MasterCard Brand Mark Overview

The MasterCard® Brand Mark may appear only in approved versions. Choice of version depends on application, budget constraints, technical limitations, and reproduction size.

Who Should Use MasterCard Brand Marks
The MasterCard Brand Mark is used by MasterCard, its merchants, issuers, acquirers, co-brand partners, and their communications resources.

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**NOTE:** For all applications signifying MasterCard acceptance, use the MasterCard Acceptance Mark. Refer to the Acceptance Mark Standards for additional information.

1. **Color Versions**
   Whether in print or on-screen, use the Color Versions of the Brand Mark whenever possible.
   The color versions are printed in match colors, process colors, process plus match colors, or used on-screen in RGB or hexadecimal color. Color versions printed on cards must be printed in match colors.

2. **Grayscale Version**
   Use the Grayscale Version of the Brand Mark in print only when technical limitations prohibit the use of full-color reproduction.

3. **Solid & Outline Versions**
   When it’s not possible to use either the color or grayscale versions of the Brand Mark because of limited reproduction capabilities, use either the Solid or Outline Version.

### Ensuring Consistent Presentation

Standards and artwork for the MasterCard Brand Mark have been developed for use by MasterCard, its merchants, issuers, acquirers, co-brand partners, and their communication resources. No other standards or artwork should be used to represent the MasterCard brand.
Color Versions

When communicating “I market MasterCard® products and programs” or “I issue MasterCard cards,” in print or on-screen, use the color version of the Brand Mark whenever possible.

Elements
The color versions shown here are produced using different methods, but all include the same five essential Elements: the Interlocking Circles Device, the MasterCard name in custom lettering, the MasterCard Drop Shadow, the registered trademark symbols, and the minimum free space area.

1. Match Colors
The Match Color version of the MasterCard Brand Mark is preferred for reproduction in all print media when the brand does not signify acceptance, and is required when the Brand Mark is printed in color on cards.

2. Process Colors
The Four-color Process version of the MasterCard Brand Mark may be used when match colors are not available.

3. RGB Colors
The RGB Color version of the MasterCard Brand Mark must be used for websites and all other on-screen applications. Hexadecimal values are provided to assist with color matching of other text to the Brand Mark.

Minimum Size
Because of reproduction limitations, minimum sizes for the Brand Marks have been created for print and on-screen use. Standards provided for Minimum Size must be followed carefully.

Background Colors
The Brand Marks may be used on a wide range of Background Colors provided there is sufficient contrast between the background color and the Brand Mark.

Avoiding Common Mistakes
Consistent reproduction of the MasterCard Brand Mark is vital for recognition. Common Mistakes have a negative impact on the MasterCard brand.

Special Considerations
For detailed information on size limitations in special reproduction situations such as etching, embossing, or embroidering, Contact Us.

Downloading Authorized Materials
Authorized digital artwork and standards may be downloaded from the MasterCard Brand Center at www.mastercardbrandcenter.com.

The color values shown here have not been evaluated by Pantone, Inc. for accuracy and may not match the PANTONE Color Standard. Consult correct PANTONE Color Publications for accurate color. PANTONE® is the property of Pantone, Inc.
Elements

The color versions of the MasterCard® Brand Mark consist of five elements, whose relationship must not be altered.

1. The MasterCard Interlocking Circles Device
   The MasterCard Interlocking Circles Device, a registered trademark of MasterCard International Incorporated, is a feature common to the MasterCard family of Brand Marks. This distinguishing device, combined with a unified color palette, enhances the visual link between our brands.

2. The "MasterCard" Name in Custom Lettering
   The "MasterCard" brand name is a registered trademark of MasterCard International Incorporated. It is comprised of custom-drawn letterforms, in a size relationship designed to heighten the impact of the MasterCard brand. This custom-drawn artwork must not be altered in any way.

3. The MasterCard Drop Shadow
   In advertising, marketing, and communications materials not signifying acceptance, the drop shadow may appear in MasterCard Dark Blue or Black. Black is the preferred color for the drop shadow when printing in four-color process, but MasterCard Dark Blue may be simulated in an approved Four-color Process printing situation.

