAM roles from external accounts to act as carrier roles on behalf of IAM Identity Center users and groups for accessing Data Catalog resources, but permissions can only be granted on Data Catalog resources within the owning account. If you try to grant permissions to IAM Identity Center users and groups on Data Catalog resources in an external account, Lake Formation throws the following error - "Cross-account grants are not supported for the principal."

Lake Formation tag-based access control best practices and considerations

You can create, maintain, and assign LF-Tags to control access to Data Catalog databases, tables, and columns.

Consider the following best practices when using Lake Formation tag-based access control:

- All LF-Tags must be predefined before they can be assigned to Data Catalog resources or granted to principals.

The data lake administrator can delegate tag management tasks by creating *LF-Tag creators* with the required IAM permissions. Data engineers and analysts decide on the characteristics and relationships for LF-Tags. The LF-Tag creators then creates and maintains the LF-Tags in Lake Formation.

- You can assign multiple LF-Tags to Data Catalog resources. Only one value for a particular key can be assigned to a particular resource.

For example, you can assign `module=Orders, region=West, division=Consumer`, and so on to a database, table, or column. You can't assign `module=Orders, Customers`.

- You can't assign LF-Tags to resources when you create the resource. You can only add LF-Tags to existing resources.
- You can grant LF-Tag expressions, not just single LF-Tags, to a principal.

A LF-Tag expression looks something like the following (in pseudo-code).

```
module=sales AND division=(consumer OR commercial)
```

A principal that is granted this LF-Tag expression can access only Data Catalog resources (databases, tables, and columns) that are assigned `module=sales` *and* either `division=consumer` or `division=commercial`. If you want the principal to be able to access resources that have `module=sales` *or* `division=commercial`, don't include both in the same grant. Make two grants, one for `module=sales` and one for `division=commercial`.

The simplest LF-Tag expression consists of just one LF-Tag, such as `module=sales`.

- A principal that is granted permissions on a LF-Tag with multiple values can access Data Catalog resources with either of those values. For example, if a user is granted a LF-Tag with `key=module`

and values=orders, customers, the user has access to resources that are assigned either module=orders or module=customers.

- You need to have `Grant with LF-Tag expressions` permission to grant data permissions on Data Catalog resources by using the LF-TBAC method. The data lake administrator and the LF-Tag creator implicitly receive this permission. A principal that has the `Grant with LFTag expressions` permission can grant data permissions on the resources using:
 - the named resource method
 - the LF-TBAC method, but only using the same LF-Tag expression

For example, assume that the data lake administrator makes the following grant (in pseudo-code).

```
GRANT (SELECT ON TABLES) ON TAGS module=customers, region=west,south TO user1 WITH GRANT OPTION
```

In this case, `user1` can grant `SELECT` on tables to other principals by using the LF-TBAC method, but only with the complete LF-Tag expression `module=customers, region=west, south`.

- If a principal is granted permissions on a resource with both the LF-TBAC method and the named resource method, the permissions that the principal has on the resource is the union of the permissions granted by both methods.
- Lake Formation supports granting `DESCRIBE` and `ASSOCIATE` on LF-Tags across accounts, and granting permissions on Data Catalog resources across accounts using the LF-TBAC method. In both cases, the principal is an AWS account ID.

Note

Lake Formation supports cross-account grants to organizations and organizational units using LF-TBAC method. To use this capability, you need to update **Cross account version settings to Version 3**.

For more information, see [Cross-account data sharing in Lake Formation](#).

- Data Catalog resources created in one account can only be tagged using LF-Tags created in the same account. LF-Tags created in one account can't be associated with shared resources from another account.

- Using Lake Formation tag-based access control (LF-TBAC) to grant cross-account access to Data Catalog resources requires additions to the Data Catalog resource policy for your AWS account. For more information, see [Prerequisites](#).
- LF-Tag keys and LF-Tag values can't exceed 50 characters in length.
- The maximum number of LF-Tags that can be assigned to a Data Catalog resource is 50.
- The following limits are soft limits:
 - The maximum number of LF-Tags that can be created is 1000.
 - The maximum number of values that can be defined for a LF-Tag is 1000.
- Tags keys and values are converted to all lower case when they are stored.
- Only one value for a LF-Tag can be assigned to a particular resource.
- If multiple LF-Tags are granted to a principal with a single grant, the principal can access only Data Catalog resources that have all of the LF-Tags.
- AWS Glue ETL jobs require full table access. The jobs will fail if AWS Glue ETL role does not have access to all columns in a table. It is possible to apply LF-Tags at a column-level, but it may cause AWS Glue ETL roles to lose full table access and have jobs fail.
- If a LF-Tag expression evaluation results in access to only a subset of table columns, but the Lake Formation permission granted when there is a match is one of the permissions that required full column access, namely `Alter`, `Drop`, `Insert`, or `Delete`, then none of those permissions is granted. Instead, only `Describe` is granted. If the granted permission is `All (Super)`, then only `Select` and `Describe` are granted.
- Wildcards are not used with LF-Tags. To assign a LF-Tag to all columns of a table, you assign the LF-Tag to the table, and all columns in the table inherit the LF-Tag. To assign a LF-Tag to all tables in a database, you assign the LF-Tag to the database, and all tables in the database inherit that LF-Tag.

