

Alliance Access Kit

A cost effective connectivity to SWIFT in just one click



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The Alliance Kits provide you with a competitive and easy connectivity offering to do business over SWIFT. Designed for customers sending or receiving less than 1,000 messages per day, Kits contain all the SWIFT elements you require to start using SWIFTNet at a very compelling price.

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^A Alliance Access Kit: key benefits and features

Key benefits

A complete solution

The Alliance Access Kit contains all SWIFT components you require to connect to SWIFTNet, giving you access to SWIFT messaging services: FIN, InterAct, FileAct and Browse. It includes the following elements:

- your Bank Identifier Code (BIC) annual registration
- access to online reference data and documentation
- the FIN messaging service registration
- the security hardware
- Alliance Access and Alliance Gateway, the SWIFT interfaces, designed to construct, manage and orchestrate your flows of messages and files
- Alliance Connect Bronze, the SWIFT network connectivity product providing secure connection to SWIFT through the public Internet

Access to all SWIFTNet messaging services

The Alliance Access Kit contains the SWIFT software required to access SWIFT messaging services: FIN, InterAct, FileAct and Browse. When ordering the Kit, you will automatically subscribe to the FIN messaging service. You can easily subscribe to other SWIFT messaging services without having to deploy additional software.

Cost effective

The Kit is advantageous from a pricing perspective, as the price you pay is significantly lower than the sum of the individual elements contained within.

Also, the predefined product selection simplifies your requirements definition allowing you to reduce your overall project costs.

Flexible: evolve with your business needs

The Alliance Access Kit is sized for a traffic volume of up to 1,000 messages per day. Should your needs evolve, you can easily convert your Kit without losing your initial investment and without having to change your environment.

Increased straight-through processing

The Alliance Access Kit is specifically geared towards customers who wish to attain the highest levels of straight-through processing. To this effect, it includes a selection of SWIFT interface products, offering features such as high levels of automation, a tight integration with your business applications, rich messaging functionality and access to key reference data.

Key features

One stop shop: simple ordering and invoicing

Ordering is very simple: you complete one order form and you receive all the relevant components in one go. Alliance Access Kit is invoiced as a single package, making it easy for you to reconcile.

Advanced integration

The Alliance Access Kit includes all elements you need to ensure a tight integration of SWIFT message flows (FIN, InterAct and FileAct) with your back-office applications via IBM WebSphere MQ or File Transfer adapters.

Furthermore it allows connecting plug-in applications from third-party developers, such as anti-money laundering.

Automation

The Alliance Access and Alliance Gateway interfaces allow you to automate a number of tasks such as the starting/stopping of applications, archiving data, connecting to SWIFT and recovering from failed connections.

Rich messaging functionality

With the Alliance Access software you benefit from rich messaging functionality such as message management (creation, repair, and authorisation), access to SWIFT Relationship Management Application (RMA), validation, advanced routing, auditing and monitoring.

SWIFT security

SWIFT ensures the highest level of security. The Alliance Access Kit includes all security elements to ensure:

1. a secured network connection to SWIFT through Alliance Connect Bronze, and
2. a dedicated SWIFT authentication through the Hardware Security Module

Built-in resilience

The Alliance Access Kit allows you to set up three environments, of which one is dedicated to your live production. You may set up the other two as you require, either for testing purposes or as a disaster recovery system.

Access to reference data and user documentation

The Alliance Access Kit grants you access to the Online Directories and to the SWIFT User Handbook.

The Online Directories provide you with reliable and up-to-date reference data, helping you improve your transaction processing and routing, and thus your straight-through processing rate.

The SWIFT User Handbook contains the detailed documentation relative to the usage of the different products and messaging services making part of your Alliance Access Kit.

Flexible setup

Thanks to its three tier setup, you can install and configure the different software components of the Alliance Access Kit completely in line with the policies of your institution. Business data archival is stored locally at your site.

Key features overview

Operation

Network connection	Broadband Internet
Network encryption	VPN Box
Message authentication	PKI certificate on USB token
Resilience	Automatic switch to second internet provider backup site
Availability	Internet
Local database	Yes
Off-line operation	Yes
Message archival	Locally controlled

Functionality

Standards	MT, MX, FpML, AnyXML
Messaging services	Messages, interactive, files <ul style="list-style-type: none">- FIN: manual and automated- FileAct: manual and automated- InterAct: manual and automated- Browse: manual
Application integration	Advanced <ul style="list-style-type: none">- File Transfer (several formats)

Specifications

Maximum daily volume	1,000
Ordering lead time	3 weeks
Installation time	7 days

System requirements

Hardware	PC based server with 2GHz Intel processor and 2GB of memory
Operating system	Windows Server 2003 Standard or Enterprise Edition
Connectivity	A broadband internet connection

Ordering and pricing

The Alliance Access Kit pricing fee consists of:

- a one-time fee of 43,800 EUR
- an annual maintenance fee of 14,000 EUR

For further details about pricing, see the Alliance Access Kit pages on swift.com or contact your SWIFT account manager.

Ready to order?

Go to swift.com > Ordering > Join SWIFT

Training

Dedicated training courses are available focused particularly towards people who start using SWIFT. Next to this, a series of courses are available focusing on the different products provided in the Alliance Access Kit, such as Alliance Access and Alliance Gateway.

For more information about the courses content and the schedule, see swift.com > Training

Partners

Through the Partner programme, SWIFT can help you with the integration and the implementation of SWIFT products.

To help you select third-party solutions that focus specifically on your needs, SWIFT also certifies and labels such solutions with the SWIFTReady label.

For more information about the label criteria, the list of SWIFTReady applications, and the Partner programme, see swift.com > Solutions > Partner programme

Additional information

Additional information on the Alliance Access Kit is available on swift.com, the Products community on swiftcommunity.net and through your SWIFT account manager.

