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# Working with Tickets in Halo

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As an agent in Halo, you'll spend most of your time interacting with tickets in Halo.

Halo offers robust access control, which is a fancy way of saying some tickets will not be visible to you. The Halo interface, and the basics covered here, apply to all ticket types - even if you don't have access to the specific ticket types shown in the screenshots (and don't worry - these are test tickets, so there's no sensitive data here!).

Details like status, forms, and other things will vary from ticket type to ticket type.

## Types of Tickets

Tickets in Halo are sort of like "units of work." They can be anything from:

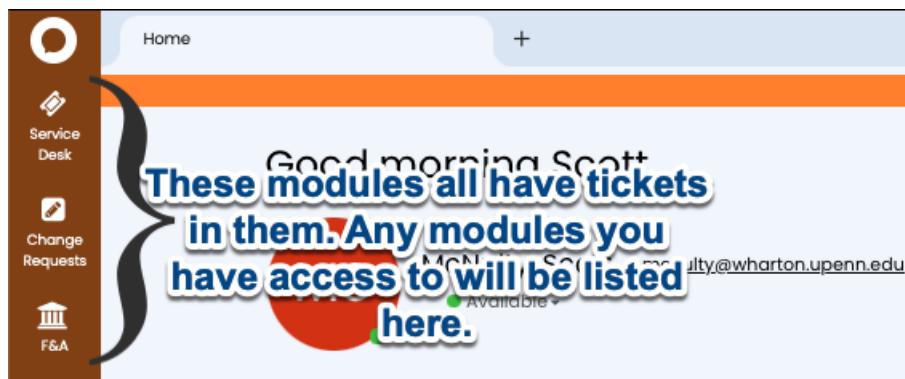
- Change requests ("We plan to upgrade this app on xx, is that cool?")
- Incident requests ("Help, stuff is broke!")
- Other things

These "ticket types" are grouped together with any you have access to appearing on the lefthand navigation bar.

## Ticket Groups

Ticket Groups have been established in Halo to allow one ticket to be assigned to a group. Agents can assign tickets to any group that is visible to them, however, agents will only have access to tickets in groups of which they are a part. This means that an agent can assign a ticket to a group that they have no access to. Once that happens that agent will no longer see the ticket, and in some circumstances will get an error saying "Ticket not found, or you do not have access to this Ticket." The ticket is fine, it just is no longer viewable to that agent.

## Navigating Tickets

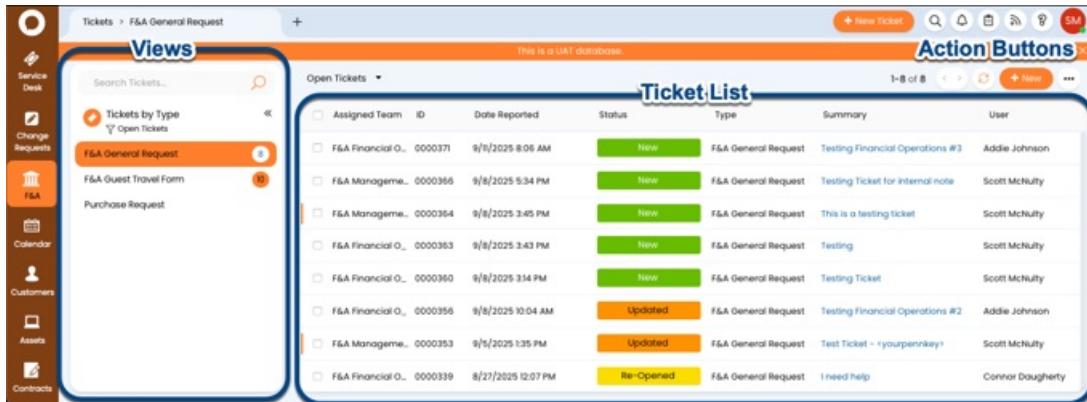


After logging into Halo, you'll see all the ticket types you have access to listed in the left-hand navigation. Click on one of those icons to be taken to that ticket grouping.

The [Agent Homescreen](#), the first screen you see when logging in, also features a dashboard that'll have links to specific ticket groups as well. You can click on one of those links to access tickets, if you so fancy.

