

How to get a FinCEN Filer ID

To make the CTA reporting process as smooth, efficient, and accurate as possible, we recommend that all reporting individuals request a FinCEN Filer ID. Requesting a FinCEN Filer ID is a simple and relatively quick process – it should only take about 5-10 minutes to complete. However, in order to assist our clients and de-mystify the process, we have created this guide.

Step 1: A login.gov account

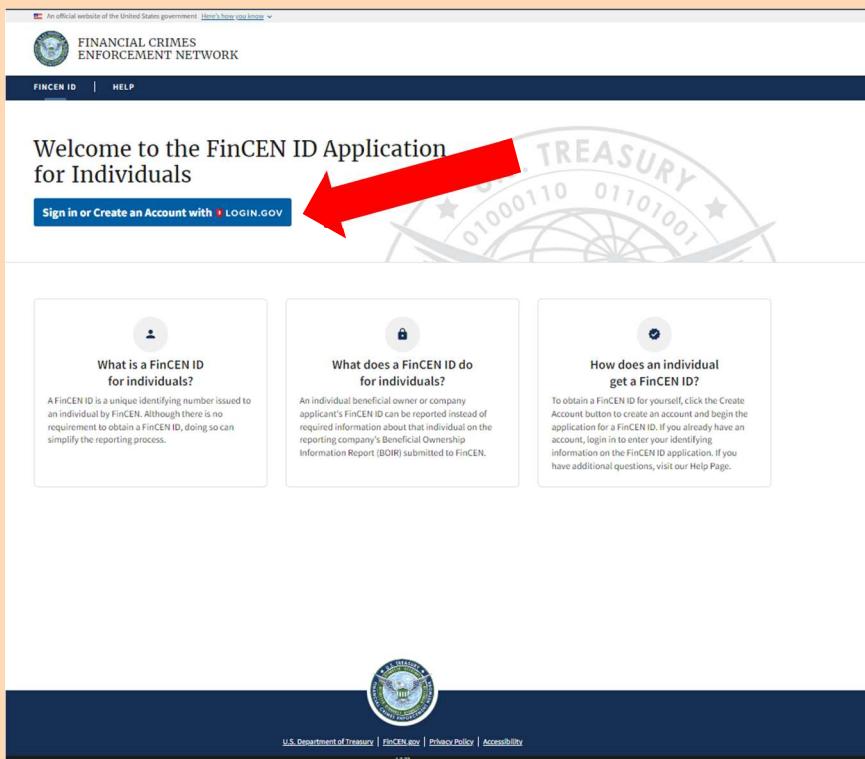
- If you have a “login.gov” account and you know the login information, jump to “[Create a FinCEN Filer ID](#)” in the green section.
- If you have a “login.gov” account and you do not remember the login information, or if you are not sure you have a “login.gov” account, jump to “[Unsure if I have an account](#)” in the blue section.
- If you know you do NOT have a “login.gov” account, jump to “[Create a login.gov account](#)” in the orange section on the next page.

A “login.gov” account may be created for any number of reasons, the most common are a recent Global Entry or TSA Pre-Check. If you are unsure if you have one, jump to the “Unsure if I have an account” section to either reset your password or create an account.

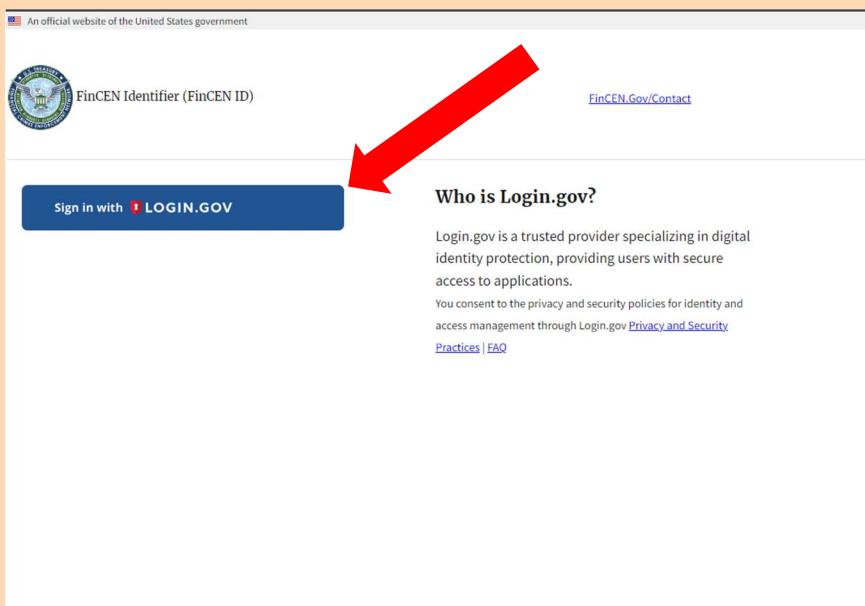
Create a login.gov account

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<https://fincenid.fincen.gov/landing>

Click the blue “Sign in or Create an Account with LOGIN.GOV”



On the next page, click the blue “Sign in with LOGIN.GOV”



- 1) Click “Create an account;”
- 2) Enter your email;
- 3) Select your language;
- 4) Click the box to accept the terms; and
- 5) Click “Submit.”

