



toggling Writable Status

If a file is read-only, it is marked with the closed lock icon  in the [Status bar](#), in its editor tab, or in the Project tool window. If a file is writable, then it is marked with the open lock icon  in the Status bar. This section describes how to change read-only attribute of a file.

If a read-only status is set by a version control system, it's suggested that you use IntelliJ IDEA version control integration features. For more information, see [Version Control with IntelliJ IDEA](#).

To toggle read-only attribute of a file

1. Open file in the editor, or select it in the [Project tool window](#).
2. Do one of the following:
 - On the main menu, choose **File | Make File Read-Only**, or **File | Make File Writable**.
 - Click the lock icon in the [Status bar](#).

See Also

Procedures:

- [Changing Read-Only Status of Files](#)

Web Resources:

- [Developer Community](#) 