



Digital ID Act: What's changing from 1 December 2024

For individuals

There is nothing you need to do.

The [Digital ID Act](#) means your accredited Digital ID provider is required by law to protect your information and keep it private.

Accredited providers will also be regulated to make sure they continue to meet standards for security and privacy.

Keep an eye out for more ways that you can use your [myID](#) as more services join the Australian Government Digital ID System.

In time, you will also have more choice of who you create and use a secure Digital ID with.

The Digital ID Act enables the Commonwealth to partner with states, territories and the private sector to create a better Digital ID experience for all Australians. It:

- strengthens the existing voluntary Digital ID Accreditation Scheme
- provides legislative authority for the Australian Government Digital ID System to expand
- strengthens privacy and consumer protections
- strengthens governance for Digital ID.

For services and providers

Joining the Australian Government Digital ID System

From 1 December 2024, state and territory government services will be able to apply to join the Australian Government Digital ID System as a relying service.

To apply to join the Australian Government Digital ID System:

- you will undertake testing with the System Administrator
- following testing, you will submit an application to the Digital ID Regulator for approval to join.

Private sector entities will be able to apply to the Digital ID Regulator to participate within the Australian Government Digital ID System by December 2026.

Guidance and requirements will be provided once legislation has commenced.

Becoming accredited

Digital ID service providers – digital ID providers, attribute providers, exchange providers – will be able to apply to the Digital ID Regulator to become accredited. Accreditation shows you meet strict rules and standards for:

- privacy protection
- security
- usability
- accessibility
- risk management
- fraud control and more.

Accredited providers will be able to display a Digital ID accreditation trustmark to show that they meet the high standards of accreditation.

Two new regulators

From 1 December 2024, two regulators will be responsible for ensuring organisations in Australia's Digital ID System continues to meet high standards for security and privacy.

The Australian Competition and Consumer Commission (ACCC)

The ACCC will be the Digital ID Regulator. They will be responsible for:

- ensuring each provider that is, or seeks to be, accredited meets the requirements for accreditation
- approving accredited providers to join the government's system
- approving services seeking to use accredited providers in the government's system to verify their customers' ID
- compliance and enforcement activities for non-privacy aspects of Australia's Digital ID System.

The Office of the Australian Information Commissioner (OAIC)

The OAIC will be the privacy regulator of Digital ID. They will be responsible for:

- overseeing the privacy safeguards that apply to all accredited providers (these safeguards are in addition to those in the Privacy Act)
- handling complaints and conducting investigations of data breaches
- assessing if accredited providers follow the privacy safeguards.

More information is available on digitalidsystem.gov.au.