The screenshot shows the 'Create an account for new users' page on the Login.gov website. The page has a header with the American flag, the text 'An official website of the United States government', and a link 'Here's how you know'. Below the header is the 'LOGIN.GOV' logo. A red arrow labeled '#1' points to the 'Create an account' button. A red arrow labeled '#2' points to the 'Enter your email address' input field. A red arrow labeled '#3' points to the 'Select your email language preference' section, which includes radio buttons for 'English (default)', 'Español', and 'Français'. A red arrow labeled '#4' points to the 'I read and accept the Login.gov [Rules of Use](#)' checkbox. A red arrow labeled '#5' points to the 'Submit' button at the bottom of the form. At the bottom of the page, there are links for 'Cancel', 'Security Practices and Privacy Act Statement', and 'Privacy Act Statement'.

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LOGIN.GOV

[Sign in](#) [Create an account](#)

Create an account for new users

Enter your email address

Select your email language preference

Login.gov allows you to receive your email communication in English, Spanish or French.

English (default)

Español

Français

I read and accept the Login.gov [Rules of Use](#)

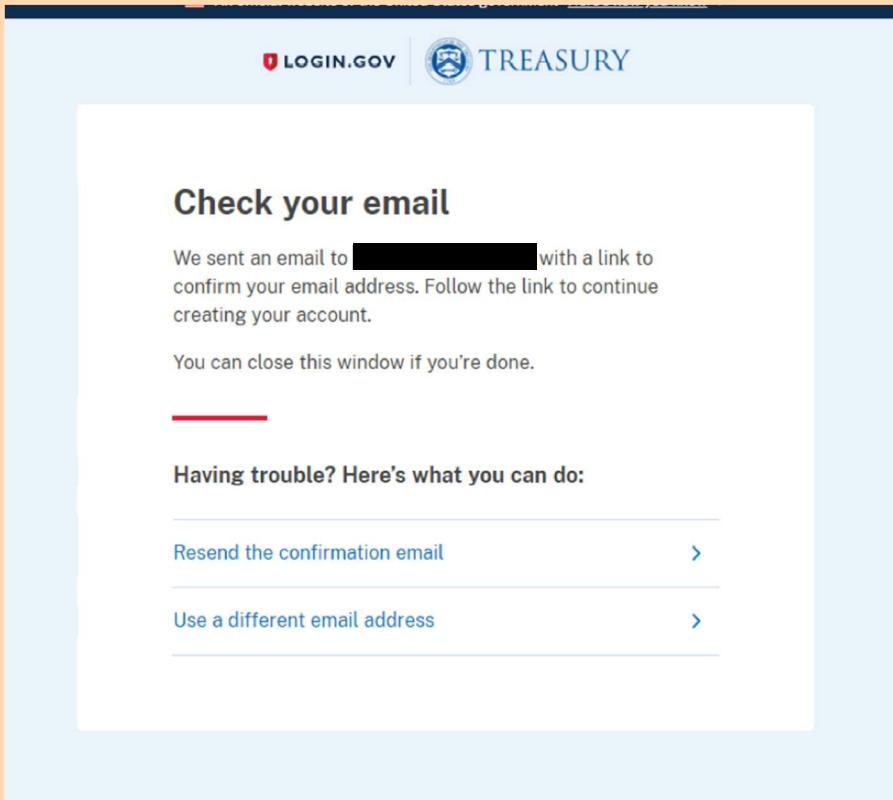
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[Cancel](#)

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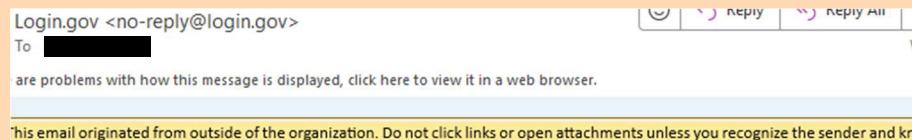
[Privacy Act Statement](#)

You will then need to check your email.

