

User Manual

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Virtual Office of Acquisition (VOA) User Registration

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Virtual Office of Acquisition (VOA)

This virtual office provides a foundation for the acquisition community that allows the government to better communicate with the general public, manage the acquisition data internally, and share information seamlessly with existing applications.

The Virtual Office of Acquisition (VOA) will initially consist of the Supplier Relationship Transformation Portal. VA recognizes that our Supplier community is a significant partner in addressing critical acquisition issues. This portal facilitates an easy and open exchange of information from the Supplier community to key VA decision makers.

Registration for a first time user

Home page

- <https://www.voa.va.gov/>
- The main page of the United States Department of Veteran Affairs Virtual Office of Acquisition website home page (See Figure 1) contains a description of the Virtual Office of Acquisition.
- Click on the Registration link.

The screenshot shows the top navigation bar of the VA Virtual Office of Acquisition website. The header includes the text "UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF VETERANS AFFAIRS" on the left, the VA seal in the center, and "VIRTUAL OFFICE OF ACQUISITION" on the right. Below the header is a navigation menu with links for "Home", "Transformation", "Registration", and "Login". A welcome message reads "Welcome to the VA Virtual Office of Acquisition". The main content area contains three paragraphs: the first describes the virtual office's purpose; the second states that the VOA will initially consist of the Supplier Relationship Transformation Portal; the third outlines future plans for a customer portal and integration with the Electronic Contract Management System. A footer section contains a privacy notice and a list of links including "Español", "VA Forms", "Locations", "Contact the VA", "Frequently Asked Questions (FAQs)", "Site Map", "Privacy Policy", "Web Policies & Important Links", "Regulations & Guidance Documents", "Small Business Contacts", "Freedom of Information Act", "No FEAR Act Data", "Directives", "USA.gov", "White House", "USA Freedom Corps", "ExpectMore", and "GovBenefits".

Figure 1: Home Page

Create a New Account

- The registration link will lead to the *Create a New Account* section (see Figure 2.)
- There are six fields for information entry.
- A red asterisk indicates a required field.
- In the first field, type in the desired username.

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- In the next field, type in a password. The password must contain:
 - at least 8 characters
 - both upper and lower case letters,
 - at least one number
 - at least one special character
 - In the Confirm Password field, retype the password *exactly* as it was typed in the Password box. In the E-mail box, please type in a valid email address in the format of: xxxxx@xxxxx.com.
 - Next, choose a security question to answer by clicking the drop down arrow at the end of the Security Question box. If a password is forgotten, the security question chosen here will be asked and enter the answer specified in the field below.
 - In the Security Answer field, type in the answer to the selected question above.
 - When all of the fields are completed, click “Create User”.
 - Note: It is not permitted to have the same username or email address as another member.
 - If you specify a username or email address that has already been used, a notification in red text will appear at the bottom of the screen.
 - If the username is in use, the notification will say “Please enter a different user name”.
 - If the email entered is already in use, the notification will say, “The e-mail address that you entered is already in use. Please enter a different e-mail address.”
 - Add that the user needs to contact support if they have forgotten the security question answer.
 - Once the information is accepted, a message box will come up that says “Your account has been successfully created. Click ‘Continue’ to complete your registration.” (Figure 3.)

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DEPARTMENT OF VETERANS AFFAIRS

VIRTUAL OFFICE OF ACQUISITION

Home | Transformation | Registration | Login

Create a New Account

User Name: *

Password: *
(Must be at least 8 characters, contain both upper and lower case letters, at least one number and one special character)

Confirm Password: *

E-mail: *

Security Question: * What is your favorite sports team?

If you forget your password you will be asked the security question you choose here and prompted to enter the answer you specify below.

Security Answer: *

* Required Field

Create User

Figure 2: Create a New Account

Create a New Account

Account Created

Your account has been successfully created.
Please click 'Continue' to complete your registration.

Continue

Figure 3: Successful Account Creation

Enter personal information

- Once the “Continue” button is clicked, the *Contact Information* form appears (see Figure 4.)
- Data should be entered into the fields as follows:
 - **Company Name** - Enter company name. All standard alphanumeric characters are allowed in the field. The length of this field is limited to XX characters.
 - **Department/Organization** - Enter the desired department or organization name.

