



User Guide for Experts

AWS IQ



AWS IQ: User Guide for Experts

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End of support notice: On May 28, 2026, AWS will end support for AWS IQ. After May 28, 2026, you will no longer be able to access the AWS IQ console or AWS IQ resources. For more information, see [AWS IQ end of support](#).

What is AWS IQ for experts?

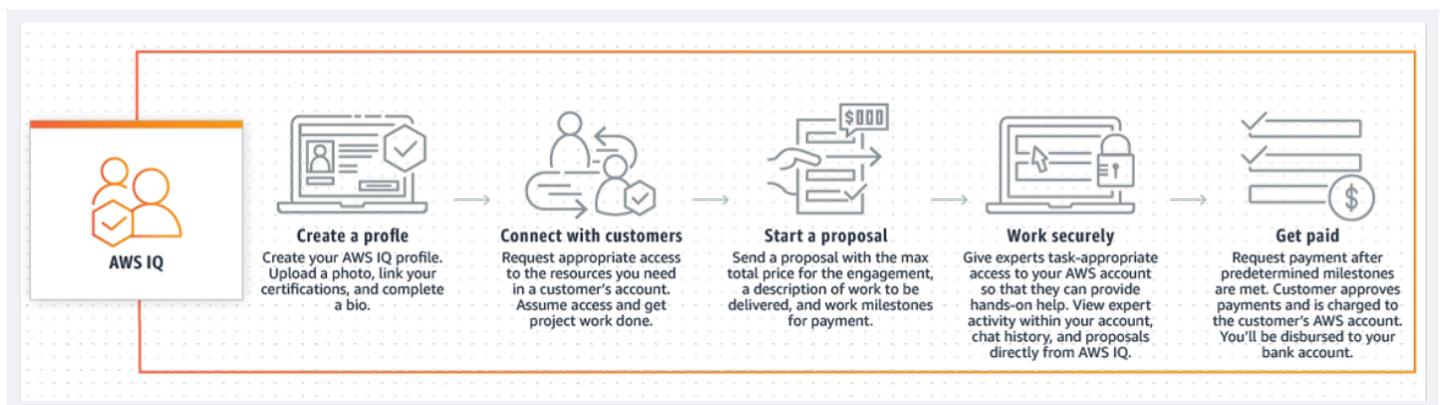
AWS IQ is a service that connects customers to hands-on help with Amazon Web Services (AWS). If you're based in an [eligible jurisdiction](#) supported by AWS Marketplace, you can sign up to become an expert in AWS IQ. As an expert, you can get paid for work that you complete for customers within their AWS account.

How it works

In the AWS IQ console, customers create requests for hands-on help. If you have an AWS Certification and register as an expert, you can view and respond to customer requests. You can choose for customers to contact you directly through your public profile page. You'll have a unique URL to share with customers.

Before you start working on a project, discuss the work details with the customer. After you understand the scope of the work, you create a proposal with tasks, milestones, and payment terms. Customers grant you task-appropriate permissions to their AWS account, and you perform the work in their account on their behalf. You're paid according to the terms of your proposal as work is completed upfront or according to a schedule.

The following illustration shows the phases of how an AWS IQ expert creates a profile, connects with customers, starts a proposal, works securely to complete work, and then requests payment.



To participate in AWS IQ as an expert, you must have an address in an [eligible jurisdiction](#) supported by AWS Marketplace and tax information.

To view customer requests, at least one expert in your firm must link a valid AWS Certification (Associate, Professional, or Specialty) to their IQ profile. AWS Certifications help learners build

credibility and confidence by validating their cloud expertise with an industry-recognized credential. To learn more about certifications, see [AWS Certification](#). An AWS Certification is not required for a public profile where customers can directly contact you. For more information about becoming an IQ expert, see [Prerequisites](#).

Getting paid

As an expert you set the price for your services. Other fees and charges may apply. Payments are processed through AWS Marketplace and charged directly to a customer's AWS bill. For more information, see the *Set up Payments* section of [Getting started as an expert in AWS IQ](#).

AWS IQ end of support

After careful consideration, we've decided to discontinue AWS IQ, effective May 28, 2026. After May 28, 2026, you will no longer be able to access the AWS IQ console or AWS IQ resources. For more information, see [AWS IQ end of support](#).

AWS IQ, launched in 2019, connects customers with AWS Certified freelancers and consulting firms.

You will be able to use AWS IQ until May 28, 2026, with features gradually phasing out leading up to that date. The following timeline provides milestone dates and details.

- As of May 20, 2025, AWS IQ is no longer accepting new expert registrations.
- From May 20, 2025 to August 20, 2025, customers and existing experts will be able to use AWS IQ as normal.
- From August 20, 2025 to May 28, 2026:
 - Experts will be able to create payment and permission requests if there is an ongoing proposal with a customer, however they will not be able to create new proposals.
 - Customers will be able to accept payment and permission requests if there is an ongoing proposal with an expert. Experts and customers will be able to access existing conversations and send messages.
 - Customers will not be able to post new projects, accept new proposals, or connect with new AWS IQ experts through AWS IQ.
- After May 28, 2026, experts and customers won't be able to access and use AWS IQ. Customers and experts should make sure to save any project details and requirements from AWS IQ before this date.

