

# 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.** Groups inside groups: 3 of 3 rows, 1 column hidden. Every group: 1 of 15 rows, Group is VPN Users. 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 |
|-------|----------------|-----------------------------|----------------|----------------|--------------|
|       | Finance alerts | Mail-enabled security group | VPN Users      | Info           | 2            |
| ● Low | Info           | Distribution list           | Finance alerts | –              | 3            |
|       | VPN Users      | Security group              | Group creators | Finance alerts | 1            |

## 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 | 6 Nov 2026  | 24        | Ann Patel     | 2       |
| ● Medium | Project Phoenix | Team | 29 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 1

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

| Group     | Kind           | Membership     | Members | Groups inside | Inside of      | Created     | Expires |
|-----------|----------------|----------------|---------|---------------|----------------|-------------|---------|
| VPN Users | Security group | Synced from AD | 2       | 1             | Finance alerts | 10 Jan 2025 | –       |

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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