



Apply for an Identity Protection PIN

Step 1: Go to Get An Identity Protection PIN | Internal Revenue Service (irs.gov)

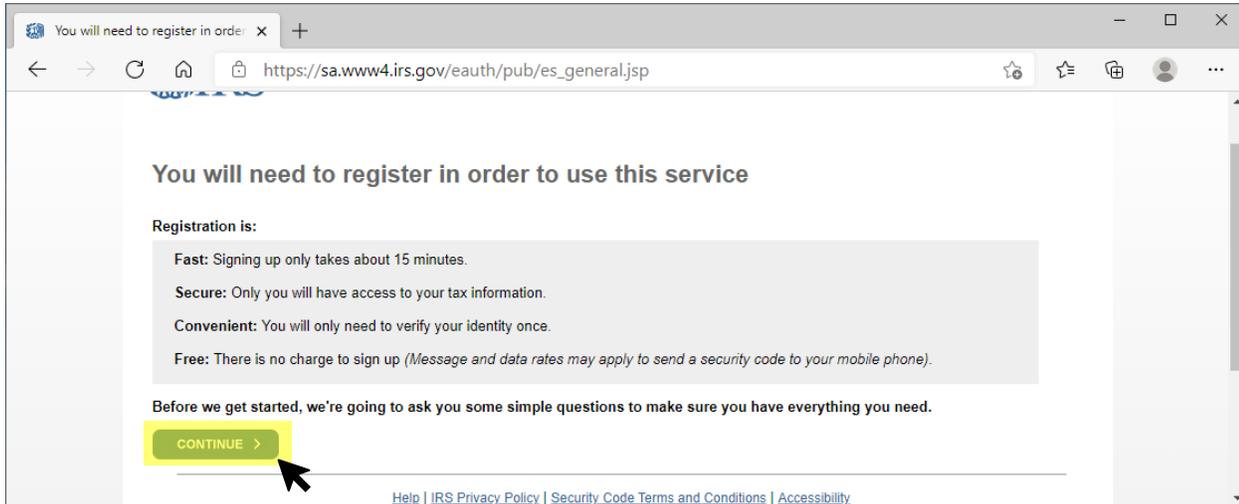
Step 2: Select *Get an IP PIN*

The screenshot shows the IRS website page for 'Get An Identity Protection PIN'. The page has a dark blue header with the IRS logo and navigation tabs: File, Pay, Refunds, Credits & Deductions, and Forms & Instructions. A search bar is on the right. On the left, there is a sidebar menu with categories: Students, Employees, Parents, Military, Seniors & Retirees, Businesses and Self-Employed, Charities and Nonprofits, International Taxpayers, and Government Entities. The main content area is titled 'Identity theft.' and includes a section 'How to get an IP PIN' with a list of bullet points. A yellow button labeled 'Get an IP PIN' is highlighted, with a black arrow pointing to it from the 'Note' section below. The 'Note' section states: 'Note: If you've already registered for an IP PIN, or have one of the following accounts, you should log in with the same username and password: Get Transcript, Online Account, Online Payment Agreement.'