4. The © and/or ™ Trademark Symbols
   The © and/or ™ trademark symbols (or their local law equivalents) must be used. They should remain at the relative size provided in the authorized artwork files and be scaled proportionally with the Brand Mark even though their legibility may be compromised when the Brand Mark is at very small sizes or reproduced in certain media. The symbols should not be enlarged independently to increase legibility.

5. Minimum Free Space
   The MasterCard Brand Mark is a valuable asset that always must appear in an uncluttered space free of text, taglines, logotypes, shapes, and strong background patterns. Always surround the Brand Mark with sufficient free space, which at a minimum must equal one-half the height of one of the circles in the Brand Mark.
Match Colors

These standards should be used for the preferred match color reproduction of the MasterCard® Brand Mark.

Whenever possible, the MasterCard Brand Mark should be printed in match colors.

Color Reproduction
The left circle is 100% MasterCard Red. The right circle is 100% MasterCard Yellow.

The name “MasterCard,” as well as the ® symbol inside the right circle, reverse out to White. The ® symbol outside the right circle is 100% MasterCard Yellow.

The MasterCard Drop Shadow is either 100% MasterCard Dark Blue or 100% Black, depending on the specific application and the type of media used. For all cards, Black must be specified. For advertising, marketing, and communications materials not signifying acceptance, MasterCard Dark Blue or Black may be specified.

In lieu of MasterCard Red, MasterCard Yellow, and MasterCard Dark Blue, the PANTONE® colors shown in the chart at right may be used.

Trapping Information
When printing the match color version of the MasterCard Brand Mark, care must be taken to ensure accurate reproduction by trapping the artwork correctly and achieving proper registration on press.

When printing any of the MasterCard family of Brand Marks or Acceptance Marks, please refer to the Trapping Standards that are applicable to all match color versions.

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Trapping Standards

These standards should be used for trapping the preferred match color versions of the MasterCard ® Brand Mark and Acceptance Mark.

**Color Trapping Standards** *(follow the trapping steps below, from left to right)*

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<td>(1) MasterCard Red and Yellow Interlocking Circles trap to each other. (2) MasterCard Yellow spreads to trap MasterCard Red. (3) MasterCard Red maintains correct size and shape of trapped area.</td>
<td>MasterCard brand name and interior ® reverse out to White.</td>
<td>MasterCard Red and Yellow Interlocking Circles spread to trap MasterCard Dark Blue Acceptance Rectangle.</td>
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**Drop Shadow**

- **Decals and signs greater than 63.5 mm (2.5")**
  - Drop shadow reverses out to White, then prints 100% MasterCard Dark Blue.
- **Decals and signs 63.5 mm (2.5") and smaller**
  - Drop shadow overprints Interlocking Circles in 100% MasterCard Dark Blue.

**Communication materials not signifying acceptance (Brand Marks only)**

- If Blue, drop shadow reverses out to White, then prints in 100% MasterCard Dark Blue. If Black, drop shadow overprints Interlocking Circles in 100% Black.
Process Colors

These standards should be used for process color reproduction of the MasterCard® Brand Mark. Whenever possible, printing in match colors is preferred.

When budget or technical limitations prohibit the use of match color, the MasterCard Brand Mark may be printed in four-color process (except on cards).

Color Reproduction
The left circle is 100% magenta + 100% yellow. The right circle is 40% magenta + 100% yellow.

The name “MasterCard,” as well as the ® symbol inside the right circle, reverse out to White. The ® symbol outside the right circle is 100% Black or reverses out to White, whichever provides the best contrast with the background.

The MasterCard Drop Shadow is 100% Black or may simulate MasterCard Dark Blue, reproducing as 100% cyan + 80% magenta + 35% Black depending on the specific application and the type of media used. For all cards, Black must be specified. For advertising, marketing, and communications materials not signifying acceptance, MasterCard Dark Blue or Black may be specified.

Printing with a Fifth Color
In instances where budget and reproduction methods allow four-color process printing plus a fifth color, the preferred color is MasterCard Yellow. In this case, the right circle and the ® symbol outside the right circle print in MasterCard Yellow. The rest of the Brand Mark prints in four-color process as specified.

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RGB Colors

These standards should be used for on-screen color reproduction of the MasterCard® Brand Mark.