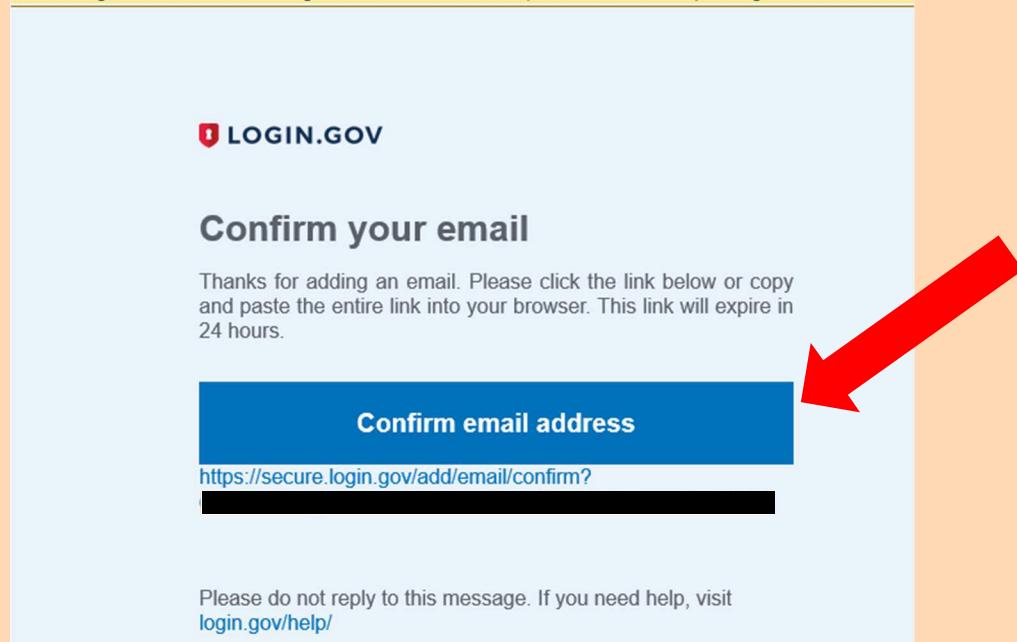


The screenshot shows a web page with a header for 'LOGIN.GOV' and 'TREASURY'. The main content is titled 'Check your email' and contains the following text: 'We sent an email to [REDACTED] with a link to confirm your email address. Follow the link to continue creating your account.' Below this, a link says 'You can close this window if you're done.' Under the heading 'Having trouble? Here's what you can do:', there are two links: 'Resend the confirmation email' and 'Use a different email address'.

In your email, click the blue “Confirm email address” button.

