Associated Connect®

Reference Guide: Fraud Control





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Portal Access

The Associated Connect portal allows users to access all Associated Connect services through an easy-to-use single sign-in. To access the portal, sign in to Associated Connect directly from Associated Bank's website at **AssociatedBank.com/Business** or **AssociatedBank.com/Commercial**. The portal has been divided into three sections:

Category	Icon	Definition			
Banking	(\$)	Account Details and Services (Includes Account Balances, Account Transfers, ACH Origination, Check Inquiry, Image Search Transaction Activity, Positive Pay, Stop Payments and Wire Transfers.)			
	(P)	Account Summary Page (Includes Ledger Balance, Available Balance, Collected Available Balance, Float Next Business Day, Float 2+ Days and Transactions and Details for each account)			
	<u>!</u>	ACH Filter			
		Bill Pay			
Cash Management	•	Lockbox			
	•	Remote Deposit			
	s	Checkview			
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		Trade Services			
Transmission and Reporting		Export			
		Document Center			
	$\downarrow \uparrow$	File Transfer			

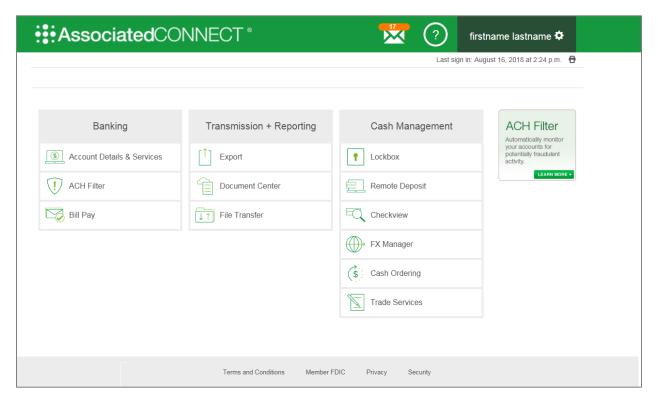


To access Associated Connect, you will be required to verify your identity through one of two methods:

- 1. For clients who have access to high-risk services such as Bill Pay, ACH and Wire Transfers, you will sign in with your username and password, and then will be required to verify your identity through multifactor authentication. Associated Connect users will be required to enter a unique access code generated by either a mobile or physical token to gain access to the portal. Additional information about how to set up, use and obtain a token from Associated Bank can be found in the Multi-Factor Authentication and Password Management Guide or by contacting Customer Care at 800-728-3501.
- 2. For clients who only have low-risk services, you will sign in with your username and password. Periodically, you will be asked a series of challenge questions to confirm your identity.

Associated Connect Portal

The Associated Connect Portal is the first screen you will see after signing in. This provides access to all of your online banking services.



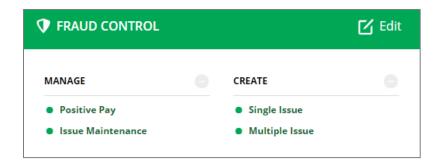


Fraud Control

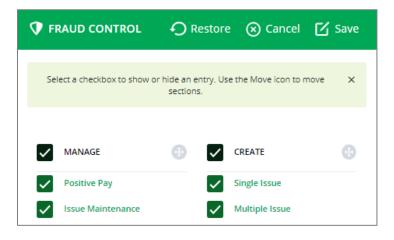
The Fraud Control menu in Associated Connect gives you the ability to manage Positive Pay and Reverse Positive Pay, and provides you with the ability to create single and multiple void instructions.

Fraud Control Menu

The Fraud Control menu is located in the Dashboard Navigation. To review your organization's entitlements for Fraud Control, select the Fraud Control menu to display the drop down menu. Please be aware that your products and services will depend on your user entitlements, selected by your organization.



You can edit your Fraud Control menu by selecting the **Edit** icon . Here you can edit the menu by moving sections around utilizing the **Move** icon . You can also edit what will appear in your menu by checking or unchecking the box next to the product or service. To restore your transfers menu select the **Restore** icon . Please know that selecting restore will reset all of your previously selected customizations. Select **Save** when complete.



