

# How to Buy an Autheo Validator Node

## A Plain-English Guide for First-Time Crypto Buyers

Every generation has one technology that changes everything — and the people who recognize it early are positioned unlike anyone who comes after. Autheo is a blockchain that processes over one billion transactions per second, built to power AI systems, enterprises, and the next generation of the internet. Right now, before mainnet launches, you can own a piece of the infrastructure itself as a validator node owner.

This guide will walk you through every step. You don't need any prior crypto experience. Take your time, follow each step carefully, and **never rush when moving money**. Only invest what you can afford to lose — this is a genuine opportunity, but all investments carry risk.

## Part 1: Set Up Your Crypto Wallet (Trust Wallet)

Before you can buy anything in crypto, you need a **wallet** — a free app that holds your funds and lets you connect to sites like Autheo. We'll use **Trust Wallet**, which is beginner-friendly and officially supported by the Autheo platform.

### Download and Create Your Wallet

- On your phone, open the App Store (iPhone) or Google Play Store (Android).
- Search for "Trust Wallet" and install it. It is free. Only download from official app stores — never from a link someone sends you.
- Open Trust Wallet and tap "Create a new wallet."
- Set up a passcode, Face ID, or fingerprint to protect the app.

### Save Your Secret Recovery Phrase — Critical Step

Trust Wallet will show you 12 random words. This is your **Secret Recovery Phrase** and it is the master key to your wallet.

- Write all 12 words on paper, in order. Store the paper somewhere safe.
- Do NOT take a screenshot. Do NOT save them in email or notes.
- Do NOT share these words with anyone — ever. If someone asks, it is a scam.

**⚠️ If you lose these 12 words and lose your phone, your funds are gone permanently. There is no password reset.**

- Trust Wallet will ask you to confirm the phrase by tapping words in order. Do this, then your wallet is ready.

### Find Your Ethereum Address

- In Trust Wallet, find Ethereum (ETH) in your token list and tap it.
- Tap "Receive" — you'll see a long address starting with 0x... That is your personal wallet address.
- You can share this address safely. Tap "Copy" to copy it — you will need it in Part 2.

## Part 2: Buy Ethereum (ETH) and Load Your Wallet

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Autheo nodes are purchased with **Ethereum (ETH)** — one of the most widely used cryptocurrencies. Buy slightly more than the node price to cover small transaction fees (usually under \$1). You have two easy options:

### Option A: Buy ETH Inside Trust Wallet (Simplest)

- In Trust Wallet, tap the “Buy” button on the home screen.
- Search for Ethereum (ETH) and select it.
- Enter the dollar amount you want to spend. For a \$70 Core Node, buy around \$75–\$80 worth to cover fees.
- Choose your payment method (credit card, debit card, or bank transfer) and complete the purchase.
- ETH will appear in your Trust Wallet balance within a few minutes.

*Note: You may be asked to verify your identity with your name, email, and a photo ID. This is required by law on all crypto platforms.*

### Option B: Buy on Coinbase, Then Transfer to Trust Wallet

- Go to [coinbase.com](https://coinbase.com) or download the Coinbase app. Create an account and complete identity verification (one-time, takes 5–15 minutes).
- In Coinbase, tap “Buy/Sell,” select Ethereum (ETH), enter your amount, and complete the purchase.
- To transfer to Trust Wallet: tap “Send,” select Ethereum, and paste your Trust Wallet 0x... address into the “To” field.

**⚠ Triple-check the address before sending. Select “Ethereum” as the network. Crypto transfers are irreversible.**

- Confirm the transfer. ETH arrives in Trust Wallet within a few minutes.

**About the Arbitrum Network:** Autheo runs on Arbitrum (built on top of Ethereum). When you connect to the Autheo site in Part 3, it will ask you to switch your wallet to Arbitrum. Simply approve when prompted — Trust Wallet handles everything automatically.

## Part 3: Buy Your Autheo Node

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### Node Tiers at a Glance:

- Core Node — Starting at \$70 — 1% stake, earns 13,160 THEO over 7 years
- Prime Node — Starting at \$600 — 10% stake, earns 131,579 THEO over 7 years
- Sovereign Node — Starting at \$5,000 — Full validator, earns 1,315,783 THEO over 7 years

*Prices increase every 25 nodes sold. There are only 399 Sovereign validators — total, ever.*

### Steps to Complete Your Purchase

1. Open [commerce.autheo.com](https://commerce.autheo.com) in your phone’s browser (Safari or Chrome).
2. Tap “Connect Wallet” and select Trust Wallet from the menu. Approve the connection in Trust Wallet — this does not spend any money.
3. Check the three Terms boxes and tap “Connect Wallet and Sign In.”
4. Tap “Node Sale Platform” at the top and choose your node tier.

5. If prompted to switch to the Arbitrum network, tap “Switch” or “Approve” in Trust Wallet.
6. Enter the number of nodes you want, review the total, and tap the purchase button. Trust Wallet will open showing a Transaction Request — review the amount and tap “Confirm.”

**⚠️ Once you confirm, the transaction cannot be reversed. Double-check everything before tapping Confirm.**

7. Tap “My Orders” at the top of the Autheo site to confirm your purchase. Take a screenshot for your records.

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## Part 4: After Your Purchase

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### What Happens Next

- Your node begins emitting THEO tokens when Autheo’s mainnet launches.
- Emissions are paid automatically by the protocol on a fixed 7-year schedule. No action required on your part.
- Track your node and earnings from the Autheo platform using your connected wallet.

### Protect Your Investment

- Never share your 12-word Secret Recovery Phrase with anyone.
- Keep a physical backup of your phrase in a secure location.
- Enable two-factor authentication on any exchange accounts you created.
- Be alert to scams: Autheo will never message you asking for your seed phrase or funds.

### Useful Links

- Autheo Node Sale: [commerce.autheo.com](https://commerce.autheo.com)
- Autheo Official Site: [autheo.com](https://autheo.com)
- Trust Wallet: [trustwallet.com](https://trustwallet.com)
- Coinbase: [coinbase.com](https://coinbase.com)

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*You’ve done the hard part. You understand what this is, you have your wallet, and this guide walked you through it. **The rest is up to you.***