Quick Reference Guide to Obtaining a Farmers.gov (Level 2) eAuth Account

Farmers.gov accounts allow you to access self-service features and information that are available through a secure login. With an account, you can use features such as the ability to apply for select programs online, process transactions, and manage your USDA records.

Through your secure farmers.gov account, you can:

- View loan information, history, and payments for USDA farm loans
- View and track some program applications
- View your maps on FSAFarm+
- View and track your current and past conservation practices and contracts, eSign conservation documents, and request conservation assistance ([Conservation Features Fact Sheet, User Guide, and How-To Videos](#))

Who can make a farmers.gov account?

- Customers who need access to entity data (such as an LLC or Trust) or to act on behalf of another customer, must first login as themselves, with their own eAuth account.
- Individuals with both an eAuth account and representative authority to act on behalf of another customer (entity or individual), will have the ability to ‘Switch Profiles' after login.

This type of representative authority is currently available only for conservation content but will be available for more farmers.gov material in the future.

To register for an account, go to: [https://www.farmers.gov/sign-in](https://www.farmers.gov/sign-in)
To access your farmers.gov account, you will need to use a service called USDA eAuthentication, or eAuth. That eAuth login must then be linked to your USDA customer record.

1. Before you start, contact your local USDA Service Center to confirm you have:
   - a USDA customer record in Business Partner (BP)
   - a standard email address recorded in BP that matches the email address you plan on using to create your eAuth account.
     - The eAuth system will not allow you to use the same email address that your spouse has already used for his/her eAuth account.
     - If you have multiple email addresses in your BP record, the one you want to use to create your eAuth account must be marked as “Standard” in BP.
     - In the future, when you log in to farmers.gov, your User ID will be your standard email address.
2. Navigate to the eAuth Account Registration page and use the eAuth Frequently Asked Questions as a resource for your questions.

3. Select "Customer" on the registration page.
   - Enter your standard email address that is also recorded in your BP customer record.
   - You will receive an email from eAuth asking you to confirm your email address.
   - Click the “Continue Registration” link in the email to continue the registration process. Complete the account registration form and follow the prompts to continue with the identity verification process, including entering your name and password.

4. Your identity must be verified to prevent unauthorized access to your data. You will need to add information to your eAuth account profile such as your date of birth, residential address, and phone number. You have two options to verify your identity:
   - **Option 1**: (recommended) Verify my identity online using the USDA Online Identity Verification Application.
     - The option to verify online should automatically appear during the eAuth account creation process. Enter your personal data and answer a few questions known only to you to verify your identity.
     1. Once your identity is successfully verified, the eAuth system will attempt a link of your eAuth account to your USDA BP customer record.
     2. Upon successful completion of both steps 1 and 2, you will be able to login to customer facing FSA and NRCS systems.
     3. If you encounter issues with the online identity verification process or with logging in to customer facing FSA and NRCS systems, see Option 2 below.
   - **Option 2**: Visit a USDA Service Center for in-person identity verification.
     - You can schedule an appointment to visit a Local Registration Authority (LRA) in-person at a USDA Service Center office to verify your identity. Be sure to call ahead and schedule an appointment to ensure that an LRA will be in the office when you visit. You will need to bring a government-issued picture ID (e.g., state-issued driver’s license). After verifying your identity, the LRA will link your USDA BP customer record to your eAuth Account.
     0. Once your identity is verified and your eAuth account is linked to your USDA BP customer record, you can login to customer facing FSA and NRCS systems.

5. Visit the farmers.gov login page and log in with your new eAuth account.
Enter an Email Address. (This email address will be your User ID. It will be used to create your account and reset forgotten passwords) Click Submit.

Select Customer. Click Continue.
Open the email from eAuth and click Continue Registration.

An email is sent to the address entered previously. To complete registration, go to your inbox. Wait a few minutes if you do not see the email in your inbox.

Registration Email Sent
We have sent an email to the address listed below. Follow the link in the email to complete the registration process.

guaranteedlender@glbank.com

Resend Email
Use A Different Email
Complete all *Required fields. *First name & *Last name; Set a *Password with at least 12 characters.

Password cannot contain the following special characters: / \ @ ^ { ] } { " > < & ' .`

Click Submit.
Your **Account Registration** Complete! Continue to level 2 ID proofing.

Click **Log in to your application**.

Log in using your **Registered User ID** and **Password**.
Continue to **Online Identity Verification (recommended)** for Level 2 Authority.

Select the option to **Verify my identity online (recommended)**

Click **Continue**.

Otherwise, you will need to visit an LRA office in person to complete your Level 2 identification verification process.

Click **I Agree** to consent to the Terms of Service.

Your SSN is not saved in this process.

Click Continue.
Take the **Identity Verification Quiz** to upgrade eAuth account to a level 2. You must answer each of the five questions correctly based on your personal information. You will be allowed multiple attempts to pass the quiz. If you miss a question on the second set of questions, then you will be redirected to visit the nearest LRA office to verify your identity in person. You will need to bring one of the following official government-issued photo identifications:

- State or Province-issued driver's license or photo identification card from the United States or Canada.
- US Military or US Federal Government employment PIV/CAC (Smart) identification card (DoD, DoS, DHS, etc.)
- A valid passport issued by any country listed on the U.S. Department of State website.

The list of USDA Service Centers can be found at [https://offices.sc.egov.usda.gov/locator/app?type=lra](https://offices.sc.egov.usda.gov/locator/app?type=lra).

Select the answers to the set of (5) questions that are relevant to your experiences.

Answer all (5) questions correctly.

If you miss a question, a new set of questions will appear, and you will have a second chance to verify your identity online.

Click **Submit**.
Congratulations! Online Identity Verification Complete! Continue for further instructions on gaining access to the Lender Interactive Network Connection (LINC).

Click Continue.