Supported formats and limitations for managed data compaction

For better read performance by AWS analytics services such as Amazon Athena, Amazon EMR, and AWS Glue ETL jobs, AWS Glue Data Catalog provides managed compaction (a process that compacts small Amazon S3 objects into larger objects) for Iceberg tables in Data Catalog.

Data compaction supports a variety of data types and compression formats for reading and writing data, including reading data from encrypted tables.

Data compaction supports:

- **File types:** Parquet
- **Data types:** Boolean, Integer, Long, Float, Double, String, Decimal, Date, Time, Timestamp, String, UUID, Binary
- **Compression:** zstd, gzip, snappy, uncompressed
- **Encryption:** Data compaction only supports default Amazon S3 encryption (SSE-S3) and server-side KMS encryption (SSE-KMS).
- **Bin pack compaction**
- **Schema evolution**
- **Tables with target file size (`write.target-file-size-bytes` property in iceberg configuration) within the inclusive range 128MB to 512 MB.**
- **Regions**
 - Asia Pacific (Tokyo)
 - Asia Pacific (Seoul)
 - Asia Pacific (Mumbai)
 - Asia Pacific (Singapore)
 - Europe (Ireland)
 - Europe (London)
 - Europe (Frankfurt)
 - US East (N. Virginia)
 - US East (Ohio)
 - US West (N. California)
 - South America (São Paulo)
- You can run compaction from the account where Data Catalog resides when the Amazon S3 bucket that stores the underlying data is in another account. To do this, the compaction role requires access to the Amazon S3 bucket.

Data compaction currently doesn't support:

- **File types:** Avro, ORC
- **Data types:** Fixed
- **Compression:** brotli, lz4

- Compaction of files while the partition spec evolves.
- **Regular sorting or z-order sorting**
- **Merge or delete files:** The compaction process skips data files that have delete files associated with them.
- **Compaction on cross-account tables:** You can't run compaction on cross-account tables.
- **Compaction on cross-Region tables:** You can't run compaction on cross-Region tables.
- **Enabling compaction on resource links**
- **VPC endpoints for Amazon S3 buckets**
- [DynamoDB lock manager](#) – When using data compaction, no other data loading jobs should use lock-impl as org.apache.iceberg.aws.dynamodb.DynamoDbLockManager.

Troubleshooting Lake Formation

If you encounter issues when working with AWS Lake Formation, consult the topics in this section.

Topics

- [General troubleshooting](#)
- [Troubleshooting cross-account access](#)
- [Troubleshooting blueprints and workflows](#)
- [Known issues for AWS Lake Formation](#)
- [Updated error message](#)

General troubleshooting

Use the information here to help you diagnose and fix various Lake Formation issues.

Error: Insufficient Lake Formation permissions on <Amazon S3 location>

An attempt was made to create or alter a Data Catalog resource without data location permissions on the Amazon S3 location pointed to by the resource.

If a Data Catalog database or table points to an Amazon S3 location, when you grant the Lake Formation permissions `CREATE_TABLE` or `ALTER`, you must also grant the `DATA_LOCATION_ACCESS` permission on the location. If you are granting these permissions to external accounts or to organizations, you must include the grant option.

After these permissions are granted to an external account, the data lake administrator in that account must then grant the permissions to principals (users or roles) in the account. When granting the `DATA_LOCATION_ACCESS` permission that was received from another account, you must specify the catalog ID (AWS account ID) of the owner account. The owner account is the account that registered the location.

For more information, see [Underlying data access control](#) and [Granting data location permissions](#).

Error: "Insufficient encryption key permissions for Glue API"

An attempt was made to grant Lake Formation permissions without AWS Identity and Access Management (IAM) permissions on the AWS KMS encryption key for an encrypted Data Catalog.

My Amazon Athena or Amazon Redshift query that uses manifests is failing

Lake Formation does not support queries that use manifests.

Error: "Insufficient Lake Formation permission(s): Required create tag on catalog"

The user/role must be a data lake administrator.

Error when deleting invalid data lake administrators

You should delete all invalid data lake administrators (deleted IAM roles that are defined as data lake administrators) simultaneously. If you try to delete invalid data lake administrators separately, Lake Formation throws invalid principal error.

Troubleshooting cross-account access

Use the information here to help you diagnose and fix cross-account access issues.

Topics

- [I granted a cross-account Lake Formation permission but the recipient can't see the resource](#)
- [Principals in the recipient account can see the Data Catalog resource but can't access the underlying data](#)
- [Error: "Association failed because the caller was not authorized" when accepting a AWS RAM resource share invitation](#)
- [Error: "Not authorized to grant permissions for the resource"](#)
- [Error: "Access denied to retrieve AWS Organization information"](#)
- [Error: "Organization <organization-ID> not found"](#)
- [Error: "Insufficient Lake Formation permissions: Illegal combination"](#)

- [ConcurrentModificationException on grant/revoke requests to external accounts](#)
- [Error when using Amazon EMR to access data shared via cross-account](#)

I granted a cross-account Lake Formation permission but the recipient can't see the resource

- Is the user in the recipient account a data lake administrator? Only data lake administrators can see the resource at the time of sharing.
- Are you sharing with an account external to your organization by using the named resource method? If so, the data lake administrator of the recipient account must accept a resource share invitation in AWS Resource Access Manager (AWS RAM).

