

SmartConnect Integration Guide for Point-of-Sale Software Vendors

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Overview

The purpose of this document is to outline how a (generic) Point-Of-Sale software integrates with SmartConnect APIs to provide a seamless and integrated payment experience to the customer.

Note that while this is the desired way to integrate with any given POS vendor, given the circumstances and limitations of the system – SmartConnect can try to accommodate a slightly different flow, if needed. This can be discussed with the development team on a case by case basis.

What is SmartConnect?

SmartConnect is an efficient, scalable & secure cloud-based API platform. It pairs any API-enabled payment initiator (such as cloud/on-prem POS software), running on any device (PC, Mac, tablet, phone), to any compatible payment terminal device (such as PAX, Verifone, Ingenico, CBA Albert, and more - mobile phones and other devices).

SmartConnect has an Open API architecture that enables 3rd parties to integrate and grow the eco-system with ease. Data is collected and stored in real-time, empowering data APIs for various insights and analytics.

The Integration Process

The integration process is divided into three steps:

- 1) The Store, that owns one or more Payment Terminals, needs to be registered as a “Merchant” in the SmartConnect database. SmartConnect has APIs exposed for this, and the API call to do so is typically something the terminal vendor does through their “TMS” (Terminal Management System).
Note that if a business entity owns more than one physical stores (on different locations), each one of them will have their own Merchant Id.
The process of setting up a Merchant is outside the scope of this document, and the POS software vendor assumes that this has already been completed.
- 2) A **Register** in the POS software, that belongs to a **Store**, needs to be paired to the given Payment Terminal. One Register can only be paired to one Payment Terminal, and vice-versa, one Payment Terminal can only be paired to one Register, at a given point in time.
The pairing process is explained in the [Pairing with the Terminal](#) section.
- 3) Once a Register is paired to the Payment Terminal, it can utilize SmartConnect APIs to initiate transactions.
The APIs are explained in more detail in the [Initiating a Transaction](#) section.

Pairing with the Terminal

There are three main actors in the pairing process:

- Terminal – the Payment Terminal device.
- SmartConnect – the cloud based API platform that connects the Transaction Initiator to the Payment Terminal.
- POS Software – the Transaction Initiator.

The flow has two key steps:

- 1) The pairing process is initiated on the Payment Terminal, which connects to SmartConnect APIs and retrieves a temporary **pairing code**. This code will be displayed on the terminal for a set amount of time.
- 2) The POS Software needs to make an API call and supply the **pairing code** together with the **Register Id** and some other meta data.

The POS software needs to have a **UI component** that enables the user to input the given pairing code. This pairing code is then sent via an API call to SmartConnect. The API call will return a successful response once pairing is complete. The POS software does not need to persist any Payment Terminal metadata in its database.

To initiate pairing from the POS, execute the following HTTP request:

```
PUT https://api-dev.smart-connect.cloud/POS/Pairing/{pairingCode}
```

The pairingCode is the code displayed on the Payment Terminal.

Using the HTTPS protocol is mandatory. Note that the api-dev subdomain should be used in a development environment only. To use in a production environment, use the api subdomain:

```
PUT https://api.smart-connect.cloud/POS/Pairing/{pairingCode}
```

The following parameters need to be supplied in the request body, with the content type **application/x-www-form-urlencoded**:

Parameter Name	Example Value	Comment	Mandatory
POSRegisterID	7444ae07-dc63-e49c-33e3-59a7c108cc80	Unique Register Id	Yes
POSRegisterName	Main Register	Register Name	Yes
POSBusinessName	toys4nz	Store name	Yes
POSVendorName	Till2Go	POS software vendor	Yes
ContactName	John Doe		No
Address	123 Some Street		No
City	Auckland		No
State	Auckland		No
ZipCode	1023		No
Email	john.doe@toys4nz.co.nz		No

Phone	09 1234567	No
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Initiating a Transaction

Once pairing is complete, the Register can initiate a transaction to the Payment Terminal by calling the SmartConnect API. The POS does not need to know the device Id or any other Terminal information, SmartConnect will automatically know which Payment Terminal to invoke from the cloud.

