SOCIAL SECURITY'S WEBINAR SERIES

NEW ACCESS AND REGISTRATION FOR BUSINESS SERVICES ONLINE REGISTRATION AND AUTHENTICATION CHANGES AFFECTING FILING

Our **NEW** Access and Registration for Employer Services Business Services Online (BSO) WHAT DOES THIS MEAN FOR YOU?

BSO users must now authenticate their identity to submit W-2's and for the following employer services:

Wage file upload. W-2/W-2C online. AccuWage online. Social Security Number Verification Service (SSNVS). View wage report name/SSN errors.

You will not be able to use the services above without authenticating.

WHY FILE ELECTRONICALLY?

Filing W-2s electronically is free, fast, and secure!

January 31 is the filing deadline for BOTH electronic and paper forms W-2.

For more information please visit:

https://www.ssa.gov/employer/firstFilers.htm

The Internal Revenue Service (IRS) has issued final regulations that reduce the electronic filing threshold from 250 W-2s to10 informational returns, beginning January 2024.

For more information visit: https://www.ssa.gov/employer/taxpayer.html

FINAL REGULATIONS ISSUES

Taxpayer First Act

START THE ACCESS AND REGISTRATION PROCESS FOR BSO BEFORE W-2 REPORTING SEASON IN JANUARY

It can take up to 2 weeks to complete the registration process.



USERS WITH A FOREIGN ADDRESS WITH OR WITHOUT A SOCIAL SECURITY NUMBER

Foreign Address without SSN

At this time, if you are a registrant with a foreign address and do not have an SSN, you will not be able to file your W-2/W-3 reports electronically. Instead, you will need to mail paper Forms W-2/W-3 and W-2c/W-3c to the Wilkes-Barre Direct Operation Center (WBDOC). Please visit https://www.ssa.gov/employer/paperFormInstr

> <u>.htm</u> for address information.

Foreign Address with SSN

If you are a registrant with a foreign address and have an SSN, you may be able to access our BSO wage reporting services by creating or using an existing ID.me account. Access to the BSO application requires multifactor authentication. ID.me is a Single Sign-On provider that meets the U.S. government's most rigorous requirements for online identity proofing and authentication. To register, you must start at <u>https://www.ssa.gov/bso/bsowelcome.htm</u>. In the "Employers" box select the 'Create account' link to verify your identity with ID.me. Attention! Self-Employed users without an Employer Identification Number (EIN)

Self-employed users without an EIN cannot currently register for BSO.

If you do not have an EIN, you will need to mail paper W-2/W-3 and W-2c/W-3c to our WBDOC.

Visit the Paper Forms W-2 & Instructions page for address information.

Paper Forms W-2 & Instructions- www.ssa.gov/employer/paperFormInstr.htm



Business Services Online (BSO)

The <u>Suite of Services</u> allows organizations, businesses, people, employers, attorneys, non-attorneys representing Social Security claimants, and third-parties to exchange information with Social Security securely via the Internet. You must register and create your own password to access BSO.

Información para el Empleador en Español

Employers

For employers to:

· Report wages

- View submission and report status
- Act on resubmission notices
 Verify Social Security numbers

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For questions: employerinfollessa.gov

www.ssa.gov/bso

START AT THE BSO WELCOME PAGE

HELPFUL TIPS TO CREATE A NEW EMPLOYER SERVICES ACCOUNT

DON'T WAIT! Register today! This process includes receiving activation codes in the mail and it would take up to 2 weeks.

Use this option if you are:

- an Employer,
- an employee submitting on behalf of your employer,
- a sole proprietor,
- a volunteer or,
- a 3rd party who submits on behalf of other companies



To register, you **MUST** start at the BSO Welcome page <u>www.ssa.gov/bso</u>.

NAVIGATING THE NEW SIGN IN PROCESS

The initial Social Security sign in screen looks the same for a business and personal account.

It is important that you start from the BSO Welcome page to access BSO services.

