



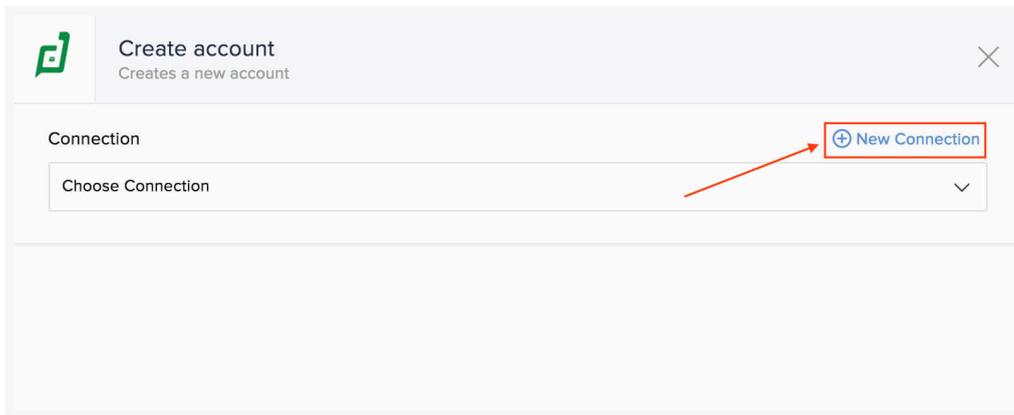
# Zoho Desk

## What is Zoho Desk?

Zoho Desk is context-aware help desk software for managing customer support activities. You can assign, track, and set up alerts on help desk tickets easily.

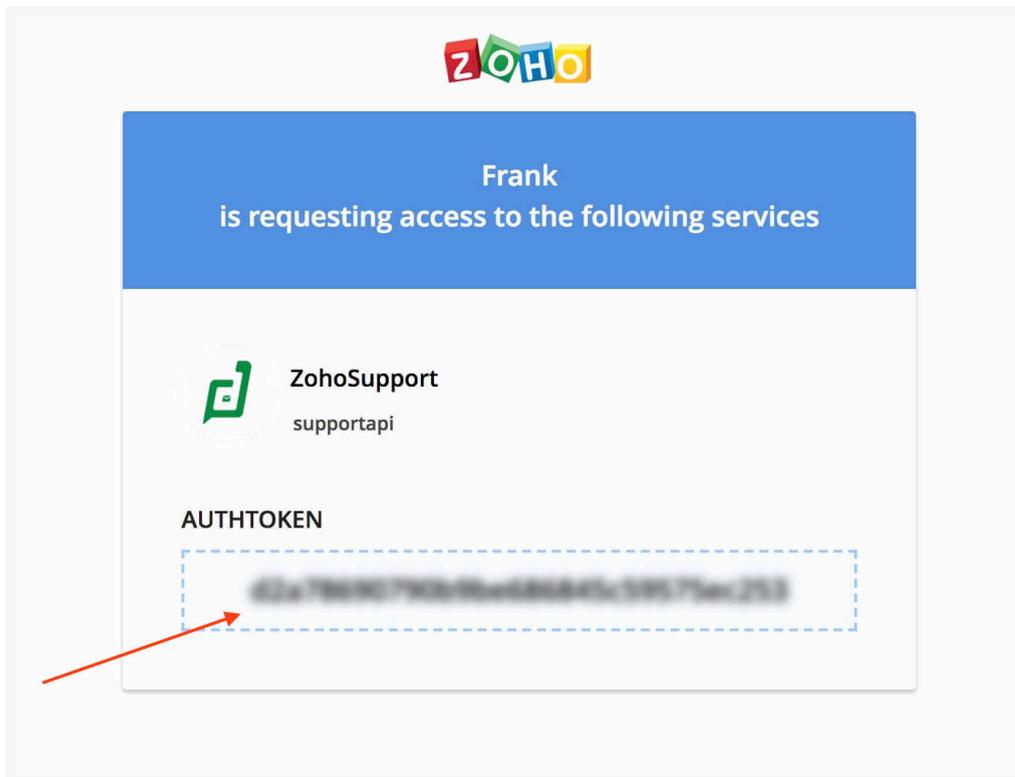
## How to connect your Zoho Desk account to Zoho Flow

1. Select the trigger or action required. If you select a trigger, click **Next**.
2. If there are no existing Zoho Desk connections in your account, click **Connect**. Otherwise, click **New connection**.



3. Alternatively, you can create a new connection by navigating to **Settings**, then **Connections**. Click **Create connection** and choose **Zoho Desk**.
4. Enter a connection name and click **Generate authtoken**.

5. Copy and paste the authtoken from a new browser window.



6. Click **Authorize**.

## API documentation

If you experience any Zoho Desk-related errors in your flows or if you wish to learn more about the Zoho Desk API, the API documentation can be found [here](#).

[Learn how to fix app-specific errors using API documentation](#)

## Triggers and actions available in Zoho Flow

### Triggers

#### [New account](#)

Use this trigger to create new accounts based on accounts in your CRM, ecommerce, or subscription software.

