Managing Your NYCHA Password

Purpose: use this document to reset your NYCHA password or Multi-Factor Authentication (MFA) and learn about NYCHA's password policy.

Remember: your NYCHA password is for your email account ending in "@nycha.nyc.gov".

Need to reset your password?

lf you	Open the following in a web browser! OR You can click on the link to automatically open it in a browser	Find More Information
Forgot your password	https://passwordreset.nycha.info	<u>Learn more</u>
Need to reset your password because it expired	https://passwordreset.nycha.info (recommended) OR Go to <u>https://aka.ms/security-info</u>	<u>Learn more</u>
Forgot your security questions	https://aka.ms/security-info	<u>Learn more</u>
Need to reset your MFA (Multi-Factor Authentication)	https://aka.ms/security-info	<u>Learn more</u>
Need to set up SSPR (Self-Service Password Reset)	https://aka.ms/ssprsetup	<u>Learn more</u>

Step #	Instructions for Resetting a Forgotten Password
Step 1	Open a web browser and navigate to https://passwordreset.nycha.info You will see the page below:
	Microsoft Get back into your account Who are you? To recover your account, begin by entering your email or username and the characters in the picture or audio below. Email or Username:*
	Enter the characters in the picture or the words in the audio. *
Step 2	Enter your NYCHA email address in the textbox under "Email or Username".
Step 3	Complete the CAPTCHA by entering the characters in the picture in the textbox and click Next .
	If you need to use the audio CAPTCHA, click on the speaker icon and enter the words spoken in the textbox.
	Microsoft
	Get back into your account Why are you having trouble signing in?
	I forgot my password No worries, we'll help you to reset your password using the security info you registered with us. I know my password, but still can't sign in This might happen because you tried signing in with an incorrect password too many times. If you choose this option, you'll keep your existing password and we'll unlock your account so you can sign in again. Next
Step 4	Then select "I forgot my password" and click Next .



Get back into your account	
verification step 1 > verification step 2 > choose a new password	
Please choose the first contact metho	d we should use for verification:
• Text my mobile phone	We've sent you a text message containing a verification code to your phone.
\bigcirc Call my mobile phone	Enter your verification code
O Answer my security questions	Next Try again Contact your administrator
	12
Cancel	

Step #	Instructions for Resetting a Forgotten Password
Step 6	On the next screen, repeat the process and verify using a second method.
	Get back into your account
	verification step 1 \checkmark > verification step 2 > choose a new password
	Please choose the second contact method we should use for verification:
	Answer my security questions What was the name of your first pet? What was the name of your favorite stuffed animal? What is your Four-Digit PIN? Image: Contact your administrator 13
Step 7	Create a new password .
	Make sure your password is 15 characters long and meets three of the following complexity requirements:
	 Includes uppercase letters (e.g., A-Z)
	 Includes lowercase letters (e.g., a-z)
	 Includes numbers (e.g., 1-9)
	 Includes a special character (e.g., @, \$, !, etc.) Once you enter and confirm your password, click Finish.
	Get back into your account verification step 1 * Enter new password: 15 * Confirm new password: 15 Finish 16

Step #	Instructions for Resetting a Forgotten Password
Step 8	You will see a page confirming that your password has been updated.

Step #	Instructions for Resetting an Expired Password or Locked Account
Step 1	Open a web browser and navigate to https://passwordreset.nycha.info You will see the page below:
	Microsoft
	Get back into your account Who are you?
	To recover your account, begin by entering your email or username and the characters in the picture or audio below. Email or Username: *
	Enter the characters in the picture or the words in the audio.*
Step 2	Enter your NYCHA email address in the textbox under "Email or Username".
Step 3	Complete the CAPTCHA by entering the characters in the picture in the textbox and click Next .
	If you need to use the audio CAPTCHA, click on the speaker icon and enter the words spoken in the textbox.
Step 4	You will see a screen like the one below. Select "I know my password, but still can't sign in" and click Next .
	Get back into your account
	Why are you having trouble signing in?
	O I forgot my password No worries, we'll help you to reset your password using the security info you registered with us.
	I know my password, but still can't sign in This might happen because you tried signing in with an incorrect password too many times. If you choose this option, you'll keep your existing password and we'll unlock your account so you can sign in again.
	Next 6



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Step #	Instructions for Resetting an Expired Password or Locked Account
Step 6	On the next screen, repeat the process and verify using a second method.
	Get back into your account
	verification step 1 \checkmark > verification step 2 > choose a new password
	Please choose the second contact method we should use for verification:
	Answer my security questions What was the name of your first pet? What was the name of your favorite stuffed animal? What is your Four-Digit PIN? Next Contact your administrator 14
Step 7	 Create a new password. Make sure your password is 15 characters long and meets three of the following complexity requirements: Includes uppercase letters (e.g., A-Z) Includes lowercase letters (e.g., a-z) Includes numbers (e.g., 1-9) Includes a special character (e.g., @, \$, !, etc.) Once you enter and confirm your password, click Finish.
	Get back into your account verification step 1 * Enter new password: * Confirm new password: 15

Step #	Instructions for Resetting an Expired Password or Locked Account
Step 8	You will see a page confirming that your password has been updated.

