Switching from Passwork to Vaultwarden

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Schlüsselwörter

Password Password-Manager Passwort Passwort-Manager

Lösung (öffentlich)

Notes on switching from Passwork to Vaultwarden

There are a few significant changes in Vaultwarden.

Terminology:
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Shared vault → Organization

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Folder in shared vault → Collection

Once you've created an organization or become an administrator or owner of an organization, you'll gain access to the "Admin Console" in the bottom-left corner. That's where you can manage members and groups: Members can be managed individually or as a group, and permissions can be set separately for each collection: [1]https://bitwarden.com/help/collection-permissions/

How it works
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Permissions are not inherited down the hierarchy.

- Email notifications can not be configured in Vaultwarden.
- It is not possible to share individual passwords.
- Each organization has its own groups; IDM groups cannot be used.
- Data is end-to-end encrypted, and access is protected by a master password.

Reset Master Password

Resetting the master password via a central point is no longer possible, but the following alternatives are available:

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Emergency access: In Vaultwarden, each user independently specifies an emergency contact of their own choosing. There are more information in the [2]FAQ-Article.

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Have the account deleted and then create/register a new one.

Automated Migration If you have granted the appropriate permissions to "localsuperadmin" by November 8, 2026, your vaults will be automatically migrated from Passwork to Vaultwarden. Starting November 9, 2026, you will receive an invitation via email from [3]passwortmanager@tu-dresden.de for each vault. Click on the link in each email, log in to Vaultwarden, and set or enter your master password.

Please note: Unfortunately, custom fields are not included in the automatic migration. These must be transferred manually after the migration is complete.

After logging in, it may take up to 15 minutes for all entries in the respective vault to be displayed. You must log in again.
Invitations as part of the automated migration from Passwork to Vaultwarden:

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The "pwmgr" account passwortmanager@tu-dresden.de exported the vaults from Passwork and created them as organizations in Vaultwarden; subsequently, all members were invited and granted access accordingly.

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The "pwmgr" account is therefore the owner of the organizations

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Once the invitations expire, we (CERT) can send new invitations for the organizations via "pwmgr"

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If you have already removed the user "pwmgr" and not all users in your organization have joined yet, please send new invitations to the relevant

individuals yourself

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In the member list, their status is “invited”

Manual import of data from Passwork: Manual migration is also possible; to do this, the data must be exported from Passwork and re-imported into Vaultwarden.
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Please open the CSV file exported from Passwork and in the first row, change:
“login” to “username”
"url" to "uri"
"description" to "notes"
Also, cut the “path” column and paste it as the first column in the CSV file, then rename it “folder” This will ensure that the folder structure is preserved.
Then save the file and switch to Vaultwarden.
Note: The Passwork vault is created as a folder within a Vaultwarden vault.

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In Vaultwarden: In the left sidebar under "Tools", you find "Import".

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If it has already been created, select the private folder under My vault to import the entries there. Otherwise, the records will be created as a list in the private vault. You can create folders and move passwords at a later time.

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Select Bitwarden (csv) as the file format. Then add the file or copy the entire contents of the CSV file as text into the field -> import.

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If needed set up the previous used user rights again.

Please note: Custom fields and file attachments are not included in a manual migration. These must be transferred manually after the data has been imported.

[1] https://bitwarden.com/help/collection-permissions/
[2] https://tickets.tu-dresden.de/otrs/customer.pl?Action=CustomerFAQZoom;ItemID=1639
[3] mailto:passwortmanager@tu-dresden.de