For more information, see [the section called "Accepting an AWS RAM resource share invitation"](#).

- Are you using account-level (Data Catalog) resource policies in AWS Glue? If yes, then if you use the named resources method, you must include a special statement in the policy that authorizes AWS RAM to share policies on your behalf.

For more information, see [the section called "Managing cross-account permissions using both AWS Glue and Lake Formation"](#).

- Do you have the AWS Identity and Access Management (IAM) permissions required to grant cross-account access?

For more information, see [the section called "Prerequisites"](#).

- The resource that you've granted permissions on must not have any Lake Formation permissions granted to the `IAMAllowedPrincipals` group.
- Is there a deny statement on the resource in the account-level policy?

Principals in the recipient account can see the Data Catalog resource but can't access the underlying data

Principals in the recipient account must have the required AWS Identity and Access Management (IAM) permissions. For details, see [Accessing the underlying data of a shared table](#).

Error: "Association failed because the caller was not authorized" when accepting a AWS RAM resource share invitation

After granting access to a resource to a different account, when the receiving account attempts to accept the resource share invitation, the action fails.

```
$ aws ram get-resource-share-associations --association-type PRINCIPAL --resource-
share-arns arn:aws:ram:aws-region:444444444444:resource-share/e1d1f4ba-xxxx-xxxx-xxxx-
xxxxxxxx5d8d
{
  "resourceShareAssociations": [
    {
      "resourceShareArn": "arn:aws:ram:aws-region:444444444444:resource-share/
e1d1f4ba-xxxx-xxxx-xxxx-xxxxxxxx5d8d
",
      "resourceShareName": "LakeFormation-MMCC0XQBH3Y",
      "associatedEntity": "5815803XXXXX",
      "associationType": "PRINCIPAL",
      "status": "FAILED",
      "statusMessage": "Association failed because the caller was not
authorized.",
      "creationTime": "2021-07-12T02:20:10.267000+00:00",
      "lastUpdatedTime": "2021-07-12T02:20:51.830000+00:00",
      "external": true
    }
  ]
}
```

The error occurs because the `glue:PutResourcePolicy` is invoked by AWS Glue when the receiving account accepts the resource share invitation. To resolve the issue, allow the `glue:PutResourcePolicy` action by the assumed role used by the producer/grantor account.

Error: "Not authorized to grant permissions for the resource"

An attempt was made to grant cross-account permissions on a database or table that is owned by another account. When a database or table is shared with your account, as a data lake administrator, you can grant permissions on it only to users in your account.

Error: "Access denied to retrieve AWS Organization information"

Your account is an AWS Organizations management account and you do not have the required permissions to retrieve organization information, such as organizational units in the account.

For more information, see [Required permissions for cross-account grants](#).

Error: "Organization <organization-ID> not found"

An attempt was made to share a resource with an organization, but sharing with organizations is not enabled. Enable resource sharing with organizations.

For more information, see [Enable Sharing with AWS Organizations](#) in the *AWS RAM User Guide*.

Error: "Insufficient Lake Formation permissions: Illegal combination"

A user shared a Data Catalog resource while Lake Formation permissions were granted to the `IAMAllowedPrincipals` group for the resource. The user must revoke all Lake Formation permissions from `IAMAllowedPrincipals` before sharing the resource.

ConcurrentModificationException on grant/revoke requests to external accounts

When users make multiple concurrent grant and/or revoke permission requests for a principal on LF-Tag policies, then Lake Formation throws `ConcurrentModificationException`. Users need to catch the exception and retry the failed the grant/revoke request. Using batch versions of the `GrantPermissions/RevokePermissions` API operations - [BatchGrantPermissions](#) and [BatchRevokePermissions](#) alleviates this problem to an extent by reducing the number of concurrent grant/revoke requests.

Error when using Amazon EMR to access data shared via cross-account

When you use Amazon EMR to access data shared with you from another account, some Spark libraries will attempt to call `Glue:GetUserDefinedFunctions` API operation. Since versions 1 and 2 of the AWS RAM managed permissions does not support this action, you receive the following error message:

```
"ERROR: User: arn:aws:sts::012345678901:assumed-role/my-spark-role/i-06ab8c2b59299508a is not authorized to perform:
```

`glue:GetUserDefinedFunctions` on resource: `arn:exampleCatalogResource` because no resource-based policy allows the `glue:GetUserDefinedFunctions` action"

To resolve this error, the data lake administrator who created the resource share must update the AWS RAM managed permissions attached to the resource share. Version 3 of the AWS RAM managed permissions allows principals to perform the `glue:GetUserDefinedFunctions` action.

