

Secure Our World Animation: Stay Safer with MFA—Audio Description

“Make Your Accounts Safer with Multifactor Authentication”

A laptop opens with a login page open on the screen.

“Using Multifactor Authentication, or MFA, is a simple way to keep your accounts much safer from criminals looking to steal your information.”

The username and password are entered and an MFA screen appears, asking for a six-digit code that had been sent to a phone number.

“MFA provides extra security to your accounts by confirming your identity.”

A phone appears showing the text message with the MFA code, which is typed into the computer to complete logging in.

“This could include entering a code you get in a text or app, or biometrics like fingerprints or facial recognition.”

“Here’s how to set up MFA on your accounts.”

A phone appears with Account Settings showing on the screen.

“First, go to Settings. It may be called Account Settings, Settings & Privacy or something similar.”

The screen zooms in to highlight the Multifactor Authentication option in the menu.

“Now look for and turn on MFA. You might see it called two-factor authentication, two-step verification or something similar.”

The Multifactor Authentication menu page opens, with options to turn it on, as well as various methods of providing authentication.

“And finally, confirm! Select how you want to prove your identity, whether that’s through a code emailed or texted to you, an authentication app, facial recognition, or your fingerprint.”

The options to turn it on and text a code are selected.

“Congratulations! Now that you’ve set it up, when you log into your account, it may challenge you to provide the MFA step that proves your identity. It only takes a moment but makes you significantly safer from hackers!”

A phone appears with icons for apps that could benefit from having MFA turned on.

“Turn on MFA for every account that offers it. Doing so will protect your banking information, online purchases, social media, work information and even your identity.”

CISA’s Secure Our World logo flies on screen.

“Using multifactor authentication is one way to Secure Our World. Share these tips and help a friend stay safer too. For more, go to cisa.gov/SecureOurWorld.”