

Setting Up Your **GOVERNMENT ONLINE TOOLS**

How to create your ID.me account, track your taxes, make IRS payments, and more





IRS DIRECT PAYMENTS

For tax payments, estimated payments, & more



Have tax payments to make?

The easiest way is to pay online through the IRS website.

1

Visit the IRS website:
<https://www.irs.gov/payments/direct-pay>

2

Click “make a payment”

Make a Payment

3

Enter in your information so it looks like this:

Reason for Payment	?
Balance Due	▼
Apply Payment To	?
Income Tax - Form 1040	▼
Tax Period for Payment	?
Select Year	▼

4

Continue through the prompts, and enter your info from your personal tax return.

5

After you make the payment, you will get an email confirmation.

Creating an Individual IRS Account

Creating an Individual IRS account allows you to securely access your tax records, view payment history, manage payment plans, and obtain tax transcripts online. Follow the steps below to set up your IRS account for the first time.

- 1** Go to the official IRS website: <https://www.irs.gov/>.
- 2** Click on **Sign into Your Account** on the homepage, or go directly to <https://www.irs.gov/payments/your-online-account>.
- 3** Select **Sign in to your Online Account**, then click **Sign in with ID.me**.
- 4** If you already have an ID.me account, you can sign in with those credentials. Otherwise, click **Create an ID.me Account** and follow the prompts to verify your identity.

- 5** Follow the ID.me verification process, which may include providing personal information, verifying your photo ID, and confirming via multi-factor authentication (MFA).
- 6** After completing the ID.me verification, you will be redirected back to the IRS website.
- 7** Review and accept the IRS terms of use to complete the registration process.
- 8** Once your account is set up, you can log in anytime to view tax records, make payments, and access other IRS online tools.

Tips for Setting Up Your IRS Account

Use the same email address you used for your ID.me account, if you already have one.

Ensure your phone number can receive text messages if you select text-based verification.

Have your Social Security Number (SSN) and a recent tax return available for verification.

Always sign in through the official IRS website to avoid phishing scams.

For troubleshooting, visit the IRS help page: <https://www.irs.gov/help> or the ID.me Help Center: <https://help.id.me/>.

Creating an ID.me Account for the First Time

ID.me is a secure identity verification service used by government agencies, healthcare organizations, and private companies. Follow the steps below to create your ID.me account for the first time.

1

Go to the ID.me website: <https://www.id.me/>.

2

Click on **Sign In** at the top right corner of the page.

3

Select **Create an ID.me Account**.

4

Enter your email address and create a strong password. Confirm your password and click **Create account**.

5

Check your email for a confirmation message from ID.me. Click the verification link to confirm your email address.

6

Return to the ID.me site and sign in using your verified email and password.

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You may be prompted to set up multi-factor authentication (MFA). Choose a method such as text message or authentication app, and follow the prompts to complete setup.

8

Once logged in, you can complete identity verification if required (for example, to verify for a government service). Follow the on-screen instructions, which may include uploading a photo ID and taking a selfie for verification.

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After verification, your ID.me account is ready for use. You can sign in to partner websites using your ID.me credentials.

Tips for a Smooth Process:

- Make sure your internet connection is stable.
- Use a clear photo ID and ensure your webcam or phone camera works properly.
- Keep your phone nearby if you choose text message verification.
- If you encounter issues, visit the ID.me Help Center at <https://help.id.me/>.



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