If you create a new resource share, Lake Formation applies the latest version of the AWS RAM managed permission by default, and no action is required by you. To enable cross-account data access for existing resource shares, you need to update the AWS RAM managed permissions to version 3.

You can view the AWS RAM permissions assigned to resources shared with you in AWS RAM. The following permissions are included in version 3:

Databases

- `AWSRAMPermissionGlueDatabaseReadWriteForCatalog`
- `AWSRAMPermissionGlueDatabaseReadWrite`

Tables

- `AWSRAMPermissionGlueTableReadWriteForCatalog`
- `AWSRAMPermissionGlueTableReadWriteForDatabase`

AllTables

- `AWSRAMPermissionGlueAllTablesReadWriteForCatalog`
- `AWSRAMPermissionGlueAllTablesReadWriteForDatabase`

To update AWS RAM managed permissions version of existing resource shares

You (data lake administrator) can either [update AWS RAM managed permissions to a newer version](#) by following instructions in the *AWS RAM User Guide* or you can revoke all existing permissions for the resource type and regrant them. If you revoke permissions, AWS RAM deletes the AWS RAM resource share associated with the resource type. When you regrant permissions, AWS RAM creates new resource shares attaching the latest version of AWS RAM managed permissions.

Troubleshooting blueprints and workflows

Use the information here to help you diagnose and fix blueprint and workflow issues.

Topics

- [My blueprint failed with "User: <user-ARN> is not authorized to perform: iam:PassRole on resource: <role-ARN>"](#)
- [My workflow failed with "User: <user-ARN> is not authorized to perform: iam:PassRole on resource: <role-ARN>"](#)
- [A crawler in my workflow failed with "Resource does not exist or requester is not authorized to access requested permissions"](#)
- [A crawler in my workflow failed with "An error occurred \(AccessDeniedException\) when calling the CreateTable operation..."](#)

My blueprint failed with "User: <user-ARN> is not authorized to perform: iam:PassRole on resource: <role-ARN>"

An attempt was made to create a blueprint by a user who does not have sufficient permissions to pass the chosen role.

Update the user's IAM policy to be able to pass the role, or ask the user to choose a different role with the required passrole permissions.

For more information, see [the section called "Lake Formation personas and IAM permissions reference"](#).

My workflow failed with "User: <user-ARN> is not authorized to perform: iam:PassRole on resource: <role-ARN>"

The role that you specified for the workflow did not have an inline policy allowing the role to pass itself.

For more information, see [the section called "\(Optional\) Create an IAM role for workflows"](#).

A crawler in my workflow failed with "Resource does not exist or requester is not authorized to access requested permissions"

One possible cause is that the passed role did not have sufficient permissions to create a table in the target database. Grant the role the CREATE_TABLE permission on the database.

A crawler in my workflow failed with "An error occurred (AccessDeniedException) when calling the CreateTable operation..."

One possible cause is that the workflow role did not have data location permissions on the target storage location. Grant data location permissions to the role.

For more information, see [the section called "DATA_LOCATION_ACCESS"](#).

Known issues for AWS Lake Formation

Review these known issues for AWS Lake Formation.

Topics

- [Limitation on filtering of table metadata](#)
- [Issue with renaming an excluded column](#)
- [Issue with deleting columns in CSV tables](#)
- [Table partitions must be added under a common path](#)
- [Issue with creating a database during workflow creation](#)
- [Issue with deleting and then re-creating a user](#)
- [GetTables and SearchTables APIs do not update the value for the IsRegisteredWithLakeFormation parameter](#)
- [Data Catalog API operations do not update the value for the IsRegisteredWithLakeFormation parameter](#)
- [Lake Formation operations do not support AWS Glue Schema Registry](#)

Limitation on filtering of table metadata

AWS Lake Formation column-level permissions can be used to restrict access to specific columns in a table. When a user retrieves metadata about the table using the console or an API like `glue:GetTable`, the column list in the table object contains only the fields to which they have access. It is important to understand the limitations of this metadata filtering.

Although Lake Formation makes available metadata about column permissions to integrated services, the actual filtering of columns in query responses is the responsibility of the integrated service. Lake Formation clients that support column-level filtering, including Amazon Athena,

Amazon Redshift Spectrum, and Amazon EMR filter the data based on the column permissions registered with Lake Formation. Users won't be able to read any data to which they should not have access. Currently, AWS Glue ETL doesn't support column filtering.

Note

EMR clusters are not completely managed by AWS. Therefore, it's the responsibility of EMR administrators to properly secure the clusters to avoid unauthorized access to data.

Certain applications or formats might store additional metadata, including column names and types, in the `Parameters` map as table properties. These properties are returned unmodified and are accessible by any user with `SELECT` permission on any column.

For example, the [Avro SerDe](#) stores a JSON representation of the table schema in a table property named `avro.schema.literal`, which is available to all users with access to the table. We recommend that you avoid storing sensitive information in table properties and be aware that users can learn the complete schema of Avro format tables. This limitation is specific to the metadata about a table.

