



# Restrict content to logged in readers

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You can restrict some content so that it is only visible to specific readers. To do so, [create a reader group](#) or groups and then restrict the category or individual articles to that group.

Restrictions can be set:

- **At the category level:** restrictions set in the **Restrict to Groups** section will automatically be inherited by all subcategories and articles in the category.
  - Groups inherited from a category are identified in the **Inherited Restrictions** section of the editor.
  - By default, articles and subcategories are set to "Use Inherited Only" (they will only use the groups they've inherited from the category).
  - You can add additional groups to individual subcategories and articles by using the **Add More Restrictions** checkboxes within those pages.
- **At the article level:** if an article has no inherited restrictions: restrictions set in the **Restrict to Groups** section apply only to the individual article and don't impact other articles or categories in any way.
  - If an article has inherited restrictions: by default it is set to "Use Inherited Only", but you may **Add More Restrictions** to require additional group membership to view the article. **Add More Restrictions** selections don't impact other articles or categories in any way.

## Restrict access based on Reader Groups

1. If you do not have your reader groups set up, you will need to [set them up by following these instructions](#).
2. Create a new category or article (or edit an existing one by clicking on the wrench icon to the right of any content) inside **Knowledge Base > Articles**.
3. If the category or article has "None" in the **Inherited Restrictions** section of the editor:
  - Use the checkboxes under **Restrict to Groups** in the righthand column to set which groups can see this content. This section looks a little different in the category editor compared to the article editor, but the functionality is the same:

## Inherited Restrictions

None

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### Restrict to Groups

- None
- KO Product Support
- Administrator

Sample Restrict to Groups section in the article editor; groups will vary based on your setup

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#### 4. If the category or article has groups listed in the **Inherited Restrictions** section of the editor:


- Use the checkboxes to **Add More Restrictions** to the the content. Readers will have to belong to at least one of these additional groups **AND** at least one of the inherited groups (possibly more, depending on your knowledge base logic; see [How do reader groups work?](#) for more info).

## Inherited Restrictions

Administrator

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### Add More Restrictions

- Use Inherited Only
- KO Product Support
- Administrator 

Sample Add More Restrictions section in the article editor

## Inherited Restrictions:

Administrator

## Add More Restrictions:

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Sample Add More Restrictions section in the category editor

5. Click **Save**.

For more information on how reader group work and what happens when you restrict to multiple reader groups, see [How do reader groups work?](#)