To start the transaction process, the POS needs to execute the following HTTP request:

```
POST https://api-dev.smart-connect.cloud/POS/Transaction
```

Using the HTTPS protocol is mandatory. Note that the **api-dev** subdomain should be used in a development environment only. To use in a production environment, use the **api** subdomain:

```
POST https://api.smart-connect.cloud/POS/Transaction
```

Parameters need to be supplied in the request body, with the content type **application/x-www-form-urlencoded**:

The Register Id and the Store Name need to match the respective parameters supplied when pairing the Terminal.

The following transaction types are available:

Logon

This function requests the terminal to perform a logon operation with an acquirer.

Parameter Name	Example Value	Comment	Mandatory
POSRegisterID	7444ae07-dc63-e49c-33e3-59a7c108cc80	Unique Register Id	Yes
POSBusinessName	toys4nz	Store name	Yes
POSVendorName	Till2Go	POS software vendor	Yes
TransactionType	Acquirer.Logon		Yes

Settlement Inquiry

This function requests the terminal to perform a settlement inquiry operation with an acquirer.

Parameter Name	Example Value	Comment	Mandatory
POSRegisterID	7444ae07-dc63-e49c-33e3-59a7c108cc80	Unique Register Id	Yes
POSBusinessName	toys4nz	Store name	Yes
POSVendorName	Till2Go	POS software vendor	Yes
TransactionType	Acquirer.Settlement.Inquiry		Yes
Date {DATE}	20170613	The inquiry date	No

Settlement Cutover

This function requests the terminal to perform a settlement cutover operation with an acquirer.

<i>Parameter Name</i>	<i>Example Value</i>	<i>Comment</i>	<i>Mandatory</i>
POSRegisterID	7444ae07-dc63-e49c-33e3-59a7c108cc80	Unique Register Id	Yes
POSBusinessName	toys4nz	Store name	Yes
POSVendorName	Till2Go	POS software vendor	Yes
TransactionType	Acquirer.Settlement.Cutover		Yes

Purchase

This function requests the terminal to initiate a purchase transaction for a specific amount.

<i>Parameter Name</i>	<i>Example Value</i>	<i>Comment</i>	<i>Mandatory</i>
POSRegisterID	7444ae07-dc63-e49c-33e3-59a7c108cc80	Unique Register Id	Yes
POSBusinessName	toys4nz	Store name	Yes
POSVendorName	Till2Go	POS software vendor	Yes
TransactionType	Card.Purchase		Yes
AmountTotal {AMOUNT}	500		Yes

Purchase + Cash

This function requests the terminal to initiate a purchase transaction with a cash amount.

<i>Parameter Name</i>	<i>Example Value</i>	<i>Comment</i>	<i>Mandatory</i>
POSRegisterID	7444ae07-dc63-e49c-33e3-59a7c108cc80	Unique Register Id	Yes
POSBusinessName	toys4nz	Store name	Yes
POSVendorName	Till2Go	POS software vendor	Yes
TransactionType	Card.PurchasePlusCash		Yes
AmountTotal {AMOUNT}	500	The total amount of the transaction, including the cash amount.	Yes
AmountCash {AMOUNT}	100	Cash portion of the AmountTotal	Yes

Cash Advance

This function requests the terminal to initiate a cash-out only transaction.

<i>Parameter Name</i>	<i>Example Value</i>	<i>Comment</i>	<i>Mandatory</i>
POSRegisterID	7444ae07-dc63-e49c-33e3-59a7c108cc80	Unique Register Id	Yes
POSBusinessName	toys4nz	Store name	Yes
POSVendorName	Till2Go	POS software vendor	Yes

TransactionType	Card.CashAdvance	Yes
AmountTotal {AMOUNT}	500	Yes

Refund

This function requests the terminal to initiate a refund transaction.

Parameter Name	Example Value	Comment	Mandatory
POSRegisterID	7444ae07-dc63-e49c-33e3-59a7c108cc80	Unique Register Id	Yes
POSBusinessName	toys4nz	Store name	Yes
POSVendorName	Till2Go	POS software vendor	Yes
TransactionType	Card.Refund		Yes
AmountTotal {AMOUNT}	500		Yes

Authorise

This function requests the terminal to initiate an auth transaction, to reserve funds in the cardholder's account.