When using the MasterCard Brand Mark on websites and all other on-screen applications, but not signifying acceptance, use the RGB color version of the Brand Mark. The drop shadow appears in MasterCard Dark Blue.

**NOTE:** Do not convert the match or process versions of the Brand Mark to RGB colors. The color values in approved RGB artwork files have been optimized to achieve the closest possible match to the specified colors. Hexadecimal values have been provided to allow for color matching of HTML text to the Brand Mark colors.

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<td>MasterCard Dark Blue</td>
<td>R0/G0/B102</td>
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Minimum Size

To ensure the greatest legibility and impact at small sizes, a minimum size has been determined for both printing and on-screen reproduction of the Brand Mark.

1. **Minimum Size for Printing**
   The match and process color versions of the MasterCard® Brand Mark may not be reproduced in sizes smaller than 9.5 mm (0.375") in width.

2. **Minimum Size for On-Screen**
   The on-screen color versions of the MasterCard Brand Mark should be reproduced as follows:
   - Pixel dimension: The MasterCard Brand Mark may not be used in a pixel dimension smaller than 35px wide, and
   - Optical dimension: The MasterCard Brand Mark must not appear smaller than 7.0 mm (0.28") in width on any screen display, regardless of screen quality or resolution.

**Special Considerations**
Special conditions apply for the display of the Brand Mark in digital wallets. Please see Using in Digital Wallets.

For detailed information on size limitations in special reproduction situations such as etching, embossing, or embroidering, Contact Us.
Background Colors

To ensure high visibility of the Brand Mark, sufficient contrast between background color and Brand Mark must be used.

Print and electronic media not signifying acceptance—such as advertising, sales promotion, marketing, and video—may use any color as a background, provided it offers adequate contrast, giving the MasterCard® Brand Mark appropriate visual prominence.

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Common Mistakes

The MasterCard® Brand Mark is a major asset—the mark of a brand that is known, trusted, and respected worldwide. It always must be applied thoughtfully, carefully, and appropriately.

The MasterCard Brand Mark:
1. Always must be reproduced in its entirety, using full-strength inks.
2. Must not be cropped, disassembled, or altered in any way; neither the lettering nor the circles may appear separately.
3. Must not be used in a headline or sentence; instead, use the name “MasterCard” in the same type style as the rest of the headline or sentence.
4. Must not be substituted for letterforms or numbers—replacing vowels or consonants, for example.
5. Must not be printed or displayed at insufficient resolution.
6. Must not be used as a decorative device or in a repeat pattern.
7. Always must be enlarged or reduced as a unit; never enlarge or reduce individual elements of the artwork independently of the others.
8. Must not be used on a background that doesn’t provide sufficient contrast.
9. Must not use color artwork converted to grayscale. Always use the authorized Grayscale artwork.

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Grayscale Version

If technical limitations prohibit the use of full-color, the grayscale version of the MasterCard® Brand Mark may be used—only in media other than cards, acceptance decals, signs, websites, and digital/online communications.

Elements
The grayscale version of the MasterCard Brand Mark includes these four essential Elements: the Interlocking Circles Device, the MasterCard name in custom lettering, the registered trademark symbols, and the minimum free space area.

Grayscale Values
The Match Color version of the MasterCard Brand Mark is preferred for reproduction in all print media. The grayscale version of the MasterCard Brand Mark is an acceptable substitute when technical limitations prohibit the use of the color versions.

The grayscale version of the MasterCard Brand Mark is an acceptable alternate for limited use by merchants to communicate “brand acceptance” on sales receipts and one-color ads. The grayscale version must not be used on cards, acceptance decals, signs, websites, and digital/online communications.

The grayscale version of the MasterCard Brand Mark is printed in Black ink only.

Minimum Size
Because of reproduction limitations, a minimum size for the grayscale version of the MasterCard Brand Mark has been created for print use. Standards provided for Minimum Size must be followed carefully.

Background Colors
The grayscale version of the Brand Mark only may be used on white or light-colored Background Colors to ensure there is sufficient contrast between the background color and the Brand Mark.