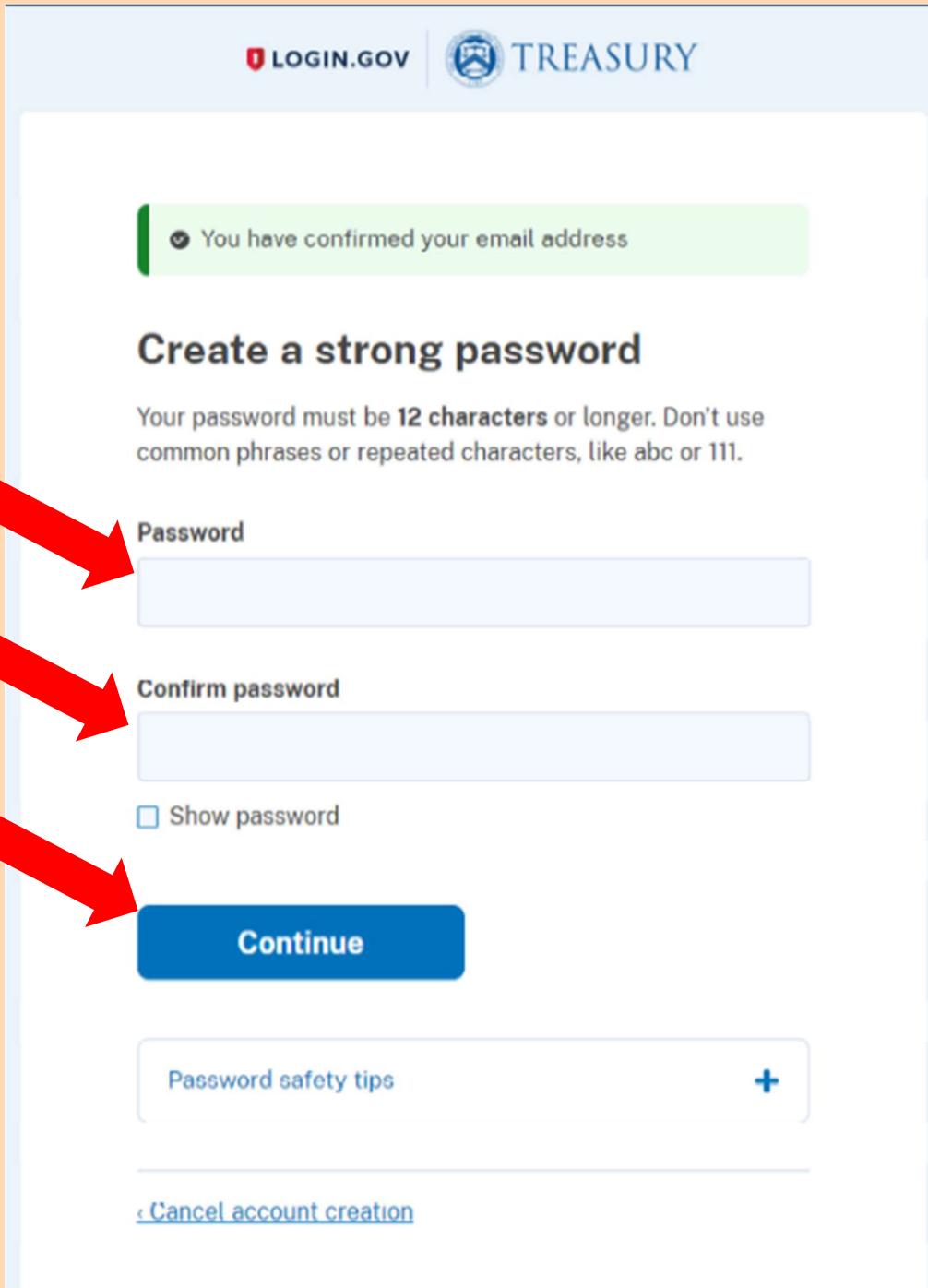


The screenshot shows an email message. The header shows 'Login.gov <no-reply@login.gov>' and 'To [REDACTED]'. Below the header, a note says 'are problems with how this message is displayed, click here to view it in a web browser.' At the bottom of the message, a link is provided: 'This email originated from outside of the organization. Do not click links or open attachments unless you recognize the sender and kn'. The message ends with the 'LOGIN.GOV' logo.



The screenshot shows an email message with the subject 'Confirm your email'. The message body starts with 'Thanks for adding an email. Please click the link below or copy and paste the entire link into your browser. This link will expire in 24 hours.' Below this, a large blue button contains the text 'Confirm email address'. Underneath the button, the URL 'https://secure.login.gov/add/email/confirm?' is shown. At the bottom of the message, a note says 'Please do not reply to this message. If you need help, visit login.gov/help/'.

This will re-direct you back to the finCEN website, where you will need to create a password for your “login.gov” account. Create a secure password of 12 characters or longer. Don’t use common phrases or repeated characters. Store your password somewhere safe for future reference. Once you have entered the same password in both fields, click “Continue.”



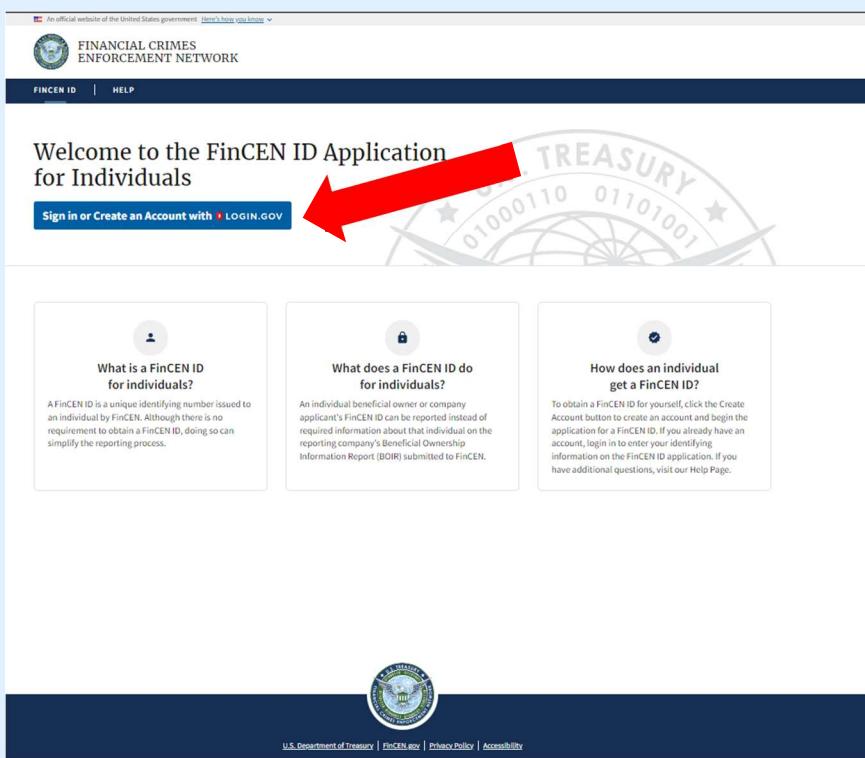
The screenshot shows a password creation form on the finCEN website. At the top, there is a green success message: "You have confirmed your email address". Below it, the heading "Create a strong password" is displayed. A note below the heading says: "Your password must be **12 characters** or longer. Don't use common phrases or repeated characters, like abc or 111." Three red arrows point to the following elements: 1) The "Password" input field, 2) The "Confirm password" input field, and 3) The blue "Continue" button at the bottom. At the bottom of the form, there is a "Password safety tips" section with a plus sign icon, and a link to "Cancel account creation".