# Lists

This is a typical list of tickets in Halo. There's a lot going on, but there are really three main sections of the screen:



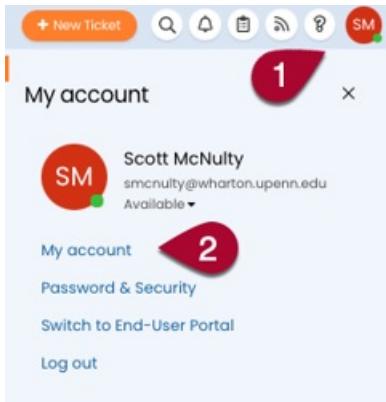
The screenshot shows the Halo ticket list interface. On the left, there's a sidebar with various modules: Service Desk, Change Requests, F&A (which is selected), Calendar, Customers, Assets, and Contracts. The main area is divided into three sections: **Views** (containing 'Search Tickets...', 'Tickets by Type', 'F&A General Request' (selected), 'F&A Guest Travel Form', and 'Purchase Request'), **Ticket List** (containing a table of open tickets with columns for Assigned Team, ID, Date Reported, Status, Type, Summary, and User), and **Action Buttons** (containing standard ticket actions like 'New', 'Edit', 'Delete', etc.).

1. **Views** - Each module has a default ticket view, which determines how the tickets are displayed. These views allow you to look at groupings of tickets easily. You can also filter your ticket view here (more below).
2. **The ticket list** - Lists the tickets that you have permission to see in this view. What you see here is determined by the module you're in, the current view, and your permissions. You can sort and filter this list further (see below).
3. **Action Buttons** - The Action buttons let you create a new ticket, change the list view format (see below), and more.

## Setting your default list View

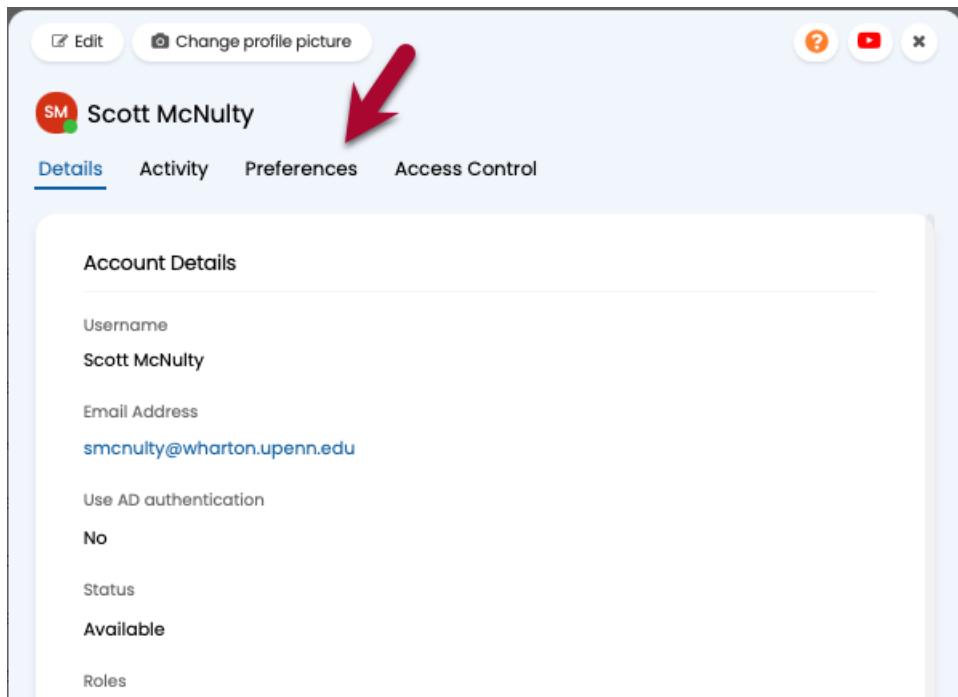
You can change the default grouping of tickets (just for you) by:

1. Click on your initials in the upper right of the Halo screen and then click on My account.



The screenshot shows the 'My account' dropdown menu. It includes a profile picture (SM), the user's name (Scott McNulty), email (smcnulty@wharton.upenn.edu), and status (Available). The menu also contains links for 'My account' (selected), 'Password & Security', 'Switch to End-User Portal', and 'Log out'. Number 1 is circled around the initials 'SM' in the top right corner, and number 2 is circled around the 'My account' link in the dropdown menu.