You will not be able to access BSO services otherwise. www.ssa.gov/bso

💮 Social Security

Create an Account or Sign In

🖸 Create an account with Login.gov

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Sign in with D.me

Learn more

Sign in with Social Security Username

For accounts created before September 18, 2021

O Don't know which option to sign in with?

Start here: www.ssa.gov/bso

NOTE You will no longer use your BSO User ID and password to log in to BSO.

However, your account still exists and will be available after you verify your identity.

Your employer will not have access to your personal information.

REQUIREMENTS FOR CREATING AN ONLINE ACCOUNT

You may need the following to create an account:

- A valid email address.
- Your Social Security number (SSN).
- A U.S. mailing address (unless using ID.me).
- A working mobile device to receive text messages.
- Your driver's license information.
- Your full legal name (as listed on your Social Security card).

You may need to provide financial information such as:

- The last eight digits of a valid credit card (Visa, Mastercard, or Discover card).
- W-2 tax form information.
- 1040 Schedule SE (self-employment) tax form information.

IF YOU ARE HAVING DIFFICULTY WITH ACCESS AND REGISTRATION

 Login.gov Help Center • 1-844-875-6446 • ID.me Help Center Live virtual help <u>https://help.id.me/hc/en-us</u> • National 1-800 #: For registration issues relating to the Social Security online accounts. • 1-800-772-1213

Slow down! Take your time. Please navigate through the authentication process carefully. A simple keying mistake could cause an authentication error and lock you out of the system.

TIPS TO SUCCESSFULLY NAVIGATE THE AUTHENTICATION PROCESS

When uploading images of your driver's license, please be sure to upload a clear picture of the front and back. A blurry picture may cause authentication issues.

Make sure you are using your full legal name that is recorded on your driver's license and Social Security card.

Be prepared to verify your identity and accept the Terms of Service every time you sign in for Business Services.

NOTE: your personal and business accounts will remain SEPARATE.

BSO WELCOME PAGE

YOU MUST START HERE FOR EMPLOYER SERVICES

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BSO application hours

Monday - Friday: 5 AM - 1 AM ET Saturday: 5 AM - 11 PM ET Sunday: 8 AM - 11:30 PM ET

Monofficial website of the United States government Here's how you know

Questions or comments? Phone: <u>1-800-772-6270</u> (TTY <u>1-800-325-0778</u>) Monday - Friday: 7 AM - 7 PM ET

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For individuals and organization

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Appointed Representatives

For appointed representatives of individuals with cases pending at the hearings or appeals levels.

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Consent Based Verification (CBSV)

For companies that typically provide banking and mortgage services, process credit checks, provide background checks, satisfy licensing requirements, etc.

Login

How to enroll Complete phone registration Learn more about CBSV

For questions: ssa.cbsv@ssa.gov



FIRST TIME USER PATH

SIGN IN WITH LOGIN.GOV

STARTING FROM SSA.GOV HOMEPAGE

Step 1: On the Social Security Administration (SSA) homepage (<u>www.ssa.gov</u>), in the *"Services for"* section at the bottom of the page, select the Employers & businesses link.

Support	Languages	Services for	About
Contact us	Español	Employers & businesses	About SSA
Find an office	Other languages	Representatives	Communications
Forms	Plain language	Government agencies	Careers
Publications		Other groups	Initiatives
Report fraud			Research & policy
			Financial reports

Step 2: On the Employer W-2 Filing Instructions & Information page, select the Business Services Online button. The system will display the Business Services Online page



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Select Create an account with Login.gov

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Learn more

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O Don't know which option to sign in with?

Are you now, or have you ever been a victim of domestic violence? Identity theft? Do you have other concerns?

You can contact us to block electronic access to your information at any time, for any reason.

Note: If you already have a Social Security account, Login.gov, or ID.me account, please sign in with one of those options.

FOLLOW THE LOGIN.GOV PROCESS





COMPLETE THESE ADDITIONAL STEPS TO FINALIZE THE PROCESS OF VERIFYING YOUR IDENTITY

Social Security

Next Step

You need to verify your identity to access the requested service.