AWS Lake Formation removes any table property beginning with `spark.sql.sources.schema` when responding to a `glue:GetTable` or similar request if the caller does not have `SELECT` permissions on all columns in the table. This prevents users from gaining access to additional metadata about tables created with Apache Spark. When run on Amazon EMR, Apache Spark applications still can read these tables, but certain optimizations might not be applied, and case-sensitive column names are not supported. If the user has access to all columns in the table, Lake Formation returns the table unmodified with all table properties.

Issue with renaming an excluded column

If you use column-level permissions to exclude a column and then rename the column, the column is no longer excluded from queries, such as `SELECT *`.

Issue with deleting columns in CSV tables

If you create a Data Catalog table with the CSV format and then delete a column from the schema, queries could return erroneous data, and column-level permissions might not be adhered to.

Workaround: Create a new table instead.

Table partitions must be added under a common path

Lake Formation expects all partitions of a table to be under a common path that is set in the table's location field. When you use the crawler to add partitions to a catalog, this works seamlessly. But if you add partitions manually, and these partitions are not under the location set in the parent table, data access does not work.

Issue with creating a database during workflow creation

When creating a workflow from a blueprint using the Lake Formation console, you can create the target database if it doesn't exist. When you do so, the user who is signed in gets the `CREATE_TABLE` permission on the database that is created. However, the crawler that the workflow generates assumes the workflow's role as it tries to create a table. This fails because the role doesn't have the `CREATE_TABLE` permission on the database.

Workaround: If you create the database through the console during the workflow setup, before you run the workflow, you must give the role associated with the workflow the `CREATE_TABLE` permission on the database that you just created.

Issue with deleting and then re-creating a user

The following scenario results in erroneous Lake Formation permissions returned by `ListPermissions`:

1. Create a user and grant Lake Formation permissions.
2. Delete the user.
3. Re-create the user with the same name.

`ListPermissions` returns two entries, one for the old user and one for the new user. If you try to revoke permissions granted to the old user, the permissions are revoked from the new user.

GetTables and SearchTables APIs do not update the value for the IsRegisteredWithLakeFormation parameter

There is a known limitation that Data Catalog API operations such as `GetTables` and `SearchTables` do not update the value for the `IsRegisteredWithLakeFormation` parameter, and return the default, which is false. It is recommended to use the `GetTable` API to view the correct value for the `IsRegisteredWithLakeFormation` parameter.

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Lake Formation operations do not support AWS Glue Schema Registry

Lake Formation operations do not support AWS Glue tables that contain a `SchemaReference` in the `StorageDescriptor` to be utilized in the [Schema Registry](#).

Updated error message

AWS Lake Formation has updated the resource specific exceptions to general `EntityNotFound` error message for the following API operations to meet security and compliance objectives.

- `RevokePermissions`
- `GrantPermissions`
- `GetResourceLFTags`
- `GetTable`
- `GetDatabase`

AWS Lake Formation API

Note

Updated [API Reference](#) for the AWS Lake Formation service is now available.

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Permissions APIs

The Permissions API section describes operations and data types that are required for granting and revoking permissions in AWS Lake Formation. See [Lake Formation API Reference Guide](#) for all AWS Lake Formation API operations and data types.

Operations

- [GrantPermissions](#)
- [RevokePermissions](#)
- [BatchGrantPermissions](#)
- [BatchRevokePermissions](#)
- [GetEffectivePermissionsForPath](#)
- [ListPermissions](#)
- [GetDataLakePrincipal](#)

Data Types

- [Resource](#)
- [DatabaseResource](#)
- [TableResource](#)
- [TableWithColumnsResource](#)
- [DataCellsFilterResource](#)
- [DataLocationResource](#)
- [DataLakePrincipal](#)
- [PrincipalPermissions](#)
- [PrincipalResourcePermissions](#)
- [DetailsMap](#)
- [ColumnWildcard](#)
- [BatchPermissionsRequestEntry](#)

- [BatchPermissionsFailureEntry](#)

Data lake settings APIs

This section contains the Data lake settings API operations and data types for managing the data lake administrators.

Operations

- [GetDataLakeSettings](#)
- [PutDataLakeSettings](#)

Data Types

- [DataLakeSettings](#)

IAM Identity Center integration APIs

This section contains the operations for creating and managing Lake Formation integration with IAM Identity Center.

Operations

- [CreateLakeFormationIdentityCenterConfiguration](#)
- [DeleteLakeFormationIdentityCenterConfiguration](#)
- [DescribeLakeFormationIdentityCenterConfiguration](#)
- [UpdateLakeFormationIdentityCenterConfiguration](#)

Data Types

- [ExternalFilteringConfiguration](#)

Hybrid access mode APIs

The Hybrid access mode API section describes operations and data types that are required for setting up hybrid access mode in AWS Lake Formation. See [Lake Formation API Reference Guide](#) for all AWS Lake Formation API operations and data types.

Operations

- [CreateLakeFormationOptIn](#)
- [DeleteLakeFormationOptIn](#)
- [ListLakeFormationOptIns](#)

Data Types

- [Resource](#)
- [DatabaseResource](#)
- [TableResource](#)
- [Resource Info](#)
- [LakeFormationOptInsInfo](#)
- [DataLocationResource](#)

Credential vending APIs

The Credential Vending API section describes the operations and data types related to working with the AWS Lake Formation service to vend credentials and to register and manage a data lake resource.

