

What are the permissions needed for Microsoft Graph?

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Permissions for Microsoft Graph

The permissions needed vary depending on whether or not you enable SSO and how you want List Expansion to be handled (Client-Side, Server-Side, or both). Each possible configuration is outlined below. You can skip to the PoliteMail default configuration, Server-Side Expansion, by clicking

[OAUTH \(SSO\) login to PoliteMail](#)

Small lists (< 1000 members) can be expanded via MAPI in Outlook Desktop.

List Handling

List Expansion Methods Enabled

	Client	Server
EWS	☐	☐
Graph	☐	☐
MAPI	☐	☐

Graph Permission	Application or Delegated
User.Read	Delegated
offline_access	Delegated
openid	Delegated
profile	Delegated

Client-Side Expansion of Entra ID Groups



Client (delegated) expansion is not currently supported from PoliteMail Online or PoliteMail for Microsoft 365.

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openid	Delegated

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User.Read	Delegated
GroupMember.Read.All	Delegated
MailboxSettings.Read	Delegated
OrgContact.Read.All	Delegated
People.Read.All	Delegated
User.Read.All	Delegated

Client-side expansion of Entra ID Groups and Dynamic Distribution Groups (Exchange) via EWS

Graph Permission	Application or Delegated
offline_access	Delegated
openid	Delegated
profile	Delegated
User.Read	Delegated
GroupMember.Read.All	Delegated
MailboxSettings.Read	Delegated
OrgContact.Read.All	Delegated
People.Read.All	Delegated
User.Read.All	Delegated
EWS.AccessAsUser.All	Delegated

Server-Side Expansion of Entra ID Groups

This is the default PoliteMail SaaS configuration requirement for M365 integration, and the most often requested.

List Handling

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Client

Server

EWS

Graph

MAPI

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offline_access	Delegated
openid	Delegated
profile	Delegated
User.Read	Delegated
GroupMember.Read.All	Application
MailboxSettings.Read	Application

OrgContact.Read.All	Application
People.Read.All	Application
User.Read.All	Application



There is no scenario where PoliteMail needs access to all mailboxes; to restrict read.all and limit permissions to a specific mailbox, e.g. a service account, implement an Application Access Policy (Application Scopes) as described in this Microsoft article.

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OrgContact.Read.All	Application
People.Read.All	Application
User.Read.All	Application
full_access_as_app (Single Mailbox Application Scope)	Application

All Features Enabled

List Handling

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Graph	☒	☒
MAPI	☐	☐

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offline_access	Delegated
openid	Delegated
profile	Delegated
User.Read	Delegated
GroupMember.Read.All	Both
MailboxSettings.Read	Both
OrgContact.Read.All	Both
People.Read.All	Both
User.Read.All	Both
M365 Exchange Online Permission	Application or Delegated
full_access_as_app (Single Mailbox Application Scope)	Application
EWS.AccessAsUser.All	Delegated