Parameter Name	Example Value	Comment	Mandatory
POSRegisterID	7444ae07-dc63-e49c-33e3-59a7c108cc80	Unique Register Id	Yes
POSBusinessName	toys4nz	Store name	Yes
POSVendorName	Till2Go	POS software vendor	Yes
TransactionType	Card.Authorise		Yes
AmountAuth {AMOUNT}	500		Yes
TransactionReference	AUTH01	Reference string, alphanumeric, up to 8 characters *	No

* The TransactionReference is used to look up and retrieve the original auth information when finalising. If a TransactionReference is not supplied by the POS, the terminal will prompt for this at the beginning of the transaction. If the TransactionReference matches an existing stored transaction, the terminal will prompt whether to continue. If YES, the existing auth transaction will be updated; if NO, the transaction will be cancelled. In all cases, the value used for the transaction is returned in the result message (for accepted transactions) and that value must be used when finalizing.

Finalise

This function requests the terminal to finalise an auth transaction, debiting funds from the cardholder's account.

Parameter Name	Example Value	Comment	Mandatory
POSRegisterID	7444ae07-dc63-e49c-33e3-59a7c108cc80	Unique Register Id	Yes
POSBusinessName	toys4nz	Store name	Yes
POSVendorName	Till2Go	POS software vendor	Yes
TransactionType	Card.Finalise		Yes
AmountFinal {AMOUNT}	500		Yes
TransactionReference	AUTH01	The reference string for the original auth, from the auth result.	Yes

Get Transaction Result

This function is used to retrieve the result of the last financial transaction.

<i>Parameter Name</i>	<i>Example Value</i>	<i>Comment</i>	<i>Mandatory</i>
POSRegisterID	7444ae07-dc63-e49c-33e3-59a7c108cc80	Unique Register Id	Yes
POSBusinessName	toys4nz	Store name	Yes
POSVendorName	Till2Go	POS software vendor	Yes
TransactionType	Journal.GetTransResult		Yes

Reprint Receipt

This function is used to retrieve the result of the last financial transaction.

<i>Parameter Name</i>	<i>Example Value</i>	<i>Comment</i>	<i>Mandatory</i>
POSRegisterID	7444ae07-dc63-e49c-33e3-59a7c108cc80	Unique Register Id	Yes
POSBusinessName	toys4nz	Store name	Yes
POSVendorName	Till2Go	POS software vendor	Yes
TransactionType	Journal.ReprintReceipt		Yes

Get Terminal Status

This function requests the current status of the terminal. {TERMINAL-STATUS}

<i>Parameter Name</i>	<i>Example Value</i>	<i>Comment</i>	<i>Mandatory</i>
POSRegisterID	7444ae07-dc63-e49c-33e3-59a7c108cc80	Unique Register Id	Yes
POSBusinessName	toys4nz	Store name	Yes
POSVendorName	Till2Go	POS software vendor	Yes
TransactionType	Terminal.GetStatus		Yes

Surcharging/Tipping

Surcharge and tip are generally applied at the terminal during the customer input phase of a transaction. As a result, a POS may request a transaction for \$x, but the total amount processed by the terminal and host may be \$x+y. Where it is expected that a surcharge and/or tip may apply, it is incumbent on the POS to check for amount fields in the response to determine what the final transaction amount is.

The absence of amount fields in the response is indicative that the processed amount is the same as the requested amount.

API Response

After the Transaction has finished on the Terminal (regardless of the outcome, or if it times out), the HTTP response will contain a JSON object, which will have the structure as per the table below.

Arguments and Result types

Type Name	Values	Description
{AMOUNT}		Amounts are specified in the minor currency units of the default currency of the terminal. For example, NZD\$19.95 becomes "1995".
{DATE}		Must be in the format YYYYMMDD.
{RESULT}	One of: OK CANCELLED FAILED FAILED-INTERFACE	The function was processed successfully. The function was cancelled. The function failed. The function failed because of a communications or interface error.
{TRANS-RESULT}	One of: OK-ACCEPTED OK-DECLINED OK-UNAVAILABLE CANCELLED FAILED FAILED-INTERFACE	The transaction was accepted. The transaction was declined. The transaction could not be processed at this time. The transaction was cancelled by the operator or customer, or by the terminal. The transaction failed. The transaction failed because of a communications or interface error.
{TERMINAL-STATUS}	One or more of:* READY NOT_INITIALIZED NOT_LOGGED_ON REVERSAL_PENDING OFFLINE	The terminal is ready to process transactions. The terminal requires initialization. The terminal is not logged on to the acquirer. The terminal has a reversal pending for a previous transaction. The terminal is currently operating in EOV/EFB (offline) mode.