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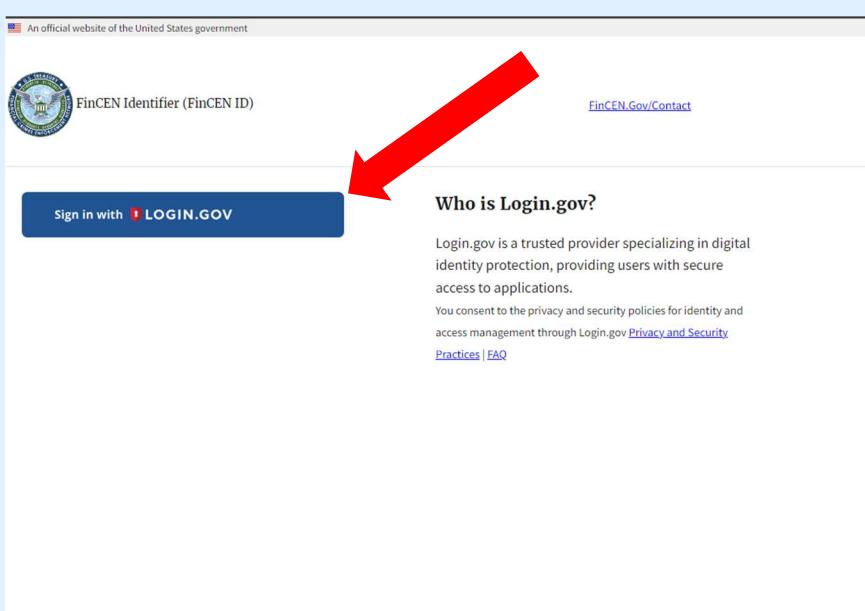
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Under “Sign In” click “Forgot your Password?”

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is using Login.gov to allow you to
sign in to your account safely and
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Password

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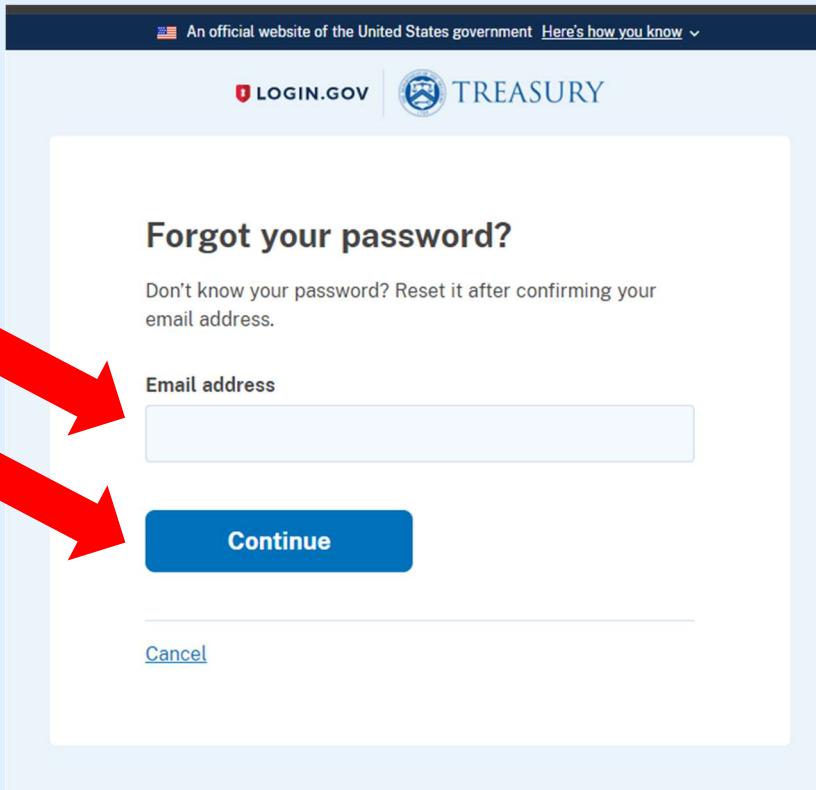
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On the next page, enter the email address that would be associated with your account and click “Continue.”



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Forgot your password?