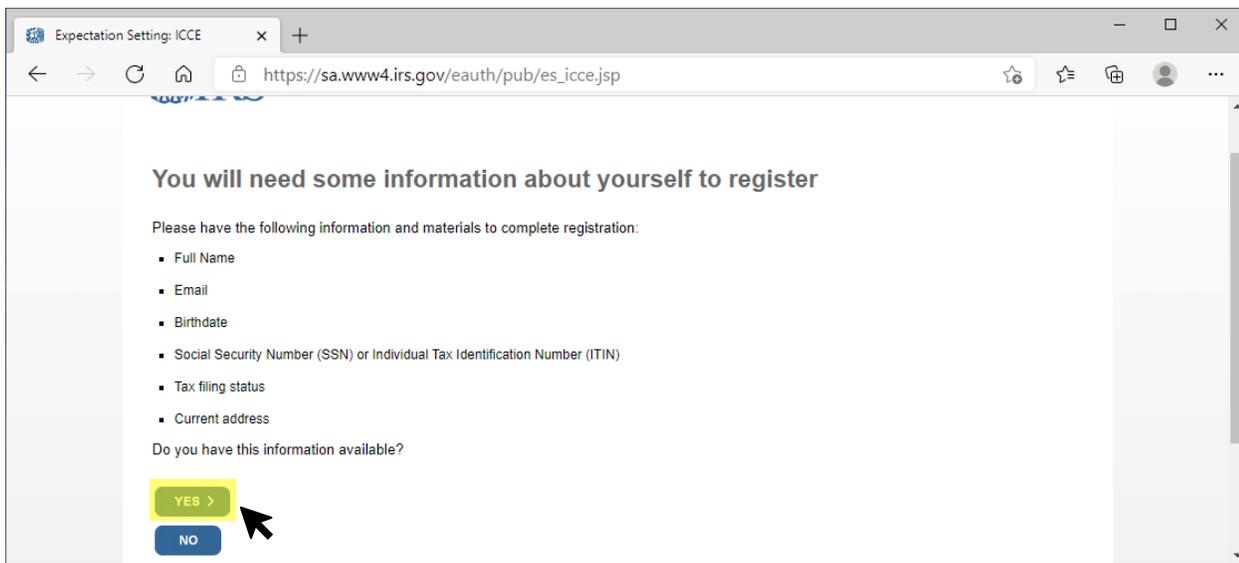
Step 3: If you do not already have an account, select *Create Account*. If you already have an account *Log In*

The screenshot shows the IRS login page. The URL in the browser is 'https://sa.www4.irs.gov/auth/pub/login.jsp?Data=VGFyZ2V0TG9BPUY%253D&TYPE=335...'. The page features the IRS logo and two main sections: 'Sign Up' and 'Log In'. The 'Sign Up' section has a link 'Don't have an account? Create Account now.' and a yellow button labeled 'CREATE ACCOUNT >'. The 'Log In' section has a link 'Already have a username? Welcome back.' and a yellow button labeled 'LOG IN >'. A yellow box highlights the 'LOG IN >' button, and a black arrow points to it from the 'Log In' text above. Another black arrow points to the 'CREATE ACCOUNT >' button from the 'Sign Up' text above. At the bottom, there is a note: 'PTIN and FIRE users need a separate account in this system.'

