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Maestro®

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Executive overview

Mastercard publishes a monthly edition of the Certified Vendors (for Card Production Services of Any Mastercard, Maestro, or Cirrus Card) list in AN 1157 Vendors for Card Production Services Monthly Edition to identify vendors certified for card production services.

Effective date details

Date	Details
15 June 2025	June 2025 Certified Vendor List is effective.

Customer benefit

The list of certified vendors provides the company name, location, contact information, authorized card production services, Card Quality Management (CQM), and the Security Foil certification status for each certified vendor facility.

The list provides the certified vendors for each country and identifies vendor agents that are authorized to market cards on-behalf of a certified vendor.

What Mastercard is doing

Each month in *AN 1157 Vendors for Card Production Services Monthly Edition*, Mastercard publishes a list of vendors certified as meeting the Payment Card Industry (PCI) Card Production and Provisioning security requirements applied for the production of Mastercard, Maestro, or Cirrus cards.

Version history

Date	Description of change
17 June 2025	Update to Certified Vendor List for June 2025.
20 May 2025	Update to Certified Vendor List for May 2025.
15 April 2025	Update to Certified Vendor List for April 2025.
11 March 2025	Update to Certified Vendor List for March 2025.
11 February 2025	Update to Certified Vendor List for February 2025.
14 January 2025	Update to Certified Vendor List for January 2025.

Issuer impact

The enclosed Certified Vendors (for Card Production Services of Any Mastercard®, Maestro®, or Cirrus® Card) list provides a current listing of all vendors certified for card production services, effective 15 June 2025.

NOTE: This vendor list supersedes all lists that Mastercard previously published.

Vendor status change

Mastercard publishes the monthly edition of the list of certified vendors to provide customers with critical changes regarding:

- New vendors
- Vendor decertification or partial decertification
- Vendor extension of the card production activities certified
- Change of company name
- Vendor site address changes
- CQM indicator
- Security foil indicator
- Contact information changes

In addition to the full current list of certified vendors, changes to vendor certification status during the last two months are itemized in a separate section titled "Vendor Change Summary" located before the full vendor list. The "Vendor Change Summary" section is limited to significant changes. Less significant changes (such as contact information) are revised frequently and, as such, are not included in the summary

CQM assessment

Card Quality Management (CQM) is a separate Mastercard program that assesses card production quality and compliments the site security compliance managed by the Global Vendor Certification Program (GVCP).

Mastercard manages the program while operations are performed by Smart Consulting. CQM is mandatory for vendors that manufacture chip cards and strongly recommended for vendors that personalize chip cards as it promotes high-quality, reliability, and compliance with Mastercard card standards

The CQM information included in the list of certified vendors provides a convenient reference whereby issuers can confirm CQM participation and can obtain contact information for further information about the quality label(s) that a vendor has achieved. CQM quality labels identify the card production component assessed and its assessment status.

CQM card labels

CQM labels are granted for a given activity, location, and technology. Activities include manufacture of the integrated circuit card (ICC), ICC module, card body, embedding, and personalization. Technologies include contact only, contactless, and dual interface cards. The list of certified vendors only provides CQM information for services that are subject to GVCP certification. The services subject to GVCP certification are defined below.

The last digit of the CQM label provides the CQM status for the activity with either an **R** (which indicates the activity is recognized) or **A** (which indicates the activity is approved). Recognized vendors are in the process of having their production activity assessed, while approved indicates that the assessment process was successfully completed. Questions related to the CQM quality assessment process, testing criteria, and labels should be addressed to:

Email: cqm@smart-consulting.com

CQM indicator in monthly vendor list

Within the list of certified vendors, the CQM indicator **Q** is provided for each GVCP-certified activity to denote that the vendor has successfully completed the CQM quality assessment program (CQM label status = **A**). Mastercard encourages the prospective customer to obtain the applicable CQM label from the vendor. The name and email address of the individual established by the vendor as the contact for CQM is included in the vendor list and is also identified by a **Q** preceding the individual's name.

Holograms and Security Foils

Mastercard holograms and security foils are hot stamping products embedded with hidden security features, which serve to authenticate the integrity of the physical card.

The Mastercard Hologram Operations Team establishes the procurement relationship and manages the distribution of these products with card production facilities who are certified for card manufacturing services. For more information, please contact

Email: holograms@mastercard.com

Holograms

Holograms consist of a global design that is hot stamped on the card front or back of Mastercard branded cards. Maestro holograms are optional on Maestro branded cards. These are standard hologram products that are available to all vendors who manufacture Mastercard and Maestro branded cards on-behalf of Issuers. These products include:

- Silver and Gold Hologram
- Silver Debit and Copper Debit Hologram
- Maestro Hologram

Security Foils

The Premium Brand Mark (PBM) and Mastercard Secure Symbol (MSS) security foils are a representation of Mastercard's brand that must be positioned as Mastercard's branding element on the card front. Security foil products are only available to card manufacturers who have successfully completed a one-time certification process to validate application of the security foil to cards in accordance with Mastercard specifications. Certification must be completed before a vendor may accept an Issuer request to apply these security foils.