Operations

- [RegisterResource](#)
- [DeregisterResource](#)
- [ListResources](#)
- [GetUnfilteredTableMetadata](#)
- [GetUnfilteredPartitionsMetadata](#)

- [GetTemporaryGluePartitionCredentials](#)
- [GetTemporaryGlueTableCredentials](#)
- [UpdateResource](#)

Data Types

- [FilterCondition](#)
- [RowFilter](#)
- [ResourceInfo](#)

Tagging APIs

The Tagging API section describes the operations and data types related to an authorization strategy that defines a permissions model on attributes or key-value pair tags.

Operations

- [AddLFTagsToResource](#)
- [RemoveLFTagsFromResource](#)
- [GetResourceLFTags](#)
- [ListLFTags](#)
- [CreateLFTag](#)
- [GetLFTag](#)
- [UpdateLFTag](#)
- [DeleteLFTag](#)
- [SearchTablesByLFTags](#)
- [SearchDatabasesByLFTags](#)

Data Types

- [LFTagKeyResource](#)
- [LFTagPolicyResource](#)
- [TaggedTable](#)

- [TaggedDatabase](#)
- [LFTag](#)
- [LFTagPair](#)
- [LFTagError](#)
- [ColumnLFTag](#)

Data filter APIs

The Data Filter APIs describe how to manage data cell filters in AWS Lake Formation.

Operations

- [CreateDataCellsFilter](#)
- [DeleteDataCellsFilter](#)
- [ListDataCellsFilter](#)
- [GetDataCellsFilter](#)
- [UpdateDataCellsFilter](#)

Data types

- [DataCellsFilter](#)
- [RowFilter](#)

Common data types

The Common Data Types describes miscellaneous common data types in AWS Lake Formation.

ErrorDetail structure

Contains details about an error.

Fields

- `ErrorCode` – UTF-8 string, not less than 1 or more than 255 bytes long, matching the [Single-line string pattern](#).

The code associated with this error.

- `ErrorMessage` – Description string, not more than 2048 bytes long, matching the [URI address multi-line string pattern](#).

A message describing the error.

String patterns

The API uses the following regular expressions to define what is valid content for various string parameters and members:

- Single-line string pattern – `"[\u0020-\uD7FF\uE000-\uFFFF\uD800\uDC00-\uDBFF\uDFFF\t]*"`
- URI address multi-line string pattern – `"[\u0020-\uD7FF\uE000-\uFFFF\uD800\uDC00-\uDBFF\uDFFF\r\n\t]*"`
- Custom string pattern #3 – `"^\w+\.\w+\.\w+$"`
- Custom string pattern #4 – `"^\w+\.\w+$"`
- Custom string pattern #5 – `"arn:aws:iam::[0-9]*:role/.*"`
- Custom string pattern #6 – `"arn:aws:iam::[0-9]*:user/.*"`
- Custom string pattern #7 – `"arn:aws:iam::[0-9]*:group/.*"`
- Custom string pattern #8 – `"arn:aws:iam::[0-9]*:saml-provider/.*"`
- Custom string pattern #9 – `"^([\p{L}\p{Z}\p{N}_.\:/=+\-@%]*)$"`
- Custom string pattern #10 – `"^([\p{L}\p{Z}\p{N}_.\/*\:/=+\-@%]*)$"`
- Custom string pattern #11 – `"[\p{L}\p{N}\p{P}]*"`

Supported Regions

This section has information on supported AWS Regions and functionality for Lake Formation.

General availability

For the AWS Regions supported by AWS Lake Formation, see [List of AWS services available by Region](#).

For a list of the Lake Formation service endpoints for each Region and the Lake Formation service quotas, see [AWS Lake Formation endpoints and quotas](#).

AWS GovCloud (US)

For an overview of differences between AWS GovCloud (US) Region and standard AWS Regions, see [How AWS Lake Formation differs for AWS GovCloud \(US\)](#).

Transactions and storage optimization

The governed tables, transaction support, and storage optimizations features for Lake Formation are available in the following AWS Regions:

Region name	Region parameter	Endpoint
US East (N. Virginia)	us-east-1	lakeformation.us-east-1.amazonaws.com
		lakeformation-fips.us-east-1.amazonaws.com
US East (Ohio)	us-east-2	lakeformation.us-east-2.amazonaws.com
		lakeformation-fips.us-east-2.amazonaws.com
US West (Oregon)	us-west-2	lakeformation.us-west-2.amazonaws.com