Alternative services for customers

To continue your engagement with an AWS IQ expert, we recommend using [AWS Marketplace Professional Services](#). AWS Marketplace is a digital storefront where you can find and buy products and services from AWS Marketplace sellers. Similar to AWS IQ, you can negotiate a custom price for Professional Services and purchase through a private offer (known as "Proposals" in AWS IQ). To continue an existing engagement after May 28, 2026, contact your expert and request a private offer in AWS Marketplace for your ongoing project. If you are using AWS IQ for troubleshooting or other technical support, we recommend [AWS Business Support services](#) and [Amazon Q](#). For help

with new projects, consider engaging your experts using [AWS Marketplace Professional Services](#) or posting your project on [Upwork](#) or [Freelancer](#).

Alternative services for experts

To continue engagements with your AWS IQ customers, we recommend using [AWS Marketplace Professional Services](#). You can access streamlined procurement and billing in AWS Marketplace, where you're already registered as seller. Customize a private offer for Professional Services and set installment plans (known as "Schedule" in AWS IQ), or request upfront billing. The AWS IQ Milestone payment type is currently not available in AWS Marketplace. Similar to AWS IQ, customers are charged for your services on their AWS bill and are disbursed, less the 2.5% fee for AWS Marketplace Professional Services (same rate as the AWS IQ fee). You may also explore growing your business through the AWS Partner Network and other talent marketplaces such as [Upwork](#) or [Freelancer](#).

To create a private offer in AWS Marketplace, complete the following steps.

1. [Create your public profile](#). You might need to create a public profile, which is required to sell in AWS Marketplace.
 - a. To verify that you have a public profile, sign in to the [AWS Marketplace Management Portal](#), choose the **Settings** tab, and review the **Public profile** section.
 - b. If you don't see a public profile, choose **Add public profile** to provide your company name, website, description, and logo.
2. [Create a Professional Services product](#). You must create a product listing before you can create a private offer.
3. [Create a private offer](#). To transition from an AWS IQ proposal to a AWS Marketplace Professional Services private offer, use the details from your existing AWS IQ proposal when creating the private offer. For a new private offer, contact the customer to resolve any questions you have about the request. Agree on the offer terms before creating the private offer in AWS Marketplace. The buyer is not obligated to purchase your product, so it makes sense to agree before creating the offer.

If you have additional questions, contact the [AWS Support Center](#) or refer to the [buyer FAQ](#) and [expert FAQ](#).

Getting started as an expert in AWS IQ

To get started using AWS IQ, first determine if you meet the following requirements. Then, you can sign up to become an expert.

Prerequisites

To allow customers to contact you through your public profile page, all of the following must be true:

- You, as a freelancer or working for a company, must be based in an [eligible jurisdiction](#) supported by AWS Marketplace and have valid tax and U.S. banking information. If you don't have a U.S. bank account, you might be able to obtain one through Hyperwallet. For more information about Hyperwallet, see [Seller registration process](#) in the *AWS Marketplace Seller Guide*.
- You're [registered as a seller on AWS Marketplace](#) with a [public profile](#), banking, and tax details provided.
- You have a user account with approved permissions. For more information, see [Setting up permissions to use AWS IQ](#).
- You have an AWS account with multi-factored authentication (MFA) enabled. For more information, see [Enabling MFA devices for users in AWS](#) in the *AWS Identity and Access Management User Guide*.

To view and respond to available requests, in addition to the above prerequisites, the following must be true:

- At least one expert in your firm must have a valid AWS Certification (Associate, Professional, or Specialty).

For an overview of working as an AWS IQ expert, see [AWS IQ for Experts](#).

[Setting up your individual or company details in AWS IQ](#)

[Sign up to become an expert](#)

[Set up payments in AWS IQ](#)

[Setting up permissions to use AWS IQ](#)

Sign up to become an expert

Companies can complete AWS seller information (payment and disbursement) one time for all employees. Employees use an IAM account under the AWS account of the company to link to the company's payment information. The company only needs to complete payment setup once.

Note

As of May 20, 2025, AWS IQ is no longer accepting new expert registrations. For more information, see [AWS IQ end of support](#).

To sign up as an expert

1. Sign in to the AWS IQ console at <https://iq.aws.amazon.com/work>.
2. Under **Expert signup**, choose **Set up profile**, and then provide your profile information. For more information about how to set up your profile, see [Setting up your individual or company details in AWS IQ](#).