Step #	Instructions for Resetting Your Security Questions
Step 1	Open a web browser and navigate to https://aka.ms/security-info
Step 2	Enter your NYCHA email and click Next .
	Microsoft
	Sign in
	Email or phone
	Can't access your account?
	3
	Next
	🔍 Sign-in options
Step 3	You will be prompted to authenticate using the Microsoft Authenticator app or your mobile number.
	Bootffee s an Normal F
	Approve sign in request
	Open your Authenticator app, and enter
	the number shown to sign in.
	56
	No numbers in your app? Make sure to upgrade to the latest version.
	I can't use my Microsoft Authenticator app right now
	More information

Step #	Instructions for Resetting Your Security Questions
Step 4	Under the "Security Questions" section, select "Delete" .
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	+ Add sign-in method
	Phone + 61 Change Delete
	Password Last updated: 6 days ago Change
	Microsoft Authenticator Push multi-factor authentication (MFA) iPhone 14 Pro Delete
	? Security questions Delete 5
Step 5	You will be prompted to confirm your decision. Select "Ok".
	Delete security questions Are you sure you would like to delete this method for your account?
	You will receive a notification indicating that the security questions have been deleted.



Step #	Instructions for Resetting Your Security Questions
Step 8	A drop-down menu will display, allowing you to choose a new method. Select "Security questions" from the drop-down.
	Add a method × Which method would you like to add? Choose a method ✓ Cancel Add
	Security Authenticator app Security Alternate phone These are I Security questions Office phone Office phone You're usin Office phone Which Cho Ital Security
Step 9	Select "Add". Add a method Which method would you like to add? Security questions Add

Step #	Instructions for Resetting Your Security Questions
Step 10	On the next screen, a list of four security question drop-downs will appear. For each drop-down, select a security question and provide an answer.
	Security questions ×
	Select a question
	Select a question \checkmark
	Select a question \checkmark
	Cancel Done
	Security What is your favorite food? What was the last name of your favorite grade school teacher? What was the make and model of your first car or motorcycle? What was the name of your favorite stuffed animal? What is your Four-Digit PIN? What is your favorite Country? Sele What is your favorite Country?

Step #	Instructions for Resetting Your Security Questions
Step #	Instructions for Resetting Your Security Questions Once you've answered each question, select "Done". Security info The Security questions × What is your favorite food? ✓ Answer1 What is your Mother's maiden na ✓ Answer2 What is your favorite Country? ✓
	Answer3 What was the name of your first Answer4 IDone IPhone 14 Pro Delete
	Note: The answers to your questions are case sensitive , which means that you must answer your questions the same way you wrote them .
	Taking a photo or writing your answers down will help you when answering them, since you can return to them later.
	You will receive a notice indicating that your security questions have been successfully registered.

Step #	Instructions for Resetting Your MFA
Step 1	Open a web browser and navigate to https://aka.ms/security-info
Step 2	Enter your NYCHA email and click Next .
	Microsoft
	Sign in
	Email or phone
	Can't access your account?
	3
	Next
	Sign-in options
Step 3	You will be prompted to authenticate using the Microsoft Authenticator app or your mobile number.
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	Approve sign in request
	Open your Authenticator app, and enter the number shown to sign in.
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	No numbers in your app? Make sure to upgrade to the latest version.
	I can't use my Microsoft Authenticator app right now
	More information

Step 4	Under the "Security questions" section, select "Delete".
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	These are the methods you use to sign into your account or reset your password.
	You're using the most advisable sign-in method where it applies. Sign-in method when most advisable is unavailable: Microsoft Authenticator - notification Change
	+ Add sign-in method
	Phone + 61 Change Delete
	Password Last updated: 6 days ago Change
	Microsoft Authenticator Push multi-factor authentication (MFA) iPhone 14 Pro Delete
	Security questions Delete 5
Step 5	You will be prompted to confirm your decision. Select "Ok".
	Delete security questions Are you sure you would like to delete this method for your account?
	You will receive a notification indicating that the security questions have been deleted.
Step 7	Click "+ Add sign-in method".