Region name	Region parameter	Endpoint
		lakeformation-fips.us-west-2.amazonaws.com
Asia Pacific (Mumbai)	ap-south-1	lakeformation.ap-south-1.amazonaws.com
Asia Pacific (Seoul)	ap-northeast-2	lakeformation.ap-northeast-2.amazonaws.com
Asia Pacific (Singapore)	ap-southeast-1	lakeformation.ap-southeast-1.amazonaws.com
Asia Pacific (Sydney)	ap-southeast-2	lakeformation.ap-southeast-2.amazonaws.com
Asia Pacific (Tokyo)	ap-northeast-1	lakeformation.ap-northeast-1.amazonaws.com
Europe (Frankfurt)	eu-central-1	lakeformation.eu-central-1.amazonaws.com
Europe (Ireland)	eu-west-1	lakeformation.eu-west-1.amazonaws.com
Europe (London)	eu-west-2	lakeformation.eu-west-2.amazonaws.com
Europe (Stockholm)	eu-north-1	lakeformation.eu-north-1.amazonaws.com
Canada (Central)	ca-central-1	lakeformation.ca-central-1.amazonaws.com

Region name	Region parameter	Endpoint
South America (São Paulo)	sa-east-1	lakeformation.sa-east-1.amazonaws.com

Document history for AWS Lake Formation

The following table describes important changes to the documentation for AWS Lake Formation.

Change	Description	Date
Updated policy change	Documented the change (added statement IDs and removed redundant permissions) to the AWSLakeFormationCrossAccountManager and AWSLakeFormationDataAdmin policies.	March 14, 2024
Updated setting up Lake Formation	Updated the steps in the Set up AWS Lake Formation section.	February 7, 2024
Updated policy change	Added new permissions to the service-linked role's inline policy. For more information, see Using service-linked roles for Lake Formation .	February 7, 2024
Updated policy change	Documented the change to the LakeFormationDataAccessServiceRolePolicy policy.	February 2, 2024
Consolidated Lake Formation limitations	Created a unified section for Lake Formation limitations and considerations. For more information, see Lake Formation limitations .	December 15, 2023
Added documentation for Iceberg compaction	For better read performance by AWS analytics services such as Athena and Amazon EMR, and AWS Glue ETL	November 25, 2023

jobs, AWS Glue Data Catalog provides managed compaction (a process that compacts small Amazon S3 objects into larger objects) for Iceberg tables in the Data Catalog. For more information, see [Optimizing Iceberg tables](#).

[Added documentation for IAM Identity Center integration](#)

IAM Identity Center integration allows users and groups to access Data Catalog resources enforcing Lake Formation permissions. For more information, see [IAM Identity Center integration](#).

November 25, 2023

[Added documentation for Data Catalog views](#)

You can create views in the AWS Glue Data Catalog that references up to 10 tables using SQL editors for Amazon Athena or Amazon Redshift. For more information, see [Creating views](#).

November 25, 2023

[Updated the policy change](#)

Documented the change to the [AWSLakeFormationCrossAccountManager](#) policy.

October 25, 2023

[Added documentation for hybrid access mode](#)

Hybrid access mode provides the flexibility to selectively enable Lake Formation permissions for databases and tables in your AWS Glue Data Catalog. With hybrid access mode, you now have an incremental path that allows you to set Lake Formation permissions for a specific set of users without interrupting the permission policies of other existing users or workloads. For more information, see [Hybrid access mode](#).

September 26, 2023

[Added documentation for creating Apache Iceberg tables](#)

You can now create Apache Iceberg tables that use the Apache Parquet data format in the AWS Glue Data Catalog with data residing in Amazon S3. For more information, see [Creating Iceberg tables](#).

August 16, 2023

[Added documentation for cross-Region data access](#)

Lake Formation supports querying Data Catalog tables across AWS Regions. You can access data in a Region from other Regions using Athena, Amazon EMR, and run AWS Glue ETL by creating resource links in other Regions pointing to the source databases and tables. You can connect the Data Catalog to external metastores that store metadata for your Amazon S3 data, and securely manage data access permissions using AWS Lake Formation . For more information, see [Accessing tables across Regions](#).

June 30, 2023

[Re-organized contents](#)

Re-organized chapters in the guide to match Lake Formation user journey.

May 15, 2023

[Added documentation for HMS federation](#)

You can connect the Data Catalog to external metastores that store metadata for your Amazon S3 data, and securely manage data access permissions using AWS Lake Formation . For more information, see [Managing permissions on datasets that use external metastores](#).

April 15, 2023

[Added documentation for Amazon Redshift data sharing](#)

You can now securely manage data in a datashare from Amazon Redshift using Lake Formation permissions. Lake Formation supports licensing access to your data through AWS Data Exchange. For more information, see [Data sharing in AWS Lake Formation](#).

November 30, 2022

[Support for cross-account data sharing directly with principals](#)

Added information about sharing data directly with IAM principals in another account. For more information see [Cross-account data sharing in AWS Lake Formation](#).

November 10, 2022

[Support for AWS RAM enabled data sharing using TBAC](#)

Added information about The LF-TBAC method of granting Data Catalog permissions use AWS Resource Access Manager for [cross-account grants](#).

November 10, 2022

[Added a section on working with other services](#)

Added information on how AWS services such as Athena, AWS Glue, Redshift Spectrum, and Amazon EMR can use Lake Formation to securely access data in Amazon S3 locations registered with Lake Formation. For more information see [Working with other AWS services](#).

