



# HIGH COURT OF AUSTRALIA

## Introduction of multi-factor authentication (MFA) for the Digital Lodgment System (DLS) Portal

The High Court of Australia will introduce **multi-factor authentication (MFA)** for access to the **Digital Lodgment System (DLS) Portal** in July 2026.

MFA is a security measure that requires users to verify their identity using more than one factor when logging in. It is being implemented to strengthen the protection of court systems and information.

### Application of MFA

MFA will apply to **all DLS Portal user accounts**.

Once implemented, users will be required to complete an additional verification step each time they log in to the DLS Portal, in addition to entering their username and password.

### Purpose of the change

The introduction of MFA supports the Court's ongoing commitment to maintaining the security, integrity and availability of its electronic systems. It also aligns with Australian Government cyber security standards and contemporary practice across courts and registries.

### User preparation

Prior to MFA becoming mandatory, users will be provided with information about:

- how to register for MFA
- supported authentication methods (Authenticator Application, SMS or Email)
- steps to take if access to an authentication device is lost or changed.

Users should ensure they have access to a suitable device to complete MFA registration and ongoing authentication.

### Further information

Further details, including implementation timing and user guidance, will be made available on the High Court website and communicated to DLS Portal users once the implementation date is confirmed.

Enquiries regarding this change may be directed to [Registry@hcourt.gov.au](mailto:Registry@hcourt.gov.au).