



# VA Commercial e-invoicing User Guide – Standard submission

## How to Create an Invoice

### Step 1 – Select Create Invoice

The dashboard shows three main sections: 'Connect with your customers', 'Send invoices', and 'Check the status of your invoices'. The 'Send invoices' section contains a 'CREATE INVOICE' button. Below this is a 'For your attention' table:

Type	Count	Date	Customer	
Rejected invoices	1	05 Jan 2021	Department of Veterans Affairs	<a href="#">View</a>

Required fields are indicated with a red asterisk \*

#### Step 1:

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### Step 2 – Create Your Invoice

The 'Create invoice' form has a 'New invoice' section with the following fields:

- Customer\*: Department of Veterans Affairs - 161494924 - AAA544240062
- Select option\*: New invoice (dropdown menu)
- Invoice number\*: 1234

A green 'CREATE' button is at the bottom right, with an orange arrow pointing to it.

#### Step 2

1. \* Click on the "Select Customer" button.  
*Note: If Department of Veterans Affairs does not appear as an option, your Tungsten account is not currently connected to the VA. To correct this, select the "Customer" tab on the left menu and select "New Connection" to connect with the Department of Veterans Affairs – 161494924 – AAA544240062.*
2. \* Select New Invoice from Select option dropdown.
3. \* Enter a unique invoice number.
4. Select "Create".

### Step 3 – Fill in your contact details

Invoice #: Test 50000

Your details

Your name: VA Test Account UAT  
2680 S Val Vista Dr #152  
Gilbert  
Arizona  
85295  
UNITED STATES

Your tel\*: [input field]

Your email: [input field]

Are 'Ship from' details the same or different to the 'Invoice from' details? Please ensure you enter the correct 'Ship from' details to prevent invoice processing delays.  
No - They're the same

#### Step 3:

Fill in your contact details.  
*Note: The contact information should be the person creating the invoice.*

1. Fill in your name.
2. \* Fill in your telephone number.
3. Fill in your email address.

## Step 4 – Fill in the contact details of the VA and your contract number

Who you are invoicing

Name ?

Department of Veterans Affairs  
 1 Test Drive  
 PO BOX 0  
 Austin  
 Texas  
 32308  
 UNITED STATES  
 Tax payer ID 993999999

Tel

Email

Are 'Ship to' details the same or different to the 'Invoice to' details? Please ensure you enter the correct 'Ship to' details to prevent invoice processing delays.

No - They're the same ?

[Click here for additional header fields such as Delivery/GRN number, Cost centre etc](#)

Bill of lading ?

Delivery note number ?

Notes to your customer ?

Payment reference

Account code ?

Cost center ?

Contract number\* ?

DUNS ?

### Step 4:

Fill out the contact information for the Department of Veterans Affairs.

1. Fill in the contact name.
2. Fill in the phone number.
3. Fill in the email address.

**Note:** This should be your contracting officer or COR.

4. 'Ship to' details – If the 'ship to' differs from the 'Invoice to' details, change the populated answer from, "No – They're the same" to "Yes- Add a 'ship from' address" or "N/A – Leave 'ship from' blank."

**Note:** If you select, "Yes – Add 'a ship from' address, additional fields will appear. Please provide an answer for all fields. For the TIN, answer "no". This field is referring to the VA's TIN - NOT your supplier TIN.

5. \* Within the "Additional Header Fields" section select the plus (+) symbol and fill in your contract number.

**Note:** The contract number is not the same as a PO number. If you do not have a contract number, enter N/A.

## Step 5 – Fill in the "Invoice details" section

### Invoice details

1 Invoice number\* ?

1234

Document type

Invoice v

2 Invoice date\* ?

4/3/2017

3 Advance payment date ?

4 Payment due date\* ?

5 Delivery date ?

6 Currency\* ?

US Dollar v

7 Purchase order (PO) number\* ?

### Step 5:

Fill out the required data in the "invoice details" section.