November 10, 2022

???	Added information on troubleshooting an error when using Amazon EMR to access cross-account data. For more information, see Error when using Amazon EMR to access data shared via cross-account .	November 7, 2022
Updates to cross-account resource share	Added a description for how cross-account resource shares work in Lake Formation. Documented the change to the AWSLakeFormationCrossAccountManager policy.	May 6, 2022
New tutorials	Added new tutorials for creating governed tables, securing data lakes, and sharing data lakes. For more details, see Get started section.	April 20, 2022
New Lake Formation landing page	Updated the Lake Formation landing page to include links for tutorials that provide step-by-step instructions on how to build a data lake, ingest data, share, and secure data lakes using Lake Formation.	April 20, 2022

[Support for credential vending](#)

Added information about credential vending, which supports Lake Formation to allow third-party services to integrate with Lake Formation by using credential vending API operations. For more information, see [How credential vending works in Lake Formation](#).

February 28, 2022

[Support for governed tables and advanced data filtering](#)

Added information about governed tables, which support ACID transactions, automatic data compaction, and time-travel queries. Added information about creating data filters to support for column-level security, row-level security, and cell-level security. For more information, see [Governed Tables in Lake Formation](#) and [Data Filtering and Cell-Level Security in Lake Formation](#).

November 30, 2021

[Support for VPC interface endpoints](#)

Added information about creating a virtual private cloud (VPC) interface endpoint for Lake Formation , so that communication between your VPC and Lake Formation is conducted entirely and securely within the AWS network. For more information, see [Using Lake Formation with VPC Endpoints](#) .

October 11, 2021

[Support for VPC endpoint policies](#)

Added information about support for Virtual Private Cloud (VPC) endpoint policies in Lake Formation. For more information, see [Using Lake Formation with VPC Endpoints](#).

October 11, 2021

[Support for tag-based access control](#)

Lake Formation tag-based access control provides a new, more scalable way to manage access to Data Catalog resources and underlying data by using LF-Tags. For more information, see [Lake Formation Tag-Based Access Control](#).

May 7, 2021

[New opt-in requirement for data filtering on Amazon EMR.](#)

Added information about the requirement to opt in to allow Amazon EMR to filter data that is managed by Lake Formation. For more information, see [Allow Data Filtering on Amazon EMR](#).

October 9, 2020

[Support for granting full cross-account permissions on Data Catalog databases](#)

Added information about granting full Lake Formation permissions on Data Catalog databases across AWS accounts, including `CREATE_TABLE` . For more information, see [Sharing Data Catalog Databases](#).

October 1, 2020

[Support for Amazon Athena users authenticating through SAML.](#)

Added information about support for Athena users who connect through the JDBC or ODBC driver and authenticate through SAML identity providers such as Okta and Microsoft Active Directory Federation Service (AD FS). For more information, see [AWS Service Integrations with Lake Formation](#).

September 30, 2020

[Support for cross-account access with an encrypted Data Catalog](#)

Added information about granting cross-account permissions when the Data Catalog is encrypted. For more information, see [Cross-Account Access Prerequisites](#).

July 30, 2020

[Support for cross-account access to the data lake](#)

Added information about granting AWS Lake Formation permissions on Data Catalog databases and tables to external AWS accounts and organizations, and about accessing Data Catalog objects shared from external accounts. For more information, see [Cross-Account Access](#).

July 7, 2020

[Integration with Amazon QuickSight](#)

Added information about how to grant Lake Formation permissions to Amazon QuickSight Enterprise Edition users so that they may access datasets residing in registered Amazon S3 locations. For more information, see [Granting Data Catalog Permissions](#).

June 29, 2020

[Updates to setting up and Getting Started chapters](#)

Reorganized and improved the Setting Up and Getting Started chapters. Updated the recommended AWS Identity and Access Management (IAM) permissions for the data lake administrator.

February 27, 2020

[Support for AWS Key Management Service](#)

Added information about how Lake Formation support for AWS Key Management Service (AWS KMS) simplifies setting up integrated services to read and write encrypted data in registered Amazon Simple Storage Service (Amazon S3) locations. Added information about how to register Amazon S3 locations that are encrypted with AWS KMS keys. For more information, see [the section called “Adding an Amazon S3 location to your data lake”](#).

February 27, 2020

[Updates to blueprints and data lake administrator IAM policies](#)

Clarified input parameters for incremental database blueprints. Updated the IAM policies required for a data lake administrator.

December 20, 2019

[Security chapter rewrite and upgrade chapter revisions](#)

Improved the security and upgrading chapters.

October 29, 2019

[Super permission replaces All permission](#)

Updated the Security and Upgrading chapters to reflect the replacement of the permission All with Super.

October 10, 2019

[Additions, corrections, and clarifications](#)

Made additions, corrections, and clarifications based on feedback. Revised the security chapter. Updated the Security and Upgrading chapters to reflect the replacement of the group Everyone with IAMAllowedPrincipals .

September 11, 2019

[New guide](#)

This is the initial release of the *AWS Lake Formation Developer Guide*.

August 8, 2019

AWS Glossary

For the latest AWS terminology, see the [AWS glossary](#) in the *AWS Glossary Reference*.