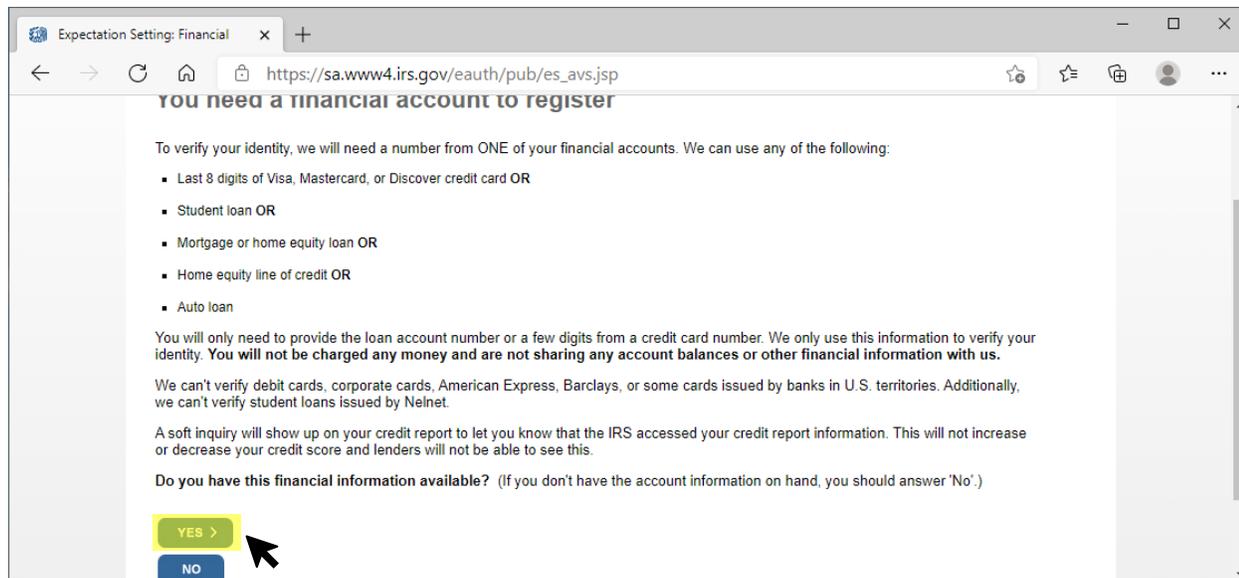
Step 4: Select *Continue*



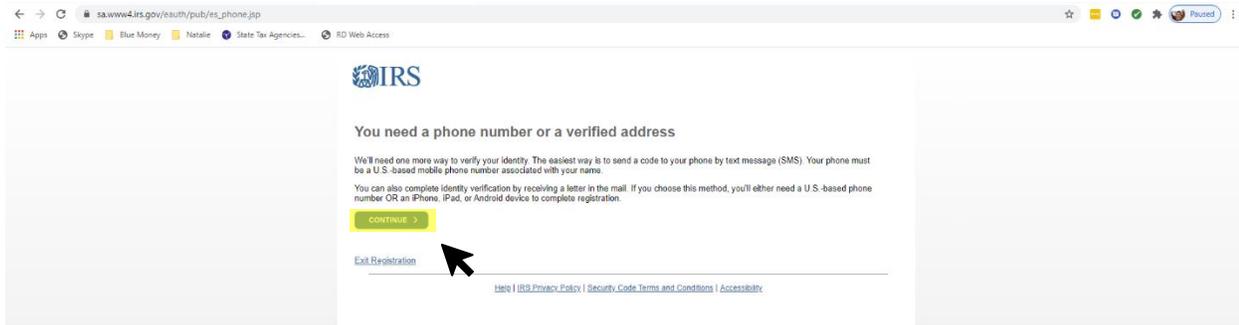
Step 5: Make sure you have the information on the screen then select *Yes*



Step 6: Again, verify you have the information that will be requested and select *Yes*



Step 7: Select *Continue*



sa.www4.irs.gov/eauth/pub/es_phone.jsp

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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.

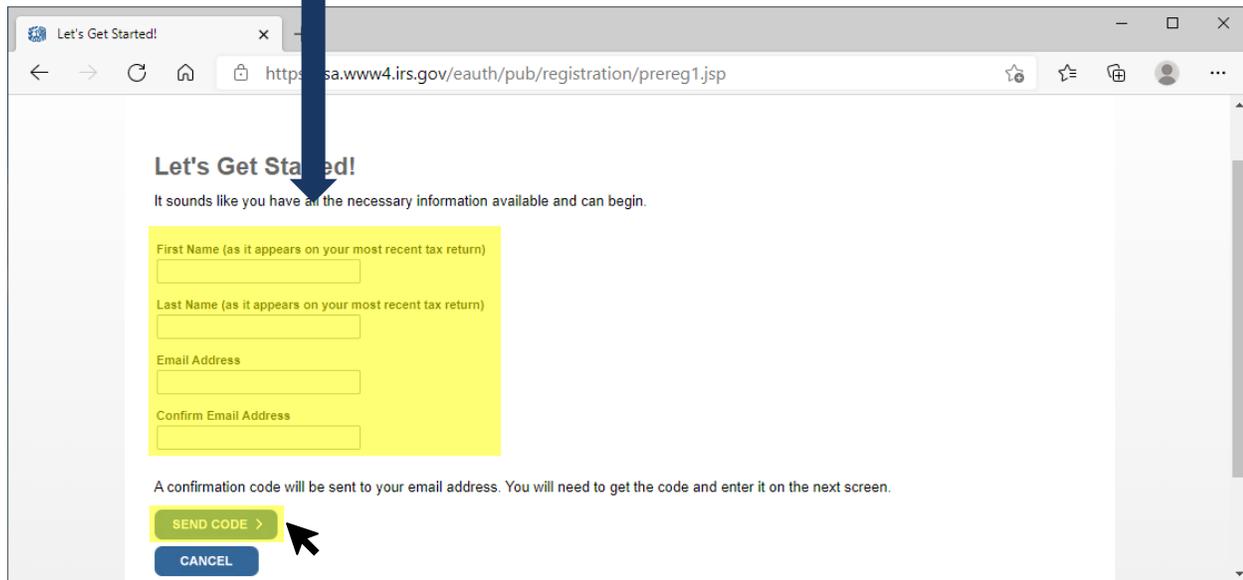
You can also complete identity verification by receiving a letter in the mail. If you choose this method, you'll either need a U.S.-based phone number OR an iPhone, iPad, or Android device to complete registration.