1. \* Select your invoice number.
2. \* Select the date of the invoice.

**Note:** For a previous invoice date, the date must be within the last 364 days. For future dates, the invoice date cannot be dated beyond 30 days from the current date.

3. Advance payment dates.

**Note:** This field will only be used if a payment has been received prior to the invoice being entered into the Tungsten portal.

4. \* Select the Payment due date.

**Note:** This date must be a future date or the same as the date entered into the Tungsten portal. The payment due date should be AT LEAST 7 days after the date entered into the Tungsten portal.

5. Delivery Date

**Note:** This is the date that the goods or services were provided. If goods or services were provided over a period of time, leave this field blank.

6. \* Currency will automatically default to US Dollar.

7. \* Fill in the Purchase Order Number.

PO Notes:

- Your PO number may be obtained from your contracting officer or the ordering official.

- The PO number is NOT the same as the contract number.

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## Step 5 – Fill in the “Invoice details” section continued

### Examples of PO Numbers:

123C45678

1234C5678

123A45678

123CA4567

## Step 6 – Invoice Items – Create a line

The screenshot shows the 'Invoice items' section of a web application. At the top left, there is a green 'ADD' button with an orange arrow pointing to it. Below this, the form is divided into several sections. The first section contains a dropdown for 'Line item type' (set to 'Goods'), a 'Product code' field, a 'Product description' field, a 'Unit' dropdown (set to 'Please select'), a 'Quantity' field (set to '1.000'), and a 'Price' field (set to '0.00000'). Below this is a link: 'Click here for additional line level information such as PO/Delivery details, discounts, and other additional information'. The second section contains 'PO number', 'CLIN / PO line', 'Additional information', 'Delivery note number', 'Sub CLIN', 'Delivery start date', and 'Delivery end date' fields. To the right of these are 'Discount' and 'Discount %' fields, both set to '0.00'. The third section contains 'GL number', 'Cost center', 'Part category' (set to 'European Article Number'), and 'Part number' fields. To the right of these is a summary table: 'Line amount 0.00', 'Discount 0.00', 'Total 0.00'. At the bottom left, there are 'SAVE LINE ITEM' and 'CANCEL' buttons.

## Step 7 – Attachments

### Additional information

#### Attachments ?

The screenshot shows the 'Attachments' section of a web application. It features a large empty text input field. To the right of this field is a green 'SELECT AND UPLOAD' button with an orange arrow pointing to it. Below the input field is a 'Withholding tax' field with a question mark icon and a value of '0.00'.

- The PO number is 9 digits. The first three characters are numerical (the station ID/number of the location serviced). There is usually an alpha character at position 4, 5, or both. The alpha characters will vary. The last character is numerical.
- If the Contracting Officer or ordering official provide dashes or other special characters, please omit those when entering the PO number into the portal.
- PO numbers with P, Q, or R characters represent purchase card transactions and will not be accepted.

### Step 6:

Fill out the fields that are required in the "Invoice Items" section.

1. \* Select "Add" to create a line.
2. Select a line item type.
3. \* Fill out the product description.  
*Note: The description should match the description listed on the PO or contract.*
4. \* Select the unit.
5. \* Fill in the quantity.
6. \* Fill in the price.
7. \* Select the "+" symbol to see the fields for "PO/Delivery details, discounts, and other additional information such as CLIN"
8. Add the delivery start date and the delivery end date of the service.  
*Note: This is required for "Services" line types only.*
9. Select "Save line item" to save your line.

*Note: You CAN add multiple line items; however, those will need to be added one at a time. You must save each line item before you are able to add a new line. You MUST have at least one line for GOODS or SERVICES before you can add a special charge (e.g. freight, insurance, etc.).*

### Step 7:


Attachments are optional unless required by your contracting officer/VA employee certifying your invoice. Claim forms being processed as invoices should always include attachments.