Avoiding Common Mistakes
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Special Considerations
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Elements

The grayscale version of the MasterCard® Brand Mark consists of four elements, whose relationship must not be altered.

1. **The MasterCard Interlocking Circles Device**
   The MasterCard Interlocking Circles Device, a registered trademark of MasterCard International Incorporated, is a feature common to the MasterCard family of Brand Marks. This distinguishing device enhances the visual link between our brands.

2. **The “MasterCard” Name in Custom Lettering**
   The “MasterCard” brand name is a registered trademark of MasterCard International Incorporated. It is comprised of custom-drawn letterforms, in a size relationship designed to heighten the impact of the MasterCard brand. This custom-drawn artwork must not be altered in any way.

3. **The ® and/or ™ Trademark Symbols**
   The ® and/or ™ trademark symbols (or their local law equivalents) must be used. They should remain at the relative size provided in the authorized artwork files and be scaled proportionally with the Brand Mark even though their legibility may be compromised when the Brand Mark is at very small sizes or reproduced in certain media. The symbols should not be enlarged independently to increase legibility.

4. **Minimum Free Space**
   The MasterCard Brand Mark is a valuable asset that always must appear in an uncluttered space free of text, taglines, logotypes, shapes, and strong background patterns. Always surround the Brand Mark with sufficient free space, which at a minimum must equal one-half the height of one of the circles in the Brand Mark.

   **NOTE:** Unlike color versions of the Brand Mark, the grayscale version has no MasterCard Drop Shadow.
Grayscale Values

These standards should be used for grayscale reproduction of the MasterCard® Brand Mark.

When technical limitations prohibit the use of the color versions, use the grayscale version of the MasterCard Brand Mark.

**Color Reproduction**
The grayscale version reproduces in Black only. The left circle is 100% Black. The right circle is 40% Black.

The name “MasterCard,” as well as the ® symbol inside the right circle, reverse out to White. The ® symbol outside the right circle is 100% Black.

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<td>® inside circles</td>
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<td>® outside circles</td>
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Minimum Size

To ensure the greatest legibility and impact at small sizes, a minimum size has been determined for print reproduction of the grayscale MasterCard® Brand Mark.

Minimum Size for Printing

The grayscale version of the MasterCard Brand Mark may not be reproduced in sizes smaller than 9.5 mm (0.375") in width. For single-color reproduction in sizes smaller than 9.5 mm (0.375") in width, use the Solid or Outline Versions of the Brand Mark.

Special Considerations

For detailed information on size limitations in special reproduction situations such as etching, embossing, or embroidering, Contact Us.

Minimum size for printing
9.5 mm (0.375") wide
Background Colors

To ensure high visibility of the Brand Marks, sufficient contrast between background color and Brand Mark must be used.

For the greatest possible clarity and visibility, the grayscale version of the MasterCard® Brand Mark should appear against a white or light-colored background only—one that offers adequate contrast. This version of the Brand Mark must not be reversed out of a dark background or used against medium-value backgrounds or patterns.
Common Mistakes

The MasterCard® Brand Mark is a major asset—the mark of a brand that is known, trusted, and respected worldwide. It always must be applied thoughtfully, carefully, and appropriately.

The Grayscale Version of the MasterCard Brand Mark:
1. Always must be reproduced in its entirety, using full-strength Black ink.
2. Must not be cropped, disassembled, or altered in any way; neither the lettering nor the circles may appear separately.
3. Must not be used in a headline or sentence; instead, use the name “MasterCard” in the same type style as the rest of the headline or sentence.
4. Must not be substituted for letterforms or numbers—replacing vowels or consonants, for example.
5. Must not be printed or displayed at insufficient resolution.
6. Must not be used as a decorative device or in a repeat pattern.
7. Always must be enlarged or reduced as a unit; never enlarge or reduce individual elements of the artwork independently of the others.
8. Must not be used on a background that doesn’t provide sufficient contrast.
9. Must not be printed in tints of colored inks. It always must be printed in Black ink.

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Solid and Outline Versions

The solid and outline versions of the MasterCard® Brand Mark have the most varied acceptable applications. Special care must be taken to understand and use these marks correctly.