Don't know your password? Reset it after confirming your email address.

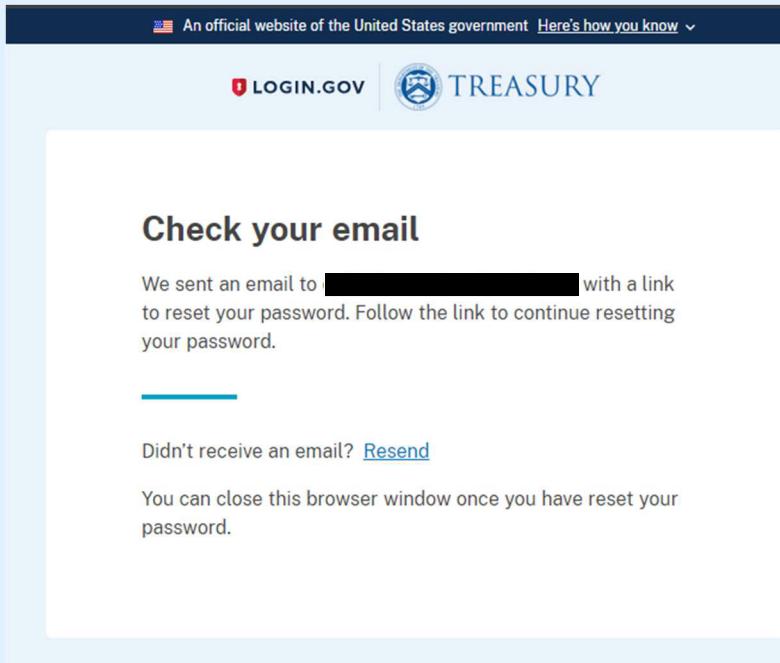
Email address

Continue

[Cancel](#)

Two large red arrows point from the top left towards the "Email address" input field and the "Continue" button.

You will then be directed to check your email account for a password reset link.



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LOGIN.GOV  TREASURY

Check your email

We sent an email to [REDACTED] with a link to reset your password. Follow the link to continue resetting your password.

Didn't receive an email? [Resend](#)

You can close this browser window once you have reset your password.

You will receive an email from “no-reply@login.gov.”

If you do NOT have a “login.gov” account previously setup, you will receive a message saying, “Email not found.” In this case, jump to “[Create a login.gov account](#)” in the orange section to create an account.

Login.gov <no-reply@login.gov> () Reply | () Reply All | () Forward
To: [REDACTED] Fri

There are problems with how this message is displayed, click here to view it in a web browser.

LOGIN.GOV

Email not found

You tried to reset your [Login.gov](#) password but we don't have an account linked to this email address.

You can request your password using a different email address that is connected to your [Login.gov](#) account.

Try a different email address

Or use this email address and [create a new account](#).

Please do not reply to this message. If you need help, visit [login.gov/help/](#)

If you have a “login.gov” account, you will receive an email saying, “Reset your password.” Click the blue “Reset your password” button.