Expert signup



1. Set up profile



2. Set up payments



3. Wait for activation

Getting started

- To get started on AWS IQ, read the [AWS IQ Provider Terms and Conditions](#).
- You must be a permanent resident or an employee working for a company in an [eligible jurisdiction](#) .
- You must register with an AWS account created after September 27, 2017.
- Your profile will be associated with the IAM user you signed in with ().

Providing profile details

- You can set up your account as a company, an individual working on behalf of a company, or just an individual (e.g. a freelancer).
- You'll be able to set up a public profile for customers to message your company or you individually.

Linking your AWS Certification (optional)

- An AWS Certification is not required to allow customers to message you or your company.
- To respond to customer requests, at least one user in your AWS account must have a valid AWS Certification (Associate, Professional, Specialty) linked to their IQ profile.
- To access a customer's account through AWS IQ, you must link your AWS Certification to this profile.

[Learn more](#) .

[Set up profile](#)

3. Under **Expert signup**, choose **Set up payments**, and then choose **Go to AWS Marketplace** to set up an AWS Marketplace account with your payment information. For more information about how to set up payments, see [Set up payments in AWS IQ](#).

Expert signup



1. Set up profile



2. Set up payments



3. Wait for activation

Set up [AWS Marketplace](#) to manage all AWS related banking and tax information in one place. All AWS IQ professionals registered in this AWS account will share the same AWS Marketplace account.



[Go to AWS Marketplace](#) 

4. After Steps 2 and 3 are complete, AWS IQ will contact you with the next steps for activation. This can take up to three weeks.

The following topics provide tips for filling out your profile and payment information:

[Set up payments in AWS IQ](#)

[Setting up your individual or company details in AWS IQ](#)

Set up payments in AWS IQ

To be activated as an expert in AWS IQ, you must set up an AWS Marketplace account with your payment and tax information.

For members of a firm, all team members can use the same seller account. Each team member can set up their own AWS IQ profile as users in the firm's AWS account. An individual can have only one expert profile.

Set up initial payment information

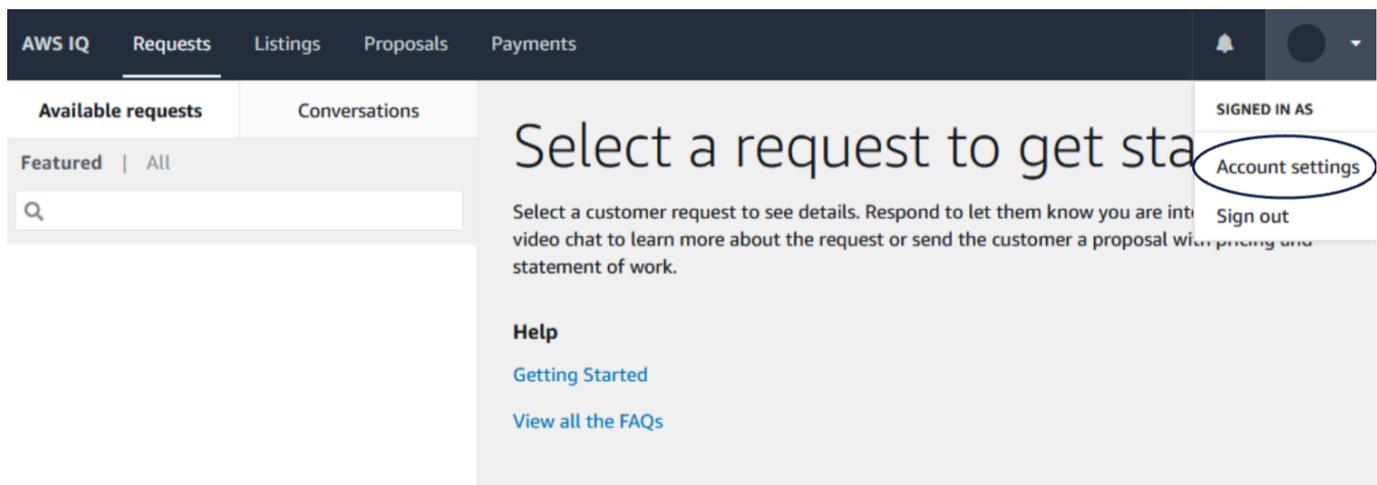
Set up an account on [AWS Marketplace](#) with your payment and tax information.

Updating your payment information

After setting up your payment information in an AWS Marketplace account, you can update it by using the AWS IQ console. Then, you're directed to AWS Marketplace to edit your seller information.

To update your payment information

1. Sign in to the AWS IQ console at <https://iq.aws.amazon.com/>.
2. Open your profile by choosing the down arrow next to your account, and then choose **Account settings**.



3. On the Profile page, choose **Payments**.
4. Update your payment information as necessary.

Setting up your individual or company details in AWS IQ

Set up your individual or company details in AWS IQ to respond to customers. If you're working as a freelancer (and not on behalf of your company), you might prefer to provide only individual details. If you're working on behalf of your company, we recommend providing both individual and company details so customers know who they're working with at the company. This helps you earn trust with customers.

