How to check your mutual fund KYC status? Check this complete step-by-step guide

SUMMARY

Know your customer (KYC) verification is mandatory for mutual fund investors. It helps to mitigate risks associated with money laundering and fraud related to money. If your KYC is on hold, you need to consult your financial advisor, mutual fund distributor or investment broker and understand the further plan of action.

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Mutual funds are a well-known investment option throughout India that offers a chance to amplify your wealth over a long period. However, before investing in mutual funds, it is important to complete your KYC verification. By verifying details such as identity and address, KYC helps ensure legitimacy of the investor's information.

WHY IS KYC IMPORTANT FOR INVESTING IN MUTUAL FUNDS?

KYC plays an important role in protecting the interests of both investors and mutual fund companies. Here's why KYC is important for investing in mutual funds:

- 1. Protects Investors: KYC verification helps to prevent fraudulent activities such as identity theft. It also ensures that the person investing in the mutual fund is the appropriate owner of the funds.
- Reduces risks: KYC makes it easy for the legal team to identify criminals and frauds involved in the money laundering process. Therefore, it reduces risks and provides you with a safe and secure mode of investment.
- Ensures regulatory compliance: KYC is a mandatory process set by the Securities and Exchange Board of India (SEBI) for every mutual fund investor. Mutual fund companies are also obligated to comply with KYC regulations to ensure a transparent investment environment for all the investors.

STEPS TO CHECK YOUR KYC STATUS:

Visit any Mutual Fund's or Registrar & Transfer Agent's (RTA) Website where you have an investment.

Check for "KYC Status" link, if available.

Else, visit https://www.cvlkra.com/ and click on KYC Inquiry

Enter your 10-digit PAN and Captcha and click on Submit.

Your KYC Status will be displayed as 'KYC Validated / KYC Registered / KYC On-Hold'.

WHAT DOES EACH KYC STATUS IMPLY?

KYC VALIDATED

- Relax! You have to do nothing at all!
- Over 73% of investors are KYC Validated, you too are one of them.
- You can do any transaction in any mutual fund, anytime.

KYC REGISTERED

You can continue making transactions (like Purchases, Redemptions, Switches, SIPs, etc.) in all your existing Mutual Fund investments without any hassle.

Only if you want to invest in a mutual fund where you don't have any investment already, you will have to do your KYC once again.

You can get your KYC status changed to 'KYC Validated' by doing the KYC Update/ KYC Modification process using PAN and Aadhaar from XML, Digi-locker or M-Aadhaar.

The process to do this is simple, available on all Mutual Fund/RTA websites and takes few minutes to complete.

Once your KYC status changes to Validated you can invest in any Mutual Fund of your choice without any requirement of re-KYC.

WHAT DO YOU DO IF YOUR KYC STATUS IS "ON HOLD/REJECTED"?

If your KYC status is "on hold", it means that there may be some discrepancy with the documents submitted. Here's what you need to do:

- Identify the issue: The KRA or Mutual Fund Company will assist you with the reason for which your KYC is on hold. This may be due to a mismatch in your address proof, PAN details, Mobile or Email not validated/PAN is not linked with Aadhaar / Deficiency in the KYC documents/other documents.
- Resubmit the documents: Once the issue is identified, you will have to resubmit the documents as per the requirements. After reviewing your documents, your KYC will get approved, provided it meets the guidelines.
- 3. The steps to resolve any KYC issues are easy and can be done from the comfort of your home. In case of any difficulties, feel free to contact your intermediaries or KRAs office/ helpline (available on their website) for further assistance.
- 4. To conclude, KYC verification is a simple process that ensures a safe and secure investment experience in mutual funds. By completing your KYC and keeping your KYC details updated, you can invest in mutual funds with peace of mind. Remember, a KYC-compliant investor is a protected investor.

How to Check Your KYC Status?

- 1) Visit cvlkra and click on the "KYC Inquiry" link.
- 2) NSE (DotEx International)

Visit nsekra and enter your PAN number in the "KYC Inquiry" section.

3) NSDL Database Management Ltd (NDML)

Visit kra.ndml and click on the "KYC Inquiry" link.

4) CAMS

Visit camskra and enter your PAN number in the "MY KYC Status" section.

5) Karvy

Visit karvykra and click on the KYC Enquiry link.

Your KRA will display the KYC status and you can take action, if required.

How to Update Your KYC Status?

If your existing KYC status is anything other than "KYC validated", you can validate/update your KYC status from any AMC or your respective KRA website. Click on the update KYC link and follow the instructions. You will need to keep your PAN and Aadhaar card details ready before proceeding with the KYC update. Once your KYC status gets updated to "KYC validated", you can invest seamlessly with any AMC.

SEBI has made changes to the KYC requirements from 1st April 2024. All AMCs and SEBI Registered Intermediaries (SRIs) have to check the KYC details of existing investors and new investors. As a result, all investors will have to check their KYC status to continue with their existing and new investments.

If their KYC status is anything other than "KYC validated", they may face some restrictions on some or all financial transactions. In this article, we will discuss the changes in KYC rules, how to check your status, and what you should do.

Current Documents Classified as OVD for KYC

Before we look at the KYC statuses, it is important for you to understand which documents are accepted as officially valid documents (OVDs) for KYC purposes. From 1st April 2024, the KYC status will depend on the officially valid document (OVD) you submitted at the time of KYC. The current set of documents classified as OVD for KYC purposes include the following:

Passport

Driving license

Aadhaar

Voter's ID

Job card issued by NREGA duly signed by an officer of the State Government

Letter issued by the National Population Register containing details of name and address

Any other document as notified by the Central Government in consultation with the Regulator