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Reset your password

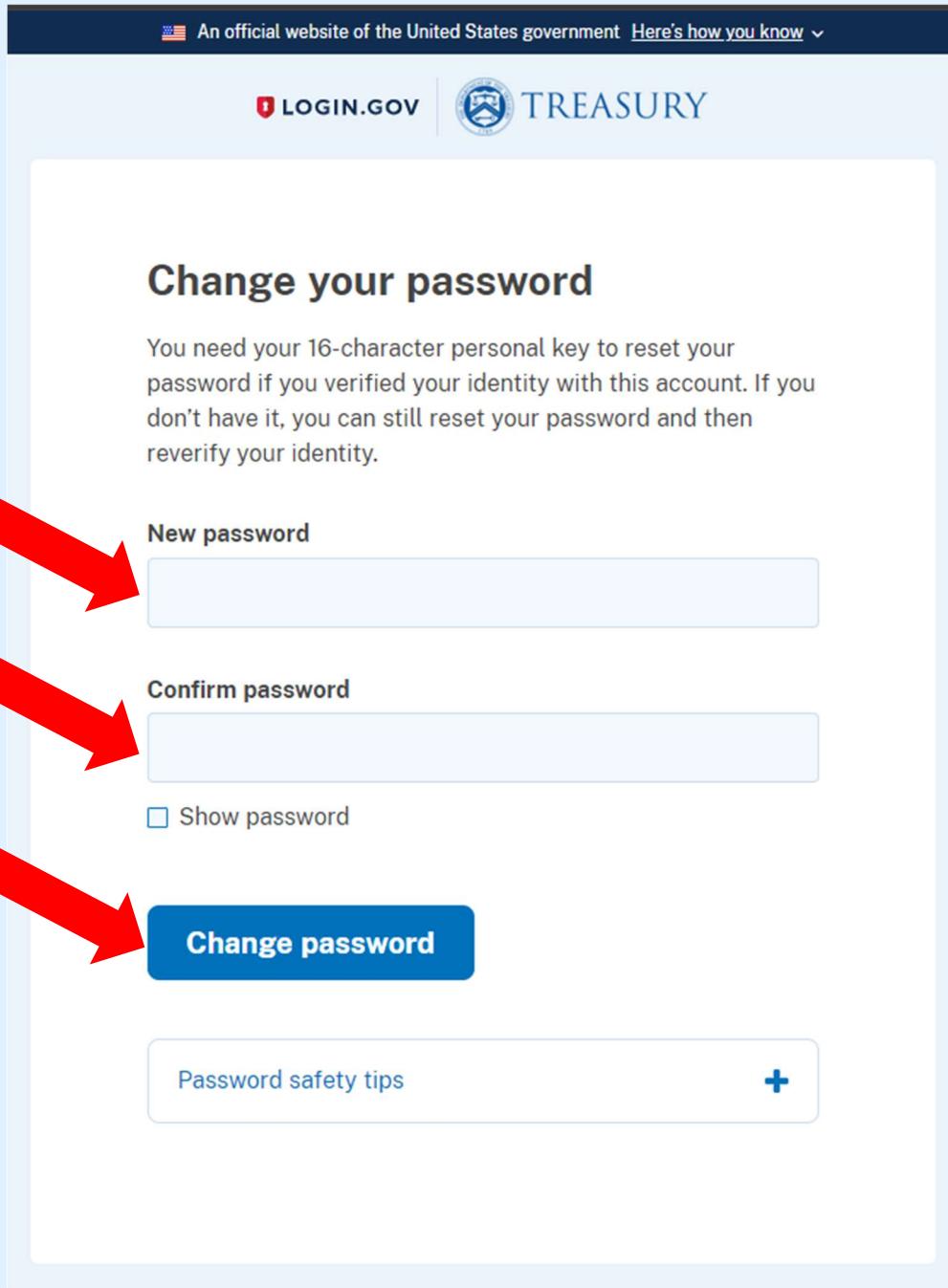
To finish resetting your password, please click the link below or copy and paste the entire link into your browser.

Reset your password

[https://secure.login.gov/users/password/edit?request_id=f6af24bc-\[REDACTED\]](https://secure.login.gov/users/password/edit?request_id=f6af24bc-[REDACTED])

This link expires in 6 hours.

This will re-direct you back to the finCEN website, where you will need to create a new password for your “login.gov” account. Depending on what security features you set up your account with, you may need to reverify your identity. Create a secure password of 12 characters or longer. Don’t use common phrases or repeated characters. Store your password somewhere safe for future reference. Once you have entered the same password in both fields, click “Change password.”



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LOGIN.GOV TREASURY

Change your password

You need your 16-character personal key to reset your password if you verified your identity with this account. If you don't have it, you can still reset your password and then reverify your identity.