Add information to your profile by using the AWS IQ console. Your profile is completed when you've provided individual or company details, and contact information. For individual details, you must provide a photograph of yourself and a short biography. You can also include links to case studies or examples of completed work. To respond to custom requests, you or someone in your AWS account, must link to your AWS Certifications.

Company details are provided when setting up your AWS Marketplace seller profile. The information you enter in the AWS Marketplace account settings is prefilled in AWS IQ.

The following sections provide tips for filling out your profile information.

Entering your personal details

When entering your personal details, keep the following things in mind:

- Your **Individual name** is the name a customer sees on your profile and when you chat in AWS IQ. You can choose to only provide company details and your name will only be used for internal identification.
- Your **Email address** isn't shared with customers. All AWS IQ email notifications are sent to this address.

Setting up your company details

Set up your company details to create a company public profile or work on behalf of a company.

To set up a company public profile page, you create a public profile in AWS Marketplace Account Settings. The company setup is only completed once. All AWS IQ professionals registered in the AWS account share the same company setup.

Note

This step is optional if you're a freelancer and are the only person using your account. If you don't provide company details, you must provide your individual details in the individual section.

Adding your individual details

Add your individual details to message customers with your name (either as a freelancer or on behalf of your company).

When you add personal information, such as your biography and profile photograph, you increase the credibility of your profile. You can earn trust with customers when your profile is more complete.

Note

This step is optional, but recommended, if you're working on behalf of a company. If you don't add your individual details, you must add your company details in the company section.

Choosing a great photograph

Your profile photo can be in a .jpg, .png, or .gif format. You add a photo or change it at a later time.

Your face should take up at least 60 percent of the frame. Crop the photo from the top of your shoulders to just above your head so that your face fills the frame.

Use an approachable and friendly expression. Don't force an unnatural smile, but also don't look too serious.

Use a simple background that doesn't distract from your face.

Example profile photos

Good examples



✔ Friendly appearance



✔ Face fits in photo



✔ Background is neutral

Bad examples



✘ Face is off center



✘ Face is obscured



✘ Background is distracting
✘ Face is too small

Linking to your AWS certifications

To access a customer's account through AWS IQ, you must have a valid AWS Certification linked to your profile. To respond to customer requests, at least one user in your AWS account must have a valid AWS Certification linked to the profile.

Only Associate, Professional, and Specialty Certifications are accepted. An AWS Certification account can only be linked to one profile.

For more information about AWS Certifications, see [AWS Certification](#).

Describing your skills and experience

Help customers by making your experience as easy to scan as possible. Include headers and short, descriptive sentences, and bullet points where possible.

If you have integrated or used any third-party services or applications with AWS also include them, for example, Tableau or WordPress.

Describe what your strengths and interests are, for example, migrating databases or configuring new instances of Amazon Redshift.

Give an indication of how long you have been working in this field, for example, "I have been an AWS Solutions Architect for more than 10 years."

List the types of engagements you like to work on, for example, "I am available for short consultations."

Example:

I have more than 10 years of hands-on experience with AWS. I've worked with many clients migrating workloads to AWS or helping them design and build new cloud solutions. I am also capable of helping you with security related work.

I am experienced and comfortable helping troubleshoot production or performance problems in AWS, as well as helping you plan scalable, cost effective, and secure solutions.

I am proficient in WordPress and love helping clients large and small. I'd be happy to answer questions in a consultation or complete end to end project work.

Setting your hourly rate

Setting your rate is optional, but it gives customers an idea of your fees. Use a wide range if you're flexible on pricing.

Verifying your identity and reviewing your profile

AWS IQ verifies your identity for security purposes. You must provide your personal details even if you're registering on behalf of a company. You must have an address from an [eligible jurisdiction](#) supported by AWS Marketplace. The information collected is shared with a third party for verification purposes. It is not shown to customers or stored. We may need to schedule a video call with you to verify your information.