2. Click on **Preferences**.



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Account Details

Username  
Scott McNulty

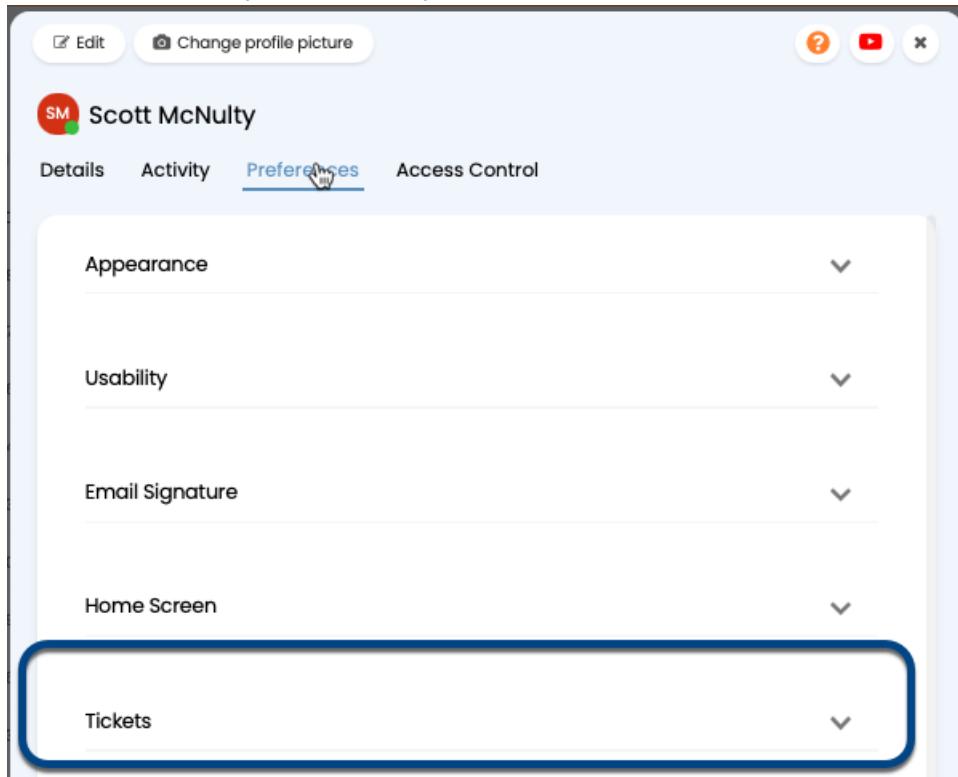
Email Address  
[smcnulty@wharton.upenn.edu](mailto:smcnulty@wharton.upenn.edu)

Use AD authentication  
No

Status  
Available

Roles

3. Click on **Tickets** to expand the Ticket preferences:



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Appearance

Usability

Email Signature

Home Screen

**Tickets**

4. All of your current Ticket preferences are listed. Click on the Edit button to make some changes.



Open Tickets (Including SLA Hold) ▾				
Assigned Team	ID	Date Reported	Status	Type
☐ F&A Financial Operations	0000371	9/11/2025 8:06 AM	New	F&A General Request
☐ F&A Financial Operations	0000370	9/9/2025 11:34 AM	On Hold	F&A General Request
☐ F&A Financial Operations	0000368	9/8/2025 7:41 PM	W/ Requester	F&A General Request

When you're in a view, you might wonder where that closed ticket, or that ticket that's awaiting a response, is hiding.

Chances are, you can't find it because a filter is hiding it from you (helpfully).

The default filters are:

- All Tickets - Displays all tickets, no matter their current status.
- Closed Tickets - Only displays tickets with a "Closed" status.
- Open Tickets - Only displays tickets that are considered "Open," which includes "New," "Updated," and "Re-Opened."
- Open Tickets (Including SLA Hold) - Includes everything in Open Tickets plus "On Hold" and "Awaiting Response."

What's an SLA, you might ask, and why should it be held? SLA = Service Level Agreement. That's the amount of time within which a ticket should, ideally, be solved. When a ticket is put on hold or you're waiting for a response, the SLA clock is paused since you can't actively work on it.

