

How to use Text Verified to buy non-KYC Bitcoin at a Bitcoin ATM

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Introduction

In this article, I discuss how to buy non-KYC Bitcoin from a Bitcoin ATM (BATM), specifically CoinFlip BATM, using Text Verified. Text Verified is a non-VoIP phone number provider which can be used to utilize services, such as Twitter, Telegram, and BATMs (to name a few), without giving away your personal phone number. CoinFlip is a BATM operator with many locations in the United States and supports the buying of Bitcoin with cash. To follow this guide, the user will need to own some Bitcoin to get started on Text Verified. Also, the purchase limit before forced

KYC at a CoinFlip BATM is \$900 or under. In a nutshell, a user can acquire non-KYC Bitcoin for each purchase made at a CoinFlip BATM by using Text Verified to bypass SMS verification, giving a fake name, and creating a throw away email address.

Selecting a Bitcoin ATM

As I mentioned in the introduction, this guide is meant to be used with CoinFlip Bitcoin ATM (BATM). Although the method described in this article can be used with other BATMs, I have found using CoinFlip to be the most successful. If a user decides to use a different BATM, then it is up to that user to exercise due diligence. That is, determine the cost of the credits for using that given BATM and whether or not it will force KYC. One way to check if the BATM will force KYC is to use <https://coinatmradar.com/>. On Coin ATM Radar search for a nearby BATM and check the "limits and verifications" section to ensure no identification is required. To check the cost of credits for bypassing the SMS verification for that given BATM go to <https://www.textverified.com/Verifications/#sms> and search for the BATM. If the BATM is not listed, then SMS bypassing can still be accomplished but the default credit cost will be higher (2 credits at the time of writing) as compared to one that is listed on Text Verified (1.25 credits, for example). From my experience, most BATMs will force KYC on users. If there are no CoinFlip BATMs nearby, it would be wise to fund the Text Verified account with more than 5-10 credits for field tests. That is, going out to various BATMs nearby to test whether or not they will force KYC.



Figure 1: Coin ATM Radar logo.

Register on Text Verified with a throw away email address

The first step in using Text Verified to buy non-KYC Bitcoin from a Bitcoin ATM (BATM) is to create an account on <https://www.textverified.com/Account/Register/> with a throw away email address. Refer to my article "[How to create a throw away email address](#)" for help creating one. The same login credentials for Text Verified and the throw away email will be used for each account. Ensure that when generating the random login credentials, the password (i.e., the second string) contains at least 8 characters, 1 upper case (A-Z), 1 lower case (a-z), and 1 number (0-9) for Text Verified to accept it as a valid password. The random login credentials might need to be re-generated a few times for the password to meet this criteria. I strongly recommend using the method described in "How to create a throw away email address" to successfully receive the confirmation email sent from Text Verified for the new account. Once the throw away email address has been created, use it to sign up on Text Verified with a fake name. I like to use the random string generated for the email (i.e., the first string) as the first and last name. For example, if the randomized email was 2uHb7riqCL, then my first name on Text Verified would be 2uHb7riqCL and my last name would be 2uHb7riqCL (it will allow digits in the name). From here wait for the confirmation email and continue to login to Text Verified. This may take a few minutes, but it will arrive.

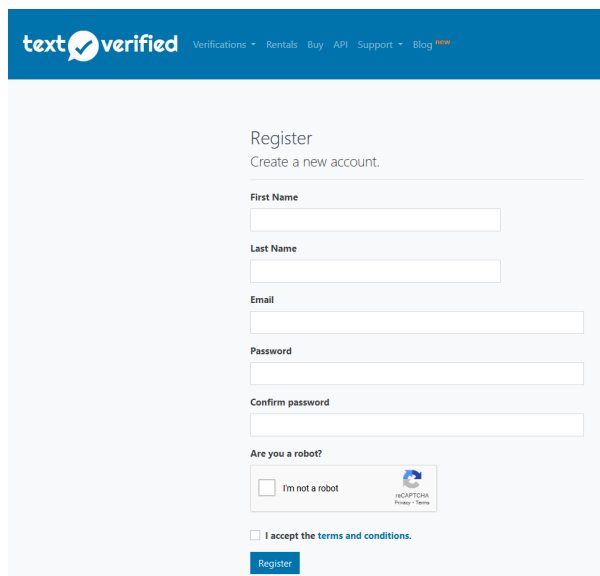
The image shows the registration page of Text Verified. At the top is a blue header with the 'text verified' logo and navigation links: Verifications, Rentals, Buy, API, Support, and Blog. The main content area is light gray and contains the 'Register' heading and the instruction 'Create a new account.' Below this is a form with several input fields: 'First Name', 'Last Name', 'Email', 'Password', and 'Confirm password'. At the bottom of the form is a reCAPTCHA widget with the text 'Are you a robot?' and a checkbox labeled 'I'm not a robot'. Below the reCAPTCHA is a checkbox for 'I accept the terms and conditions.' and a blue 'Register' button.

