

# How to set up an IRS account

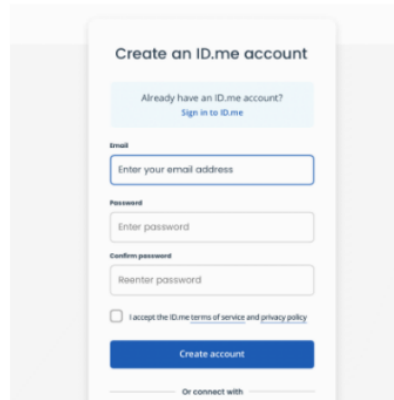
## Steps to verify your identity:

1. Navigate to the IRS application login page and select **Create an account with ID.me**.



2. Enter an email address you can access and choose a strong password.

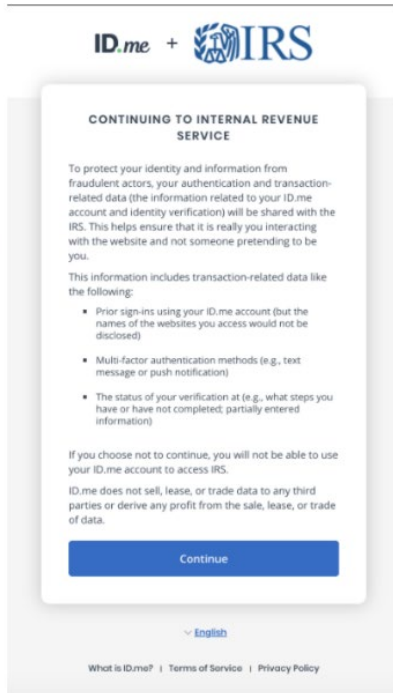
If you have previously created an ID.me account with a different email address, do not create a new one. Please sign in to your existing account and **update your email address**.

A white form titled "Create an ID.me account". It has a link for "Already have an ID.me account? Sign in to ID.me". Below are fields for "Email", "Password", and "Confirm password". There is a checkbox for "I accept the ID.me terms of service and privacy policy" and a "Create account" button. At the bottom, it says "Or connect with".

3. Accept ID.me's terms and conditions and privacy policy and select **Create account**.

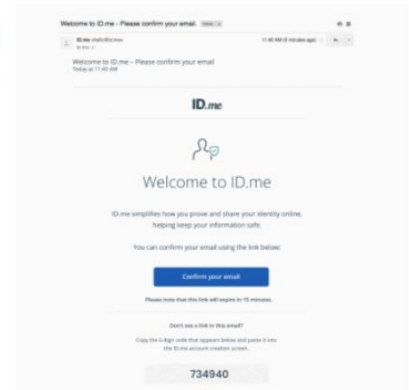
4. Select **Continue** to use your ID.me account to access IRS.

If you wish not to continue, you will not be able to use your ID.me account to access the IRS.

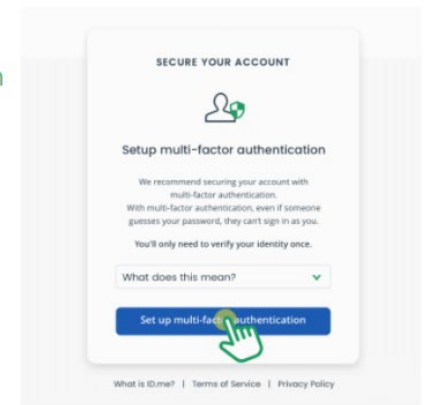
A white screen with the "ID.me + IRS" logo at the top. The title is "CONTINUING TO INTERNAL REVENUE SERVICE". It contains a paragraph about data sharing, a list of information included, and a "Continue" button. At the bottom, there are links for "What is ID.me?", "Terms of Service", and "Privacy Policy".

5. **Confirm your email address** by selecting the button in the email ID.me sent to your inbox.