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[Exit Registration](#)

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Step 8: Enter your name and email address and select *Send Code*



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

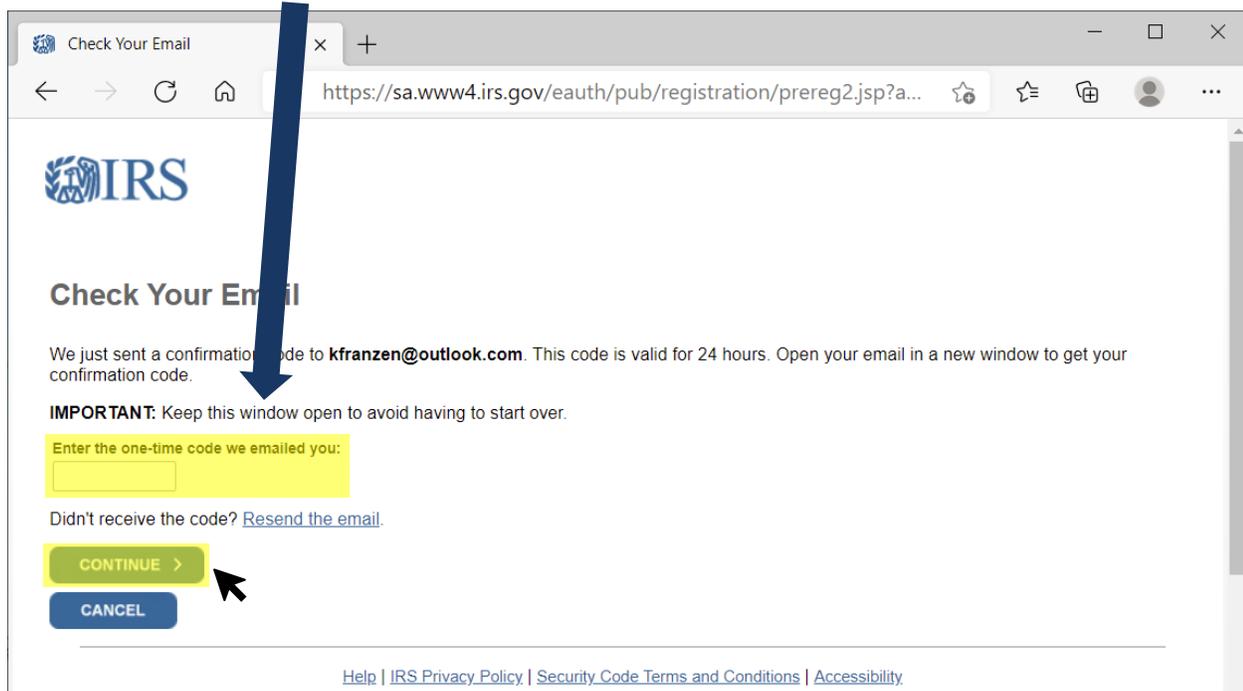
Confirm Email Address

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

[SEND CODE >](#)

[CANCEL](#)

Step 9: Check your email and enter the one-time code then select *Continue*



Check Your Email

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We just sent a confirmation code to **kfranzen@outlook.com**. This code is valid for 24 hours. 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 code? [Resend the email.](#)

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Step 10: Verify your identity with some basic information. You will need to enter your date of birth, Social Security Number, Filing Status and Address Information then select *Continue*

Step 11: Verify your financial account number then select *Continue*

The screenshot shows the IRS website's registration process. The main heading is "Verify your financial account number". Below this, there is a yellow box containing instructions: "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:". The form has several radio button options: "Last 8 digits of Visa, Mastercard, or Discover credit card", "Student loan account number", "Auto loan account number", "Mortgage or home equity loan account number", and "Home equity line of credit account number". There is also an option for "I don't have a current credit card, student loan, auto loan, home equity loan, or mortgage". To the right, there is a "Financial account information" section with explanatory text. At the bottom of the form, there is a "CONTINUE" button with a right-pointing arrow, which is highlighted by a black arrow. Below the button are links for "Help", "IRS Privacy Policy", "Security Code Terms and Conditions", and "Accessibility".

