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IRS Secure Account Registration Guide



How to Register for an IRS Secure Account

Go to [IRS.gov/account](https://irs.gov/account). Click on **Create or view your account**

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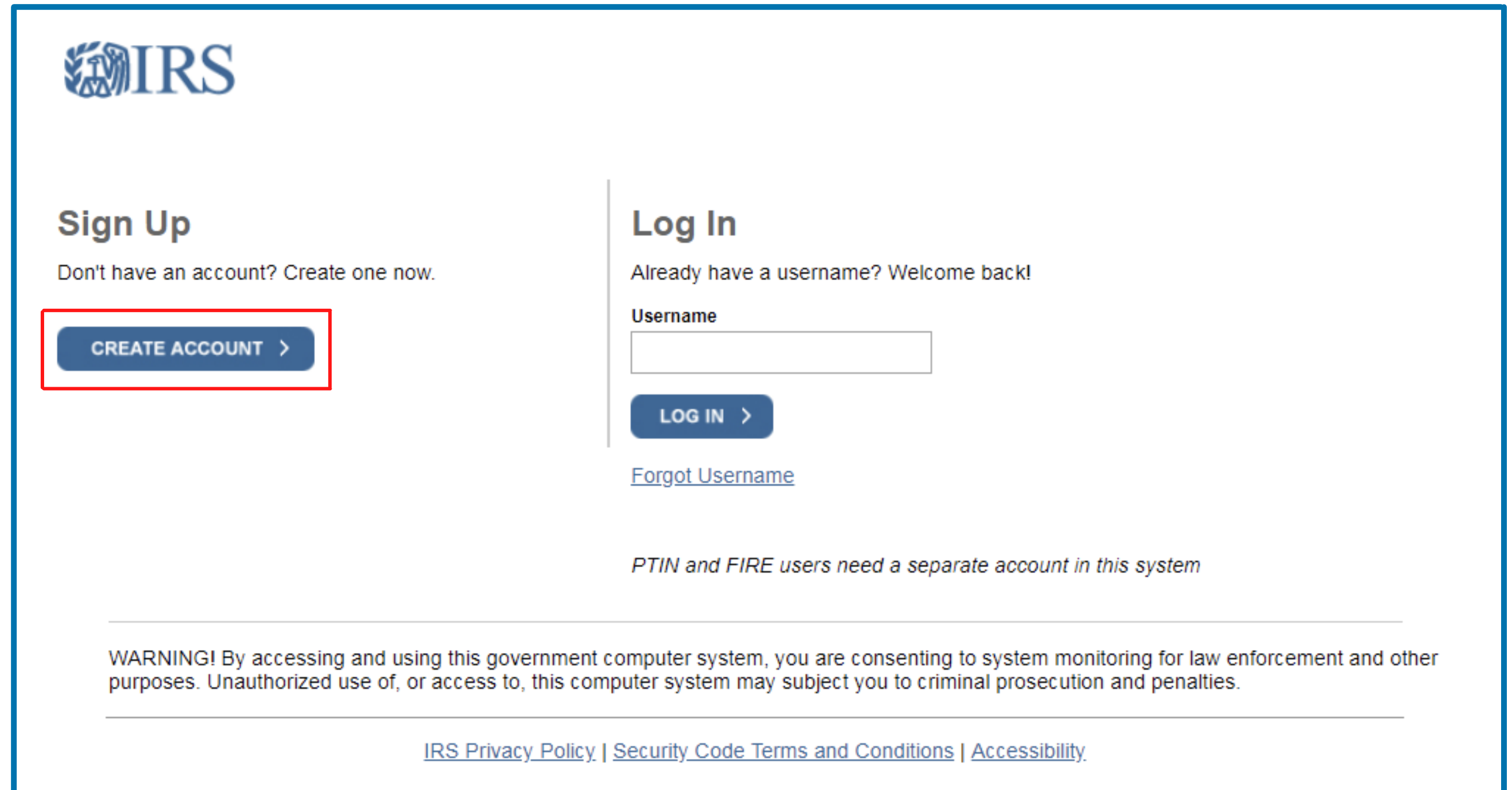
- Your balance will update no more than once every 24 hours, usually overnight.
- Check or money order payments may take up to 3 weeks to appear in your account.


Create or view your account



Creating an IRS Secure Account

Click **Create Account**

A screenshot of the IRS Secure Account creation page. The page is white with a blue border. At the top left is the IRS logo. Below it, the 'Sign Up' section is on the left and the 'Log In' section is on the right. The 'Sign Up' section has a red box around the 'CREATE ACCOUNT >' button. The 'Log In' section has a 'Username' input field and a 'LOG IN >' button. Below the 'Log In' section is a link for 'Forgot Username'. At the bottom, there is a warning message and a footer with links to 'IRS Privacy Policy', 'Security Code Terms and Conditions', and 'Accessibility'.