**Return to your browser.**

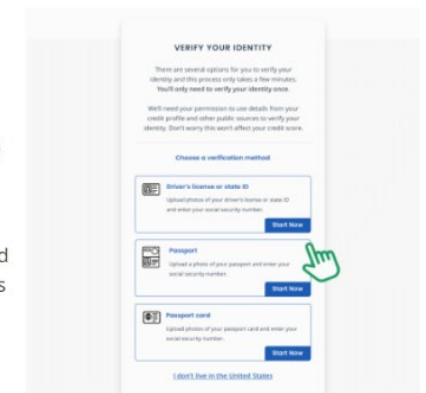


6. Select a **multi-factor authentication (MFA)** option.



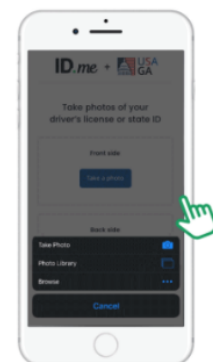
7. Choose a verification method by selecting which photo ID you'd like to upload.

You can take a photo with your mobile phone or upload a **digital copy** of your Driver's License, Passport, Passport Card, or State ID from your computer.

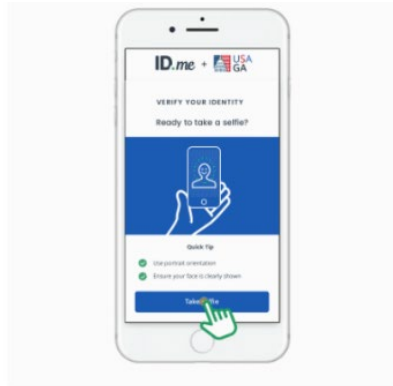


8. If you choose to take a photo with your mobile phone, enter your phone number.

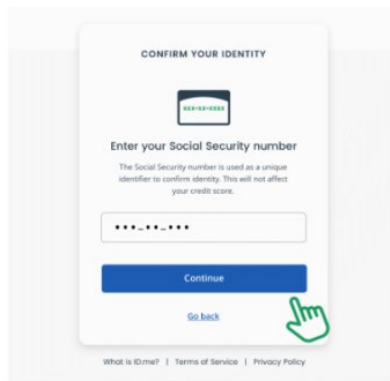
ID.me will send you a text message with a link to your smartphone to take photos of your ID. Access the link and follow the instructions.



9. After submitting photos of your document, **take a video selfie**.

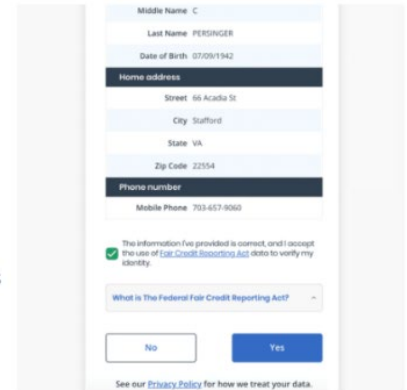


10. Enter your **Social Security number**.



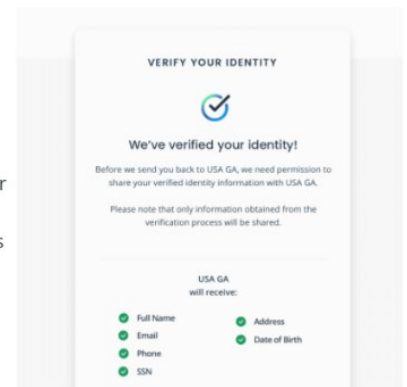
11. Review and confirm all your information is accurate. Then, select **Yes**.

After ID.me verifies your identity you will receive a **confirmation text message** as a way to protect you from fraud.



12. Select **Allow and continue** to finish your identity verification process.

This step securely shares your identity information with the IRS and enables you to access the IRS application for which you verified.



## What if I was unable to verify my identity?

If you were unable to complete the identity verification process, you will be routed to verify your identity over a video call with an **ID.me Trusted Referee**. Wait times may vary. You will need to show your identity documents to an ID.me Trusted Referee along with a selfie (a photo of yourself) to complete your identity verification.