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🕝 Social Security

Tell us if you requested an activation code

- This code is different from the security code you just verified.
- · Activation codes may be received by text, voice, postal mail, or at an office.

Did you receive an activation code?

This code may begin with an A (Example: A-12345678) or a number (Example: 12345678).



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Terms of Service

You must be able to verify some information about yourself and:

Have a valid email address;
 Have a Social Security number;
 Have a U.S. mailing address; and
 Be at least 18 years of ace.

You may only create an account using your own personal information. Do not create an account using another person's information or identity, even if you have that person's written permission or are that person's representative payee or appointed representative.

For example, you cannot create an account for another person:

- With whom you have a business relationship;
- For whom you are a representative payee; or
 For whom you are an appointed representative.
- For whom you are an appointed representative

You may obtain assistance with creating your account from someone you trust. However, by sharing your personal information with the person assisting you, you accept the risk that the person assisting you may misuse your personal information. At third party, including a representative payee or an appointed representative, may not create our account on your behalt, but you may ask your representative payee or appointed representative to assist you to create your account if you trust the individual.

In order to protect your privacy and prevent fraud, do not share your username and password.

What will we do with your information?

We use the information you give us to verify your identity against our records. We also use an external identity Services Provider to verify your information against their records. They keep your information only for the period of time permitted by federal laws, regulations, or guidelines.

When you make a verification request to establish your account, our identity Services Provider may use information from your credit report to help verify your identity. As a result of using information from your credit report, you may see a "soft" inquiry entry on your credit report with the identity Services Provider, indicating that the Social Security Administration made an inquiry at your request and the date of that request. Soft inquiries do not affect your recit score, and you do not incur any charges related to them. Soft inquiries are displayed in the version of the credit report provided to a consumer and are not reported to lenders. Soft inquiries will not appear on your credit report from other providers. Soft inquiries are generally removed from your credit report after 12 months. Once you have registered for an online account, you will not generate additional soft inquiries by logging in to access our services.

You understand that by checking "Lagree to the "terms of Services", you are providing written instructions' to SSA under the Fair Credit Reporting Act authoriting SSA to obtain information from your personal credit profile or other information from Experian. You authorize SSA to obtain such information solely to provide you access to personally identifiable information and prevent fraudulent transactions.

SSA may need to verify mobile phone data through an external service provided by Boku, Inc. You authorize your wireless carrier to use or disclose information about your account and your wireless device, if available, to SSA or its service provider for the duration of your business relationship, solely to help them identify you or your wireless device and to prevent fauld. See our Privacy Policy for how we treat your data.

What happens if you provide false information or misuse this service?

You may be subject to criminal or civil penalties, or both, if you provide take or misleading statements to sign in or create an account or engage in unauthorized use of this service.

Who is responsible if the device you are using is not adequately safeguarded?

You accept that the responsibility to properly protect any information provided to you by Social Security is yours and that you are the responsible party should any information on or from your computer or other device be improperly disclosed. You agree that Social Security is not responsible for the improper disclosure of any information that Social Security has provided to you, whether due to your own negligence or the venopul acts of others.

Social Security is Going "Green"

When you create a mig Social Security account, you will no longer receive a paper Social Security Statement in the mail. You will, however, receive an email reminder — which contains no personal information — approximately three months before your birthday, to remind you to review your Statement online.

If you need a Statement by mail, please follow these instructions.

Manyour my Social Secondy Convert, you can immediately view, download, or print your Statement. Your online Statement contains the most up-to-date information in our vieweds about your earnings and benefit.

I agree to the Terms of Service.

SELECT 'I AGREE TO THE TERMS OF SERVICE'

THEN SELECT 'NEXT'

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VERIFY YOUR IDENTITY





CHOOSE HOW YOU WANT TO RECEIVE THE ACTIVATION CODE

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Enter the activation code and select 'Submit Activation Code'



Social Security

Please choose how to verify your ID

Please choose one of the following:

- O Take Photos of your ID with a Smartphone
- Like depositing a check online.
- No uploading or emailing is needed.
- · Photos are captured automatically.

