

How to set up 'my Social Security account'

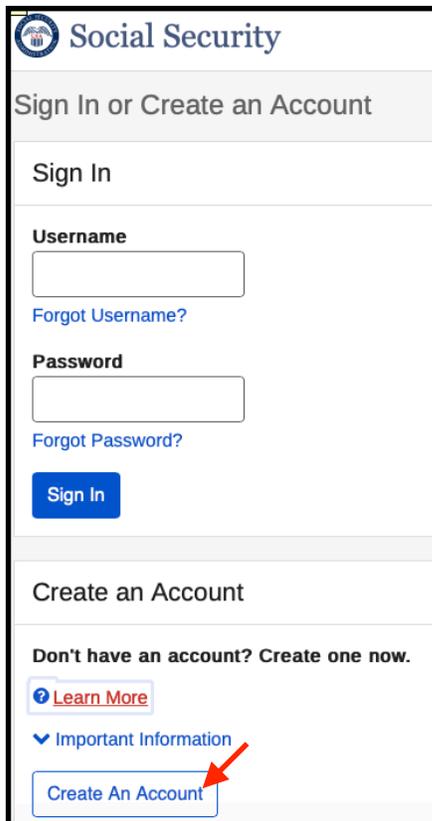
1. Go to [SSA.gov](https://www.ssa.gov)
2. On home page, click on **SIGN IN/UP** on the top banner, right hand side



3. On the next page, click on the top box that says **my Social Security**.



4. On the next page, click on **Create An Account** down on the second half of the page.



5. The next page, **Terms of Service**, please read through. At the bottom of the Terms, check the **“I agree to the Terms of Service”** box. Then click **Next**.

The screenshot shows the top of the Social Security website with the logo and the heading "Terms of Service". Below the heading, it states "You must be able to verify some" and lists three requirements: "Have a valid email address," "Have a Social Security number," and "Have a U.S. mailing address, and" followed by "Be at least 18 years of age." At the bottom, it says "You can only create an account using your behalf of another person or using another p".

This screenshot shows a yellow box containing the text "With your my Social Security account, you can the most up-to-date information in our records". Below this text is a checkbox followed by the text "I agree to the Terms of Service." A red arrow points to the checkbox. Below the yellow box are two buttons: a blue "Next" button and a white "Exit" button with a blue border. A red arrow points to the "Next" button.

6. On the next page, fill out the form provided with your basic information. Add **extra security** if you wish (two-factor authentication) **or** just click **Maybe Later** and **Next** at the bottom of the page. If you add extra security, you will receive a code by email and separate instructions about how and where to enter the code.

The screenshot shows the "Please tell us who you are" section of the Social Security registration form. It includes the following fields:

- Your Name:** "As shown on your Social Security card." with sub-fields for "First", "M.I.", and "Last". A red arrow points to the "First" name input field.
- Social Security Number (SSN):** A single input field.
- Date of Birth:** Fields for "Month" (a dropdown menu), "Day", and "Year".
- Home Address:** A section header followed by the text "We cannot accept a business address unless it is also the pla information we have on file."