

# InvoiceAPI Developer Onboarding Guide

## Step 1: Sign Up & Get Your API Key

1. Visit: <https://invoiceapi.sidconsult.com/register>
2. After account creation, navigate to Dashboard > API Keys
3. Click 'Generate API Key'
4. Copy your API Key securely -- it looks like:

Xe3CmzX4xkCnacG2XjW/Mg==c3bc8bd448204853a5f442e129199f2e

Keep this key private. Treat it like a password.

## Step 2: Authenticate Requests

All requests must include your API key using the Authorization header:

Authorization: Bearer YOUR\_API\_KEY

## Step 3: Test with Sample Request

Create an Invoice:

```
curl -X POST https://invoiceapi.sidconsult.com/api/invoices \
-H "Authorization: Bearer YOUR_API_KEY" \
-H "Content-Type: application/json" \
-d '{
  "clientName": "Acme Corp",
  "amount": 1500,
  "dueDate": "2025-07-31"
}'
```

## Sample Response

```
{
  "id": 101,
  "status": "Created",
  "clientName": "Acme Corp",
```

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```
"amount": 1500,  
"dueDate": "2025-07-31"  
}
```

## Step 4: Explore Available Endpoints

/api/invoices [GET] - List all invoices  
/api/invoices/:id [GET] - Get a specific invoice  
/api/invoices [POST] - Create new invoice  
/api/invoices/:id [PUT] - Update invoice  
/api/invoices/:id [DELETE] - Delete invoice

## Step 5: Monitor Usage

On your Dashboard, you can view:

- Current usage (UsageCount)
- Monthly limits (UsageLimit)
- Plan type (Free, Pro, etc.)
- Expiration Date

## Error Handling

401 Unauthorized - Invalid or expired API key  
429 Too Many Requests - Usage limit exceeded  
400 Bad Request - Missing or invalid parameters

## Best Practices

- Always use HTTPS
- Store your API key securely (e.g., in .env files)
- Rotate API keys regularly
- Monitor your usage and upgrade plans if needed

## Support

Contact SidConsult Support:

Email: [support@sidconsult.com](mailto:support@sidconsult.com)

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