## Changing the Ticket Filter

The screenshot shows the Tickets application interface. The top navigation bar shows 'Tickets > F&A General Request'. The sidebar on the left has a 'Tickets by Type' section with 'F&A General Request' selected (8) and 'F&A Guest Travel Form' (9). The main area shows a list of 'Open Tickets' with the following data:

Assigned Team	ID	Date Reported
☐ F&A Financial Operations	0000371	9/11/2025 8:06 AM
☐ F&A Management	0000366	9/8/2025 5:34 PM
☐ F&A Management	0000364	9/8/2025 3:45 PM
☐ F&A Financial Operations	0000363	9/8/2025 3:43 PM
☐ F&A Financial Operations	0000360	9/8/2025 3:14 PM
☐ F&A Financial Operations	0000356	9/8/2025 10:04 AM
☐ F&A Management	0000353	9/5/2025 1:35 PM
☐ F&A Financial Operations	0000339	8/27/2025 12:07 PM

As you can see above, there are two ways to change the ticket filter:

1. In the left side navigation bar, hover your pointer over the filter icon under the name of your current view.
2. Click on the filter icon (you'll see a little pencil appear next to the name of the currently applied filter).
3. All the current filters are listed. Click on the one you want.

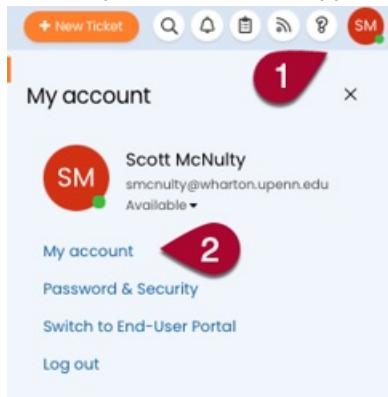
The new filter name is displayed both under the view name and at the top left of the ticket list.

You can click on the filter name at the top left of the ticket list, and a dropdown menu will appear listing all the available filters. Switch filters by clicking on another one.

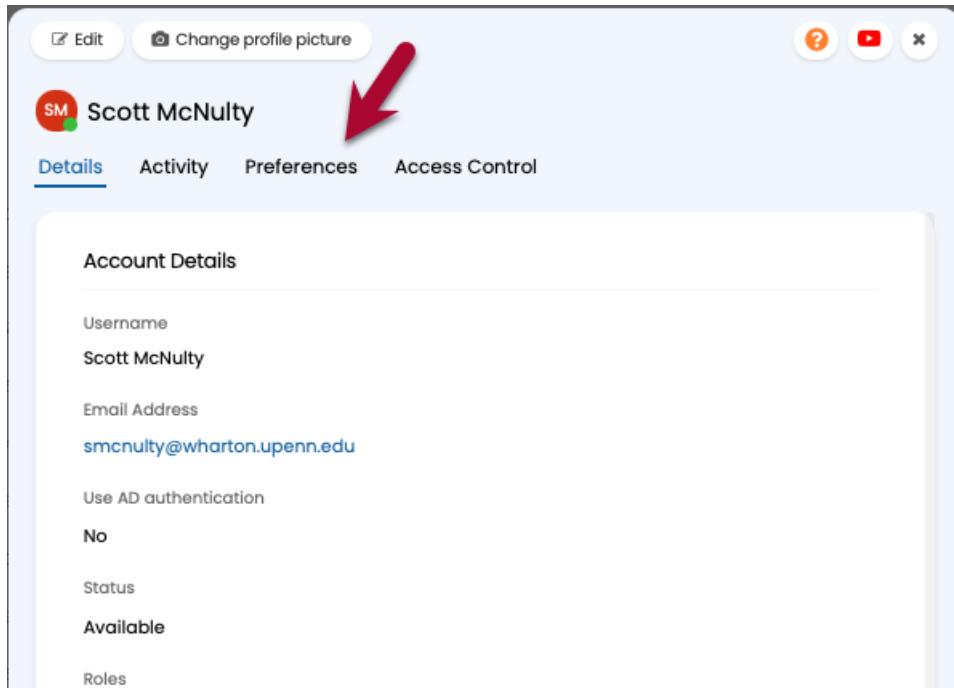
### Setting your default filter

Wouldn't it be great to be able to set your default filter for all ticket lists? Here's how you do it:

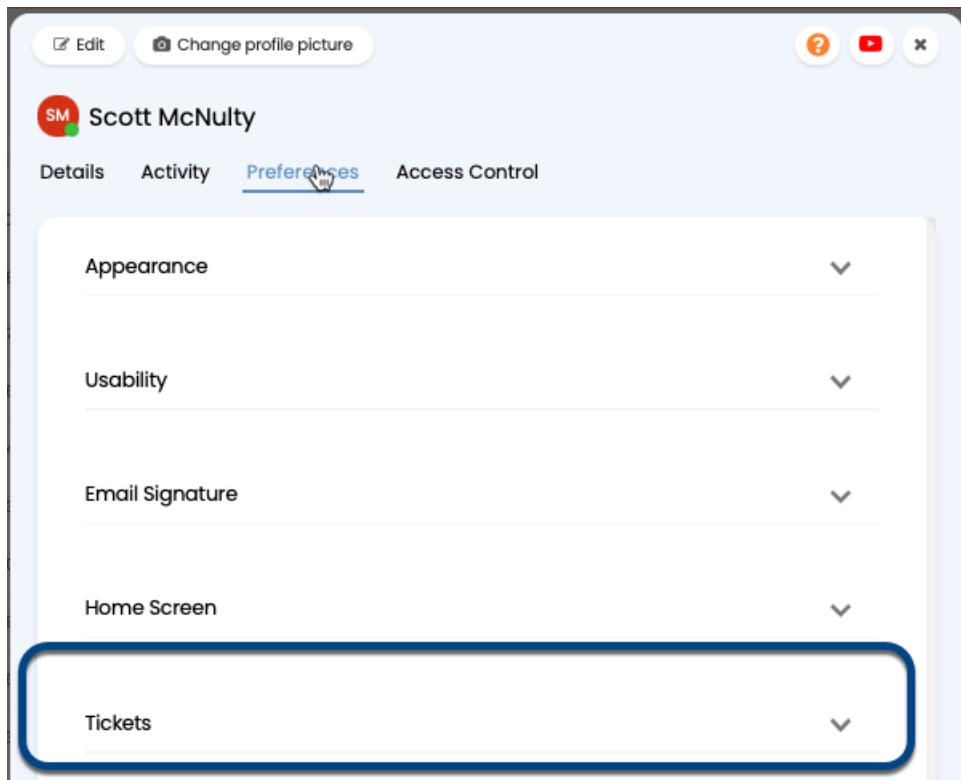
1. Click on your initials in the upper right of the Halo screen and then click on My account.



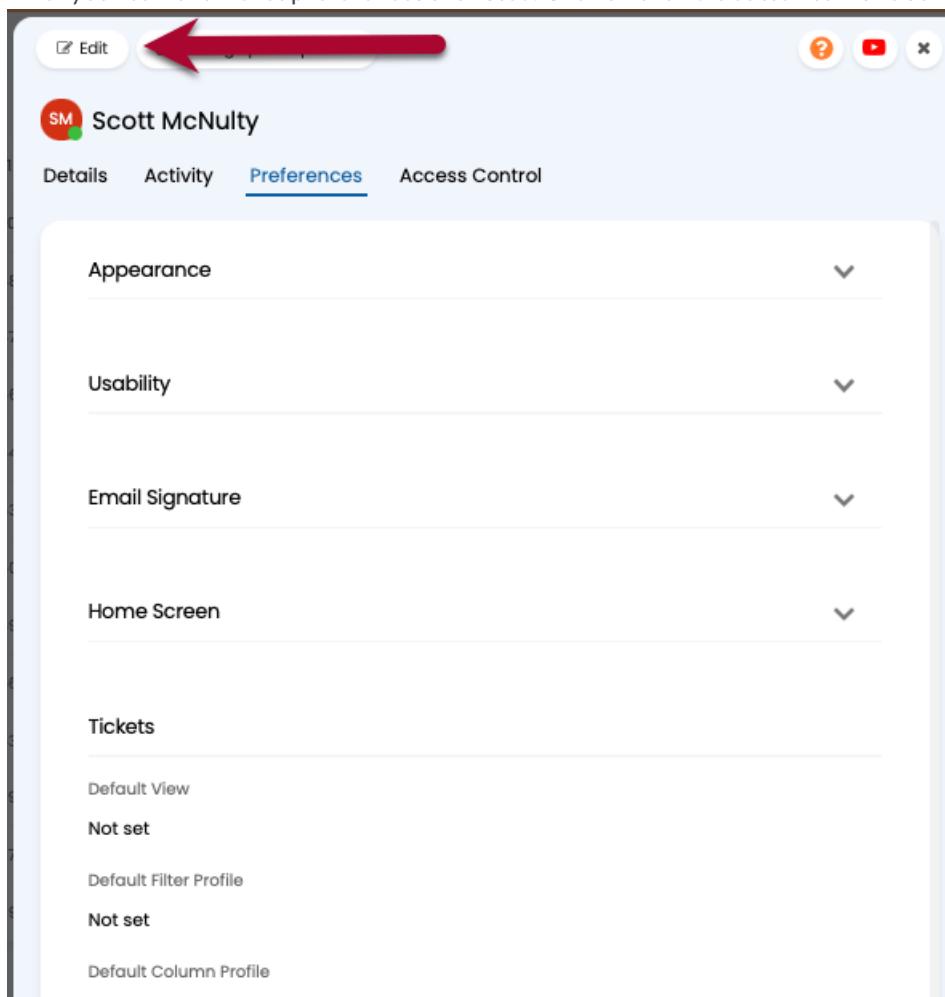
2. Click on Preferences.



