

Identity Protection PIN

We highly recommend creating an IRS Online Account thru <u>www.id.me</u> if you haven't already.

You can track your refunds, return status, receive notices and letters, as well as request an Identity Protection PIN (IP PIN) and instantly be assigned one.

An Identity Protection PIN (IP PIN) is a six-digit number that prevents someone else from filing a tax return using your Social Security Number or Individual Taxpayer Identification Number.

The IP PIN is known only to you and the IRS. It helps us 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.

EASY STEPS TO RECEIVE AN IP PIN THRU ID.ME

- 1. Go to this link on the IRS website: https://www.irs.gov/identity-theft-fraud-scams/get-an-identity-protection-pin
- 2. Click the blue button: Get an IP PIN
- 3. Sign in with ID.me (If you haven't created your ID.me account, you can do so now)
- 4. Once signed in, on the main page, scroll down until you see **Identity Theft Protection**
- 5. Click the blue button: Enroll in IP PIN
- 6. Either Opt-In to the IP PIN Program for future years or only for the current year.

Then you IP PIN for the current year will be displayed. You can print this screen. You can always login and reference this same area if you need to print the IP PIN again.