

Standard Relay

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The Standard Relay provides a mechanism for a contract on one chain to send a message to a contract on a different chain without the developer dealing with any off chain deployments.

Currently the Standard Relay feature is limited to EVM environments.

Find the complete list of EVM environment blockchains [here](#) .

Tutorials

- [Hello Wormhole](#)
- A tutorial that covers message passing across EVM environments
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On Chain

On chain, a smart contract interacts with the [WormholeRelayer](#) to send and receive messages.

Sending a message

To send a message to a contract on another EVM chain, we can call the `sendPayloadToEvm` method, provided by the `WormholeRelayer` interface.

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```
Copy function sendPayloadToEvm( // Chain ID in Wormhole format uint16 targetChain, // Contract Address on target chain
                               // we're sending a message to address targetAddress, // The payload, encoded as bytes bytes memory payload, // How much
                               // value to attach to the delivery transaction uint256 receiverValue, // The gas limit to set on the delivery transaction
                               uint256 gasLimit ) external payable returns( // Unique, incrementing ID, used to identify a message uint64 sequence );
```

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The `sendPayloadToEvm` method is marked `payable` so we can pay for our transaction to be submitted.

The value to attach to the invocation is determined by calling the `quoteEVMDeliveryPrice` , which provides an estimate of the cost of gas on the target chain.

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```
Copy function quoteEVMDeliveryPrice( // Chain ID in Wormhole format uint16 targetChain, // How much value to attach to
                                     // delivery transaction uint256 receiverValue, // The gas limit to attach to the delivery transaction uint256 gasLimit
                                     ) external view returns( // How much value to attach to the send call uint256 nativePriceQuote, //
                                     uint256 targetChainRefundPerGasUnused );
```

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This method should be called prior to sending a message and the value returned for `nativePriceQuote` should be attached to the call to send the payload in order to cover the cost of the transaction on the target chain.

In total, sending a message across EVM chains can be as simple as:

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```
Copy // Get a quote for the cost of gas for delivery (cost,) = wormholeRelayer.quoteEVMDeliveryPrice( targetChain,
valueToSend, GAS_LIMIT );
```

```
// Send the message wormholeRelayer.sendPayloadToEvm{value:cost}( targetChain, targetAddress, abi.encode(payload),
valueToSend, GAS_LIMIT );
```

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Receiving a message

To receive a message using the Standard Relay feature, the target contract must implement the [WormholeReceiver](#) interface.

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```
Copy functionreceiveWormholeMessages( bytesmemorypayload,// Message passed by source contract
bytes[]memoryadditionalVaas,// Any additional VAAs that are needed (Note: these are unverified) bytes32sourceAddress,//
The address of the source contract uint16sourceChain,// The Wormhole chain ID bytes32deliveryHash// A hash of contents,
useful for replay protection )externalpayable;
```

...

The logic inside the function body may be whatever business logic is required to take action on the specific payload.

Other Considerations

Some implementation details should be considered during development to ensure safety and improve UX.

- Receiving a message from relayer
- - Check for expected emitter
- - call `parseAndVerify` on any additional VAAs
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- Replay protection
- Message Ordering
- - no guarantees on order of messages delivered
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- Forwarding/Call Chaining
- Refunding overpayment of gasLimit
- Refunding overpayment of value sent
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Off Chain

If taking advantage of Automatic Relaying, no off chain logic need be implemented.

While no off chain programs are required, a developer may want to track the progress of messages in flight. To track the progress of messages in flight, use the worm CLI tool's `status` subcommand.

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```
Copy wormstatusmainnetethereum0xdeadbeef
```

...

See the [CLI tool docs](#) for installation and usage.

See Also

Reference documentation for EVM chains is available [here](#)

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