Within the Vendors Certified for Card Production Activities section, an indicator in the Services column identifies vendor facilities who have successfully achieved certification to hot stamp security foil products on-behalf of issuers. A **P** indicator following Card Manufacturer denotes vendors who have successfully achieved certification to hot stamp the Premium Brand Mark and the **S** indicator following Card Manufacture denotes vendors who have successfully achieved certification to hot stamp the Mastercard Secure Symbol.

Definition of services

The following activities are card production services. A customer employing a vendor to perform any such service on its behalf in connection with the issuance of cards, access devices, or mobile payment devices must ensure that the vendor has been certified by Mastercard under the Global Vendor Certification Program (GVCP).

Chapter 2 (Card Production Standards) of the *Security Rules and Procedures* manual provides further information about card production.

The following tables describe the card manufacture services, card personalization services, and other specialized services performed in connection with card production.

Card manufacturing services

Service	Definition
Chip Embedding	Process by which an integrated circuit is permanently attached to a payment card to become an integral part of the card.
Card Manufacture	Card production process composed of one or more of the following: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Pre-press (card design layout, printing films, and printing plates generation) • White plastic sheets printing • Sheets assembly • Sheets lamination • Sheets cutting or punching • Hologram and signature panel hot stamping

Card personalization services

Service	Definition
Card Personalization	<p>Process by which account, and when needed, product information is written to a card body, uniquely linking the card to a specific account. There are multiple technologies (such as, but not limited to, embossing, magnetic stripe encoding, laser printing, indent printing) that may be used to personalize a card.</p> <p>Certification for card personalization authorizes the vendor to use any personalization technology that achieves Mastercard card design approval.</p>
Chip Personalization	<p>Process of "writing" data to the integrated circuit by means of electrical or electromagnetic interaction between the chip and personalization device. Chip personalization usually occurs subsequent to chip embedding but may also occur before or during chip embedding.</p>

Specialized card production services

Service	Definition
Card Fulfillment	Stand alone service by which a newly issued or reissued card is combined with additional materials resulting in a complete package ready for distribution to the cardholder. A facility approved for personalization services is also approved for card fulfillment as part of its personalization activity..
Credential Management (CMS)	Service whereby digital credentials are obtained from an Account Enablement System (AES) and the credentials are provisioned to the Mobile Payment Application (MPA) on a digital payment device to facilitate electronic payments as per the Mastercard Cloud Based Payments (MCBP) specification.
Credential Management Dedicated (CMS-D)	Service that obtains digital credentials from the Mastercard Digital Enablement System (MDES) and provisions the credentials to the Mobile Payment Application (MPA). The credentials obtained from MDES are tokenized and encrypted so a CMS-D does not have access to account data. GVCP certification is only required for early generation (MCBP Versions 1.0 and 1.1) implementations where a CMS-D may have access to account data.
Data Preparation	Stand alone service by which issuer and cardholder data are processed and configured for subsequent personalization by the issuer or different certified vendor. A facility approved for personalization services is also approved for data preparation as part of its personalization activity.
Trusted Service Manager (TSM)	Service whereby a payment application, personalization data, or post-issuance application management commands are sent to a secure element within a mobile payment device through an over-the-air (OTA) communication channel.
Partial Manufacture	Facility that produces card components containing sensitive security features or personalization data where the full card is subsequently completed by a certified vendor.
PIN Mailing	Service whereby a PIN is generated, mailer is printed and the PIN is mailed to the cardholder.
PIN Electronic	Service whereby a PIN is generated and electronically distributed to the cardholder.

Questions?

Use the information in this section to contact Mastercard with questions about Vendors for Card Production Services.

Send an email message to the following Mastercard GVCP central email address if you:

- Have any questions about the program, the vendors on the enclosed list, or the activity that the vendors are certified to perform
- Find that a listed vendor does not comply with Mastercard card production security requirements or any other applicable Mastercard Standards
- Need assistance in obtaining a copy of the physical or logical security requirements

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NOTE: The PCI Card Production Physical Security Requirements and Card Production Logical Security Requirements are available through download from the PCI website document library at www.pcisecuritystandards.org/document_library. Filter the results by "Card Production."

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