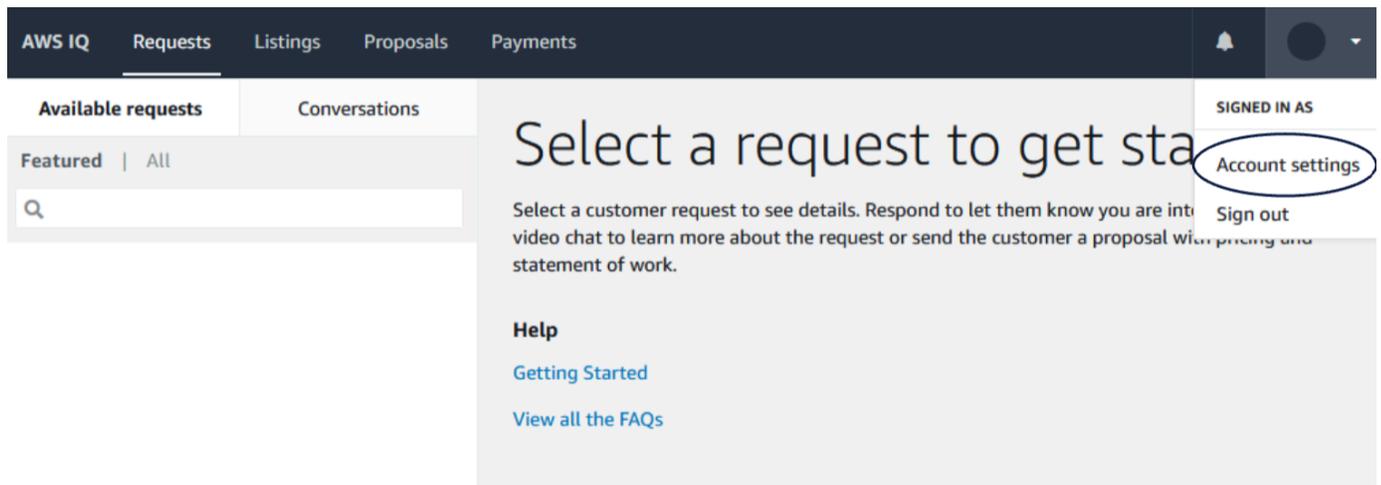
You can review or edit your profile at any time. Check for anything you might want to add or change, and then save your profile.

Updating your profile

After you're activated as an expert, you can continue to edit your profile in the AWS IQ console or in the AWS Marketplace console.

To update your profile

1. Sign in to the AWS IQ console at <https://iq.aws.amazon.com/>.
2. Open your profile by choosing the down arrow next to your account, and then choose **Account settings**.



3. Update your individual details as necessary in the **Individual** section.
4. Update your company details as necessary in the **Company** section. To update the company's description, logo, or URL, sign in to AWS Marketplace.
5. Preview your profile by choosing **Preview profile**.

Setting up permissions to use AWS IQ

To access AWS IQ, you must have the necessary permissions. Navigate to the AWS Management Console to view or set up permissions. To leverage all resources on AWS IQ, add the [AWSIQFullAccess managed policy](#). For more granular controls, add specific permissions to your IAM identity.

Note

As a security best practice, we recommend periodically changing your user access keys. For more information, see [Managing access keys in IAM](#).

This topic describes how to create an IAM user, attach policies to an existing user, and set up granular permissions in the AWS Management Console.

Topics

- [Creating a user with AWSIQFullAccess permissions](#)
- [Attaching managed policies to an existing user](#)
- [Granular IAM permissions](#)

Creating a user with AWSIQFullAccess permissions

You, or your AWS account administrator, can create a new user with the AWSIQFullAccess managed policy on your AWS account. You can also attach this managed policy to an existing user. For more information, see [AWSIQFullAccess](#) in the *AWS Managed Policy Reference Guide*.

To create an IAM user with managed policies

1. Sign in to the **AWS Management Console**.
2. Choose **Users** and then choose **Add users**.
3. Enter a **User name**, and then choose **AWS Management Console access**. Accept the default information or change to custom values.
4. Choose **Next: Permissions** and then choose **Attach existing policies directly**.
5. Choose **AWSIQFullAccess** from the list of policy names, and then choose **Next: Tags**.
 - *(Optional)* Add tags and then choose **Next: Review**.
6. Choose **Create user**.
7. Choose **Show** to display the password, and then copy your password to a secure location. You can also choose **Send email** to send the login instructions within an email message.

Attaching managed policies to an existing user

If you already have an IAM user, you can attach the AWSIQFullAccess managed policy using the following procedure.

To attach managed policies to an existing IAM user

1. Sign in to the [IAM console](#).
2. Choose **Users**.
3. Choose the user name to see the summary page for the user.
4. Choose **Add permissions**.
5. Choose **Attach existing policies directly**.
6. Choose **AWSIQFullAccess** from the list of policy names.

If you don't see the policy names on the first page, filter the policies or search for the names using the console.

7. Choose **Next: Review**.
8. Choose **Add permissions**.

For more information, see [Adding and removing identity permissions](#).

Granular IAM permissions

As a user with administrative access, you can create one or more users in your AWS account. To configure your users with chosen levels of access on AWS IQ, you can deny specific permissions. First, add the `AWSIQFullAccess` managed policy. Then, you can add inline policies to deny specific permissions. For more information, see [Actions, resource, and condition keys for AWS IQ](#).

The following are examples of how to use granular permissions in AWS IQ.

