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Get a Identity Protection PIN (IP PIN)

The IRS takes identity theft seriously. This is the reason our office requested updated copies of IDs. If you are a confirmed victim of tax-related identity theft and have resolved your tax account issues with the IRS, you already receive **CPO1A Notices** with your new **Identity Protection PINs (IP PIN)** each year.

An **IP PIN** is a six-digit number that prevents someone else from filing a tax return using your Social Security number (SSN) or individual taxpayer identification number (ITIN). The **IP PIN** is known only to you and the IRS. It helps verify your identity when you file your electronic or paper tax return. Even though you may not have a filing requirement, an IP PIN still protects your account.

The IRS is highly encouraging citizens with computer skills to voluntarily create a personal IRS account and apply for an **IP PIN**. You may get an IP PIN as a proactive step to protect yourself from tax-related identity theft. Anyone with a SSN or an ITIN can get an IP PIN including individuals living abroad.

How to get an IP PIN:

- The fastest way to receive an IP PIN is to request one through your Online Account, under your "Profile" page. If you don't already have an account on IRS.gov, you must register to validate your identity.
- Spouses and dependents are eligible for an IP PIN if they can pass the identity verification process.
- Once you have opted in and obtained an IP PIN online, you will need to retrieve your IP PIN online each calendar year as a CPO1A Notice will not be mailed.
- The IP PIN is generally available in your online account starting in mid-January through mid-November.

Important information about IP PINs:

- An IP PIN is valid for one calendar year.
- A <u>new IP PIN is generated each year</u> for your account.
- Logging back into your online account, will display your current IP PIN through the Profile Tab.
- An IP PIN must be used when filing any federal tax returns during the year including prior year returns.

Our office will be closed Thursday, June 19th for the Juneteenth Federal Holiday.



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Using an IP PIN to file:

Enter the six-digit IP PIN when prompted by your tax software product or provide it to your trusted tax professional preparing your tax return. The IP PIN is used only on Forms 1040, 1040-NR, 1040-PR, 1040-SR, and 1040-SS.

Correct IP PINs must be entered on electronic and paper tax returns to avoid rejections and delays. An incorrect or missing IP PIN will result in the rejection of your e-filed return or a delay of your paper return until it can be verified. Your tax professional cannot file your taxes without this PIN.

Don't reveal your IP PIN to anyone. It should be known only to your tax professional in preparation to e-file your tax return. The IRS will never ask for your IP PIN. Phone calls, emails or texts asking for your IP PIN are scams.

Alternatives to online enrollment

If you want an IP PIN but can't successfully establish an online account, there are alternatives. Please note using an alternative method to the online account takes longer for an IP PIN to be assigned to you.

Filing an application for an IP PIN:

If your adjusted gross income on your last filed return is below \$84,000 for Individuals or \$168,000 for married filing joint and you can't establish an online account, you have the option to use Form 15227, Application for an Identity Protection Personal Identification Number. You must have:

- A valid Social Security number or individual taxpayer identification number.
- An adjusted gross income on your last filed return is below \$84,000 for Individuals or \$168,000 for married filing joint.
- Access to a telephone

The IRS will use the telephone number provided on the Form 15227 to call you and validate your identity. Once they verify your identity, you will receive your IP PIN via the U.S. Postal Service usually within four to six weeks. You will then receive your IP PIN annually through the mail.





Butter Pecan Cookies

Recipe adapted from a Butter Pecan Cookies recipe in Martha Stewart Everyday Food.

If you want a nuttier flavor, toast the nuts lightly before adding to the batter. In a preheated 350°F oven, place the pecans in a single layer on a baking sheet. Toast for 5 to 10 minutes, tossing occasionally for even cooking. Remove from pan immediately.

Prep Time: 15 mins Cook Time: 15 mins Yield: 1 dozen

Ingredients

- 1/2 cup (1 stick, 112g) unsalted butter, room temperature
- 1/3 cup (70g) sugar
- 1 teaspoon vanilla extract
- 1/8 teaspoon kosher salt
- 1 cup (140g) all-purpose flour
- 3/4 cup (80g) pecans, chopped

Method

- Preheat the oven to 350°F.
- Make the cookie dough: With an electric mixer, beat the butter for about a
 minute. Add sugar and beat until light, about 1 minute more. Beat in vanilla, salt,
 and flour, scraping down sides of bowl, just until dough comes together. Fold in
 pecans.
- Roll into balls, place on cookie sheet: Separate dough into 12 pieces; shape dough into walnut-sized balls. Place 3 inches apart on a baking sheet.
- Gently flatten with a glass: Using the bottom of a glass, gently flatten each cookie. Reshape sides if necessary.
- Bake 15 minutes, rotating sheet halfway through for even cooking. Remove and cookies on a wire rack.

Calories: 179 Fat 12g Carbs 16g Protein 2g

https://www.simplyrecipes.com/recipes/butter_pecan_cookies/

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