SIMPLY SHAREPOINT

A STEP-BY-STEP GUIDE TO

MANAGING PERMISSIONS



Where do I manage Permissions?

SITE LEVEL

- Navigate to Site Settings
- Select Site Permissions
- Add users to groups or assign custom permission levels

LIBRARY LEVEL -

- Open the **Library**
- Go to Library Settings
- Select Permissions
- Break inheritance if needed and assign specific permissions

FOLDER/DOCUMENT LEVEL -

- Locate the Folder
- Select **Manage Access** from the ... elipses
- Stop inheritance and add users or groups

WHAT ARE THE DIFFERENT PERMISSION LEVELS?

Full Control: Administrators manage the site, library, or list.

Edit: Users can add, edit, and delete items.

Contribute: Users can add and edit items but not delete them.

Read: View-only access to content.

View Only: Restricts users to viewing only non-editable content.

GROUPS

- **Owners**: Full control over the site and settings.
- Members: Permission to add, edit, and collaborate on content.
- Visitors: Read-only access to view content.

Key Concepts

- Inheritance: Permissions flow from parent objects (site > library > document set > item). Break inheritance to customise permissions.
- Custom Groups: Tailor groups to meet organisational needs.
- Permission Levels: Assign predefined or custom levels for precise control.

BEST PRACTICES

Keep It Simple

Manage permissions at the site or library level where possible.

Plan Information Architecture

Group content with similar permissions requirements

Minimise Inheritance Breaks

Limit unique permissions to reduce complexity

Audit Regularly

Periodically review permissions to maintain accuracy.



TIPS FOR EFFICIENT PERMISSIONS MANAGEMENT

- Use predefined SharePoint Groups for streamlined access.
- Avoid excessive item-level permissions to simplify management.
- Conduct regular audits to ensure security.
- Maintain documentation of changes for troubleshooting.