# 7.2 Extension/BlueSpicePageAssignments

The extension **PageAssignments** allows users with assignment rights to assign other users to a page.

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## What are page assignments?

Page assignments are a quick way of giving one or more users informal responsibility and ownership of a page. They are very similar to a watchlist. A user can add a page to their watchlist themselves, but users also create page assignments for each other.

Page assignments do not change the behavior of the page or grant special rights on a page. For example, the page does not get locked for editing when it is assigned to another user. It is rather a simple mechanism to have users “take a look” at a page. If the feature **Read confirmation** is activated for a namespace, assigned users have to confirm with a checkbox on the page that they have read the page.

### Characteristics

- Assigned users receive **notifications** when their page assignment is changed. (This can be deactivated in the user preferences.)
- Assigned users are **listed under the assignments** for the page in the Quality management menu of the page.
- The page is listed on the **Assignment management** page, which is accessed from **Global actions > Management** (Special:ManagePageAssignments)
- The page is listed on the Assignments manager page of the assigned user, which is easy to access from the user profile menu.
- **Namespace-specific**: if a namespace has **Read confirmation** activated, the page shows a read confirmation in the alert area of the page.
Assigning a page

Ro assign pages to other users, you need the appropriate rights. These are assigned via the roles reviewer and maintenanceadmin. Users, in turn, need the appropriate edit rights (role editor) so that they can be assigned to a page.

To assign a user or a group to a page:

1. **Click** on Page assignments in the Quality management toolbar.
2. **Type** a user or group name in the assignments text box. You will get automatic suggestions based on your entry.
3. **Click** the Add button.
4. **Add** more users or groups (optional).

Assignment management

Users with assignment rights can see a list of all pages that have assignments. This page (Special: ManagePageAssignments) can be loaded from the navigation menu under Global actions >Management > Assignment management
My assignments

Every user can view the pages they are assigned to by clicking on "Assignments" in their personal menu (by clicking on their image in the upper right corner).
Related info

- Reference page

Watchlist

With the watchlist, you can monitor all wiki pages that are important to you. In your preferences, you can customize when and how to be notified about different types of changes related to the pages on your watchlist. Your watchlist is only visible to you. Administrators can see a report of which pages are not on any watchlist.

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Watching and unwatching pages

In the title section of a page, you can add the page to your watchlist. Click Watch to add the page to the watchlist. The link description switches to Unwatch. Click Unwatch to remove the list from your watchlist.
Automatic additions

In addition to manually marking a page watched, there are several ways a page can be added automatically. For example, whenever you create or edit a page, that page can be added to the watchlist. You can change the options for this in the Watchlist settings in your Preferences.

**Important!** If you have deactivated the setting *Add pages and files I edit to my watchlist* in the settings, the check box *Watch this page* in the save dialog is not automatically activated. If you do not manually activate this checkbox when saving a page, a page that was on your watch list will be removed from the watch list when you save. Conversely, each page is automatically added to your watch list if this check box is selected by default. When saving, always check whether the edited page should (still) be on your watchlist.

![Save changes dialog with Watch this page checkbox highlighted](image)

A page is removed from the watchlist

**Settings**

Go to your user menu. Click *Preferences* and select the tab *Watchlist* to access the following settings:

- **Edit watchlist**: Links to the maintenance pages for the watchlist.
- **Display options**: Default settings for showing pages in your watchlist that have recently changed.
  - You can set 3-90 days of page changes.
  - You can set 250-1000 watchlist results.
- **Advanced options**: Settings for automatically adding pages to the watchlist or hiding page changes from the watchlist.
- **Watchlist token**: The token can be used to create a public RSS feed to your watchlist. Anyone who knows this token can access the feed. The syntax for the feed URL is: https://[YourWikiDomain]/w/api.php?action=feedwatchlist&wlowner=[USERNAME]&wltoken=[TOKEN]

**Watchlist quick view**

You can open a quick view of your watchlist from the user profile menu.

![Watchlist link in the user menu](image)

This opens an overlay with a filterable and sortable view of your watchlist directly on the current page. The watchlist indicates what pages on your pages have changes that are unread by you. Clicking on the icon for unread changes leads to the version comparison page so that you can quickly review the changes you haven't seen yet.