O Input your ID & Financial Information

- You'll need one of the following:
- Credit card (last 8 digits) Visa, Mastercard, or Discover;

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- Social Security benefits amount;
- W-2 tax form; or
- 1040 Schedule SE tax form.

Don't have a valid ID? Answer credit history questions instead.

How does this help Social Security verify my identity?

Next Exit

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CHOOSE HOW TO VERIFY YOUR ID

STEPS TO TAKE PHOTOS WITH YOUR SMART PHONE



Continue

Feedback

STEPS TO VERIFY YOUR FINANCIAL INFORMATION

Input your ID & Financial Information

You'll need one of the following:

- Credit card (last 8 digits) Visa, Mastercard, or Discover;
- Social Security benefits amount;
- W-2 tax form; or
- 1040 Schedule SE tax form.

SELECT NEXT AS YOU PROVIDE THE REQUESTED INFORMATION



Social Security Please choose how to provide financial information Verify your identity with one of the following: Credit card (last 8 digits) - Visa, Mastercard, or Discover We will not charge your card. Social Security benefits amount O W-2 tax form O 1040 Schedule SE tax form Exit Next Privacy and Security OMB No. 0960-0789 | Privacy Policy | Privacy Act Statement | Accessibility Help

YOU HAVE SUCCESSFULLY AUTHENTICATED





Congratulations! You now have access to secure online services.



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CHOOSE YOUR EXISTING BSO USER ID BY SELECTING THE DROPDOWN ARROW



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*****	Main Menu HELP
Logout Manage Account	Welcome, Your password expires on July 09, 2018
View / Edit Account Info Change Password Disable Account	Report Wages To Social Security Test wage files using AccuWage Submit, download and print W-2s and W-2cs View submission status, errors and error notices for wage reports submitted by or for your company
Manage Services	Request an extension to resubmit a wage file
View / Edit Services Request New Services View Pending Services Enter Activation Code(s)	Social Security Number Verification Service Request online SSN verification, or Submit files for SSN verification
Manage Employer Information Add/Update Employer Information Remove Employer Information	
Have a question? Call 1-800-772-6270 Monday through Friday, 7:00 a.m. to 7:00 p.m. Eastern Time to speak with Employer Customer Service personnel. for TDD/TTY call 1-800- 325-0778.	
www.socialsecurity.gov	

BSO MAIN MENU

FOR MORE INFORMATION, VISIT:

HOW TO NAVIGATE BSO ACCESS AND REGISTRATION

HTTPS://WWW.SSA.GOV/EMPLOYER/NAVIGATE.HTM

BSO WAGE REPORTING REMINDERS

Activation codes

- The new process requires that we mail an activation code before you can access our suite of services on behalf of your employer.
- Social Security uses the Internal Revenue Service (IRS) business address on file to mail activation codes.
- Start the registration and authentication process for BSO before W-2 reporting season in January.
- It can take up to 2 weeks to complete the registration process.

CUSTOMER OUTREACH & SUPPORT

For assistance with the credential and identity verification process

- Employer Website
 - <u>www.ssa.gov/employer</u>
- Login.gov Help Center
 - 1-844-875-6446
- ID.me Help Center
 - Live virtual help
 - <u>https://help.id.me/hc/en-us</u>
- For registration issues relating to the Social Security online accounts.
 - 1-800-772-1213

CUSTOMER OUTREACH & SUPPORT

If you have questions about a W2/W3 submission or any other wage reporting service **outside of registration**

Employer Reporting Service Center 1-800-772-6270 (TTY 1-800-325-0778) Representatives are available Monday through Friday, 7 a.m. to 7 p.m., Eastern Time.

THANK YOU

This information is current at the time of the presentation, but Social Security policy is subject to change. Please visit SSA.gov/BSO for up-to-date information on our programs.

