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How Foreigners Register WeChat and Use WeChat Pay

外国人如何注册微信、开通并使用微信支付

WeChat registration now requires a second person to vouch for you, so it is worth doing before you fly. This guide covers what to prepare, the six registration steps, real-name verification, and the two ways to pay once your card is linked.

微信注册现在需要另一位微信用户协助验证，建议在出发前完成。本指南说明需要准备的材料、六个注册步骤、实名认证，以及绑卡之后的两种付款方式。

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01 Pre-registration preparation

注册前准备

A phone number	An ID document	A helper	10 minutes
Must be able to receive international SMS 能接收国际短信的手机号	Passport, Mainland Travel Permit, or a Permanent Residence ID card 护照、港澳台居民来往内地通行证或永久居留身份证	Someone who joined WeChat over 6 months ago and has WeChat Pay active 一位注册满 6 个月、已开通微信支付的微信用户	The helper must scan your QR code within that window 辅助验证需在 10 分钟内扫码完成

1. **A valid mobile phone number,** which must be able to receive international SMS.
   一个有效的手机号，需能正常接收国际短信。
2. **Identity verification documents:** Passport · Mainland Travel Permit for Hong Kong and Macao Residents · Mainland Travel Permit for Taiwan Residents · Foreigner's Permanent Residence Identity Card, etc.
   身份证件：护照、港澳居民来往内地通行证、台湾居民来往大陆通行证、外国人永久居留身份证等。
3. **Preparation for supplementary verification:** contact eligible WeChat users in advance. They must meet every condition:
   提前联系可协助验证的微信用户，须同时满足以下全部条件：
   - Signed up for WeChat over 6 months ago
     注册微信满 6 个月
   - Has activated WeChat Pay
     已开通微信支付
   - Hasn't completed "Help Friend Register" for other users in the past month
     近 1 个月内未帮他人完成过「辅助注册」
   - Hasn't been blocked in the past month
     近 1 个月内账号未被封禁
4. **Search for "WeChat"** in the Apple App Store or Google Play, then download and update to the latest version.
   在 App Store 或 Google Play 搜索「WeChat」，下载并更新至最新版本。



Download WeChat from the Apple App Store or Google Play

在 App Store 或 Google Play 下载微信

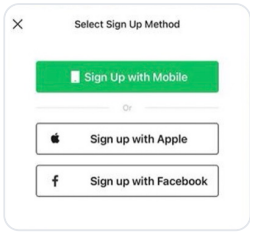
02 Detailed registration process

详细注册流程 · 第 1–3 步

Step 1 Choose how to sign up 选择注册方式

Open the WeChat app and select “Sign Up”. Prioritise selecting **“Sign Up with Mobile”**. You can also choose to sign up with an Apple ID or Facebook account, but both require additional phone number verification.

打开微信，点「注册」。优先选择**「手机号注册」**。也可以用 Apple ID 或 Facebook 账号注册，但两者都需要额外完成手机号验证。



Step 2 Fill in basic information 填写基本信息

Enter your full name, set the region, your mobile number and a password. Confirm that you have read and accept the Terms of Service. The information collected on this page is only used for account registration.

填写姓名全称，选择地区，输入手机号并设置密码，勾选并同意服务条款。本页收集的信息仅用于注册账号。



Step 3 Accept and continue 同意并继续

Tap “Accept and Continue” to pass the security verification and the SMS authentication. The code is sent to the number you entered in Step 2.

点「同意并继续」，通过安全验证与短信验证。验证码会发送到第 2 步填写的手机号。

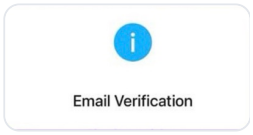
03 Registration, continued

详细注册流程 · 第 4–6 步

Step 4 Verify your email 邮箱验证

Enter your email address, receive the verification email sent by WeChat, click the link in the email, then return to the app and confirm “I have completed verification”.

填写邮箱地址，收到微信发出的验证邮件后点击邮件中的链接，再回到 App 点「我已完成验证」。



Step 5 Ask a friend to verify you 好友辅助验证

Contact a WeChat user who meets the following conditions. They do not have to be your WeChat friend. Ask them to scan the on-screen QR code **within 10 minutes**.