	Security info	
	These are the methods you use to sign into your account or reset your password.	
	You're using the most advisable sign-in method where it applies. Sign-in method when most advisable is unavailable: Microsoft Authenticator - notification Change	
	+ Add sign-in method 7	
	+1 61 Change Delete	
Step 8	A drop-down menu will display, allov Select which method you would lik	ving you to choose a new method. xe to add, including:
	Authenticator App	
	Alternate Phone	
	Security Questions	
	Office Phone	
	Add a method $\qquad \qquad \qquad$	
	Which method would you like to add?	
	Choose a method \sim	
	Cancel Add	

Step #	Instructions for Setting Up SSPR (Self-Service Password Reset)
Step 1	Open a web browser and navigate to https://aka.ms/ssprsetup
Step 2	Enter your NYCHA email and click Next .
	Microsoft Sign in Email or phone Can't access your account? Next Sign-in options
Step 3	You will be taken to NYCHA's sign-in page.
	Microsoft 4 Taking you to your organization's sign-in page

Step #	Instructions for Setting Up SSPR (Self-Service Password Reset)
Step 4	Enter your NYCHA email address and password.
	AD FS AD FS 2019
	Sign in 5
	john.doe@nycha.nyc.gov
	Password
	Sign in 6
Step 5	When prompted to "Stay signed in?", click "Yes" .
	Microsoft
	john.doe@nycha.nyc.gov
	Stay signed in?
	Do this to reduce the number of times you are asked to sign in.
	Don't show this again 7
	No Yes

Step #	Instructions for Setting Up SSPR (Self-Service Password Reset)
Step 7	A screen will display indicating "More information is required". Click "Next" .
	Microsoft
	john.doe@nycha.nyc.gov
	More information required
	Your organization needs more information to keep your account secure
	Use a different account
	Learn more
	Next
Step 8	On the next screen, you will be prompted to download and install the Microsoft
	Authenticator app (which you should do).
	If you want to continue setting up SSPR without the authenticator temporarily, select "I want to set up a different method".
	Note: You will be required to use the Microsoft Authenticator app in the future.
	Method 1 of 2: App
	App
	Microsoft Authenticator
	Start by getting the app
	On your phone, install the Microsoft Authenticator app. Download now
	After you install the Microsoft Authenticator app on your device, choose "Next".
	I want to use a different authenticator app
	Next
	I want to set up a different method Skip setup

Step #	Instructions for Setting Up SSPR (Self-Service Password Reset)	
Step 9	A pop-up titled "Choose a different method" will appear. From the "Which method would you like to use?" drop-down underneath it, select "Security questions" .	
	Choose a different method × Which method would you like to use? d. Choose a method ✓ Phone Authenticator app Security questions 10	
Step 10	Click "Confirm".	
	Choose a different method \times Which method would you like to use? Security questions	

Step #	Instructions for Setting Up SS	SPR (Self-Service Password Reset)
Step 11	 On the next screen you will need to choose four different security questions and provide an answer to each question. Once you've selected and answered each question, click "Done". 	
	Method 1 of 2	: Questions
	Questions	2 Phone
	Security questions	
	Select a question	\sim
	TYPE ANSWER	
	Select a question	\sim
	TYPE ANSWER	
	Select a question	· 12
	TYPE ANSWER	
	Select a question	
	TYPE ANSWER	
		Done
	I want to set up a different method	<u>Skip setup</u>

Step #	Instructions for Setting Up SSPR (Self-Se	ervice Password Reset)
Step 12	You've now entered security questions as one of your On the next screen, you will need to add your phone a Add a phone number under the "What phone numb choose to receive a text message or phone call.	verification options. as a second method. per would you like to use?" label and
	Then click "Next" .	
	Method 2 of 2: Phone Questions	hone
	Phone You can prove who you are by answering a call on your phone or texting a code to	your phone.
	What phone number would you like to use?	
	United States (+1)	14
	 Text me a code Call me Call me Message and data rates may apply. Choosing Next means that you agree to the Terrand cookies statement. 	ms of service and Privacy
		16 Next
	<u>I want to set up a different method</u>	<u>Skip setup</u>
Step 13 If you chose to receive a code texted to you, enter the code and click "Next".		e code and click "Next".
	Method 2 of 2: Phone	
	Questions	Phone
	Phone	
	We just sent a 6 digit code to 8885551264 Enter the code below. Enter code Resend code	18 Back Next
	I want to set up a different method	<u>Skip setup</u>
	If you chose to receive a call, follow the instructions d	uring the call to proceed.

