

Treasury Retail Services

Opening a TreasuryDirect Account

TreasuryDirect is a convenient and secure web-based system that allows you to establish an account to purchase, manage, and redeem electronic Series EE and I bonds, Treasury bills, notes, bonds, and Treasury Inflation-Protected Securities (TIPS) online. Opening a TreasuryDirect account takes approximately 10 minutes. Just follow these steps:

1. Access the TreasuryDirect website at www.treasurydirect.gov and click “TreasuryDirect” under the “Open an Account” menu on the right-hand side of the webpage.
2. Review the eligibility requirements and account types offered (individual and entity accounts are available).
3. Gather the list identifying the information needed to open your account.
4. Click “Apply Now” and follow the step-by-step instructions to open your account.

During the applications process, you’ll provide an account password and answers to several security questions to protect your account. After completing the application, you’ll receive an e-mail with your account number, and an access card will be mailed to the address you provide within one to two weeks of opening your account. You’ll need the access card, your account number, and your password to access your new account.

To establish a payroll direct deposit to fund your TreasuryDirect account (if offered by your employer or payroll administrator), provide your payroll department/administrator with your TreasuryDirect account number, the TreasuryDirect routing number (051736158), and the receiving bank name (TREASURYDIRECT).