

# Google Checkout

What is Google Checkout?

Google Checkout makes online shopping quick and easy! Buy items from stores across the web, in just a few steps, without having to enter your billing and shipping information each time you shop online. Here's how it works:

1. Find something you'd like to purchase from a store that accepts Google Checkout.
2. Add item(s) to the store's shopping cart.
3. When you're ready to complete your purchase, click the **Google Checkout** button. Log in to your account, or [create one](#) if you haven't already.
4. Review order details and click **Place your order now**. You're done!

After placing your order, we'll send you a confirmation email along with a receipt.

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Do I have to have a Google Account?

Yes, but having a Google account does not require you to have Google mail.

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How do I create a Google Account?

To create a Google Account, follow these steps:

1. Visit the [account creation page](#).
2. Enter your current email address.
3. Choose a password. Read our tips on [choosing a smart password](#)
4. Verify your email address by clicking the link in the email sent to your inbox.

**REMINDER:**

- Your Google Account username should be an email address from which you currently send and receive mail, unless you'd prefer to [sign up for Gmail](#).
  - Creating a Google Account doesn't automatically give you Gmail. However, you can sign up for Gmail by visiting the [Gmail homepage](#) and clicking the **Sign up for Gmail** link under the sign-in box. If you're interested in learning more about Gmail, please visit the [About Gmail page](#).
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