 **IRS**

Sign Up
Don't have an account? Create one now.

CREATE ACCOUNT >

Log In
Already have a username? Welcome back!

Username

LOG IN >

[Forgot Username](#)

PTIN and FIRE users need a separate account in this system

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IRS Secure Account



You will need to register in order to use this service

Registration is:

Fast: Signing up only takes about 15 minutes.

Secure: Only you will have access to your tax information.

Convenient: You will only need to verify your identity once.

Free: There is no charge to sign up (*Message and data rates may apply to send a security code to your mobile phone*).

Before we get started, we're going to ask you some simple questions to make sure you have everything you need.

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What You Will Need to Register

Please have the following information and materials to complete registration:

- Full Name
- Email
- Birthdate
- Social Security Number (SSN) or Individual Tax Identification Number (ITIN)
- Tax filing status
- Current address

Do you have this information available?

NO

YES >



What You Will Need to Register

You need a financial account to register

To verify your identity, we will need a number from ONE of your financial accounts. We can use any of the following:

- Credit Card OR
- Student Loan OR
- Mortgage or Home Equity Loan OR
- Home Equity Line of Credit OR
- Auto Loan

You will only need to provide the loan account number or a few digits from a credit card number. We only use this information to verify your identity. **You will not be charged any money and are not sharing any account balances or other financial information with us.**

A soft inquiry will show up on your credit report to let you know that the IRS accessed your credit report information. This will not increase or decrease your credit score and lenders will not be able to see this.

Do you have this financial information available? (If you don't have the account information on hand, you should answer 'No'.)

NO

YES >



What You Will Need to Register

You need a phone number or a verified address

We'll need one more way to verify your identity. The easiest way is to send a code to your phone by text message (SMS). Your phone must be a U.S.-based mobile phone number associated with your name.

You can also complete identity verification by receiving a letter in the mail. If you choose this method, you'll either need a U.S.-based phone number OR an iPhone, iPad, or Android device to complete registration.

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Identity Verification: Email

Let's Get Started!

It sounds like you have all the necessary information available and can begin.

First Name (as it appears on your most recent tax return)

Last Name (as it appears on your most recent tax return)

Email Address

Confirm Email Address

A confirmation code will be sent to your email address. You will need to get the code and enter it on the next screen.

CANCEL

SEND CODE >



Identity Verification: Email

Subject: Confirmation Code: Verify your email address

To set up your IRS account, verify your email address. Enter the following code on the IRS registration web page. This code is valid for 15 minutes.

Your confirmation code is:

7524-6218

About this message:

We've sent you this automated email because you requested an IRS account. For your security, the IRS will never contact you for personal or financial information in an email. Please do not reply because we are not able to respond to messages sent to this email address.



Identity Verification: Email

Check Your Email

We just sent a confirmation code to **SampleEmail@irs.gov**. This code is valid for 15 minutes. Open your email in a new window to get your confirmation code.

IMPORTANT: Keep this window open to avoid having to start over.

Enter the one-time code we emailed you:

Didn't receive the confirmation code? [Resend the email.](#)

CANCEL

CONTINUE >



Identity Verification: Tax Info

Help us verify your identity with some basic information

If we are not able to match the information you enter with our records, you will not be able to use this online service but [other options are available to you.](#)

Personal Information

All information should match your latest tax return.

First Name

First   [Edit](#)

Last Name

Last   [Edit](#)

Date of Birth

Month ▼ Day ▼ Year

Social Security Number (SSN) or [Individual Tax ID Number \(ITIN\)](#)

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[Filing Status](#)

☒ I have filed a tax return in the past seven years

Select filing status from your most recently filed tax return ▼

☐ I have not filed a tax return in the past seven years



Identity Verification: Tax Info

Address Information

Your address must match your most recently filed tax return. [Address Help](#)

Address Line 1

Address Line 2 (Optional)

City

State / Territory

Zip Code

Country

CANCEL

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Identity Verification: Financial Account Info

Verify your financial account number

To prevent identity theft and protect the security of your tax information, you will need to verify your identity.

Provide one of the following active account numbers:

☐ Last 8 digits of credit card

(We are unable to verify debit cards, corporate cards, or American Express cards)

☐ Student loan account number

☐ Auto loan account number

☐ Mortgage or home equity loan account number

☐ Home equity line of credit account number

☐ I don't have a current credit card, student loan, auto loan, home equity loan, or mortgage

By providing financial account information, I authorize the IRS to access my credit report for the purpose of verifying my identity.

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Financial account information

We will only use this information to verify your identity. You will not be charged any money and are not sharing any account balances with us.

A soft inquiry will show up on your credit report to let you know that the IRS accessed your credit report information. This will not increase or decrease your credit score and lenders will not be able to see this.

If you have a credit freeze, you authorize us to bypass that freeze to verify your identity.

