

# Treasury Management Services Positive Pay Guide

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# **Positive Pay Overview**

Positive Pay is a very effective tool for preventing losses from fraudulent transactions posting to your company's account.

Positive pay can be used to monitor fraud for checks clearing the account.

#### Check Positive Pay

A list of issued checks is uploaded by your company through Treasury Management Services (TMS). Check positive pay works by matching the information on checks clearing the account against the list of issued checks. If the check amount, number, and date are the same as that on the list of issued checks, the checks clear the account normally. If there isn't an exact match, the checks are considered exceptions and are routed through TMS for the company to decide whether the check should be paid or returned.

#### **Positive Pay Exceptions**

Check exceptions can be managed several ways, depending on number of exceptions and user preference:

- Positive Pay widget located on the TMS dashboard
- Positive Pay menu in TMS by choosing Check Exceptions or ACH Exceptions

#### The decision deadline for check exceptions is 1 2:00 pm.

The company's underlying default of Pay or Return will be preselected for check exceptions. Item dispositions can be changed individually or by using the *Pay All* or *Return All* buttons.

*Please Note:* Exception dispositions should always be <u>reviewed and saved</u> by a user, even if the default action is the desired outcome.

# **Check Positive Pay**

The Positive Pay menu is located under *Payments* on the services menu in Treasury Management Services (TMS).

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If there are several exceptions, it may be easier to use the Check Exceptions page, rather than the smaller dashboard widget.

Multiple check upload formats can be accommodated and saved in TMS.

The check upload format needs to be established prior to uploading a spreadsheet containing issued check information.

# **Entering Issued Checks**

There are two options when sending issued items to the bank:

- Checks can be individually (manually) entered into the TMS site
- Check information can be uploaded from a spreadsheet or text file

Manual entry is a quick and easy way to enter a few checks that were produced outside of a normal check run or for manual checks written out in the field. Another frequent use for manual entry is to enter voided checks into the system.

Most accounting software has a data export option, either to Excel or to a notepad or text file. Either of those outputs can be uploaded into TMS, as long as text files have fixed-width fields for the data.

# **Creating Check Upload Formats**

When using a spreadsheet or text file to load issued check information into TMS, the first step is to configure the format so the system recognizes how the data is organized.



The format mapping screen defaults to Delimited, which is suitable for spreadsheet files saved in the comma separated (.csv) format. Text files in a Fixed Position format can also be used to upload check information.

*Please Note:* The spreadsheet must be formatted as .csv a file – an.xlsx format will produce an error when uploaded.

The example shown below is for a delimited file, since that is the most common upload, but the same process applies to fixed position files.

If there are header or footer rows specify how many, choose the date format used in the file and designate the column information. If the file doesn't have columns for some criteria, leave the field blank.

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Multiple formats can be configured and named to accommodate the exports produced by various accounting software.

### **Create Issued Items**

#### File Upload

After the upload format is established and saved, choose *Create Issued Items* from the Positive Pay menu. Select the saved format and browse for the file.

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The file information is displayed and changes can be made if needed. After confirming the information, the file will be processed.

#### Manual Entry

Choose *Create Issued Items* from the Positive Pay menu and select Manual Entry. There is an option to automatically increment the check numbers and rows can be added to accommodate the entry of check information.

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### **Check Exceptions Widget**

A small number of exceptions can easily be decisioned directly from the TMS dashboard. The widget indicates what type and how many exceptions there are.

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The review and save steps <u>must</u> be taken to send the item dispositions to the bank.

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A confirmation message will indicate successful receipt by the bank.

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## **Check Exceptions Page**

If preferred, *Check Exceptions* can be chosen from the Positive Pay menu. Using the exceptions page is recommended if there are a large number of items that need review.

Just like the dashboard widget, the company's underlying default of Return or Pay will be preselected for check exceptions. Item dispositions can be changed individually or by using the *Pay All* or *Return All* buttons.

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The review and save steps <u>must</u> be taken to send the item dispositions to the bank.

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*Please Note:* The Check Exceptions page indicates when a decision has been changed. This does not display when using the widget.

A confirmation message will indicate successful receipt by the bank.

### **Check Exceptions Research/Audit Trail**

The *Check Exceptions* page has a search feature available in the fly-out panel on the left side of the screen. The search panel defaults to Open Items (current day exceptions) and there is an option to view Decision History.

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Check images and details are viewable and the details show which user made the pay or return decision. (If the decision field shows Financial Institution, then no users decisioned the item and it reverted to the default processing.)

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The *Issued Items Activity* screen allows uploaded check information to be researched or verified.

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The search panel has a filter that allows users to choose specifics to obtain the desired information. If needed, there is a short-cut button to go directly to the Create Issued Items page, where additional checks can be added.

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