To use granular permissions in AWS IQ

1. Sign in to the [IAM console](#).
2. To restrict a user from requesting access to a customer's AWS account, create a deny policy on the `CreatePermissionRequest`, which is used to grant permission for creating permission requests.

```
{
  "Version": "2012-10-17",
  "Statement": [
    {
      "Sid": "VisualEditor0",
      "Effect": "Deny",
      "Action": "iq-permission:CreatePermissionRequest",
      "Resource": "*"
    }
  ]
}
```

3. To restrict a user from requesting payments and proposals, create a deny policy for the following permissions:
 - `CreatePaymentRequest` – grants permission to create a payment request.
 - `CreateMilestoneProposal` – grants permission to create a milestone proposal.
 - `CreateUpfrontProposal` – grants permission to create an upfront proposal.

- `CreateScheduledProposal` – grants permission to create a scheduled billing proposal.

```
{
  "Version": "2012-10-17",
  "Statement": [
    {
      "Sid": "VisualEditor0",
      "Effect": "Deny",
      "Action": [
        "iq:CreateScheduledProposal",
        "iq:CreatePaymentRequest",
        "iq:CreateMilestoneProposal",
        "iq:CreateUpfrontProposal"
      ],
      "Resource": "*"
    }
  ]
}
```

4. To restrict a user from sending chat messages, create a deny policy on all resources for the following permissions:
- `SendIndividualChatMessage` – grants permission to chat messages as an individual.
 - `SendCompanyChatMessage` – grants permission to send chat messages as a company.

```
{
  "Version": "2012-10-17",
  "Statement": [
    {
      "Sid": "VisualEditor0",
      "Effect": "Deny",
      "Action": [
        "iq:SendIndividualChatMessage",
        "iq:SendCompanyChatMessage"
      ],
      "Resource": "*"
    }
  ]
}
```

To attach inline policies to an existing IAM identity

1. Sign in to the [IAM console](#).
2. Choose **Users**.
3. Choose the username to see the summary page for the user.
4. Choose **Add permissions**.
5. Choose **Create inline policy**.
6. Select **Switch to deny permissions** to deny access.
7. Under **Service**, search for **IQ** or **IQ Permissions**.

Note

If you're searching for permission requests and access grants, use **IQ Permissions**. For all other permissions, use **IQ**.

8. Under **Access level**, select the permissions to deny.
9. Choose **Review policy**, provide the name for your policy, and then choose **Create policy**.

Responding to requests in AWS IQ

To view and respond to requests, at least one expert in your company must have a valid AWS Certification (Associate, Professional, or Specialty) linked to their AWS IQ profile.

You can view customer requests in the **Available requests** tab. Choose the request to respond. The request includes the following information:

- The customer's approximate budget for the project
- The number of other experts who have responded
- The customer's preferred expert location

Use the prefilled response, or type a custom response and then choose **Respond**.

Customers can indicate their preferred expert location when they submit a request. You can contact the customer to discuss the details of the request and ask if they're flexible about their preferred location.

When you respond, the request and conversation with the customer is located in the **Conversations** tab. Requests move to the top of the list when the customer continues the conversation.

You can chat or video chat with the customer to clarify their requests. When you're ready to proceed, [the section called "Create a proposal"](#).

Direct messaging

You can receive direct messages from customers through your individual or company profile. If you have provided your individual and company details in the **Account Settings**, you can respond using your individual name or the name of your company.

You can view customer messages in the **Conversations** tab. Select the message to respond.

Working with proposals in AWS IQ

To formalize an agreement with a customer in AWS IQ, create a proposal. The proposal can include details about the work to be performed, the project milestones, the timeline for payments, and any additional terms. The proposal also includes the maximum amount to charge the customer.

Customers review and accept or decline proposals in the AWS IQ console.

You can withdraw a proposal, or a customer can decline a proposal if the proposal doesn't meet their needs. You and the customer can discuss what changes are needed through a chat session or a call, and then you submit a new proposal for approval.

Note

AWS IQ doesn't support modifying a proposal after it's created. If you need to make changes to a proposal, withdraw the proposal and create a new one.

Create a proposal

Create a proposal in the AWS IQ console after you have enough information to understand a customer request. If you need more information before proceeding, chat with the customer or set up a call to discuss the details.

To create a customer proposal in AWS IQ

1. Sign in to the AWS IQ console at <https://iq.aws.amazon.com/>.
2. On the **Requests** page, choose **Conversations**.
3. Choose the customer request for the proposal you are creating.
4. In the **Proposals** pane, choose **Create**.
5. Choose your **Payment Type** by selecting **Milestone**, **Upfront**, or **Schedule**. For more information about payment types, see [Payment types](#).
 - a. If you select **Schedule**, choose a date and amount to charge the customer. Choose **Add payment** to enter a new scheduled payment. The total amount of this proposal is the sum of all payments.

- b. If you select **Upfront**, specify a total amount for the proposal.

This is the amount your customer is charged when they approve the proposal. You can't request additional payments on this proposal.

- c. If you select **Milestone**, specify a total amount for the proposal.

This is the maximum amount you can request in payments. To request more, you must create an additional proposal. For more information, see [Milestone payments](#).