If you do not wish to or cannot provide the information, you will not be able to register but other [options are available to you.](#)



Identity Verification: Phone Info

Verify your phone number

We need to verify that your personal information matches the subscriber information for your US-based mobile phone account. By continuing, you authorize your wireless carrier to disclose information to the IRS and its third-party service providers about your account, such as subscriber status, device details and plan type, if available, to support identity verification and fraud prevention. See our [Privacy Policy](#) for how we treat your data.

We may not be able to verify all mobile phone numbers. We can't verify landlines, some prepaid phones, or virtual phone numbers like Google Voice.

Enter your mobile phone number:

CANCEL

SEND MESSAGE >

By continuing, you opt-in to receive a one-time code via text message or phone call each time you log in. Message and data rates may apply. [We won't use your phone number for any other communication.](#)

Don't have a mobile phone or can't verify your phone number? Try these alternative options.

[Receive an activation code by postal mail \(~10 business days\).](#) Selecting this option will allow you to create your username and password, but you won't be able to access the online service today. You'll need to come back to activate your account after you receive the activation code in the mail.

[Review alternatives to using this online service.](#) These options will not allow you to complete registration for this online service.

Identity Verification: Phone Info



We sent a security code to your phone

We sent a text message to your phone (ending in 1234). Please enter the code below.

6-digit security code

[Resend Security Code](#)

[No longer have access to this phone?](#)

CONTINUE >

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[Logout](#)

Create User Profile

We've been able to confirm your identity. Now you will create a user profile. This is the last step in the process.

Create a Username and Password

Username

Password

Re-enter Password

Enter a username of your choice. Your username cannot be changed once set. The username should be 8-10 characters and cannot be an email address, SSN, or contain a space, or a special character (!@#\$%^&*.).

Password Rules:

- Between 8 and 32 characters long.
- Must contain at least one numeric and one special character (!@#\$%^&*).
- At least one uppercase and at least one lowercase letter.
- Matching password must be re-entered.



Create User Profile

Choose a Site Phrase

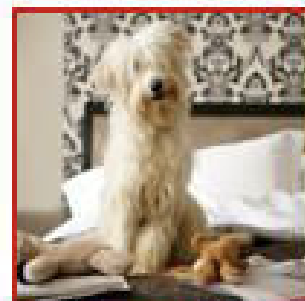
Create a phrase that you will recognize when you login


funny dog

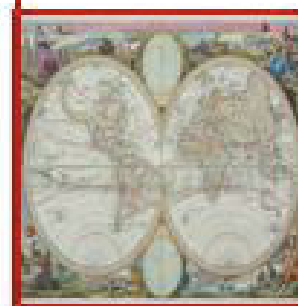
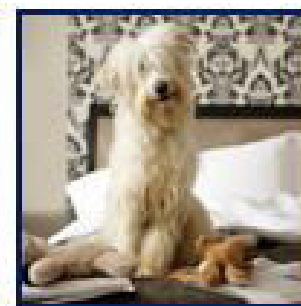
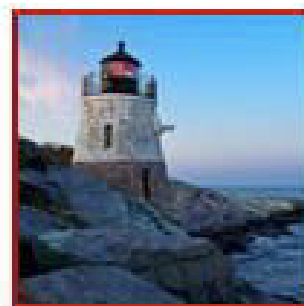


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Identity Verification by Mail

Create a profile to finish your registration by mail

We couldn't verify your identity using your phone. Let's try something else.

Complete the following steps:

- 1) Press **continue** to create a username and password.
- 2) We'll send an activation code by postal mail to your address on file. Allow up to 10 business days for mail delivery.
- 3) Follow the instructions in the mailed letter to return to the website. Log in with your username, enter your password, and provide the activation code from the letter.

NOTE: To complete your registration with your activation code, you will need a U.S.-based phone or an iPhone, iPad, or Android device. This is required to access this online service.

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Don't have a phone or mobile device? [Exit this registration process](#) to see your alternatives.



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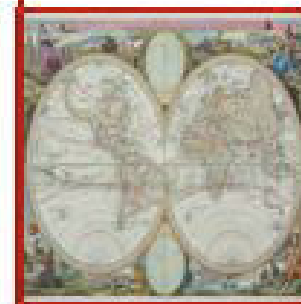
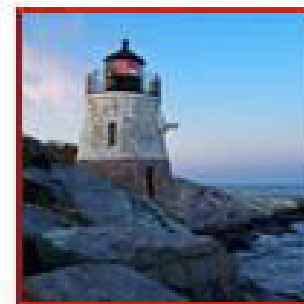


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How to Log In to an Existing IRS Secure Account

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Login for Returning User

If site image and phrase are correct, enter password and click **Submit**

Log In

Verify that your Site Image and Site Phrase below are correct. If the Site Image and Site Phrase are not correct, please do not proceed.

Your Site Image:



Your Site Phrase:

a unique site phrase

Password

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