

# United States Coast Guard

## Direct Access Multi-Factor Authentication User Guide

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## 1. Signing In

1. In the Employee ID field, type in Employee ID.
2. In the Password field, type in Password.
3. Click **Sign in**.

### Non-CAC Personnel Enter EMPLID

Employee ID

Password

[Forgot your password?](#)

Sign in

4. Read the Direct Access - DHS Security Notice. Ensure **I Accept** is selected in the drop-down menu.



### User Details

----- Direct Access - DHS Security Notice -----  
You are accessing a U.S. Government (USG) Information System (IS) that is provided for USG-authorized use only. By using this IS (which includes any device attached to this IS), you consent to the following conditions: The USG routinely intercepts and monitors communications on this IS for purposes including, but not limited to, penetration testing, COMSEC monitoring, network operations and defense, personnel misconduct (PM), law enforcement (LE), and counterintelligence (CI) investigations. At any time, the USG may inspect and seize data stored on this IS. Communications using, or data stored on, this IS are not private, are subject to routine monitoring, interception, and search, and may be disclosed or used for any USG-authorized purpose. This IS includes security measures (e.g., authentication and access controls) to protect USG interests--not for your personal benefit or privacy. Notwithstanding the above, using this IS does not constitute consent to PM, LE or CI investigative searching or monitoring of the content of privileged communications or work product, related to personal representation or services by attorneys, psychotherapists, or clergy, and their assistants. Such communications and work product are private and confidential. See User Agreement for details.

I Accept

Continue

5. Click **Continue**.

## 2. Multi-Factor Authentication Methods

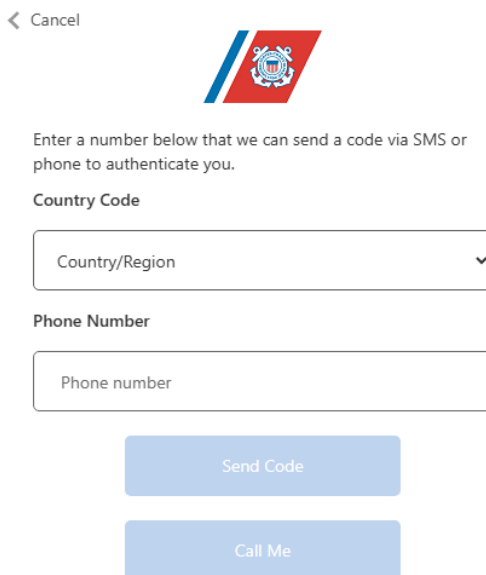
The options for Multi-Factor Authentication (MFA) methods are as follows:

- Text message
- Phone call

To reset an MFA method, contact the Product Support Service Desk (PSSD) by calling 1-800-821-7081 or emailing [SMB-USCG-KerWV-ProductSupportSD@uscg.mil](mailto:SMB-USCG-KerWV-ProductSupportSD@uscg.mil).

### 2.1 Text Message

1. From the Country Code drop-down menu, select the appropriate country.
2. In the Phone Number field, type the phone number.



The screenshot shows a mobile application interface for setting up a text message MFA method. At the top left is a back arrow and the word "Cancel". In the center is the USCGC logo. Below the logo, the text reads: "Enter a number below that we can send a code via SMS or phone to authenticate you." There are two main input sections: "Country Code" with a dropdown menu currently showing "Country/Region", and "Phone Number" with a text input field currently showing "Phone number". At the bottom are two blue buttons: "Send Code" and "Call Me".

### 3. Click **Send Code**.

< Cancel



Enter a number below that we can send a code via SMS or phone to authenticate you.

Country Code

United States (+1)

Phone Number

8888888888

Send Code

Call Me

4. Type the verification code in the box, or if the code has expired or was not received, click **send a new code**. Click **Verify Code**.

Enter your verification code below, or [send a new code](#)

Verify Code

## 2.2 Phone Call

1. From the Country Code drop-down menu, select the appropriate country.
2. In the Phone Number field, type the phone number.

< Cancel



Enter a number below that we can send a code via SMS or phone to authenticate you.

Country Code

Country/Region

Phone Number

Phone number

Send Code

Call Me

3. Click **Call Me**.

< Cancel



Enter a number below that we can send a code via SMS or phone to authenticate you.

Country Code

United States (+1)

Phone Number

8888888888

Send Code

Call Me

4. Follow the voice instructions and press the # key on the phone to sign in.