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## E-invoicing

Alpha International has developed a number of services to further streamline its own processes as well as those of its customers to help improve efficiency. One such service is e-invoicing.

### What is e-invoicing?

E-invoicing was developed to optimise existing communication flows relating to orders. The traditional invoicing process involves a great deal of paperwork and various manual activities such as checking invoices, booking orders and authorisation. Thanks to the e-ordering process, though, these internal and external paper flows will now be replaced by electronic documents.

### What does e-invoicing involve?

Instead of the traditional hardcopy invoice, Alpha International can now send you an electronic invoice in XML format. You can read and review this electronic invoice automatically in your own financial environment.

### What does e-invoicing mean for you?

The e-ordering options that Alpha International offer can save you a considerable amount of time in the administrative process: you no longer receive physical post that must be opened, forwarded internally for checks and manually entered in your system. Of course, any problems that you might encounter in this system and via the normal RMA procedure will be quickly resolved by our Service Desk.

The e-invoicing process also saves you a great deal of time and reduces costs for Alpha

The advantages of e-ordering include:

- **Time savings:**  
A faster and more efficient process  
Your invoices are processed faster
- **Convenience:**  
Electronic feedback  
Automatic processing  
Permanent order registration

What's more, we also offer you this service free of charge. Alpha International is keen to invest in optimally streamlined partnerships to enable both our organisations to benefit from the advantages of e-invoicing!

### How does e-invoicing work?

E-invoicing is carried out via an XML link, which you can set up in four easy steps:

1. Download the [technical documentation](#).
2. Create the XML files.
3. Validate the XML files with the [XML validator](#) on the Alpha International website.
4. Contact your account manager so that we can monitor your first e-order.

If you would like more information about the format of XML files, you can find the technical documentation about the XML link [here](#).

International, which in turn can indirectly benefit your price level. The less time we need to spend on manually processing invoices, the more time we have available to respond to your personal needs and wishes!

If you are keen to use Alpha International's e-invoicing services but you have practical questions or problems, please contact your [account manager](#), who will be happy to discuss what we can do for you.

Click [here](#) to view a number of frequently asked questions about e-invoicing.