3. Click on Tickets to expand the Ticket preferences:

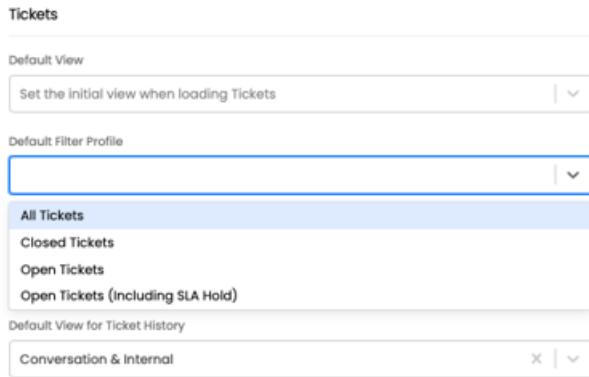


4. All of your current Ticket preferences are listed. Click on the Edit button to make some changes.



5. You can change a bunch of things here, but we're just interested in the Default Filter Profile. Click on the

dropdown and select the filter you'd like to use as your default.



6. Click the Save button at the top of the Preferences window, and your default Ticket filter is now set.

## Ticket List

### Sorting and Filtering

By default, your tickets are listed in a list. Sort the list by clicking on any column header. Click the header again to reserve that sort.

Hovering over a column header will reveal a filter icon. Click on the  filter icon, and a filter box appears below each column header.

You can either type in text or enter a date to filter. The ticket view will automatically update to show you the results as you type, which is nice.

	Summary	User
	Connor D	Connor D
I need help		Connor D
Test Ticket - <yourpennkey>		Scott McN
Testing		Scott McN
Testing		Scott McN
Testing		Scott McN

The filter boxes will stick around until you close them by clicking the  icon all the way to the left of the filter boxes. You can always open them again by clicking the filter icon on any header.

### Changing the View

By default, the ticket list is shown in "Table view," which lists each ticket meeting your filtering criteria as entries in a table. You can sort the table (see above) and click on a ticket to get more details.

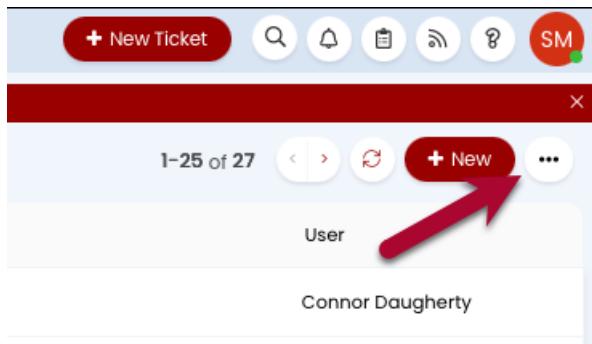
There are a few other views available to you, including:

- Tile View
- Kanban View
- Calendar View
- Gantt View

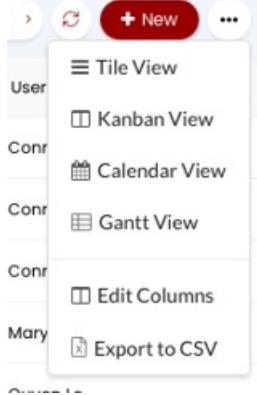
Calendar View and Gantt View are designed to work with project tickets, which we haven't implemented yet, so we won't go into what those views offer.