New password

Confirm password

Show password

Change password

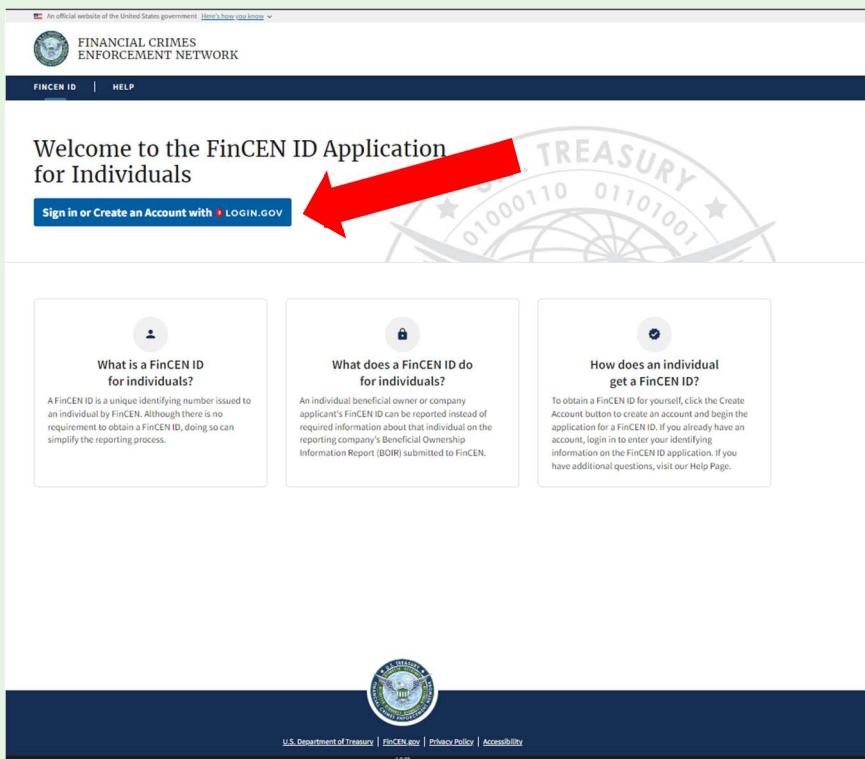
Password safety tips +

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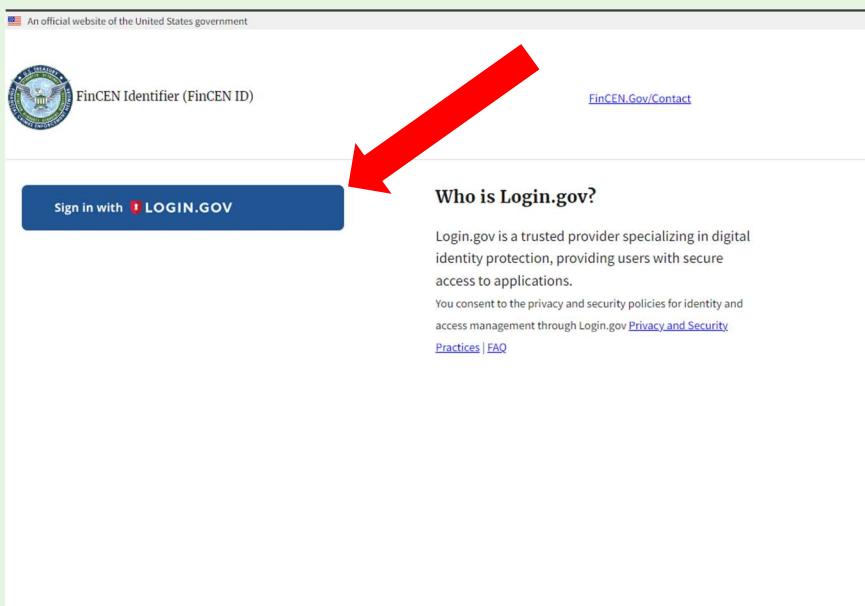
Step 2: Create a FinCEN Filer ID

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Enter your email address and password and click “Sign in.”

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Once you have logged in, enter all the required fields:

- 1) Full first and last name;
- 2) Date of birth;
- 3) Select whether you will use a current business or residential address and click the “+Add address” button, and enter your address;
- 4) Select the type of government-issued photo ID you will be applying with and type in the ID number from it;
- 5) Upload a clear, color copy of the same government-issued photo ID;
- 6) Agree to the certification that the information you are providing is true, correct, and complete; and
- 7) Click “Submit.”

The image shows the FinCEN Identifier (FinCEN ID) Application form. Red arrows numbered 1 through 7 point to specific fields and sections on the form, corresponding to the steps listed in the text above.

FinCEN Identifier (FinCEN ID) Application
OMB No. 1506-0076

Filers must provide information in EVERY field marked with the * symbol in ALL CIRCUMSTANCES. Filers must also provide information in all fields not marked with the * symbol that are applicable to the filer. For example, the "Middle Name" field is not marked with a * symbol; the filer MUST provide information in that field IF the relevant individual's legal name includes a middle name. Notwithstanding any other instruction, individuals must provide all information required pursuant to 31 CFR 1010.380(b).

Full legal name and date of birth

② Need help?

* First name Middle name * Last name Suffix * Date of birth mm/dd/yyyy

Address

② Need help?

* Address type Residential address Business address

Form of identification and issuing jurisdiction

② Need help?

* Identifying document type State-issued driver's license State/local/Tribe-issued ID U.S. passport Foreign passport

Certification

* I certify that the information furnished is true, correct, and complete.

COMPLIANCE REMINDER: The willful provision of false or fraudulent beneficial ownership information to FinCEN may result in civil or criminal penalties.

I agree

Red arrows numbered 1 through 7 point to the following areas:
#1: First name input field
#2: Date of birth input field
#3: Residential address radio button
#4: U.S. passport radio button
#5: I certify that the information furnished is true, correct, and complete.
#6: I agree radio button
#7: Submit button

You will then be issued a FinCEN Filer ID. Congratulations!

Print and save a copy of the confirmation and keep it in a safe file. This number should not be disseminated and should be treated with the same sensitivity as any other personal identification. You will be able to access this ID number again through your “login.gov” account, and you can only get one FinCEN Filer ID per account.

If Brick & Patel is assisting with you CTA reporting requirements, please request a secure link to provide us a copy of your FinCEN Filer ID or call us to give it to us over the phone.