

EWM Personal Finance Tips & Solutions

Problem: Where can I invest in a U.S. Treasury Series-I Savings Bond?

Solution: Open an account at www.TreasuryDirect.gov

Benefits: Adjusted for inflation, receive compound interest that is deferred until sold and can be tax-free at federal level when used for higher education.

Steps to take:

- 1. Go to www.TreasuryDirect.Gov and click "TreasuryDirect" underneath Account Login.
- 2. Click Log In and then "Open a new Account" at www.TreasuryDirect.Gov
- 3. Click "Apply Now" and choose the account type and click Submit.
- 4. Enter your information, check the box, and hit Submit.
- 5. Double check that all of your information is correct and click Submit.
- 6. Choose an image and caption it, then click Submit.
- 7. Enter your information and click Submit.
- 8. Now that you are done signing up, click TreasuryDirect Home and then click TreasuryDirect Login again.
- 9. Click Log In and enter the Account Number that was sent to your email and click Submit.
- 10. Enter your one-time password that was sent to your email and check the box before clicking Submit.
- 11. Enter your account password now and click Submit.
- 12. Click BuyDirect up top and then in the Savings Bonds section select "Series I" and click Submit.
- 13. Enter the purchase amount, select a one-time purchase or repeat purchases (if so, how often) and click Submit.

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Key Things to Note:

- Limit is \$10,000 a year per person, plus \$5,000 of tax refund.
- Married couples will each have to open their own account at Treasury Direct.gov
- Interest rates change every 6 months (May 1 and November 1).
- Not subject to state income tax.
- Current interest rate until May 1, 2023 is 6.89%. Previously, the May 1, 2022- November 1, 2022 rate was 9.62%.
- Must hold the bond for 12 months.
- If the bond is sold before 5 years, owner will lose the previous 3 months of interest.

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