

# Northwind Traders



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Groups with no members, groups inside other groups, dynamic groups with their rules and whether they're paused, teams and groups about to expire, role-assignable groups, and blocked accounts still in groups.

**Filtered view.** Every group: 5 of 15 rows, Members is 2, Expires: never or blank, 1 column hidden. The headline figures cover every row.

Empty groups  
**1**  
1 older than 30 days

Groups inside groups  
**3**  
Deepest: 3 levels

Paused dynamic rules  
**0**  
Not adding joiners or removing leavers

Expiring soon  
**2**  
1 with nobody to renew

Role-assignable groups  
**1**  
1 with a guest

Blocked members  
**2**  
2 blocked accounts still in groups

## Empty groups 1

Groups with no members at all. Delete the ones nobody needs; a dynamic group here has a rule that matches nobody. Empty groups older than 30 days are flagged.

| Flag  | Group          | Kind           | Membership | Email | Created     |
|-------|----------------|----------------|------------|-------|-------------|
| ● Low | Group creators | Security group | Assigned   | –     | 10 Jan 2025 |

Groups inside groups 3

Groups with other groups as members. Everyone in the inner groups gets what the outer group gives, which is easy to miss; 3 or more levels are flagged.

| Flag  | Group          | Kind                        | Groups inside  | Inside of      | Levels below | Members |
|-------|----------------|-----------------------------|----------------|----------------|--------------|---------|
|       | Finance alerts | Mail-enabled security group | VPN Users      | Info           | 2            | 2       |
| ● Low | Info           | Distribution list           | Finance alerts | –              | 3            | 2       |
|       | VPN Users      | Security group              | Group creators | Finance alerts | 1            | 2       |

Dynamic groups 1

Groups whose members Entra ID works out from a rule (needs Entra ID P1). A paused rule stops adding joiners and removing leavers, so it's flagged.

| Group     | Kind           | Rule                         | Processing | Members |
|-----------|----------------|------------------------------|------------|---------|
| All Staff | Security group | (user.userType -eq "Member") | Running    | 2       |

Expiring soon 2 1 to review

Teams and Microsoft 365 groups the expiration policy will delete within 90 days. One that's used renews itself; otherwise its owners are emailed to renew it, so a group with no owner who can sign in is flagged, as is one due within 30 days. A deleted group can be restored for 30 days.

| Flag     | Group           | Kind | Expires     | Days left | Owners        | Members |
|----------|-----------------|------|-------------|-----------|---------------|---------|
| ● Low    | Board           | Team | 5 Nov 2026  | 24        | Ann Patel     | 2       |
| ● Medium | Project Phoenix | Team | 28 Nov 2026 | 47        | Robert Hughes | 3       |

## Role-assignable groups 1 1 to review

Groups that can be given admin roles, so being a member of one is being an admin. Their owners can add anyone; a guest in one is flagged.

| Flag     | Group           | Kind           | Members | Guests | Owners | Created     |
|----------|-----------------|----------------|---------|--------|--------|-------------|
| ● Medium | Helpdesk admins | Security group | 2       | 1      | –      | 10 Jan 2025 |

## Blocked members 2

Groups that still hold accounts whose sign-in is blocked, usually leavers. Access the group gives is handed back the moment the account is unblocked, and the member counts others see are wrong; blocked accounts in a role-assignable group are flagged higher.

| Flag  | Group           | Kind                | Blocked accounts | Blocked | Members |
|-------|-----------------|---------------------|------------------|---------|---------|
| ● Low | Marketing       | Microsoft 365 group | Robert Hughes    | 1       | 12      |
| ● Low | Project Phoenix | Team                | Robert Hughes    | 1       | 3       |

## Every group 5

Every group in the tenant, with its direct members (people, devices, apps and groups).

| Group           | Kind                        | Membership     | Members | Groups inside | Inside of      | Expires |
|-----------------|-----------------------------|----------------|---------|---------------|----------------|---------|
| All Staff       | Security group              | Dynamic        | 2       | –             | –              | –       |
| Finance alerts  | Mail-enabled security group | Assigned       | 2       | 1             | Info           | –       |
| Helpdesk admins | Security group              | Assigned       | 2       | –             | –              | –       |
| Info            | Distribution list           | Assigned       | 2       | 1             | –              | –       |
| VPN Users       | Security group              | Synced from AD | 2       | 1             | Finance alerts | –       |

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Members are direct members. Teams and Microsoft 365 groups can't contain other groups. Delete or change groups in the Microsoft Entra admin center (Groups), or in on-premises AD for synced groups; Office Sentry only reads them.

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