

## How to Assign Ownership Based on PST File Name

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### Required Product Version

This article applies to Barracuda PST Enterprise version 5.1.1715 and higher.

PST Enterprise can be configured to alter the ownership determination logic. Rather than considering the contents of the PST file to assign an owner (see [Understanding How PST Enterprise Determines the PST Owner](#)), the ownership can be assigned based on the PST file name. The file name must contain the user's sAMAccountName. This value is then queried in Active Directory (AD) and PST Enterprise will assign the matching account as the owner.

This is an advanced feature and you should consider the following assumptions carefully prior to implementation:

- All PST file names are presented in the format @, where all characters prior to the first '@' system should be used as the sAMAccountName value for matching an existing account in the same AD domain as the PST Enterprise server.
- Only the domain in which the PST Enterprise server resides is queried as the sAMAccountName must be unique within the domain, but is not necessarily unique within the forest. It is therefore assumed only one matching account will be returned by the AD lookup and the handling of multiple matches will not be considered.
- If no account is found with a matching sAMAccountName, the original logic as defined in the [ownership determination algorithm](#) applies. Potentially the PST file will have no owner determined and remain unassigned.

### Version 5.2

To enable ownership determination based on the PST file name:

1. On the PST Enterprise server, browse to the **Local Configuration Store**, by default **C:\ProgramData\Barracuda\PSTEnterprise\LocalConfigurationStore**.
2. Edit the **web.INI** file in a text editor such as Notepad.
3. Find the setting **GetOwnerFromFilename** and change the value from '**False**' to '**True**'.
4. Save and close the file.
5. In IIS Manager, recycle the application pool **PSTEnterprise** to bring the change into effect.

### Version 5.1

To enable ownership determination based on the PST file name:

1. On the PST Enterprise server, browse to the **Web** folder in the installation directory, by default, **C:\Program Files (x86)\Barracuda\PSTEnterprise\Web**.
2. Edit the **web.config** file in a text editor such as Notepad.
3. Find the setting **GetOwnerFromFilename** and change the value from **False** to **True**.
4. Save and close the file.
5. In IIS Manager, recycle the application pool **PSTEnterprise** to bring the change into effect.

If you want to rerun ownership assignment on any PST files, you should delete any previously discovered PST files from the Unassigned PSTs view. Once the PST Enterprise client has run again, the ownership determination assigns these PST files based on the file name.

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