All taxpayers now eligible for Identity Protection PINs

The Identity Protection PIN is a six-digit number assigned to eligible taxpayers and is known only to the taxpayer and the IRS. It helps prevent identity thieves from filing fraudulent tax returns using a taxpayer’s Social Security number.

About the IP PIN Opt-In Program:

› This is a voluntary program.
› Taxpayers must pass a rigorous identity verification process.
› Spouses and dependents are eligible for an IP PIN if they can verify their identities.
› An IP PIN is valid for a calendar year.
› Taxpayers must obtain a new IP PIN each filing season.
› Correct IP PINs must be entered on electronic and paper tax returns to avoid rejections and delays.

How to get an IP PIN:

Taxpayers who want an IP PIN should go to IRS.gov/IPPIN and use the Get an IP PIN tool.

Beware of scams to steal IP PINs

Taxpayers should never share their IP PIN with anyone but their trusted tax provider. The IRS will never call, text or email requesting a taxpayer’s IP PIN.