Aggregator Support

This feature enables a third-party agent to act as a payment aggregator and process credit card transactions for sub-merchants. Independent sales organizations (ISOs) and member service providers (MSPs) are agents that can also leverage these aggregator features.

Terminology

Table 29 Aggregator Terminology

Term	Definition	
aggregator	Also known as payment aggregator. Organization that aggregates sub merchants under a single account and settles funds directly to the sub merchants. An aggregator is usually an ISO or MSP.	
independent sales organization (ISO)	Organization that does one or more of the following:	
	 Works with acquirers to sponsor merchant accounts and usually assumes the risks associated with the merchants' processing. 	
	 Procures new merchant relationships based on contracts with acquirers. 	
	 Connects with a gateway to process online credit card transactions for small businesses, usually in exchange for a fee or percentage of sales. 	
member service provider (MSP)	Same as an ISO although an MSP has no financial responsibility to the merchant.	
payment facilitator	Payment aggregator.	
service provider	Third-party or outsource provider of payment processing services. A service provider typically provides a single service with no role in settling funds to a merchant.	
sub-merchant	Merchant whose transactions are submitted to CyberSource by a payment aggregator.	
third-party agent	Umbrella term for independent sales organizations, member service providers, payment aggregators, and payment facilitators.	

Table 70 Request Fields (Continued)

Field	Description	Used By: Required (R) or Optional (O)	Data Type & Length
ccAuthService_ aggregatorID	Value that identifies you as a payment aggregator. Get this value from the processor. See "Aggregator Support," page 104. CyberSource through VisaNet The value for this field corresponds to the following data in the TC 33 capture file ⁵ : Record: CP01 TCR6 Position: 95-105 Field: Mastercard Payment Facilitator ID FDC Compass This value must consist of uppercase characters.		American Express Direct: String (20) CyberSource through VisaNet with American Express: String (20) CyberSource through VisaNet with Mastercard: String (11) FDC Compass: String (20) FDC
		transactions.	Nashville Global: String (15)

Aggregator Transactions with Mastercard

When requesting an authorization, you must include the following fields:

- ccAuthService_aggregatorID
- invoiceHeader_salesOrganizationID
- invoiceHeader submerchantID

When requesting an authorization, capture, or credit, these fields are optional:

- invoiceHeader_merchantDescriptor
- invoiceHeader_merchantDescriptorCity
- invoiceHeader_merchantDescriptorContact
- invoiceHeader_merchantDescriptorCountry
- invoiceHeader_merchantDescriptorPostalCode

- invoiceHeader_merchantDescriptorState
- invoiceHeader_merchantDescriptorStreet
- merchantCategoryCode

All fields except the merchant descriptor fields are described in Appendix A, "API Fields," on page 252. The merchant descriptor fields are described in Table 44, "Merchant Descriptor Fields for Authorizations for CyberSource through VisaNet," on page 162 for authorizations and in Table 45, "Merchant Descriptor Fields for Captures and Credits for CyberSource through VisaNet," on page 165 for captures and credits.

Typically, the merchant descriptor field is used to display your business name on the cardholder's statement. However, when you are a payment aggregator, you can use other values to provide the sub-merchant's business name for capture and credit requests. When you do not provide a value in the merchant descriptor fields, CyberSource uses the values in your CyberSource account. To add or update the values in your CyberSource account, contact CyberSource Customer Support.