1. Select the "Select and Upload" button to add an attachment.

*Note: The only acceptable attachment format is PDF.*


## Step 8 – Payment Terms

### Payment terms

Early payment discount 

- No discount for early payment  
 Apply a discount for early payment

Invoice early payment expires on   payment prior will receive a discount of  %

Late payment conditions 

#### Step 8:

1. If a discount for early payment is offered, the date should be AT LEAST 5-7 business days AFTER the date the invoice was entered into the Tungsten portal and should not be the same date as the original invoice due date.

**Note:** The early payment due date must also be BEFORE the payment due date

## Step 9 – Review “Remit to” Details

### "Remit to" details

#### "Remit to" address

101 N. STATE ST.  
TUNNSTOWN, PA  
17088-0001  
UNIT 1  
LANCASTER, PA

#### "Remit to" bank

Bank name  
Sort code/BIC  
Bank account number  
Account name

#### Step 9:

The VA Financial Service Center pays you according to the information they have on file for your account, not according to the banking information listed in Tungsten Network. In order to update your banking information, contact the VA FSC at (877) 353-9791 opt 2.

If you also want to update it in the Tungsten portal log in and click "Your Account," in the top right. At the bottom left of the page you will see "Invoice Information," "Remit details." Click that if you wish to add your banking to the Tungsten portal.

## Step 10 – Review your Summary

### Summary

	Invoice (\$)
Total net	500.00
Total tax	0.00
<a href="#">Undo changes</a>	
Total gross	500.00

SAVE AS TEMPLATE

SAVE

PREVIEW

SEND

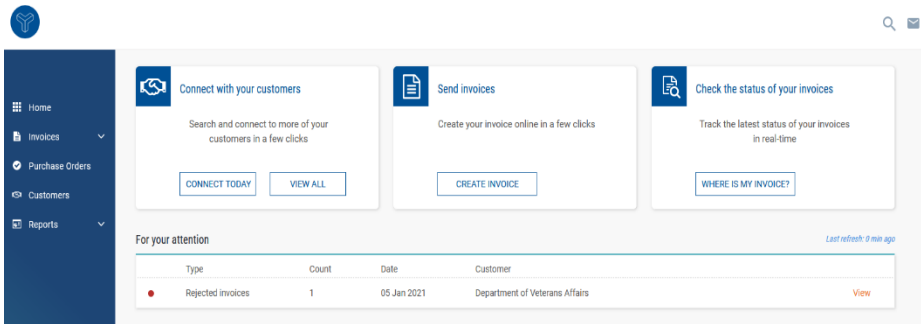
#### Step 10:

Please check all fields to ensure everything is accurate before selecting "Send". Once you have sent the invoice, it cannot be edited or deleted.

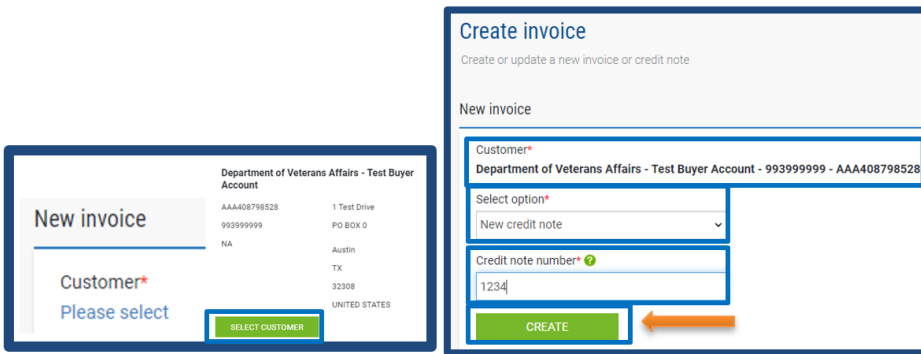
**Note:** After you send your invoice, you will receive a confirmation email. The portal will not display the complete invoice for up to 4 hours after entry. You will be unable to download/print the invoice before you "send"; however, once the portal has updated, you may download the invoice by going to "Reporting," "Invoices submitted."