联系符合以下条件的微信用户协助验证，对方不必是你的微信好友。请其在**10 分钟内**扫描页面上的二维码。

- Signed up for WeChat over 6 months ago
  注册微信满 6 个月
- Has activated WeChat Pay
  已开通微信支付
- Hasn’t completed “Help Friend Register” for other users in the past month
  近 1 个月内未帮他人完成过「辅助注册」
- Hasn’t been blocked in the past month
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Step 6 Complete registration 完成注册

Select the services you need to activate (such as short video channels and news push), tap “Finish”, and you will be able to enter the WeChat chat interface.

按需勾选要开通的服务（如视频号、资讯推送），点「完成」后即可进入微信聊天界面。

Line up your helper before you start 开始前先约好协助验证的人

The QR code expires after 10 minutes and the helper must meet all four conditions. If nobody is available, registration cannot be completed — so agree on a time with your contact before you begin.

二维码 10 分钟后失效，且协助者须同时满足四项条件。若临时无人可协助，注册无法完成，因此请先与人约好时间再开始。

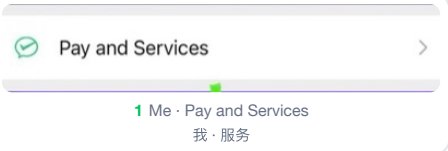
04 Real-name authentication

实名认证

Me → Services → Wallet → ID Info → Verify Now

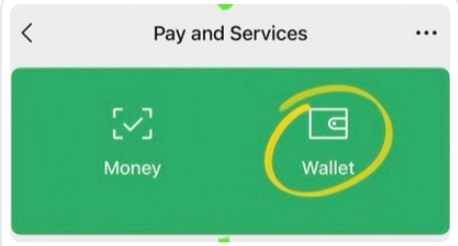
Click “Me” – “Services” – “Wallet”, find “ID Info” – “Verify Now” – choose the type of ID certificate and fill in the information (name, ID number, validity period, etc.).

对应中文菜单：我 → 服务 → 钱包 → 身份信息 → 立即认证。选择证件类型后填写姓名、证件号码、有效期等信息。



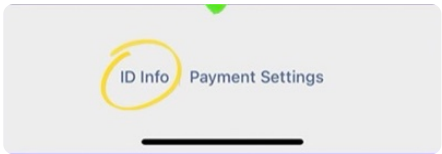
1 Me · Pay and Services

我 · 服务



2 Wallet is circled in green

钱包（绿框处）



3 Wallet · ID Info

钱包 · 身份信息

Verification is checked against the document you upload. Enter the name exactly as printed, in capitals if the passport uses capitals. 认证信息将与上传的证件核对，请按证件原文填写；护照使用大写的，填写时同样使用大写。

05 Set up WeChat Pay

开通微信支付

Step 1 Open Bank Cards 进入银行卡

Click “Bank Cards” in “Wallet”.

在「钱包」中点「银行卡」。

Step 2 Add a bank card 添加银行卡

Click “Add a Bank Card” and fill in your bank card information.

点「添加银行卡」，填写银行卡信息。

Step 3 Verify your phone 手机号验证

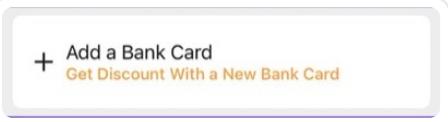
Fill in your mobile phone number, get the verification code and complete the verification.

填写手机号，获取验证码并完成验证。

Step 4 Set the payment password 设置支付密码

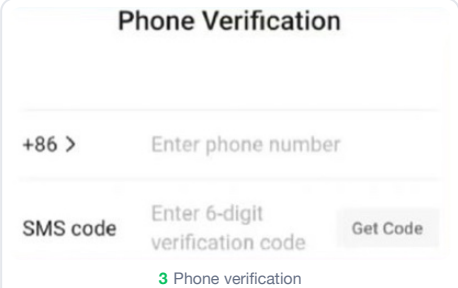
Finally, set the payment password. It is used for every payment, so choose something you will remember.