The solid and outline versions of the MasterCard Brand Mark were developed for use at very small sizes and for limited one-color applications. These versions also may be used for special reproduction methods like etching, embossing, or embroidering.

Elements
The solid and outline versions of the MasterCard Brand Mark include these four essential Elements: the Interlocking Circles Device, the MasterCard name in custom lettering, the registered trademark symbols, and the minimum free space area.

Solid & Outline Color
The Match Color version of the MasterCard Brand Mark is preferred for reproduction in all print media. The solid and outline versions of the MasterCard Brand Mark are acceptable alternates for limited use by merchants to communicate “brand acceptance” on sales receipts and one-color ads. The solid and outline versions must not be used on cards or acceptance decals and signs.

Minimum Sizes
Because of reproduction limitations, minimum sizes for the Brand Marks have been created for print use. Standards provided for Minimum Sizes must be followed carefully.

Background Colors
The Brand Marks may be used on a wide range of Background Colors provided there is sufficient contrast between the background color and the Brand Mark.

Avoiding Common Mistakes
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Elements

The solid and outline versions of the MasterCard® Brand Mark consist of four elements, whose relationship must not be altered.

1. **The MasterCard Overlapping Circles Device**
   The MasterCard Overlapping Circles Device, a modified version of the MasterCard Interlocking Circles Device, is a registered trademark of MasterCard International. This distinguishing device enhances the visual link between our brands.

2. **The “MasterCard” Name in Custom Lettering**
   The “MasterCard” brand name is a registered trademark of MasterCard International Incorporated. It is comprised of custom-drawn letterforms, in a size relationship designed to heighten the impact of the MasterCard brand. This custom-drawn artwork must not be altered in any way.

3. **The ® and/or ™ Trademark Symbols**
   The ® and/or ™ trademark symbols (or their local law equivalents) must be used. They should remain at the relative size provided in the authorized artwork files and be scaled proportionally with the Brand Mark even though their legibility may be compromised when the Brand Mark is at very small sizes or reproduced in certain media. The symbols should not be enlarged independently to increase legibility.

4. **Minimum Free Space**
   The MasterCard Brand Mark is a valuable asset that always must appear in an uncluttered space free of text, taglines, logotypes, shapes, and strong background patterns. Always surround the Brand Mark with sufficient free space, which at a minimum must equal one-half the height of one of the circles in the Brand Mark.

   **NOTE:** Unlike the color versions of the Brand Mark, the solid and outline versions have no MasterCard Drop Shadow.
Solid and Outline Color

These standards should be used for solid or outline reproduction of the MasterCard® Brand Mark.

Solid & Outline Reproduction
The solid and outline versions of the MasterCard Brand Mark may be reproduced in any single color, preferably 100% Black.

Reversing These Marks
To make reversed versions of the solid or outline Brand Marks, select what is currently Black in the artwork and convert it to White.

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Minimum Sizes

To ensure the greatest legibility and impact at small sizes, minimum sizes have been determined for print reproduction of the solid and outline versions of the Brand Marks.

1. **Solid Version Minimum Size**  
The solid version of the MasterCard® Brand Mark may not be reproduced in sizes smaller than 6.4 mm (0.25") in width.

2. **Outline Version Minimum Size**  
The outline version of the MasterCard Brand Mark may not be reproduced in sizes smaller than 6.4 mm (0.25") in width.
Background Colors

To ensure high visibility of the Brand Marks, sufficient contrast between background color and Brand Mark must be used.

For the greatest possible clarity and visibility, the solid and outline versions of the MasterCard® Brand Mark must appear on backgrounds that provide adequate contrast.

When the solid and outline versions print in a light color or reverse to White, they must appear on a dark-colored background. When the solid and outline versions print in Black or a dark color, they must appear on a white or light-colored background.
Common Mistakes

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The Solid or Outline Version of the MasterCard Brand Mark:
1. Always must be reproduced in its entirety, using full-strength inks.
2. Must not be cropped, disassembled, or altered in any way; neither the lettering nor the circles may appear separately.
3. Must not be used in a headline or sentence; instead, use the name “MasterCard” in the same type style as the rest of the headline or sentence.
4. Must not be substituted for letterforms or numbers—replacing vowels or consonants, for example.
5. Must not be printed or displayed at insufficient resolution.
6. Must not be used as a decorative device or in a repeat pattern.
7. Always must be enlarged or reduced as a unit; never enlarge or reduce individual elements of the artwork independently of the others.
8. Must not be used on a background that doesn’t provide sufficient contrast.