# FMS – How to Create a Credit Note

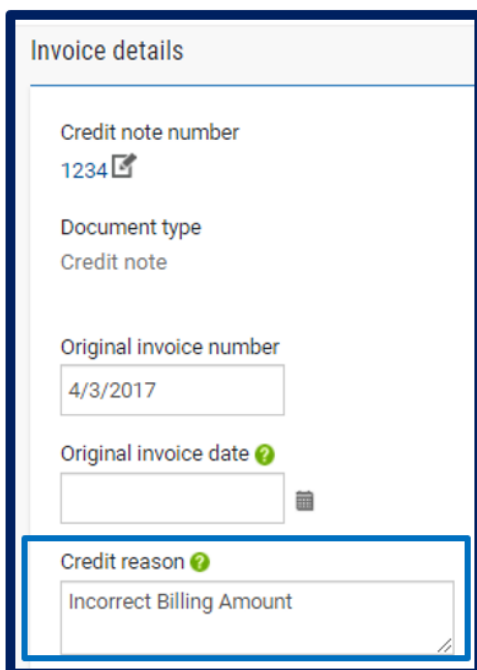
## Step 1 – Select Create Credit Note



## Step 2 – Create Your Credit Note



## Steps 3 - 10 – Completing Your Credit Note



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2. \* Select New credit note.
3. \* Enter a unique credit note number.
4. Select "Create".

### Steps 3 - 10:

Steps 3- 10 are the same as entering a new invoice. There is one additional field in step 5 where you will indicate the Credit Reason.

#### Credit Note Notes:

- When entering your credit note line item(s), do NOT make the number value negative. The credit note recognizes this value as a credit. A negative value will cause a failure.
- You cannot send a credit note or invoice with a negative or \$0 value.

#### **Additional Information:**

An invoice will be delivered to the Department of Veterans Affairs Financial Service Center headquarters within 24 hours after it is accepted by Tungsten Network, at which point it is no longer in Tungsten Network's hands. This is a "delivered" status. Tungsten Network is an electronic invoicing company; it does not process payments or keep track of the payment status. For the status of your payment, and payment method inquiries, you will need to contact the VA Financial Service Center at (877) 353-9791 opt 2, or by visiting the VA Inquiry System at <https://www.vis.fsc.va.gov> or emailing them at [vafscshd@va.gov](mailto:vafscshd@va.gov).

#### **Frequent Errors:**

If the number(s) of the purchase order on your invoice is/are outside the range used by your customer. Please make sure that you are billing the appropriate account, correct the number(s) of the purchase order and resend the invoice.

1. Verify that you have entered the purchase order number correctly as it appears on the purchase order provided by your customer/buyer.
2. Verify that the purchase order number was filled in the "Invoice details" section of the invoice is correct.



#### **How can I delete or edit an invoice that has been rejected or has not been sent?**

##### **To delete or edit**

1. Click on the Invoicing tab.
2. Go to "Saved Invoices" at the bottom of the page.
3. Click "edit" or "delete" on the right side.

##### **To correct a rejected invoice**

1. Click on the Invoicing tab.
2. Select "Invoice Status"
3. Select in the red section of the status circle of the invoices.
4. Select the paper icon under "view details" of the invoice in error.
5. Select the navy blue "reactivate Invoice" button.
6. Click on the Invoicing tab.
7. Go to "Saved Invoices" at the bottom of the page.
8. Click "edit" or "delete" in the section of "Saved Invoices".

#### **Invalid Contract Telephone Number**

1. Please review step 3 to correct the invoice that has failed.
2. Follow the steps "**To correct a rejected invoice**" to reactivate your invoice. Once reactivated you can edit and resend it to be reprocessed. Please make sure when editing that the contact telephone number field is filled in under the "**Your details**" section.