To change your current view:

1. Click the ... button in the top right corner of the ticket list.



2. Click on the view that you'd like to switch to (note the view you're currently using won't be in the list).



3. The ticket view changes.

Table View (default)

Open Tickets							1-25 of 27	<a href="#">+ New</a>	...
<input type="checkbox"/> Assigned Team	ID	Date Reported	Status	Type	Summary	User			
<input type="checkbox"/> F&A Payroll Group	0000265	9/24/2025 9:34 AM	New	F&A General Request	Test 2	Connor Daugherty			
<input type="checkbox"/> F&A Payroll Group	0000264	9/24/2025 9:34 AM	New	F&A General Request	Test 2	Connor Daugherty			
<input type="checkbox"/> F&A Payroll Group	0000263	9/24/2025 9:28 AM	New	F&A General Request	Test	Connor Daugherty			
<input type="checkbox"/> F&A Financial Operatio...	0000262	9/24/2025 9:25 AM	Updated	F&A General Request	Mary Marino testing	Mary Marino			
<input type="checkbox"/> F&A Financial Operatio...	0000261	9/24/2025 9:10 AM	Updated	F&A General Request	UAT QLE #1 user scenario	Quyen Le			

Table View is the default. Click on a column header to sort by that column. Hover over the column and click the Filter icon to filter.

You can export the ticket list as a CSV file if you like by clicking on the... button and clicking **Export to CSV**. Just be aware that the exported file will only contain the data displayed in the table; full ticket information is not included.

Tile View

Tile view is inspired by Outlook. It lists all the tickets that conform to your filters in a column. Click on a ticket to see details on the same page. This is useful for browsing the contents of tickets quickly.

#### Kanban View

Kanban is a way of visualizing work using cards (which are tickets in Halo) into rows or columns (statuses or workflow states in Halo). One of the nice things about the Kanban view is that you can drag and drop a ticket from one column to another when grouping by Status, updating the status as you go.

Clicking on the ... button shows that you can change the grouping (i.e., columns) option for this view using either Workflow Stage or Status.

#### Editing the Columns in Table View

The table view is the default ticket list view, and the one that you'll probably end up using most. If the default columns aren't displaying the information you want you can create your own custom view:

1. Click on the ... in the top right corner
2. Click **Edit Columns**.
3. Highlight the view you'd like to base your custom view on ("F&A Column View" is a good one) and click **Edit**.
4. Change the **Column Profile Name** to something meaningful to you. This name will be what's listed in your available views.
5. In the **Columns** section you'll see a list of the columns in the current view. Here you can:
  - o Change the order of the columns by dragging and dropping them.
  - o Remove a column by clicking on the trash can icon.
  - o Change the **Sorting**, **Grouping**, or **display name** of a column by clicking on the pencil icon.
    - You can decide set a column to be the primary sort order all the way to the quinary sort order.

- Each table can only be grouped by one column.
- Add a column to the view by clicking Add and selecting a column, or columns, from the list.