Step #	Instructions for Setting Up SSPR (Self-Service Password Reset)
Step 14	Once you've verified your phone via text or call, you will move to a confirmation page. Click "Next".
	Method 2 of 2: Phone
	Phone SMS verified. Your phone was registered successfully.
Step 15	You will see a "Success" page indicating you've added both MFA methods.
	Method 2 of 2: Done
	SUCCESS! Great job! You have successfully set up your security info. Choose "Done" to continue signing in. Default sign-in method: Phone - call 8885551264 Phone 8885551264 Security questions
	Done

Step #	Instructions for Setting Up SSPR (Self-Service Password Reset)
Step 16	You will now need to verify your identity using one of the two methods you've set up. On the "Verify your identity" screen, you will see an option to receive a phone call to the number you provided for verification. Click "Call +X XXXXXXXX##"
	Microsoft john.doe@nycha.nyc.gov Verify your identity Call +X XXXXXX64 21 More information Are your verification methods current? Check at https://aka.ms/mfasetup Cancel

Step #	Instructions for Setting Up SSPR (Self-Service Password Reset)
Step 17	The screen will move to the "Approve sign in request" page, which will initiate a phone call to your phone number.
	Answer the call and follow the instructions during the call.
	Microsoft john.doe@nycha.nyc.gov Approve sign in request We're calling your phone. Please answer it to continue. More information Cancel

Step #	Instructions for Setting Up SSPR (Self-Service Password Reset)
Step 18	Once verification is complete, you'll be taken to the "My Sign-Ins" page. Click "Security info" on the left navigation panel.
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	8 Overview
	Security info
	Organizations
	☐ Devices
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Step #	Instructions for Setting Up SSPR (Self-Service Password Reset)
Step 19	You'll find both your methods displayed on the next screen.
	Security info These are the methods you use to sign into your account or reset your password. Default sign-in method: Phone - call +1 8885551264
	+ Add sign-in method Image: Phone +1 6469245164 Change Delete 2 Security questions Delete
	Lost device? Sign out everywhere
Step 20	You can now sign out of "My Sign-Ins". Click on the profile icon on the upper-right corner of the screen and select "Sign out".
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	JOHN DOE john.doe@nycha.nyc.gov
	View my account
	Sign out 26

Password Policy and Requirements

1. Password Requirements

When creating a password for your NYCHA account, make sure:

- Your password contains at least 15 characters AND...
- Meets at least **three** of the following complexity requirements:
 - o Includes uppercase letters (e.g., A-Z)
 - Includes lowercase letters (e.g., a-z)
 - o Includes numbers (e.g., 1-9)
 - Includes a special character (e.g., @, \$, !, etc.)

2. Password Security

You are required to **keep your password confidential** at all times. **Never share your password** with anyone, including supervisors, colleagues, or other staff members. Sharing your password puts sensitive information at risk and may lead to unauthorized access to your account. If you believe your password has been compromised, you must open a ticket on **ES Connect** by visiting nychahelp.service-now.com/esc and clicking "Report an IT Issue."

You should either use a **password manager** to securely store your passwords or store them in a secure place that only you can access. If you need assistance with setting up a password manager, the IT team can help guide you.

3. Mandatory Email Access

You are **required to check your NYCHA email account regularly** to stay updated on work-related communications, important notices, and IT-related updates. You must check your email **at least once every day**. If checking your email daily is not possible, you must check it **at least once a month**.

If you fail to log in to your email account regularly, your account may **expire or become deactivated**. Accounts that remain inactive for long periods will be automatically deactivated for security reasons, and you may lose access to important systems and communications.

4. Account Responsibility

You are **responsible for knowing your NYCHA email address and password at all times**. If you forget your credentials or have trouble accessing your account, you must immediately open a ticket on **ES Connect** by visiting nychahelp.service-now.com/esc and clicking "Report an IT Issue." You can also call the **IT Service Desk** at **212-306-7000** for assistance. IT will help with resetting passwords and recovering accounts, but it is your responsibility to maintain your login information securely.

5. Microsoft Authenticator Requirement

For extra security, **you must use Microsoft Authenticator** for two-factor authentication when signing in to NYCHA systems. This app provides an additional layer of protection by requiring a second verification step after entering your password.

NYCHA Mobile Device (Handheld): If you have a NYCHA-issued mobile device, often referred to as a "handheld," you must have the Microsoft Authenticator app installed and set up on that device.

Personal Device: If you do not have a NYCHA-issued handheld device, you are required to download the Microsoft Authenticator app on your **personal mobile device**. While NYCHA cannot guarantee the provision of a handheld device, using the Microsoft Authenticator app on your personal device is mandatory for accessing NYCHA systems.

NOTE: The **Microsoft Authenticator app does not collect or store any personal data**. It is used solely for generating time-based, one-time passcodes (TOTP) for secure login. The app works as a general key logger for authentication purposes and does not track your activities or record any data outside of its intended function.

6. Enforcement

Failure to follow this policy may result in the loss of access to NYCHA systems, potential security risks, and other issues related to account management. You are expected to comply with this policy to help maintain the security and efficiency of NYCHA's IT environment.

Need assistance?

For help with passwords, email access, or any IT-related issues, you can open a ticket on ES Connect by visiting <u>nychahelp.service-now.com/esc</u> and clicking "Report an IT Issue," or call the IT Service Desk at 212-306-7000.