最后设置支付密码。每次付款都会用到，请设置一个自己记得住的密码。



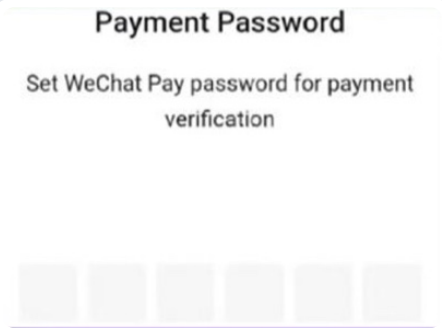
2 Add a Bank Card

添加银行卡



3 Phone verification

手机号验证



4 Set the payment password

设置支付密码

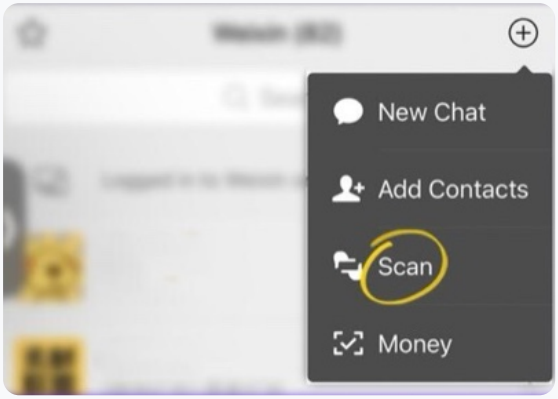
06 Usage quick guide

使用速查

1 Scan a QR code to pay 扫商户收款码付款（主扫）

Tap “+” → “Scan”, frame the merchant’s green QR code, then confirm the amount on screen.

点右上角「+」→「扫一扫」，对准商户的绿色收款码，核对屏幕金额后确认付款。



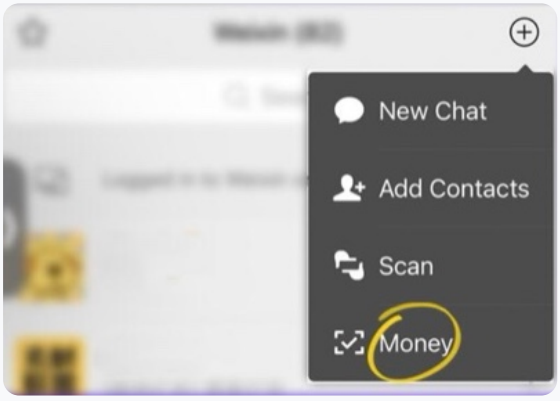


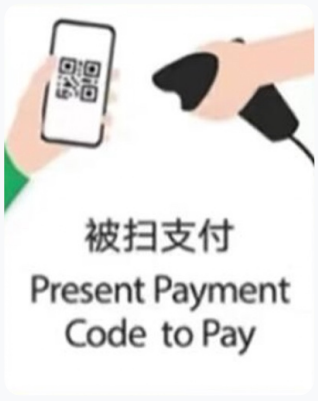
1 Tap “+” then “Scan” 点「+」再点「扫一扫」　2 Frame the merchant’s code 对准商户收款码

2 Present your payment code to pay 出示付款码付款（被扫）

Open “Money” and show your payment code; the cashier scans it with a handheld device.

打开「收付款」并出示付款码，由收银员用扫码枪扫描。





1 Open “Money” 点「收付款」　2 Show the payment code 出示付款码

Where it works 适用场景

Stalls, taxis, small shops and restaurants accept the scan; supermarkets, hotels and hospital cashiers usually scan your payment code instead.

路边摊、出租车、小店与餐厅适用「主扫」；超市、酒店与医院收费窗口通常反过来扫你的付款码。

Before you confirm 确认前核对

Check the merchant name, the amount and the currency on screen. Do not show your payment code to anyone but the cashier in front of you.

核对屏幕上的商户名称、金额与币种。付款码只向面前的收银员出示，不要给其他人。

Before you fly 行前清单

1. **Register at home.** The friend verification needs someone available within a 10-minute window.
   在国内先完成注册：好友辅助验证需要在 10 分钟内有人在旁扫码。
2. **Real-name verification** is needed before payments, and it needs your passport in hand.
   付款前需完成实名认证，认证时需要手持护照。
3. **Add the card before you leave** and make one small test payment to confirm it works.
   出发前完成绑卡，并做一笔小额测试付款，确认可用。

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