

What do I need to open a PayPal Account? You'll need your e-mail address and your checkbook.

How long does it take?

PayPal needs to confirm your bank account. It will take 2-3 days to complete this process.

How does it work, and what will I need to do?

Here's the scoop ...

Step 1: Get Started

Go to www.paypal.com

Step 2: Sign Up

Under New User? click Sign up

Click Personal Account and choose your country, then click Continue

Fill in the fields, then click Sign up

This will take you to a screen that says "Account Sign Up". This screen will explain the next steps to you. You'll receive an e-mail at the address you provided when you filled in your personal information. That e-mail will contain a link back to PayPal. You'll need to verify your e-mail address and password by clicking on this link.

Click Confirm

Step 3: Link PayPal to Your Bank Account

After entering your password, your e-mail will be confirmed and you can now set up your bank account.

You will need your **bank name** and your bank **routing number** and **account number**. The routing number is usually the first number on your check, and is usually a nine-digit number. Click **Add Bank Account**

Paypal will make two small deposits (a few cents) to your account. In 2-3 business days, check your account and note the amounts of the deposits from "Paypal.com". Log in to your PayPal account and click the **Confirm Bank Account** link on your **Account Overview** page.

Enter the exact amounts and your bank account will become confirmed and click **Continue**. This takes you to the **Account Overview** page.

That's it! You've opened a PayPal Account! You can now pay for online purchases electronically through your checking account, without using a credit card. If you have questions about this process, you can access 24-hour help through PayPal.