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Brand Mark Uses

Increasing customer awareness of the MasterCard family of brands requires consistent presentation and communication.

Increasing customer awareness of the MasterCard family of brands requires absolute consistency in the way several key elements—Brand Marks, cards, brand names, and correct language—are used in all product, service, and media applications.

1. Using Our Brand Marks
   The MasterCard®, Maestro®, and Cirrus® Brand Marks must appear prominently and consistently—in the correct order, in match color when possible, and at size, color, and frequency parity with all other brands.

2. Using Our Brand Marks with Other Marks
   When used with Other Brand Marks, it is essential that the MasterCard, Maestro, and Cirrus Brand Marks appear at size, color, and frequency parity with those brands.

3. Depicting Cards in Communications
   Actual or “mock-up” MasterCard Cards must display the entire Brand Mark and at least must be at size, color, and frequency parity with other cards depicted.

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Increasing customer awareness of the MasterCard family of brands requires consistent presentation and communication.

4. Using Our Brand Names
   The MasterCard®, Maestro®, and Cirrus® Brand Names must be used prominently and consistently in all communications.

5. Using Correct Language
   Consistent and Correct Language in communications reinforces customer awareness of the MasterCard branded programs and services.

6. Using in Digital Wallets
   While these standards apply to all of the MasterCard family of brands, some additional standards apply to the use of the MasterCard and Maestro brands in Digital Wallets.

Avoiding Common Mistakes
Consistent reproduction of the Brand Marks is vital for recognition. Common Mistakes can compromise the integrity of our Brand Marks and reduce their impact among consumers. Do not use Brand Marks in place of Acceptance Marks when communicating acceptance, unless technical limitations require the use of either the grayscale, solid, or outline Brand Mark.
Using our Brand Marks

The MasterCard®, Maestro®, and Cirrus® Brand Marks must be represented accurately and displayed consistently when used.

All materials that promote the MasterCard, Maestro, or Cirrus brands must display the appropriate Brand Marks prominently, and in the approved sequence.

1. **Approved Sequence**
   If multiple Brand Marks appear together, the marks must be displayed in accordance with the following horizontal or vertical sequence:

   1. MasterCard
   2. Maestro
   3. Cirrus

   The MasterCard Brand Mark always appears to the left of or above all other Brand Marks displayed.

2. **Signifying Acceptance**
   Always use our specially designed, authorized artwork and standards for Acceptance Marks—combined marks which include a Brand Mark placed on the MasterCard Dark Blue Acceptance Rectangle in order to provide a consistent neutral background for acceptance situations.

   **NOTE:** Brand Marks must not be used to signify acceptance in any applications other than limited, one-color exceptions. Visit [www.mastercardbrandcenter.com](http://www.mastercardbrandcenter.com) for more information about Acceptance Marks and one-color exceptions.

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Authorized digital artwork and standards may be downloaded from the MasterCard Brand Center at [www.mastercardbrandcenter.com](http://www.mastercardbrandcenter.com).
Using with Other Marks

The MasterCard®, Maestro®, and Cirrus® Brand Marks must be displayed at size, color, and frequency parity with all comparable product marks appearing in the same communication piece.

To Ensure Parity, Always Follow These Standards:

1. **Size parity with marks of similar proportions**
   When the MasterCard, Maestro, and Cirrus Brand Marks are displayed with the brand marks of other brands, they must appear in a size at least equal to the largest brand mark displayed.

   In horizontal formats, the height of the Brand Mark must be at least equal to the height of the largest other brand mark.

   In vertical formats, the width of the Brand Mark must be at least equal to the width of the largest other brand mark.

2. **Size parity with marks of different proportions**
   Size parity with marks of different proportions is determined by area. The area (height by width) of the Brand Mark should at least equal the approximate area (maximum height by maximum width) of the largest brand mark displayed.