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- **Division** - Enter the division of the department or organization that was entered above.
 - **Business type** - Click the drop down arrow at the end of the box and select the type of business by clicking on it.
 - **First name** - Enter the first name.
 - **Last name** - Enter the last name.
 - Address 1- enter an address.
 - **City**- Enter the city.
 - **State** - Click the drop down arrow at the end of the box and select the state by clicking on it.
 - **Zip code** - Enter the zip code of the previously entered city.
 - **Phone number** - Enter a valid phone number.
 - The above information is required and will appear as the company information for the proposal. Once all the required information is filled out in the boxes, click the “Save” button at the bottom of the screen.
 - Once the “Save” button is clicked, the page will redirect to the *Proposal Submittal Form* (see figure 11).



Contact Information

Account Information

Company Name:*

Department/Organization Name:*

Division:*

Business Type:*

CCR Cage Code:

[If you do not have a CCR Cage Code, click here to register.](#)

First Name:*

Last Name:*

Title:

Address 1:*

Address 2:

City:*

State:*

Zip Code:*

Phone Number:*

Alternate Phone Number:

Fax Number:

Email:

* Required Field:

Figure 4: Contact Information

Login for Previously Registered Users

Home page to Login

- The main panel of the United States Department of Veteran Affairs Virtual Office of Acquisition website home page (See Figure 1), contains a description of the Virtual Office of Acquisition. Above this description, there are four links for VOA navigation.
- Select the link for Login (see Figure 5).



The screenshot shows the login page for the Virtual Office of Acquisition. At the top, there is a dark blue header with the text "UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF VETERANS AFFAIRS" and the "VIRTUAL OFFICE OF ACQUISITION" logo. Below the header is a navigation bar with links for "Home", "Transformation", "Registration", and "Login". The "Login" link is highlighted. The main content area has a light blue background and contains the following text: "You must be a registered user to access the Virtual Office of Acquisition (VOA) Supplier Relationship Transformation Portal. This single registration will be used for all VOA modules." Below this is a link: "If you have not yet registered, please click the registration link below to do so." There are two input fields: "User Name:" and "Password:". To the right of the "Password:" field is a "Log In" button. Below the input fields are three red links: "If you do not have a login, please register first.", "Forget your password?", and "Forget your Username?". At the bottom, there is a link for assistance: "If you need assistance contact voahelp@va.gov".

Figure 5: Login page

Logging In

- Enter User Name and Password.
- Click Login.
- Below the User Name and Password text boxes are links in red. The first link is for users who have not yet created a login, and need to register. The second and third links are for users who have forgotten either a password or a user name.
- If further assistance is needed, a Virtual Office of Acquisition help email address is listed at the bottom of the page.

Logout

In order to log out of the United States Department of Veterans Affairs Virtual Office of Acquisition website, click the “Logout” link. This link is located near the top of the page to the right of the “My Account” link.

Once the user is logged out, it will automatically redirect to the home page. To log in again or log in a different user, click the “Login” link near the top of the page, next to the registration.

Forgetting a Username or Password

Recovering a Password

- If a password has been forgotten, click the link that reads, “Forget your password?” to open the password recovery page (See Figure 6).
- Enter a user name and click “Submit.”



The screenshot shows the top navigation bar of the United States Department of Veterans Affairs Virtual Office of Acquisition website. The header includes the text "UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF VETERANS AFFAIRS" and "VIRTUAL OFFICE OF ACQUISITION" with the VA seal in the center. Below the header is a navigation menu with links for "Home", "Transformation", "Registration", and "Login". The main content area is titled "Forget Your Password?". It contains the instruction "Enter your User Name to receive your password." followed by a form field labeled "User Name: *". Below the field is a red asterisk and the text "* Required Field". A "Submit" button is located at the bottom right of the form area.

Figure 6: Forgot Password

The screenshot shows the top navigation bar with the text "UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF VETERANS AFFAIRS" and "VIRTUAL OFFICE OF ACQUISITION" along with the VA seal. Below the navigation bar are links for "Home", "Support", and "Login". The main heading is "Forget Your Password?". The form content includes the text "Identity Confirmation" and "Answer the following question to receive your password." It displays "User Name: newuser" and "Question: What is your favorite sports team?". The "Answer:" field is empty and marked with a red asterisk and the text "* Required Field". A "Submit" button is located at the bottom right of the form area.

