

How To Create An Online Account

Step 1

Visit www.socialsecurity.gov/myaccount and select:

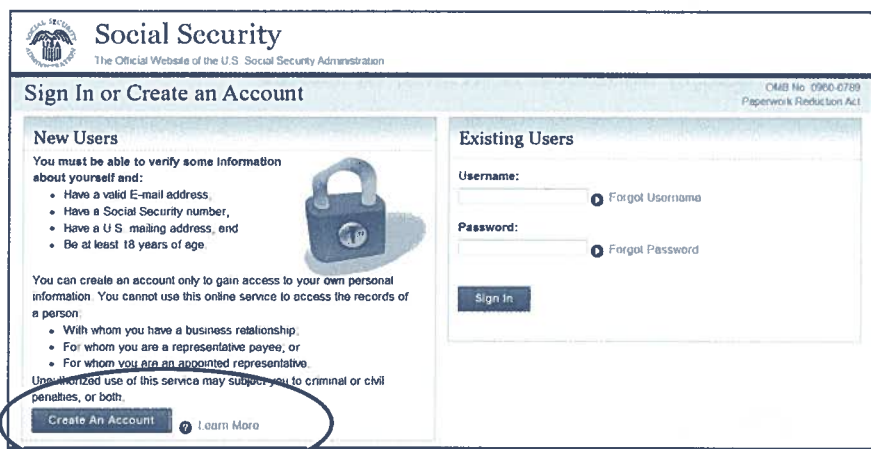


Step 2

Select "Create An Account."

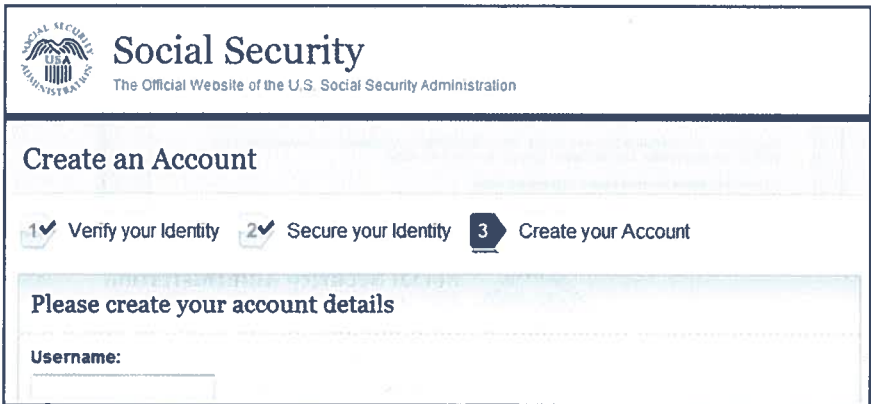
To create a **my Social Security** account, you must be at least 18 years old and have:

- A valid E-mail address;
- A Social Security number; and
- A U.S. mailing address.

A screenshot of the Social Security Administration's 'Sign In or Create an Account' page. The page has a header with the Social Security logo and the text 'The Official Website of the U.S. Social Security Administration'. Below the header is a navigation bar with 'Sign In or Create an Account' and 'CMS No. 0900-0709 Paperwork Reduction Act'. The main content area is divided into two sections: 'New Users' and 'Existing Users'. The 'New Users' section includes a list of requirements for creating an account and a 'Create An Account' button, which is circled in red. The 'Existing Users' section includes fields for 'Username' and 'Password' and a 'Sign In' button.

Step 3

Provide some personal information to verify your identity.

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Step 4

Choose a username and password to create your account.

After you create a **my Social Security** account, you can access your *Social Security Statement* to check your earnings and get your benefit estimates.

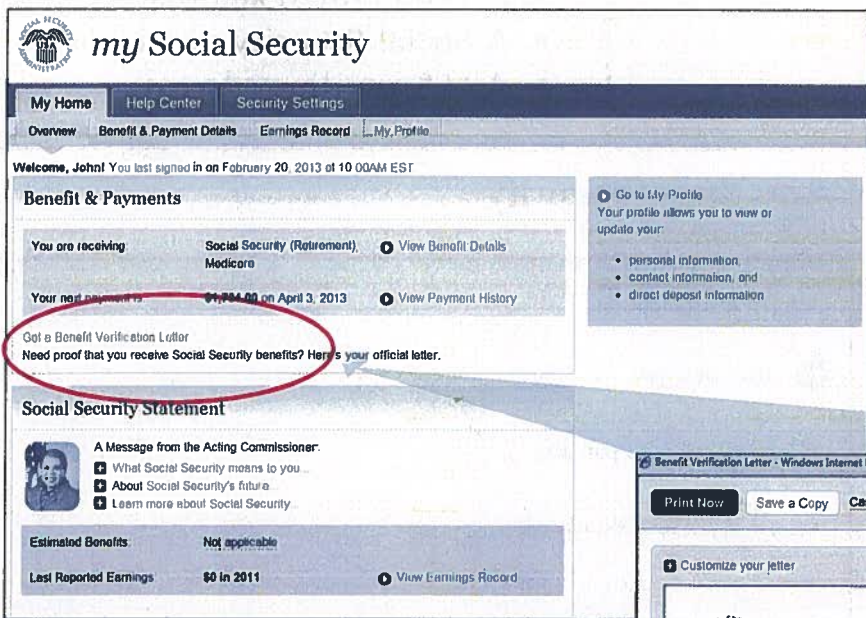
If you receive benefits, you also can:

- Change your address and phone number;
- Start or change your direct deposit; and
- Get your benefit verification letter.

How To Get Your Benefit Verification Letter

You can use your benefit verification letter as proof of your:

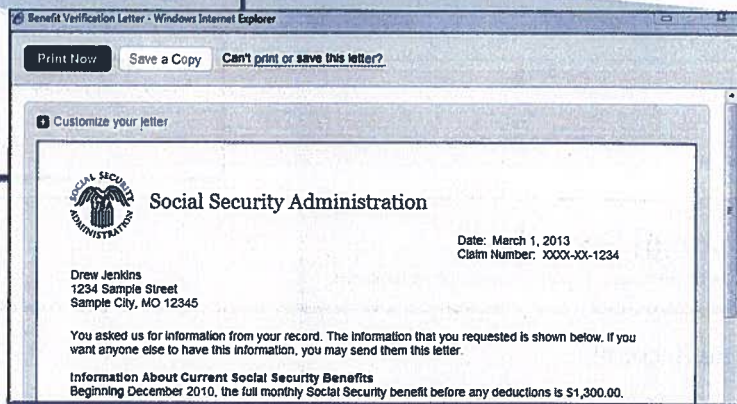
- Income when you apply for a loan or mortgage, assisted housing or other state or local benefits;
- Current Medicare health insurance coverage;
- Retirement or disability status; and
- Age.




To get your benefit verification letter:

- Sign into your account; and
- Select "Get a Benefit Verification Letter."

Your letter will be displayed and you may print it or save it for later use.



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