#### [New contact](#)

Use this trigger to keep your Zoho Desk contacts in sync with your contact management tool.

#### [New product](#)

This trigger lets you add products in your inventory and notify your marketing team to announce on social media when a new product is added.

### [New task](#)

Use this trigger when a new task is created to keep your team notified via email, add to your to-dos, or mark it in your calendar.

### [New ticket](#)

Track tickets for the month in a spreadsheet, notify the assigned agent via chat, and remind your team via email if the ticket is still open 12 hours after it was created.

### [New ticket thread](#)

This trigger keeps your team updated about ticket replies via chat or email.

### [New time entry in task](#)

Use this trigger to calculate billing hours for each agent or task in your expense software.

### [Updated contact](#)

Use this trigger to keep the contact details updated in your accounting and campaign management software.

### [Updated task](#)

Use this trigger to update tasks in your project management software, send a chat message with the updated details, or record updates in notes.

### [Updated ticket](#)

This trigger lets you keep both the customer and agent notified of any updates in the ticket.

### [Updated ticket status](#)

Set up this trigger to record the details of tickets that are updated to a specific status, and email the team with ticket details.

## **Actions**

### [Create account](#)

Create accounts based on new accounts in your expense management or CRM tools.

### Create contact

This action lets you create contacts when contact details come in from different sources such as emails, sign-up forms, or surveys.

### Create product

Add products in your Desk when new products are added in your inventory, ecommerce, or accounting tools.

### Create task

Use this action to create task when a lead is created in CRM, a quote is received, or when a task is created in your project.

### Create ticket

Create tickets based on form entries, emails, or inventory orders.

### Fetch account

Use this action to fetch all details about an account.

### Fetch agent

This action lets you fetch the details of an agent to check if it exists.

### Fetch contact

Fetch the details of a contact to send tailored emails when a ticket is closed.

### Fetch product

Use this action to check if a product exists and notify your team.

### Fetch ticket

This action lets you fetch all the details about a specific ticket.

### Fetch ticket thread

When a ticket is escalated, this action can help you get all the details about the ticket thread.

## Trash account

This action allows you to trash accounts based on emails or form submissions.

## Trash contact

This action lets you trash contacts that have requested to unsubscribe from your campaigns.

## Trash ticket

Use this action to trash tickets based on form entries.

## Update account

Keep account details updated in Desk when the details are edited in your other business applications.

## Update contact

Update the details of a contact when they are updated in your email campaign, ecommerce, or task-management applications.

## Update product

When a product's price, name, or manufacturer is modified, this action can mirror those updates in your help desk.

## Update ticket

This action allows you to modify the details of a ticket based on the task status in your project management tool, order status in your inventory application, or report status in your expense management software.

## What is the difference between ticket number and ticket ID in Zoho Desk?

Ticket number is the index or serial number of a ticket. It is the number that is displayed with the ticket subject in your help desk.

Ticket ID is a unique identifier that is generated by Zoho Desk for each ticket.

## Using custom values in Fetch actions

Some *Fetch* actions allow you to search for records using unique custom fields associated with records. To do so:

1. In the *Fetch* action, select **Use a custom value** in the *Search by* dropdown menu.
2. **Custom value for Search by** is the key that is required to identify which custom field you are referring to. Enter **CustomField1** in the field provided.
3. Log in to your Zoho Desk account.
4. Navigate to **Settings > Customization > Layout and Fields**.
5. Click on the required ticket layout, then click on the gear icon next to your custom field.
6. Navigate to **Edit properties > API name**. Copy the value.

**Edit Field** A

Label  
Sample custom field

Length  
255

API Name  
cf\_sample\_custom\_field

**Mark as required**   
Set the field to be mandatory or optional.

**Show Tooltip**   
Provide hints to help users fill out the field.

**Mark as ePHI**  ⓘ  
The field will be labeled to contain ePHI whose data is auto-encrypted for HIPAA compliance.

**Encrypt field**   
Make the field storage encrypted across all layouts in your help desk. ⓘ

**Update** **Cancel**

7. Return to Zoho Flow and paste the copied value in the **Search value** field.
8. Use a colon (:) immediately after the value you pasted, then click on the variable from the trigger or an action with which you want to search for a record.  
The format will look like this:  
**cf\_sample\_custom\_field:\${trigger.sampleCustomField\_value}**

Search by \*

Use a Custom Value



Custom Value for Search by \*

Input must match one of the options listed above.

customField1

Search value \*

cf\_sample\_custom\_field:\${trigger.SampleCustomField\_value}

## Common problems

### 1. When creating a ticket, how do I get the requested Contact ID?

Use the **Fetch contact** action before creating a ticket to fetch details of the contact. Map the contact ID from **Fetch contact** to the Contact ID field of the **Create ticket** action.

### 2. I get the error message "Your Zoho Desk Edition does not support this feature/operation."

If you're seeing this message, verify that:

- The connected account has permissions to create webhooks in Zoho Desk
- Your webhook limit in Desk isn't exceeded

You can check this [link](#) for more details.