Figure 2: Text Verified sign up page.

Adding credits on Text Verified

Once logged into the new Text Verified account, it will need to be funded with Bitcoin to buy credits. Ideally, the UTXO used to fund the account should be coin-joined to avoid leaking any transaction history associated with that UTXO. To fund the Text Verified account select the “¢” symbol (also located in the drop down menu). This will lead to <https://www.textverified.com/Buy/>. From here use the toggle to determine how many credits to purchase. I recommend purchasing about 5-10 credits. Depending on the cost of the verification, a user might get up to 4-8 opportunities to purchase a fake phone number when using a CoinFlip Bitcoin ATM (BATM; at the time of writing each SMS bypass costs 1.25 credits). The reason I suggest buying about 5-10 credits is for enhanced privacy. That is, I make it a practice to create whole new accounts (i.e., throw away email and the Text Verified) when purchasing non-KYC Bitcoin from a BATM rather than funding the same account over and over. For example, I fund one account, use up the credits, toss it, create a new account complete with a new throw away email, fund that, use it, and repeat. Funding the same account over and over could leak information with regard to UTXO history if they are not managed appropriately. Buying 5-10 credits on each account gives the user enough opportunities to make purchases without holding on to the same account too long or funding it over and over.

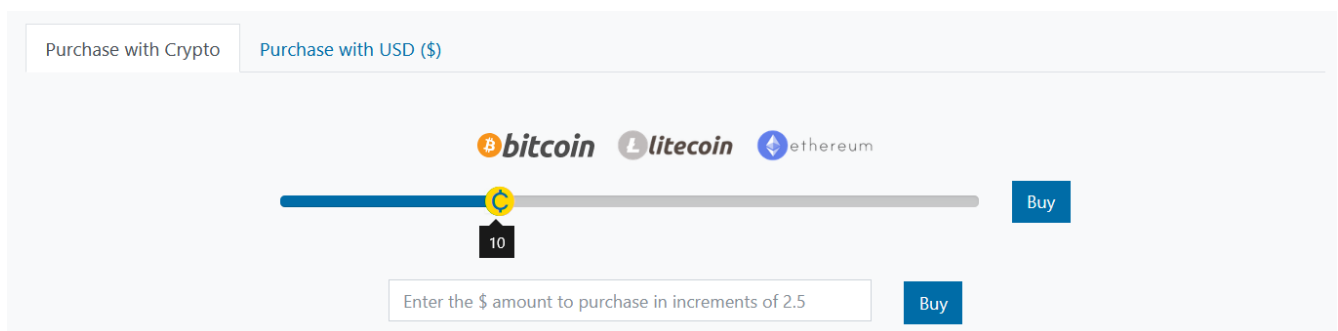


Figure 3: Purchase with Bitcoin toggle.

Finalizing the payment on Text Verified

Once the number of credits to be purchased has been determined, choose Bitcoin as the payment option and select continue. A Bitcoin address and QR code to send the payment to will then be presented. Send the payment to the address

provided within the allotted time frame (i.e., 15 minutes). Do not be skippy on the miner fee if this is to be done in a timely manner, otherwise send it with a 1-3 sats/byte miner fee. Check the Bitcoin mempool to determine the sats/byte priority. I like to use <https://jochen-hoenicke.de/queue/#0,24h> or <https://mempool.space/> to determine priority.