   **NOTE:** Never enlarge or reduce individual elements of the artwork independently of the others.
   Always enlarge or reduce the artwork as a unit. Authorized artwork in approved combinations is available for downloading at www.mastercardbrandcenter.com.

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3. Color Parity
   When the MasterCard, Maestro, and Cirrus Brand Marks are displayed with the marks of other brands, they must appear using the same level of color reproduction as the other brands.
   
   When other brands’ marks are reproduced in full-color, MasterCard, Maestro, and/or Cirrus Brand Marks also must be reproduced in full-color. Use of grayscale, solid, and outline versions does not represent color parity with full-color marks.

4. Frequency Parity
   When the MasterCard, Maestro, and Cirrus Brand Marks are displayed with the marks of other brands, they must appear in the same frequency as the other brands.
Depicting Cards in Communications

When actual or “mock-up” cards are used, they must follow these guidelines and must be at size, color, and frequency parity with other cards depicted.

**MasterCard® Cards**

When depicting MasterCard®, Maestro®, or Cirrus® cards, use an actual financial institution card or a mock-up card approved by MasterCard. Card artwork is available to registered vendors and issuers through the Card Design Standards System located at www.mastercardconnect.com.

1. **Displaying Single Cards**
   When displaying a single card, the entire card face must appear and must not be distorted.

2. **Displaying Multiple Cards**
   When displaying multiple cards, the entire Brand Mark must be visible on at least one of the cards depicted.

3. **Size, Color, and Frequency Parity with Other Card Products**
   All MasterCard, Maestro, or Cirrus cards must be depicted at Size, Color, and Frequency Parity — appearing in the same size, color, and frequency treatment — with all other cards depicted in the same communication.
Using Our Brand Names

The MasterCard®, Maestro®, and Cirrus® brand names must be used prominently and consistently in all relevant communications.

The brand name(s) must be used at least once in all communications that promote the MasterCard, Maestro, and Cirrus brands, respectively.

1. Using Uppercase and Lowercase Letters
   The MasterCard brand name always must appear as one word with uppercase letters “M” and “C,” with lowercase used for the remaining letters.

   The Maestro brand name always must appear with an uppercase letter “M,” with lowercase used for the remaining letters.

   The Cirrus brand name always must appear with an uppercase letter “C,” with lowercase used for the remaining letters.

   NOTE: The brand names should not appear in all uppercase letters.

2. Using Our Brand Names as Adjectives
   In general, the MasterCard, Maestro, and Cirrus brand names should be used as adjectives, as in, “Use your ATM card wherever you see the Cirrus® brand.”

   At a minimum, the brand names must be used as adjectives in their first or most prominent mention subsequent to any use in the title, headline, signature, or cover page of a communication.

3. Using the Registered Trademark Symbols
   The © and/or ™ trademark symbols (or their local law equivalents, as designated within the respective sections of the MasterCard Brand Center located at www.mastercardbrandcenter.com) always should appear after the first or most prominent use of the MasterCard, Maestro, and Cirrus brand names on each page.

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Using Our Brand Names (continued)

The MasterCard®, Maestro®, and Cirrus® brand names must be used prominently and consistently in all relevant communications.

4. Use with Other Brand Names
   In all communications that promote more than one brand, the MasterCard, Maestro, and Cirrus brand names always must be presented with prominence and frequency equal to that of all other brand names.

Using The Brand Names To Signify Acceptance
The brand name also must be used whenever a reference is made to acceptance at the point of interaction—"You can use your MasterCard® card at millions of locations worldwide."

Brand Name Translation
The names “MasterCard,” “Maestro,” and “Cirrus” may appear only in English. Our brand names must not be translated into other languages nor appear in another alphabet.
Using Correct Language

Consistent and correct language in all communications reinforces customer awareness of the MasterCard branded programs and services.

1. **Referring to the Global ATM Network**
   The global ATM network must be referred to as the "MasterCard® ATM Network accepting the MasterCard, Maestro®, and Cirrus® brands."

2. **Using Approved Program Names**
   When promoting a MasterCard branded program in a communication, the full program name must be used, including the registered trademark symbol ®, and the generic term associated with the trademark, such as the word “card.”
Using in Digital Wallets

Use these standards when displaying MasterCard® product brands in digital wallets and other mobile payments applications.

