

Sharing your server with friends (subusers)

What this is about

Want a friend or co-admin to be able to restart the server, edit configs or install mods? **Don't share your password.** Add them as a **subuser** instead. They log in with their own account and can only do what you allow, and you can remove them at any time.

Adding a subuser

1. Open your server and go to the **Subusers** tab.
2. Click **Create Subuser**.
3. Enter their **email address**.
4. Tick the **Permissions** you want them to have (see below).
5. Click **Create**.

Create Subuser

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Email *

friend@example.com

Permissions

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CONTROL

Permissions that control the ability to control the power state of a server, read the console, or send commands.

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SUBUSERS

Permissions that control the ability to manage subusers of a server. Users can never edit their own account or assign permissions they do not have.

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FILES

Permissions that control the ability to modify the filesystem for this server.

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BACKUPS

Permissions that control the ability to manage server backups.

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BACKUP GROUPS

Permissions that control the ability to manage server backup groups (retention policies).

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SCHEDULES

Permissions that control the ability to manage server schedules.

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ALLOCATIONS

Permissions that control the ability to modify the port allocations for this server.

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Selected Permissions (0)

No permissions selected.

Select All

Deselect All

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If they already have a panel account with that email, the server appears on their dashboard straight away.

If they don't, the panel creates an account for them and emails them a link to set a password. Ask them to check their spam folder if it doesn't arrive within a few minutes.

You can add up to **25** subusers per server.

Choosing permissions

Permissions are grouped by section of the panel: **CONTROL**, **SUBUSERS**, **FILES**, **BACKUPS**, **SCHEDULES**, **STARTUP**, **SETTINGS** and so on. Tick a group's box to give everything in it, or click the ▼ arrow to pick individual permissions. The **Selected Permissions** box on the right shows what you've picked so far.

Give people only what they need. You can always add more later.

If you want them to...	Give them
Watch the console and restart a stuck server	Control: read console, console, start, stop, restart
Edit configs and upload files	Files: create, read, read content, update (and sftp if they use an SFTP program)
Install/update Vintage Story mods	Files create & delete, plus VSMODS read & update

If you want them to...	Give them
Make and restore backups	Backups : create, read, restore (add download to let them download copies)
Set up automatic restarts	Schedules
Change game version or startup settings	Startup
Help manage other subusers	Subusers (careful: they can then add people too)

A few permissions effectively give full control: **Files** → **update/delete** (they can change or remove anything), **Backups** → **restore/delete**, **Startup**, and **Settings** → **reinstall**. Only give these to people you trust with your whole server.

A sensible "trusted helper" set

Control (all), **Files** (all except delete), **Backups** (create, read), **Schedules** (read), **Activity** (read).

A "can only restart it" set

Control → **read console**, **start**, **stop**, **restart**. That's it.

Hiding files from a subuser

Ignored Files lets you hide files and folders from a subuser completely, in the file manager and over SFTP. Enter one pattern per line, for example:

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secrets/
*.env
config/discord-bot.json
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A pattern starting with  un-hides something a broader pattern hid.

Changing or removing a subuser

On the **Subusers** tab, click the subuser to change their permissions, or use **Remove** to take away their access. Removing a subuser doesn't delete their panel account, only their access to *this* server.

The **2FA Enabled** column shows whether each subuser protects their account with two-factor authentication. For anyone with powerful permissions, ask them to turn it on.

Seeing what subusers did

The **Activity** tab logs actions on your server (power actions, file edits, backups and so on) along with who did them. If something changed and you don't know why, check there first.

For the subuser: where's the server?

Once you've been added, the server shows up on your **dashboard** when you log in to the panel, alongside any servers you own. You'll only see the tabs and buttons your permissions allow.

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