6. In the **Proposal Terms** text box, describe what you will deliver to the customer. Include the terms for this project, milestones, and any necessary changes to the Engagement Agreement.

Limited Markdown styling is supported. For more details, see the following [the section called "Markdown guide"](#).

7. When you're finished writing your proposal, choose **Send**.

The customer will receive the proposal and accept or decline it.

Complete a proposal

After you have completed the work or collected all payments, you can close a proposal by using the AWS IQ console. You can close a proposal by sending the final payment request or closing without a payment request. After completing a proposal, you can't send payment requests and any previously scheduled payment requests will be canceled.

To complete a customer proposal in AWS IQ

1. Sign in to the AWS IQ console at <https://iq.aws.amazon.com/>.
2. On the **Requests** page, choose **Conversations**.
3. Choose the customer request for the proposal that you're completing.
4. Close the proposal by sending a final payment request to the customer. For more information, see [Milestone payments](#).
5. If there are no additional payments needed, select the proposal that you want to close, and then choose **Complete**.

Note

If there are open payment requests for the proposal, you won't be able to use the **Complete** feature. After you complete the proposal, you won't have access to the customer's account and can't request additional payments.

Markdown guide

You can format the text in your proposal using the following Markdown styles.

Formatting	Markdown	Display
Bold text	**Apples**	Apples
Italic text	<i>*Apples*</i> or <i>_Apples_</i>	<i>Apples</i>
Hyperlinks	[Amazon](https://smile.amazon.com)	Amazon
Bulleted lists	<pre>* Apples * Oranges * Pears</pre>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Apples • Oranges • Pears
Numbered lists	<pre>1. Apples 2. Oranges 3. Pears</pre>	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Apples 2. Oranges 3. Pears

Working with permissions requests in AWS IQ

After you and a customer agree on a proposal, request access to the customer's AWS account, if necessary to complete the work. This topic explains how to create such a request.

The following permissions policies are available in AWS IQ. You can include details about why you're requesting that level of permissions.

Tip

An AWS security best practice is to grant the least amount of privileges necessary to perform a task.

Prerequisite

- You need an accepted proposal from a customer.

Learn more about [Working with proposals in AWS IQ](#).

- You need a valid AWS Certification.

Create a permissions request

Create a permissions request by using the AWS IQ console.

1. Sign in to the AWS IQ console at <https://iq.aws.amazon.com/>.
2. On the **Requests** page, choose **Conversations**.
3. Choose the customer request for which you're creating the permission request.
4. Choose **Request Permission** in the **Proposals** pane under the accepted proposal.
5. Choose the **Permission policy** that you need to perform the work.
6. Optionally, explain why this role is appropriate for your project in the **Description** field.
7. Choose **Request**.

The customer will receive the request and accept or decline it.

Note

The customer can review AWS CloudTrail logs of your activity in their account. The customer can revoke access at any time.

Permission levels in AWS IQ

The following AWS Identity and Access Management (IAM) managed policies for job functions are available in AWS IQ:

AdministratorAccess

Provides full access to AWS services and resources. For more information, see [AWS Managed Policies for Job Functions](#).

Billing

Provides full access to billing and cost management. This includes viewing account usage and viewing and modifying budgets and payment methods. For more information, see [AWS Managed Policies for Job Functions](#).

DatabaseAdministrator

Provides full access to AWS services and actions required to set up and configure AWS database services. For more information, see [AWS Managed Policies for Job Functions](#).

NetworkAdministrator

Provides full access to AWS services and actions required to set up and configure AWS network resources. For more information, see [AWS Managed Policies for Job Functions](#) in the *IAM User Guide*.

PowerUserAccess

Provides full access to AWS services and resources but doesn't allow management of users and groups. For more information, see [AWS Managed Policies for Job Functions](#).

SecurityAudit

Provides full access to read security configuration metadata. It's useful for software that audits the configuration of an AWS account. For more information, see [AWS Managed Policies for Job Functions](#).

SupportUser

Provides full access to troubleshoot and resolve issues in an AWS account. This policy also enables the user to contact AWS Support to create and manage cases. For more information, see [AWS Managed Policies for Job Functions](#).

SystemAdministrator

Provides full access to resources required for application and development operations. For more information, see [AWS Managed Policies for Job Functions](#).

ViewOnlyAccess

Provides full access to view resources and basic metadata across all AWS services. For more information, see [AWS Managed Policies for Job Functions](#).

Working with payment types in AWS IQ

In AWS IQ, you decide how to request payment from your customers. While creating a proposal, you can select one of the following three payment types:

Milestone

Allows you to send custom payment requests to your customers as work is completed. You can send as many payment requests as you want, up to the amount specified in the proposal.

Upfront

Requests full payment from your customers with acceptance of the proposal. You can't request additional payments on this proposal.

Schedule

Request payments based on the schedule and amounts you set in the proposal.