1. **Minimum Brand Requirements**
   When a MasterCard product account number is represented in a digital wallet or other mobile payment application, a full-color MasterCard Brand Mark or a full-color image of a MasterCard card must appear in proximity to the account representation in order to provide clear brand identification.

   MasterCard product branding must appear in the following locations within the user interface (UI):
   1. When activating an account
   2. When selecting credentials/an account for payment
   3. When viewing account details
   4. When completing the use of credentials/an account in a transaction

   All user interfaces are subject to MasterCard review and approval.

   **NOTE:** Please be sure to use the RGB color version of the Brand Mark for all on-screen applications. Authorized artwork can be downloaded from [www.mastercardbrandcenter.com](http://www.mastercardbrandcenter.com).

2. **Using a MasterCard Card Image**
   A MasterCard card image may be used in lieu of the MasterCard Brand Mark but still must appear in the locations described above.

   Card images must conform to the following standards:

   1. A card image may be an exact replica of the corresponding physical card provided all MasterCard branding elements are included and personalization elements such as account number have been truncated or removed.

   2. A card image may be a generic representation of a MasterCard card provided all MasterCard branding elements are sized and positioned per physical card design standards.

   3. A card image may depart from conventional physical card layout and design. For example, a square icon-style image could be used provided minimum brand mark size requirements are met.

   4. If the account is NFC-enabled, the EMVCo Contactless Indicator (3) must be included on the card image or in close proximity to the card image. The Contactless Indicator must be at least 7.0 mm (0.28”) high and must appear in a solid color that provides the best color contrast and legibility against the selected background color. Optimal colors include black, white, gray or other neutral colors. The minimum clear space around all four sides of the Indicator should be equal to the full height of the second semicircle from the left (Contact your MasterCard Representative for more information).

   **Background Colors**
   Background screen colors must provide sufficient contrast to ensure clarity and visibility for the Brand Marks.

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Using in Digital Wallets (continued)

Consistent use of the Brand Marks in all media, including digital wallets, reinforces the equity of the MasterCard family of brands.

4. **Minimum Sizes**
   MasterCard Brand Mark: Minimum final display width is 7.0 mm (0.28")
   MasterCard card image: Minimum final display width is 30.0 mm (1.18")

   **NOTE:** The above size specifications apply to 240 dpi or greater device screens. On lower resolution screens, larger brand artwork may be required to ensure reasonable legibility.

5. **Non-color Devices**
   For devices not supporting a full-color screen or interface, all branding requirements apply with the following exceptions:
   1. For devices with a black and white screen or interface, the one-color MasterCard Brand Mark or card image may be used.
   2. For devices that support text-only, the “MasterCard” name in text is an acceptable substitute for imagery.

**Use with Other Brand Marks**
The MasterCard Brand Mark must be presented at parity with all other equivalent brand marks depicted in the digital wallet. For example, the MasterCard Brand Mark must be at least as prominent as, and appear in at least the same size, level of color reproduction, and frequency as all other equivalent brand marks appearing in the same digital wallet.

**Use with Other Card Products**
All MasterCard cards must be depicted at size, color, and frequency parity with any other cards depicted in the digital wallet.

All card images and user interfaces are subject to MasterCard review and approval.
Common Mistakes

The MasterCard family of brands are major assets—brands known, trusted, and respected worldwide. They always must be applied thoughtfully, carefully, and appropriately.

The Brand Marks:
1. Always must be shown at parity—equivalent in size, level of color reproduction, and frequency—when used with other brand marks.
2. Always must be shown at size parity and in the approved sequential order—MasterCard®, Maestro®, and Cirrus®—when used together.
3. Must not be used on a background that does not provide sufficient contrast.
4. Must not appear within a partially obscured Brand Mark. The Brand Mark must be fully visible when cards overlap.

The Brand Names:
5. Should not appear in all uppercase letters, nor in all lowercase letters. Uppercase and lowercase is preferred. The ® and/or ™ symbol always must appear after the brand name in its first or most prominent use on a page. It also must be used once on every subsequent page of print.
6. Must not be used without the generic product descriptor (i.e., card) when listing MasterCard branded products.

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