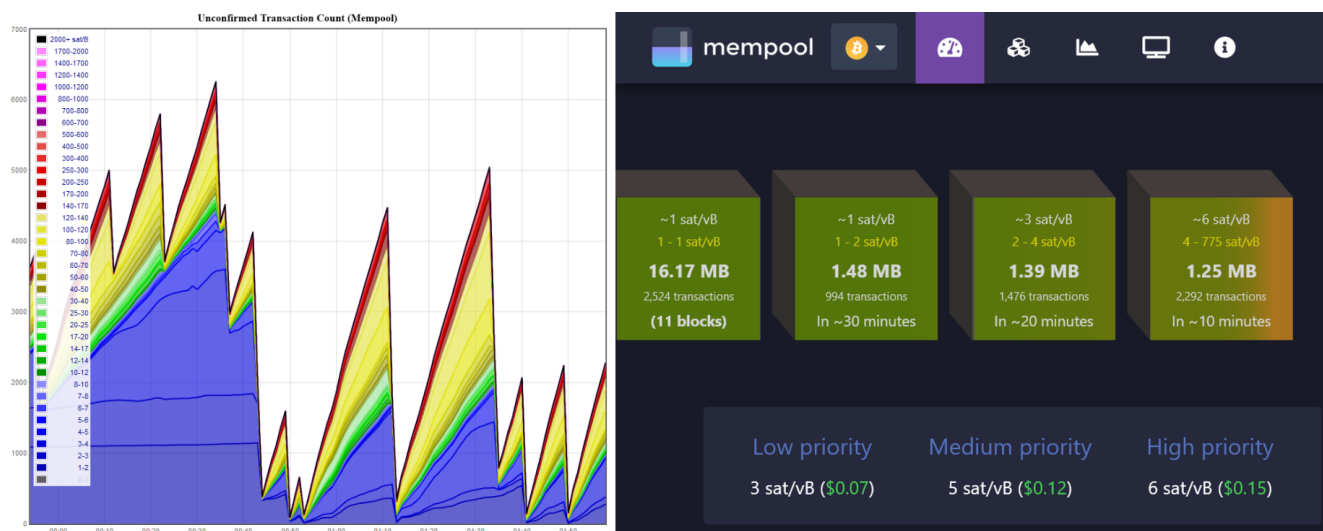


Figure 4: The Bitcoin mempool as seen on Johoe's Bitcoin Mempool Statistics and Mempool.Space.

Buying from the Bitcoin ATM

Once the credits have been received on Text Verified, it is a matter of going to the Bitcoin ATM (BATM). Given the times (i.e., COVID-19), it would be appropriate to wear a face mask as an increased measure of privacy. Before walking up to the BATM make sure to do the following: Load up Text Verified in Tor browser or an incognito tab on a mobile device, load up the receiving QR code in the Bitcoin wallet of choice (i.e., ideally a privacy focused wallet such as Samurai Wallet), and load up a throw away email web page like <https://www.guerrillamail.com/> or <https://www.throwawaymail.com/> (this is if you want a receipt; I will discuss it more below). On Text Verified select the BATM from <https://www.textverified.com/Verifications/#sms>. In this case, it would be CoinFlip BATM. Next, check the box "do not show again" and select "continue" at the pop up message reading "Using A Proxy? Outside of the USA?". Next, is the "Short-term SMS/Text verification" page which lists the fake phone number to use at the BATM and the window of time allotted to use that phone number before it expires. Not to worry, if it is

not used or the request is canceled the credits will not be lost. Once at the text verification page, walk up to the BATM.

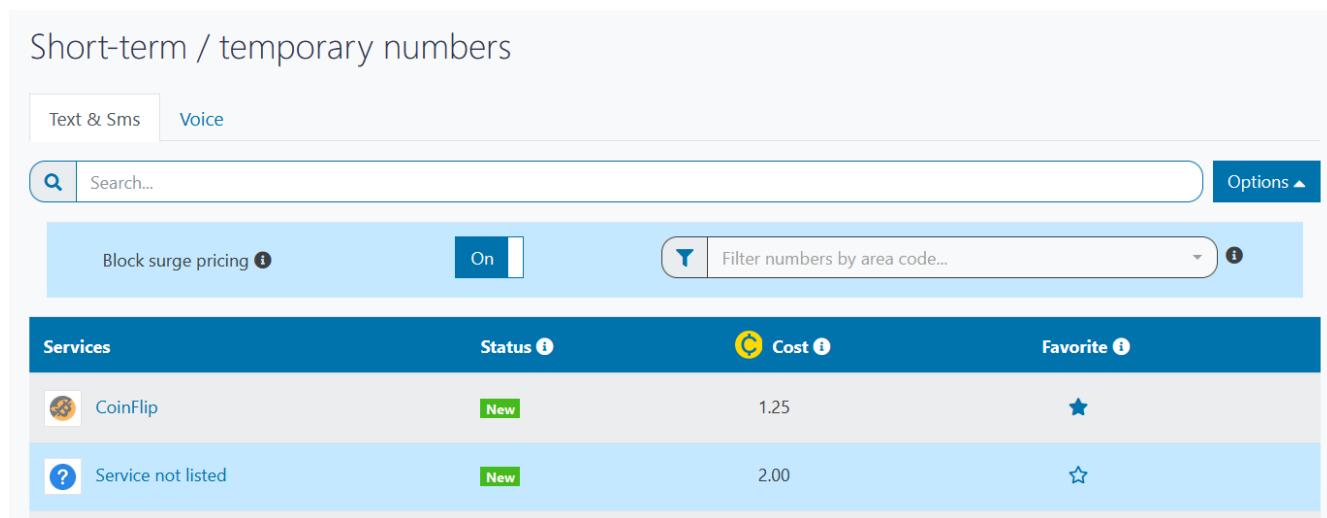


Figure 5: Selecting between CoinFlip and an unlisted Bitcoin ATM.