Customers review and accept or decline the payment type as part of the proposal agreement in the AWS IQ console.

Select a payment type

1. Sign in to the [AWS IQ Console](#).
2. From **Requests**, choose **Conversations**.
3. Choose the customer request for the proposal you are creating.
4. In the **Proposals** pane, choose **Create**.
5. Choose your **Payment type** by selecting **Milestone**, **Upfront**, or **Schedule**.

Working with milestone payment requests in AWS IQ

In AWS IQ, you can request payment as you complete work using milestone payments. This topic leads you through creating a milestone payment request in the AWS IQ Console.

Prerequisites

You must have an accepted proposal from a customer before you can submit a milestone payment request. For more information, see [Working with proposals in AWS IQ](#).

Create a milestone payment request

To create a milestone payment request in AWS IQ

1. Sign in to the AWS IQ console at <https://iq.aws.amazon.com/>.
2. On the **Requests** page, choose **Conversations**.
3. Choose the customer request for which you're creating the payment request.
4. Choose **Request Payment** in the **Proposals** pane under the accepted proposal.
5. For **Requested payment amount**, specify the amount that you're requesting at this time for this proposal.

Your payment request can't exceed the **Amount remaining**.

6. Describe what you delivered to the customer in the **Description of work delivered** field. Tell the customer about the work associated with this payment request. Refer back to the proposal if needed.
7. If this is your final request, select **Final payment request**. Otherwise, go to step 8.

Note

After you select **Final payment request** and then choose **Request** in step 8, you can't submit additional payment requests for this proposal. The proposal is considered complete. For more information about completing a proposal, see [Proposals](#).

8. Choose **Request**.

Processing refunds in AWS IQ

Customers review work before approving a payment request. After approving a payment request, if a customer is unhappy with the work, they can request a refund. You can issue the refund, or not, at your sole discretion.

To initiate a refund request, open a ticket with AWS Marketplace Customer Service:

1. Gather the following information:
 - The customer's AWS account ID for the account used to post the AWS IQ request. You can get this directly from the customer.
 - Accepted **Payment Request** date. This is the date the customer accepted the payment request; it's recorded in the AWS IQ chat under the **proposal** tab.
 - Payment Request ID. This is also located in the AWS IQ chat under the proposal tab.
 - Full Refund or Partial Refund. If Partial, provide the refund amount.
2. Navigate to the Support Console:
 - a. Choose **Account and billing support**.
 - b. From the **Type** dropdown, choose **IQ**.
 - c. Choose **I am an AWS expert and need assistance**.
3. In the subject line, enter **AWS IQ Refund Request**
4. Provide the following case details:
 - Customer AWS account ID
 - Payment Approved Date
 - Payment Request ID
 - Refund Type (Full/Partial)
 - Refund Amount (if Partial)
 - Refund Reason
5. Submit the case to notify the Support team. A case is created in the AWS Support Center Console with status information about the refund request. The subject line contains one of the following:
 - Completed** – The refund was processed and no further action is required.
 - Pending** – The refund will be processed after the current billing cycle ends.

Action Required – The request could not be processed, and we need additional information from you. You can respond directly to the support case; however, you will also need to submit a new refund request form.

Document history

The following table describes the documentation for this release of the *AWS IQ User Guide for Experts*.

Change	Description	Date
End of support notice	End of support notice: On May 28, 2026, AWS will end support for AWS IQ. After May 28, 2026, you will no longer be able to access the AWS IQ console or AWS IQ resources . For more information, see AWS IQ end of support .	May 20, 2025
AWS IQ adds granular permissions	AWS provides more control over IQ specific resources by enabling granular permissions. For more information, see Granular IAM permissions .	May 1, 2023
AWS adds company public profile	AWS Partners and consulting firms can now create an AWS IQ public profile for their company.	December 15, 2022
International expert expansion	AWS IQ has expanded support for IQ customers to all locations supported by AWS Marketplace.	October 7, 2022
Scheduling payments	In AWS IQ, you can now request payment as you complete work using milestone payments. For more information, see	August 24, 2022

[Working with milestone payment requests in AWS IQ.](#)

[Completing a proposal](#)

In addition to creating a proposal, you can now complete a proposal by sending the final payment request. For more information, see [Working with proposals in AWS IQ.](#)

March 15, 2022

[Experts based in France and the UK](#)

In addition to the United States, individuals who are based in France or the UK and have at least one AWS Certification can now sign up to be an expert in AWS IQ.

September 15, 2021

[Getting started as an expert](#)

The procedure for getting started as an expert has been updated. For more information, see [Getting started as an expert in AWS IQ.](#)

August 11, 2021

[Processing refunds](#)

Your customers can request refunds for work they have approved for payment. Issuing a refund is your discretion.

November 13, 2020

AWS Glossary

For the latest AWS terminology, see the [AWS glossary](#) in the *AWS Glossary Reference*.