

Use a security key for 2-Step Verification

Security keys can be used with 2-Step Verification to help you keep hackers out of your Google Account.




Important: If you're a journalist, activist, or someone else at risk of targeted online attacks, learn about the [Advanced Protection Program](#) .

Requirements for adding a key to your account

[Security key dongle](#) 


[Compatible phone's built-in security key](#) 

Step 1: Get your keys

- [Buy Titan Security Keys from the Google Store](#) 
- [Order a compatible security key](#)  from a retailer you trust
- [Use a compatible phone's built-in security key](#) 

Important: If you have an iPhone or iPad you'll need a verification key that connects through Bluetooth. You can't connect a key to your iPhone or iPad through NFC or USB.

Step 2: Add a key to your account

1. Open a compatible browser, like Chrome.
2. [Enroll your security key](#)  . You might need to sign in.

To help you sign in if your key is lost, [add more ways to prove it's you](#).

[Computer](#) [Android](#) [iPhone & iPad](#)

Step 3: Sign in using your key

Security keys are a more secure second step. If you have other second steps set up, use your security key to sign in whenever possible. If a security key doesn't work on your device or browser, you might see an option to sign in with a [code](#) or [prompt](#) instead.

Note: You'll be asked for your security key or another second step any time you sign in from a new computer or device.

[Security Key Dongle](#) 

Android phone's built-in security key



Lost security key

If your security key is lost, you can follow these steps to get back into your account and protect it. Choose the right steps for you depending on whether you've set up another second step like:

- Verification codes
 - Google prompts
 - Backup codes
 - A different security key you've added to your account
 - A registered computer where you previously chose not to be asked for a verification code
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If you have another second step



If you don't have another second step or forgot your password



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