6. Scroll down and click **Save as new**.

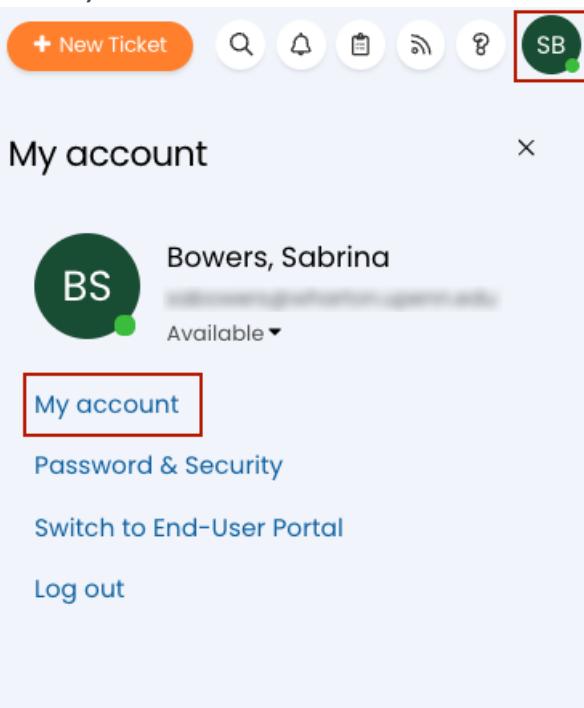
To use your custom view:

1. Click on the ... in the top right corner
2. Click **Edit Columns**.
3. Highlight the view you just saved.
4. Click **Use**.

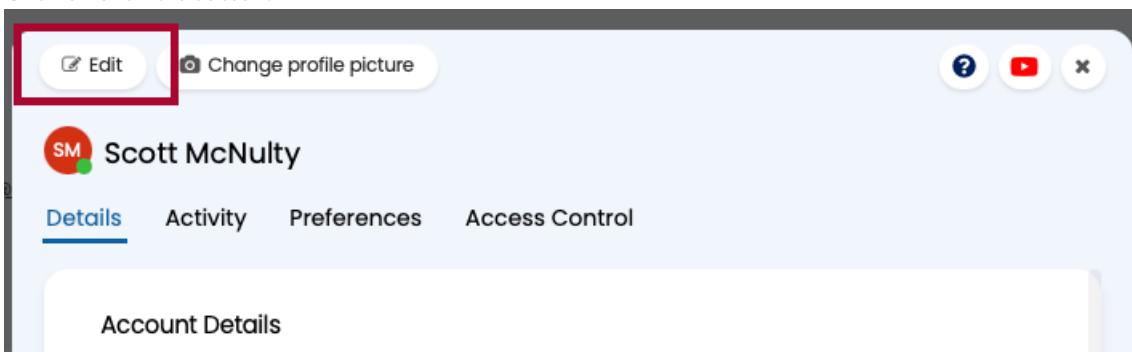
## Ticket Preferences

By default Halo displays tickets in the same way for everyone in a particular team. However, if you'd like to change the way tickets are displayed and filtered for yourself you can do that.

1. Login to the Halo agent application.
2. Click on your account icon in the top right of the screen.
3. Click **My account**.



4. Click on the Edit button.



5. Select the **Preferences** tab.  
 6. Click on the **Tickets** section.

## Tickets

### Default View

Tickets by Status

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### Default Filter Profile

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### Default Column Profile

This can be overridden by configuration on Ticket Areas

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### Default View for Ticket History

Conversation & Internal

x | v

### Default Action display for Ticket History

Expand all Actions

x | v

### Default View for Feed

All Activity

x | v

### Default date display for Ticket actions

This needs to be enabled in Ticket configuration

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### Agent specific load balance limits

Can only be edited by an Admin or Department Manager

Ticket Type level limits take precedence over Assigned Team limits

+ Add

### Ticket Type

### Assigned Team

### Maximum Tickets

No rows found

Here's what each ticket preference means and the options:

- Default View: This sets your view of ticket lists. You can have them grouped by type, team, agent, and more. You can always change the view on the list as well.
- Default Filter Profile: The default filter on ticket lists. It can be All, Closed, Open Tickets, or Open Tickets (Including SLA Hold). This can always be changed on the list itself (see the Filters section above).
- Default Column Profile: You can set the columns included in ticket lists using a column profile. See "Editing Columns in Table View" above for more information.
- Default View for Ticket History: By default the ticket history displays conversations (email) and Internal (notes). You can set this to "All Actions" or "Conversation."
- Default Action display for Ticket History: By default all the actions in the Ticket History are expanded to give you the information at a glance. You can opt to have only the most recent action expanded.
- Default View for Feed: You can decide what items appear on your ticket feed.
- Default date display for Ticket actions: We aren't using this at the moment, but it can be set to either Date Done or Date Created.

7. Once you've set your preferences click the Save button either at the very bottom of the window (you'll need to scroll) or at the top left.