Figure 7: Identity Confirmation

- The *Identity Confirmation* page will appear (Figure 7.) Enter the answer to the security question. (This question was selected and answered during registration.)
- An email is sent to the user's account (established during registration)
- The email that is sent to the user will contain a randomly generated password.
- Return to the VOA login page and login using the information from the email.

Recovering a User Name

If a user name has been forgotten, click the link that reads, "Forget your Username?" to open the user name recovery page (See Figure 8).

The screenshot shows the top navigation bar with the text "UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF VETERANS AFFAIRS" and "VIRTUAL OFFICE OF ACQUISITION" along with the VA seal. Below the navigation bar are links for "Home", "Transformation", "Registration", and "Login". The main heading is "Forget Your Username?". The form content includes the text "Enter your Email address to receive your Username." and "Email Address: *" followed by an empty text input field. Below the input field is a red asterisk and the text "* Required Field". A "Submit" button is located at the bottom center of the form area.

Figure 8 Forgot Username

- Enter the email address and click "Submit."
- Red text will appear as a notification that an email has been sent.

- Check email. The email will contain a username for the VOA and a URL to return to the site and login.

Changing or Updating User Information

On the My Account page, which displays the Proposal dashboard, there is a link on the right side below the VOA banner that says “Show Info”. Click this link.

A page containing your information will be displayed (See Figure 9).

Figure 9 Show Info

The screenshot shows a user interface for viewing and editing account information. At the top, the user is identified as "(mgr) John Doe" and there is a "Hide Info" link. Below this, there are two tabs: "Contact Information" (selected) and "Account Information". The main content area is a table with the following fields:

Company Name:	Company Name
Department/Organization Name:	Organization
Division:	Division
Business Type:	Other
CCR Cage Code:	
First Name:	John
Last Name:	Doe
Title:	Mr.
Address 1:	123 Waverly Street
Address 2:	a
City:	Our Town
State:	MASSACHUSETTS
Zip Code:	12345
Phone Number:	555-555-5555
Alternate Phone Number:	
Fax Number:	
Email:	asdf@tridectech.com

An "Edit" button is located at the bottom right of the form.

- Click “Edit”.
- This will allow the information to be edited. Areas with a red asterisk are required fields.
- The user’s email address cannot be changed.
- Save when finished.

The screenshot shows the top navigation bar of the Virtual Office of Acquisition website. It includes the text "UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF VETERANS AFFAIRS" and "VIRTUAL OFFICE OF ACQUISITION" with the VA seal. Below this is a menu with "Home", "Transformation", "My Account", "Logout", and "user name". The main content area is titled "(user name) first last" and has a "Hide Info" link. Two tabs are visible: "Contact Information" and "Account Information". The "Account Information" tab is active and contains the following fields: "User Name: user name", "Password:*" (with a note: "(Must be at least 8 characters, contain both upper and lower case letters, at least one number and one special character)"), "New Password:*", and "Confirm New Password:*". A red asterisk indicates a required field. Below these are "Change Password" and "Cancel" buttons. Further down are "Current Password:*", "Security Question:" (with a dropdown menu showing "What is your favorite sports team?"), a note: "If you forget your password you will be asked the security question you choose here and prompted to enter the answer you specify below.", "Security Answer:*", and an "Update Security" button.

Figure 10: Show Info: Account Information

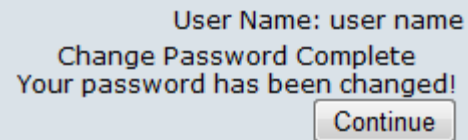
Account Information

This tab allows users to change the password or security question for their account. It is located next to the Contact Information tab when the Show Info is open (see Figure 10).

Change Password

A password can be changed from the Account Information tab, by providing the following information:

- “Password”: Enter the current password
- “New Password”: Type the desired new password
- “Confirm New Password”: Retype the same new password
- Click “Change Password”
- “Change Password Complete” will appear (See Figure 11).

A light blue rectangular message box with a thin border. The text inside is centered and reads: "User Name: user name", "Change Password Complete", "Your password has been changed!", and a "Continue" button at the bottom right.

User Name: user name
Change Password Complete
Your password has been changed!
Continue

Figure 11: Change Password Complete

Change Security Question

- “Current Password”: Enter the current password
- “Security Question”: Click the drop down arrow and select the desired security question
- “Security Answer”: Enter desired security answer to the new question
- Click “Update Security”
- “Your security question has been updated” will appear in red.