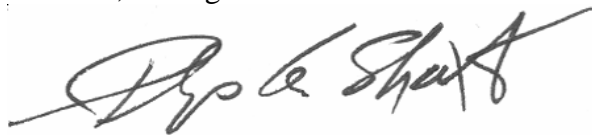


For: FFAS Employees

Dashboard Retirement Calculator Access Change

Approved by: Deputy Administrator, Management



1 Overview

A Background

To protect employees' PII, USDA has directed that employees will no longer be able to log into "Dashboard" using Social Security numbers. Therefore, effective September 14, 2009:

- "Dashboard" is now called "HRLINK\$"
- employees are required to login using their eAuthentication user ID and password.

B Purpose

This notice:

- announces Dashboard's name change to HRLINK\$
- announces access change to eAuthentication
- provides the web address to access HRLINK\$ and retirement calculator
- provides information about creating an eAuthentication account.

Disposal Date	Distribution
April 1, 2010	All FAS, FSA, and RMA employees; State Offices relay to County Offices

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C Contacts

This table provides SPO contacts for questions about the retirement calculator.

IF located in...	THEN contact...
<ul style="list-style-type: none">FAS Overseas postsFAS, FSA, and RMA Washington, DC, OfficesRMA Regional and Compliance Offices, except Kansas City	any of the following HRD, Employee Programs Branch employees: <ul style="list-style-type: none">Darla Hensley at 202-401-0681Maria Ruiz at 202-401-0685Natasha Facey at 202-401-0687.
FSA State and County Office	State Office administrative officer.
FSA Kansas City Offices, as follows: <ul style="list-style-type: none">KCCO and ITSDAMS, FMD, FSC, MSD, and Office of Budget and Finance	KCHRO, Employee Labor Relations Section by applicable service area employee, as follows: <ul style="list-style-type: none">Dana Chandler at 816-926-6117Patricia Gepford at 816-926-6529.
<ul style="list-style-type: none">APFO.RMA Kansas City Offices	Patricia Gepford, KCHRO, Employee Labor Relations Section at 816-926-6529.

2 Login Information

A Web Address

The web address will remain <https://asp.gdcii.com/dashboard/usdaoa>.

B System Name Change

The name "Dashboard" has been changed to "HRLINK\$".

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C Accessing the Retirement Calculator

Follow these steps to access the retirement calculator. Employees are still able to estimate their retirement scenarios.

Step	Action
1	Access the HRLINK\$ Home Page at https://asp.gdcii.com/dashboard/usdaoa .
2	Under “My HRLINK\$”, CLICK, “eAuthentication”.
3	On the eAuthentication: <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Warning Screen, CLICK “I Agree”• Login Screen:<ul style="list-style-type: none">• enter user ID and password• CLICK “Login”.
4	The first time HRLINK\$ is accessed, My HRLINK\$ will be displayed with a prompt to synchronize users Dashboard user ID (Social Security number) with users eAuthentication user ID. Under My HRLINK\$, under “eAuthentication User Synchronization” enter users Social Security number and month/day of birth (mm/dd) and CLICK “Update”. The Welcome Screen will be displayed.
5	Under the My Links menu, CLICK “Calculate Retirement”.

D Creating an eAuthentication Account

All employees should already have an eAuthentication account; however, if an account needs to be created, employee should:

- go to www.eauth.egov.usda.gov
- under “Quick Links”, CLICK “Create an Account”
- follow the steps to create an account.

If assistance is needed, contact the eAuthentication Help Desk at 800-457-3642.