

# Supplier ERS / Self-Billing Process

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### **ERS** Definition

ERS stands for "Evaluated Receipt Settlement," and is an automated invoice and payment process. Adient creates an invoice on your behalf once the goods are received into Adient's inventory. You do not need to send an invoice as Adient's Self-Billing Invoice will be used to make the payment to you.

### **ERS Benefits**

As a Supplier on ERS, you will receive on-time payments on a regular basis, resulting in better cash flow. ERS invoices never go on hold, as the Scheduling Agreement price and the invoice always match. This means no invoices being delayed for payment, which allows you to more reliably predict your incoming cash flow. Another advantage of ERS is that you will no longer need to send invoices to Adient. The elimination of this clerical task will save administrative time.

## Timing

The Self-Billing Invoices are sent to you **in PDF via email immediately**, after they are generated in the system. You can confirm, add, or change the receiving email address by contacting your buyer or Adient's AP department. You can also track all Self-Billing Invoices and payments via **Supplier Portal Taulia**.

## The key tool used for ERS is the Self-Billing Invoice (SBI)

- The SBI is a legal document created by Adient on your behalf
- The SBI takes precedence in case of discrepancies and tax issues
- Do not send your own invoices to Adient for ERS orders, as they would be rejected in the system to avoid duplicate invoices
- Contains all the necessary legal verbiage for an invoice
- Contains information that will enable you to reconcile our payments against your deliveries

# **ERS Process Steps**



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Step 1	Step 2	Step 3The Self-Billing Invoice(SBI) is created based onthe Scheduling Agreementprice and Goods receiptquantityThe SBI is sent to theSupplier	Step 4
Adient raises an ERS	The Supplier delivers the		Adient pays the Supplier
Scheduling Agreement	goods to Adient		against the SBI invoice
(SA) and sends this to the	Adient books the goods		within the agreed
Supplier	into their inventory system		payment terms

#### **Details of Process Steps**

- 1. Standard Scheduling Agreement is created with Self-Billing process.
- 2. The Supplier delivers the goods to Adient. The receiving department verifies the materials to ensure the proper quantity and no obvious signs of damage, and then books the goods into stock against the Adient SA number. If a packing slip or shipping document are sent with the goods, that number will be recorded with the receipt.
- 3. An automated program runs on a daily basis, which posts all goods received against ERS Scheduling Agreements. The program creates the Self-Billing Invoices for the receipts using the current PO price and received quantity. The Self Billing Invoice contains your Packing Slip number and is sent to you immediately via email.
- 4. Adient will pay the Self-Billing Invoice, per agreed payment terms.

#### **Quantity/Quality Discrepancies**

Self-Billing Invoices and payments will be automatically created for goods, based on a standard Scheduling Agreement that are physically received by the Adient Facility Receiving Department. However, there may be situations where a debit memo is created by Adient to register a return of goods or damaged parts (DMR or RTV). Such documents will be generated as a Self-Billing credit note on your behalf and will be sent to you via PDF in an email as any other Self Billing invoice. Any goods that are returned will have a Credit Memo created, which will net against the total payment that you receive.

#### **Reconciliation and Resolving ERS Discrepancies**

When you receive the Self-Billing Invoice, discrepancies may be noticed between the expected payment and what is on the Self-Billing Invoice. Please work with your Adient contacts to correct these issues as quickly as possible, so there is minimal disruption of the payment.

#### 1. Verify that the quantity Adient has received matches what you believe was sent

If the quantity received is different, contact the applicable Adient facility to correct the quantity received.

- If you believe the quantity Adient received is less than what you sent, Adient can receive the additional quantity. This may result in the creation of an additional Self-Billing Invoice, but it should not result in a late payment for the goods.
- If you believe Adient has received more than you sent, Adient will perform a DMR or RTV. This will generate a Credit Memo in the system, which will reverse what we pay you.

#### 2. Verify the unit price of the goods on the Self-Billing Invoice

- If you believe the unit price on the SBI is too low or too high, notify your Adient buyer immediately to initiate a correction of the prices, which may trigger the retro-billing process.
- 3. Verify that the tax shown on the SBI is correct
  - The tax amount is calculated from the tax code in Adient's Scheduling Agreement. If this is incorrect, notify your Adient buyer immediately.





# **Supplier Portal - Taulia**

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# **Taulia: Adient Supplier Self-Service Portal**

# **Get Started!**

## **Registration process for new suppliers:**

- Start by providing your contact details to Adient by completing the Enrollment Form
- Your supplier number necessary for registration can be found on the Purchase Order
- Submit the Form and wait for the Taulia invitation

## **Taulia Login and Technical Support:**

- Accept the invitation and start using the portal
- Taulia portal access: <u>https://portal.taulia.com/login</u>
- Taulia Help & Technical support (Contact Support): <u>https://support.taulia.com/</u>

## **Training Material:**

- Taulia Experience Center / FAQ: Click <u>here</u>
- Taulia Success Guide: Click <u>here</u>
- Webinar: Click here



If you have several supplier numbers with Adient, the registration process has to be initiated for each number. Once you are invited, you can <u>merge</u> your Taulia accounts into one!

# Taulia portal: Data Search & Export

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# How to Perform an Invoice Search in Taulia

## ERS Invoices:

- Search based on the packing slip / delivery note number
  - (only use letters and digits without a zero at the beginning, no special characters e.g. /, \_, #, -, etc.)
- Search based on other criteria
  - Delivery Date
  - Amount
  - Purchase Order number

## Non-ERS invoices:

Use Invoice Number for non-ERS invoices

## Payment detail:

- To search for <u>remittance advices</u>, click **Payments** from the main portal menu and enter the **Payment Reference** field
  - To view more details about the payment record, click the Payment Reference
- You can also find the Payment Reference in the Payment column of invoices in "Paid" status

## **Due Date Verification:**

- You can verify payment terms on each Purchase Order by clicking the **PO number**; payment details will be displayed

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