At the CoinFlip BATM select the Bitcoin icon, enter a fake but semi-real name (perhaps a combination of a couple of acquaintances). Overtly fake names like John Doe will not work. These type of names will trigger a forced KYC so do not use them. After entering a fake name, type in the phone number provided by Text Verified. Check the Text Verified tab that is open on the mobile device. Within a few seconds a confirmation code should pop up. Type that confirmation code into the BATM. Next, scan the Bitcoin QR code, enter any applicable discount codes (check CoinFlip's Twitter, Instagram, or on Coin ATM Radar), and deposit the cash. Note here that lower denominations of bills such as \$1 bills may not be accepted. Therefore, come prepared with bigger bills, such as \$20s.



Figure 6: A CoinFlip Bit-coin ATM.

Before the transaction is finalized, the BATM will prompt for an email address to send a receipt to. Of course this is optional. Personally, I like to receive the email receipt for my dollar-cost-averaging (DCA) records. If a receipt is desired, then open up <https://www.guerrillamail.com/> or <https://www.throwawaymail.com/> in new tab on Tor browser or in an incognito tab, pass the reCAPTCHA (if provided), and enter the given throw away email into the BATM. Otherwise, ignore it and walk out. The user should have now successfully bought non-KYC Bitcoin. Within a few minutes the incoming transaction will be see on the Bitcoin wallet and, if requested, the email receipt will be received. Make sure to write down the receipt's information because access to the throw away email will eventually be lost.

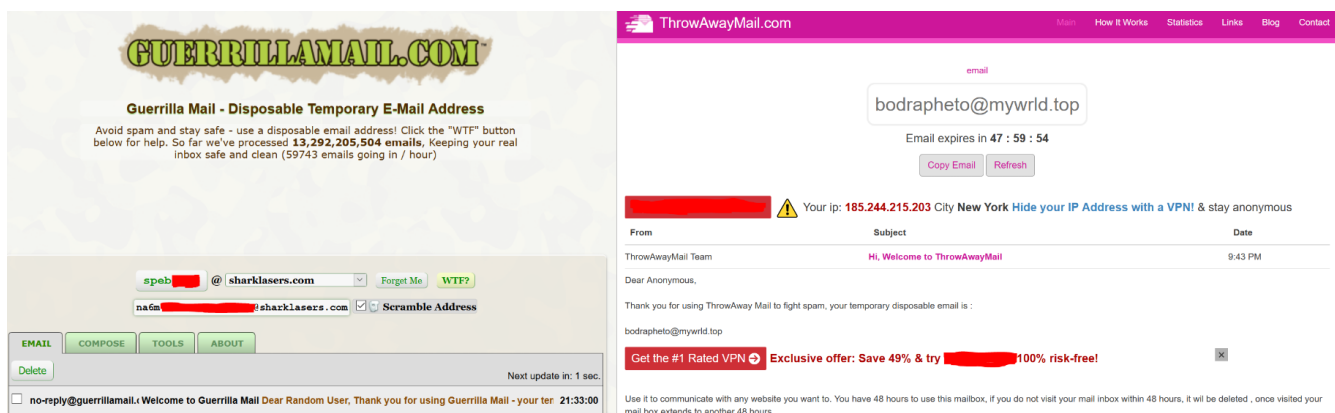


Figure 7: Guerrilla Mail and Throw Away Mail web pages.

Conclusion

In this article I discussed how to use Text Verified to buy non-KYC Bitcoin at a Bitcoin ATM (BATM), specifically CoinFlip. I commented on how using a CoinFlip BATM is likely to result in success as compared to other BATMs. I walked through how to register an account on Text Verified with a throw away email address, how to add credits on the account, and the best practices for doing so. Lastly, I walked through the process of buying the non-KYC Bitcoin at the physical BATM. In summary, a user is able to buy non-KYC Bitcoin from a BATM by bypassing the SMS verification and using fake information (i.e., name and email). As discussed above, this method can be applied to other BATMs although more research must be done as to exactly which other BATMs this method can be successfully applied to.

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