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Thread: [\[2FA\] Authy vs Google Authenticator](#)

?Synapse - March 4, 2017, 6:20 pm

For those who have 2FA enabled, which one are you currently using/prefer?

I was using Google Authenticator up until this point when I made the switch to Authy due to its ability to sync accounts across multiple devices.

I realized I needed this since I am constantly flashing new ROMs onto my phone and didn't want to risk getting locked out of my accounts.

If you're still using Google Authenticator, consider the switch to Authy. It'll be handy in case those dreaded phone accidents you've been imagining about, turn into a reality.

Charger - March 4, 2017, 6:21 pm

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(Mar 4, 2017 07:21 PM)Charger Wrote: [\[CITE\]](#) Don't do google. If you lose your phone then it's gone. Use Authy so you can recover it.

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Charger - March 4, 2017, 6:24 pm

(Mar 4, 2017 07:23 PM)?Synapse Wrote: [\[CITE\]](#) Definitely, it'll be really convenient in those cases. I'm pretty sure Omni said that the account is lost if you lose access because of google Authenticator.

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I believe so, I've been taking precaution every time I make changes to my phone because of this. Now I can freely experiment as long as I have access to this phone number.

(Mar 4, 2017 07:26 PM)Tsundere Wrote: [\[CITE\]](#) Used Google Auth at first, but soon learned that authy was better imo.

For sure, I wish I'd have known about it sooner.

Charger - March 4, 2017, 6:27 pm

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Charger - March 4, 2017, 6:29 pm

(Mar 4, 2017 07:28 PM)Currency Wrote: [\[CITE\]](#) What about for Youtube and stuff like that? I'd rather keep all my Auths together. It's just easier to keep up with.

?Synapse - March 4, 2017, 6:30 pm

(Mar 4, 2017 07:27 PM)Charger Wrote: [\[CITE\]](#) I used google Authenticator and my phone went rip. Luckily I was still logged in and able to remove gauth. Now I use Authy.
That's what I'm afraid of, although I have my accounts logged in on my laptop, you never know what could happen.

(Mar 4, 2017 07:28 PM)Currency Wrote: [\[CITE\]](#) What about for Youtube and stuff like that?
Authy supports anything which Google Authenticator will support, so since Youtube goes under your Google Account, it's supported by Authy.

EasyPeasy - March 4, 2017, 6:36 pm

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Aigrod - March 4, 2017, 6:39 pm

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test - March 4, 2017, 6:39 pm

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(Mar 4, 2017 07:36 PM)EasyPeasy Wrote: [\[CITE\]](#) both are great options, your google auth is not gone if you copied to security passphrase, authy is a login so yeah, hard to lose. thats the difference
I don't understand what you mean by "copied to security passphrase", I never knew it had such a feature.

(Mar 4, 2017 07:39 PM)DePixel Wrote: [\[CITE\]](#) I was using Google Authenticator but as I've read this thread I changed to Authy.

Yeah, I'd say it's definitely more worth it in the long run. Be sure to look into the features and how to migrate devices though.

(Mar 4, 2017 07:39 PM)testaccountplsignore Wrote: [\[CITE\]](#) I use Authy. I don't use it for a whole lot apart from here on HackForums though.

I'm surprised you don't use 2FA for other websites.

Ravioli - March 4, 2017, 6:42 pm

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untrusted - March 4, 2017, 6:43 pm

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Mi2414 - March 4, 2017, 6:43 pm

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If you're paranoid like me about possibly losing/breaking your phone, Authy is definitely worth the switch.

Vitani's Mate - March 4, 2017, 6:51 pm

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Seems so, and I hope it won't be affected by me tampering with my phone in the future.