*Should more than one state be applicable at the same time, the terminal may return multiple states as a comma-separated string; e.g. "NOT_LOGGED_ON,REVERSAL_PENDING,OFFLINE".

Parameter Name	Type	Comment	Presence
root	object		Always
→ transactionId	string	Unique transaction identifier.	Always
→ transactionTimeStamp	string	Date and time of the transaction, as generated on the server (UTC time).	Always
→ merchantId	string	Unique merchant (store) identifier.	Always
→ deviceId	string	Unique device identifier.	Always
→ transactionStatus	string	Status of the transaction, one of the following values: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • PENDING – the result of the transaction is pending from the terminal (does not happen when invoked from the iframe) • COMPLETED – the transaction is successfully completed on the Terminal 	Always
→ data	object		Optional
→ TransactionResult	string	Transaction outcome, one of the following values: {TRANS-RESULT}	Always
→ Receipt	string	Receipt data, as generated by the Terminal.	Optional
→ RequestId	string	This will be the same as the transaction Id.	Optional
→ AcquirerRef	string	System trace/audit number.	Optional
→ AccountType	string	The account type selected on the Terminal, if applicable.	Optional
→ Timestamp	string	Date and time of the transaction, from the Terminal (local time).	Optional
→ Result	string	An indication of whether the request was processed by the Terminal, one of the following values: {RESULT}	Always
→ Function	string	Terminal transaction type invoked.	Always
→ AuthId	string	For transactions authorized by a third party (e.g. Paymark), this will be the authorization id.	Optional
→ CardPan	string	The last four digits of the card used on the Terminal.	Optional
→ AmountTotal	string	The total amount paid on the Terminal.	Optional
→ Merchant	string	The merchant Id, as configured on the Terminal.	Optional
→ CardType	string	The type of card, as returned by the Terminal.	Optional
→ TerminalRef	string	The Terminal Id, as configured on the Terminal.	Optional
→ AmountSurcharge	string	The surcharge amount (part of the total amount), if configured and entered on the Terminal.	Optional
→ AmountTip	string	The tip amount (part of the total amount), if configured and entered on the Terminal.	Optional

An example response:

```
{
  "transactionId": "3ec7084a-296f-4d2e-93bc-53b0860bbc68",
  "transactionTimeStamp": "201702231038363427",
  "merchantId": "0f8fad5b-d9cb-469f-a165-70867728950e",
  "deviceId": "9999999991",
  "transactionStatus": "COMPLETED",
  "data": {
    "TransactionResult": "OK-ACCEPTED",
    "Receipt": "PAYMARK PKMS          \n          TEST TERMINAL          \n          182
Wairau Rd          \n\n*-----EFTPOS-----*\nTERMINAL
00906604\nTIME          23FEB17 10:38\nTRAN 000135          CREDIT\nEMV TEST
CARD\nCARD          ...0138\nCONTACTLESS\nVisa Debit\nRID: A000000003\nPIX:
1010\nARQC: CCD5BD398510E46E\nTVR: 000000000\nATC: 0322\nTSI: 0000\nAUTH 123456\nREF NO
000144          \nPURCHASE          NZ$ 5.00\nTOTAL          NZ$ 5.00\n\n
ACCEPTED          \n*****DUPLICATE RECEIPT*****\n*-----*",
    "RequestId": "3ec7084a-296f-4d2e-93bc-53b0860bbc68",
    "AcquirerRef": "000135",
    "AccountType": "CREDIT",
    "Timestamp": "20170223103846",
    "Result": "OK",
    "Function": "Card.Purchase",
    "AuthId": "123456",
    "CardPan": "...0138",
    "AmountTotal": "500",
    "Merchant": "1",
    "CardType": "EMV TEST CARD",
    "TerminalRef": "00906604",
    "PosData": "Pos data"
  }
}
```