![Watchlist overlay](image)
Classic watchlist

From this overlay display, you can switch to the classic view of the watchlist. This loads the page Special: Watchlist:

At the top of the Watchlist page are some important edit links and information about your watchlist settings:

- **View relevant changes**: This is the default watchlist page. It displays the filter menu with the legend.
- **View and edit watchlist**: Here you can delete entries from your watchlist.
- **Edit raw watchlist**: Loads an editable list of the page names on your watchlist.
- **Clear the watchlist**: Loads a page that clears your watchlist in the next step. Clicking this link will not clear the watchlist yet.

Note: Since many social entities are created automatically by the system, changes to pages in the namespace SocialEntity are filtered out by default. You can remove the filter to view changes to pages in this namespace.
Notifications

You can get notifications about all changes on that page.

To receive notifications, go to your Preferences and open the Notifications tab. You can select to get notifications about the following changes:

- **Actions on pages in watchlist**: A page was edited or deleted.
- **Entity actions on watched pages**: A discussion topic or an attachment was added, edited, or deleted.

Sidebar widget

The watchlist is, by default, included in the user sidebar. It can be removed by deleting the entry *WATCHLIST.*

The watchlist tag

You can include the watchlist in the page content by adding the tag `<bs:watchlist />`.

**Example:**

```
<bs:watchlist count="4" maxtitlelength="20" order="time" />
```

Output:

Related info

- Reference: BlueSpiceWatchList

Read confirmation

The extension **ReadConfirmation** allows to request read confirmations from users. If a user is assigned to a page, a mandatory read confirmation can be added to the page.
Enabling read confirmations

An administrator must enable read confirmations for the namespace the page belongs to. This can be set using the Namespace manager:

![Namespace manager](image-url)
### Display

When read confirmations are active on a namespace, assigned users see a confirmation prompt. After checking the checkbox *Yes, I have completely read this article* and clicking *Confirm*, the page will be marked as read by that user.

### Administration of read confirmations

Wiki admins can see an overview of all read confirmations by navigating to *Global actions > Management > Assignment management*. Read confirmation information is shown in the column *Read on*. A page can have multiple states:

- **Read confirmation not enabled**: BlueSpiceReadConfirmation is not enabled for the namespace to which the page belongs.
- **Not read**: BlueSpiceReadConfirmation is enabled, but the assigned users have not yet read the page.
- **Actions**: In the columns for actions, there are two items related to read confirmations.
  - *Read confirmation log*: Link to the read confirmation log for the page.
  - *Request read confirmation*: Users get a reminder for their read confirmation.
Related info

- Reference:BlueSpiceReadConfirmation

PageAssignments

**PageAssignments** allows to assign pages to single users or user groups. Assigned users are notified about assignment changes via email or internal notifications.

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### BlueSpicePageAssignments

Assigns individual users or whole groups to pages, e.g. as responsible editors.

- **Status:** stable
- **Developer:** HalloWelt
- **Extension type:** BlueSpice
- **Edition:** BlueSpice free
- **Dependencies:** BlueSpice
- **License:** GPL v3 only
- **Activated:** Yes
- **Category:** Quality Assurance
Usage / features

- Assign responsible users to a page.
- Assign individual users or groups.
- The responsible editor(s) for the page can be viewed in the flyout "Page assignments" in the quality management tools.
- Users can view their assignments on the page Special:PageAssignments.
- Users with admin, maintenanceadmin or reviewer rights can manage all assignments on the page Special:ManagePageAssignments.

Technical information

Configuration

The page assignments can be displayed in the title section of the page. Activate this page assignments display in LocalSettings.php (or in the php file in the d.settings folder):

```php
$GLOBALS['bsgBlueSpiceCalummaPageHeaderBeforeContentEnabledProviders'] = [ "pageheader-assignments" ];
```

Set the limit:

```php
$GLOBALS['bsgPageAssignmentsPageHeaderLimit'] = 25;
```

Rights (permissions)

Pages can only be assigned to users with the pageassignable permission (by default, this right is assigned to the reader, editor and author roles). Only users with pageassignments permission can assign pages to others (by default, this right is assigned to the reviewer, admin and maintenanceadmin roles).
7. Quality assurance

Requirements

PageAssignments requires BlueSpiceFoundation.

More info

For detailed description and usage, visit our help page.

Demo

Try out page assignments in our BlueSpiceDemo.