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Bitwarden provides an integration with GitHub Actions to retrieve secrets from Secrets Manager and inject them into GitHub Actions workflows. The integration will inject retrieved secrets as masked environment variables inside an action. To setup the integration:

Save an access token

In this step, we're going to save an access token as a GitHub encrypted secret. Encrypted secrets can be created for an organization, repository, or repository environment and are made available for use in GitHub Actions workflows:

- 1. In GitHub, navigate to your the repository and select the **Settings** tab.
- 2. In the Security section of the left navigation, select **Secrets and variables** \rightarrow **Actions.**
- 3. Open the Secrets tab and select the New repository secret button.
- 4. In another tab, open the Secrets Manager web vault and create an access token.
- 5. Back in GitHub, give your secret a Name like BW_ACCESS_TOKEN and paste the access token value from step 4 into the Secret input.
- 6. Select the Add secret button.

Add to your workflow file

Next, we're going to add a few steps to your GitHub Actions workflow file.

Get secrets

To get secrets in your workflow, add a step with the following information to your workflow YAML file:

```
Bash
- name: Get Secrets
uses: bitwarden/sm-action@v2
with:
    access_token: ${{ secrets.BW_ACCESS_TOKEN }}
    base_url: https://vault.bitwarden.com
    secrets: |
    fc3a93f4-2a16-445b-b0c4-aeaf0102f0ff > SECRET_NAME_1
    bdbb16bc-0b9b-472e-99fa-af4101309076 > SECRET_NAME_2
```

Where:

- \${{ secrets.BW_ACCESS_TOKEN }} references your previously saved repository secret. Change accordingly if you didn't name the secret BW_ACCESS_TOKEN.
- base_url For self-hosted instances, provide your https://your.domain.com. If this optional parameter is provided, the parameters identity_url and api_url are not required. The GitHub action will use BASE_URL/identity and BASE_URL/api for

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the identity and api endpoints.

- fc3a93f4-2a16-445b-b0c4-aeaf0102f0ff and bdbb16bc-0b9b-472e-99fa-af4101309076 reference identifiers for secrets stored in Secrets Manager. The machine account that your access token belongs to must be able to access these specific secrets.
- SECRET_NAME_1 and SECRET_NAME_2 are the names you'll use to reference the injected secret values in the next step.

Use secrets

Finally, you can complete the pathway by referencing the specified secret names (SECRET_NAME_1 and SECRET_NAME_2) as parameters in a subsequent action, for example:



Example workflow

The following example is a Github Actions workflow file using get secrets:

```
Plain Text
- name: Get Secrets
    uses: bitwarden/sm-action@v2
    with:
        access_token: ${{ secrets.BW_ACCESS_TOKEN }}
        secrets: |
        fc3a93f4-2a16-445b-b0c4-aeaf0102f0ff > GITHUB_GPG_PRIVATE_KEY
        bdbb16bc-0b9b-472e-99fa-af4101309076 > GITHUB_GPG_PRIVATE_KEY_PASSPHRASE
- name: Import GPG key
    uses: crazy-max/ghaction-import-gpg@v6
    with:
        gpg_private_key: ${{ env.GITHUB_GPG_PRIVATE_KEY }}
        passphrase: ${{ env.GITHUB_GPG_PRIVATE_KEY }}
        git_user_signingkey: true
        git_commit_gpgsign: true
```