Step 12: Verify your mobile phone number then select *Send Message*

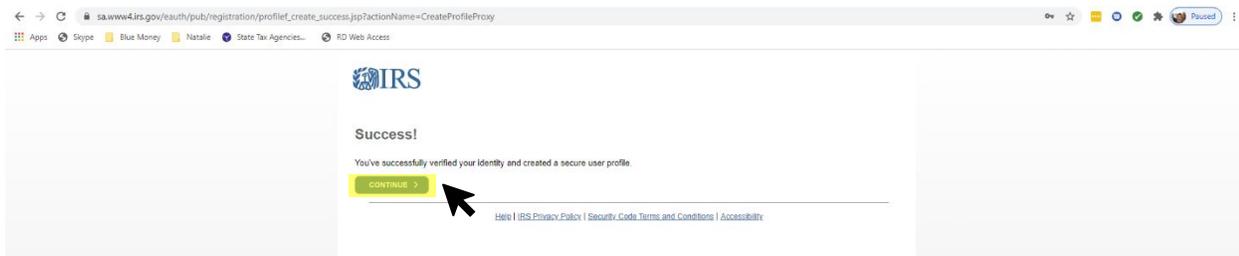
The screenshot shows the IRS website's registration process. The main heading is "Verify your phone number". Below this, there is a text input field labeled "Enter your mobile phone number". Below the input field are two buttons: "SEND MESSAGE" with a right-pointing arrow and "CANCEL". A black arrow points to the "SEND MESSAGE" button. Below the buttons, there is a paragraph of text explaining the verification process and a note about one-time codes. At the bottom, there are links for "Help", "IRS Privacy Policy", "Security Code Terms and Conditions", and "Accessibility".

Step 13: Enter the 6-Digit Activation Code sent via text to your mobile phone then select *Continue*

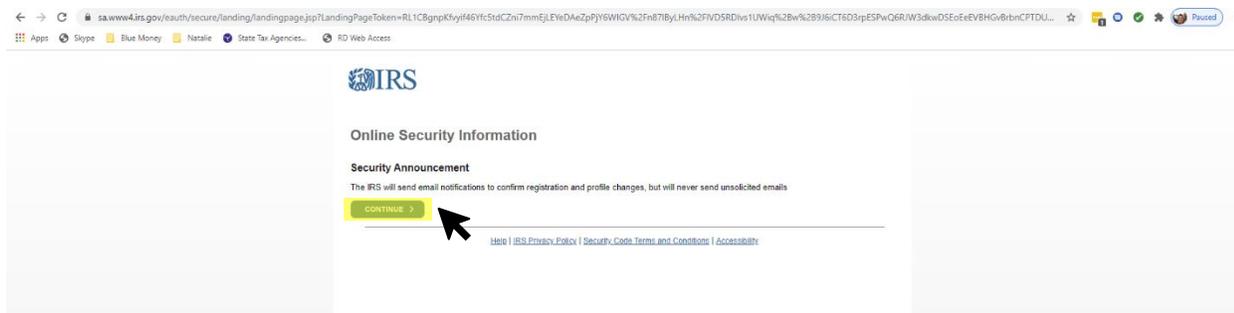
The screenshot shows the IRS website's registration process. The main heading is "We sent an activation code text message to your phone". Below this, there is a text input field labeled "6-digit activation code" and a "Try again" link. Below the input field are two buttons: "CONTINUE" with a right-pointing arrow and "CANCEL". A black arrow points to the "CONTINUE" button. At the bottom, there are links for "Help", "IRS Privacy Policy", "Security Code Terms and Conditions", and "Accessibility".

Step 14: Create your User Profile by creating a Username and Password, choosing a Site Phrase you will recognize and choosing a Site Image you will recognize then select *Continue*

Step 15: Success! Then select *Continue*



Step 16: Security Announcement then select *Continue*



Step 17: Identity Protection PIN (IP PIN) then select *Continue*



Step 18: You will then obtain your own personal IP PIN that you will need to keep with your tax records.

