

# How To Create a CRA My Business Account

A CRA My Business Account is an online portal that allows business owners to interact with the Canada Revenue Agency across different business accounts.

Get real-time information and make transactions that can be processed immediately. Services for business owners include; filing GST/HST (except for GST/HST accounts administered by Revenu Québec), payroll, and corporation income tax.

Authorized Representatives can access an account on behalf of business clients.

What is a CRA My Business Account?

# **Step 1: Gather Your Documents**

Gather your documents. When you register you will need all of the following:

- Your social insurance number (SIN)
- Your date of birth
- Amounts you reported on your most recent tax return
- 9-digit business number you cannot use a 10-digit Québec Enterprise Number (NEQ)

### For Faster access to the CRA sign-in services, you will also need a mobile device with a working camera and one of the following:

- Your Canadian passport
- Your Canadian driver's license
- Your provincial or territorial photo ID card

### Step 2: Register for the CRA Sign-In Services

Navigate to the CRA's Register for the CRA Sign-in services webpage. https://www.canada.ca/en/revenue-agency/services/e-services/cra-login-services/register-cra-sign-in-services.html

Select "My Business Account" from the account options.



# Step 3: Choose a Sign-In Option to Register With

The option you register with will be the same option you use each time you sign in.

- Option 1 Using one of our Sign-In Partners
- Option 2 Using a CRA user ID and password
- Register with a Sign-In Partner Register with a CRA user ID and password

Please note: Option 1 is the easiest option, as you are using your online banking sign in details

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For Option 2 instructions – see appendix A on page 13

### Step 4: Sign-In to Your Online Banking Provider

Upon selecting **"Sign-In Partner Login/Register"** you will be directed to the Sign-In Partner page. Here you will **select your online banking provider** - this is your personal bank account which is used by CRA to verify your identity.



### Step 5: Verifying Your Online Banking Provider

Once you select your online banking provider, you will be taken to a screen that looks like you are logging into your online bank account. Enter your banking username and password.

### After you login you will have to verify the following:

- your social insurance number
- your date of birth
- your current postal code
- an amount you entered on one of your income tax and benefit returns

Have a copy of your returns handy. The line amount requested will vary, it could be from the current tax year or the previous one. To register, a return for one of these two years must have been filed and assessed. Once you have completed this information and click next, you will come to this screen which advises that your CRA security code will be mailed to the address you have on record with CRA and it should arrive in 5-10 days.

# **Step 6: Verify Your Identity**

You will then be returned to the CRA website where you will choose and option to verify your identity.

### Submit a photo of yourself and your ID document

You can use the document verification service to verify your identity immediately. Use a mobile device to take a real-time picture of yourself and an accepted identification document. You must be 16 years of age or older to use this service.

#### OR

#### Wait for your CRA security code

If you can't use the document verification service, we will send your CRA security code to the address we have on file. Make sure your address is up to date. You will need to select the same sign-in option you registered for and enter your CRA security code before it expires.

### Step 7: Enroll in Multi-Factor Authentication (MFA)

You will be required to enter a one-time passcode in addition to your password to sign in.

Choose an option to get your one-time passcode:

**By Phone** - You will need to provide at least one cell or landline number so we can send you a one-time passcode by phone. You must enter this number to access your CRA sign-in service.

If you select "Text me", the passcode will be sent by Short Messaging Service (SMS) only once each time you select this delivery message. If you select "Call me", the passcode will be verbally provided to you in an automated message. Once the passcode is sent it will expire in five minutes. Have your telephone handy!



 $^{\odot}$  Do not ask me to input a one-time passcode for the next eight hours when I sign in using this device.

### You will then get this screen, select next:

#### CRA security code notification-confirmation

As a security measure we will mail your CRA security code to your address on record with the CRA. You should receive it within 5-10 days. If you are blind or partially sighted, you can ask to receive your personal correspondence from the CRA in an <u>alternate format</u>.

### Step 7: Enroll in Multi-Factor Authentication (MFA) – Options continued

You will be required to enter a one-time passcode in addition to your password to sign in.

With a Passcode Grid - The system will generate a unique passcode grid that you will need to save or print. You will use this grid every time you access your CRA sign-in service. Your passcode grid will expire after 18 months. Make sure you sign in and generate a new one before the expiry date.

**With an Authenticator App** - You can use a third-party authenticator app to generate your time-based one-time passcode. When prompted, use the app downloaded on your mobile or desktop device to either scan a QR code or manually enter the setup key provided by the CRA. The app can then be used to generate your one-time passcode.

# **Step 8: Complete Your Identity Verification**

Complete the verification that you chose in step 5:

#### The Document Verification Service

Follow the instructions to complete this process on your mobile device.

#### OR

#### **CRA Security Code**

After you receive your CRA security code in the mail, sign in to your CRA sign-in service and enter your code before it expires.

#### **Step 9: Enter Your Business Number**

Next you will get a list of terms and conditions to read and agree to at the bottom. Once you select **"I agree"**, you will come to the screen where you **enter your Business Number.** 

You must be listed as a partner, director or officer with CRA to access My Business Account for the business number you enter above. CRA connects you SIN with the SIN's on file for the business number entered above.

CRA security code entry
Your CRA security code was issued on April 21, 2023.
f you requested this security code by mail, allow up to 10 days to receive it.
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For more information on how your privacy is protected, refer to our <u>Personal Information Collection Statement</u> .
Next Exit





The CRA has launched My Trust Account, a secure portal that lets legal and authorized representatives of trust accounts manage trust information online.

### **Step 1: Manage Authorized Representatives**

Once you are in the account, click on Profile in the top right corner (to the left of the Sign out button) and scroll down to Authorized Representatives and click on the link **"Manage authorized representatives".** 



### Step 2: Adding SB Partners as an Authorized Representative

Click on "Authorize a representative"

In the box labelled RepID, GroupID or BN, type in the following number: **123888745** and hit next to **add SB Partners as an authorized representative.** 



### Step 3: Select the Level of Authorization

#### On the next screen, select the following:

- Level of authorization for this representative Update and view (Level 2)
- Expiry date leave blank (to ensure continuity of service, authorizations can be cancelled at any point)
- Accounts All accounts

### Click "Next"

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### Step 4: Review and Confirm

Review authorized representative information and click on "Next" and then "Submit".

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All electronic authorization requests by representatives for individuals and business clients will not be activated until the representative has

been verified. The CRA may contact clients to verify the representative's authorization request.



# **Appendix A**

### **Option 2: Using a CRA user ID and password**

You will be guided through a series of questions and prompted to enter the following to create your User ID and Password:

- Enter your social insurance number
- Enter your date of birth
- Enter your current postal code
- Enter an amount you entered on one of your income tax and benefit returns. Have a copy of your returns handy. The line amount requested will vary, it could be from the current tax year or the previous one. To register, a return for one of these two years must have been filed and assessed.
- Your business telephone number



You will then be prompted to create your security questions and answers. You can also decide if you want a persistent cookie added to your computer, so you can access CRA Login Services using that same computer later without being asked for more identification.

Next, you will be prompted to enter your business number.

Once you have completed this process, the CRA will provide a security code that will be mailed to the address you have on record with CRA and it should arrive in 5-10 days. Note that the CRA security code has an indicated expiry date. Follow the provided instructions before the code expires, or you'll have to contact the CRA to have a new CRA security code issued to you.