Positive Pay

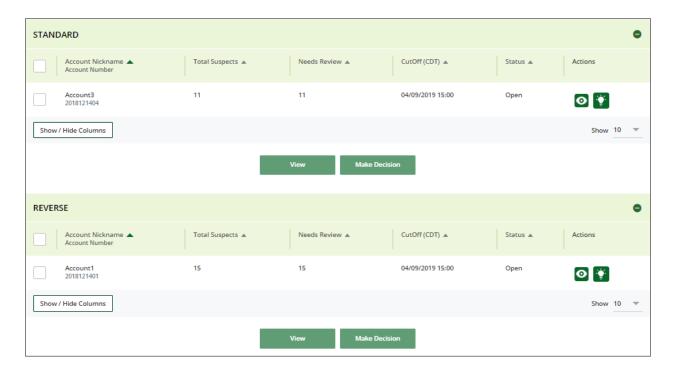
To manage your Positive Pay files, and make decisions on suspect items, select **Positive Pay** from the manage section of the Fraud Control menu. Suspect items are available for you to view Monday – Friday at 9 a.m. CT on



any day Associated Bank is open. Holiday notifications are sent through Associated Connect messaging in advance of the holiday to alert you of our holiday schedule.

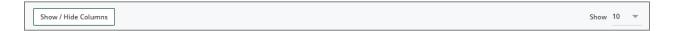


This will take you to the manage Positive Pay portal where you will be able to manage **Positive Pay** and **Reverse Positive Pay**.



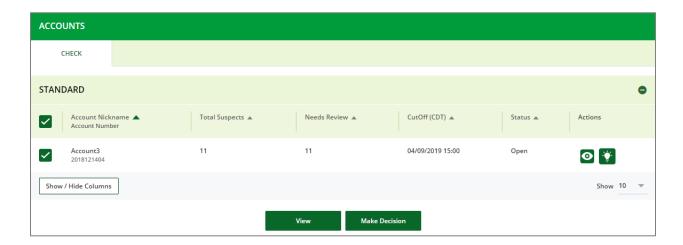
Note: We recommend you set up an exception alert which will allow you to receive alerts by email. Additional details on how to set up alerts can be found in the Associated Connect Alerts and Messaging user guide.

The view can be customized in Positive Pay menu by selecting **Show/Hide Columns** at the bottom of the Positive Pay menu. You can also increase your view per page by selecting the **Show Drop Down** menu at the bottom of the page and adjusting to your specifications.

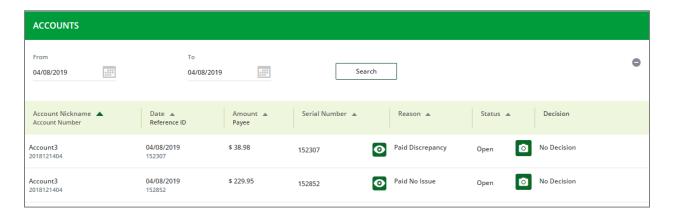




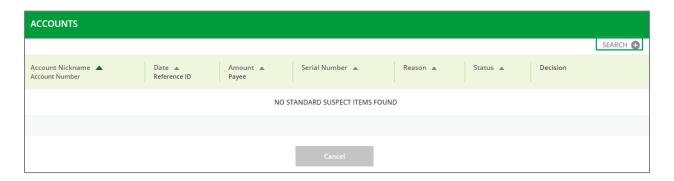
To view suspect Positive Pay items, select the account you would like to view by checking the box next to the account, and select **View**. You may also view suspect Positive Pay items by selecting the **Eye** icon in the action menu.



To view additional details on the Positive Pay item, select the **Eye** icon . To view an image of the item, select the **Camera** icon .



You can also search for a Positive Pay file by date range by selecting the **Search** icon SEARCH .

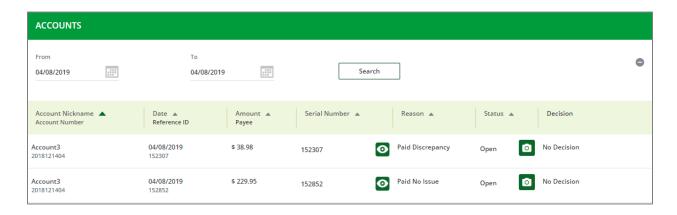




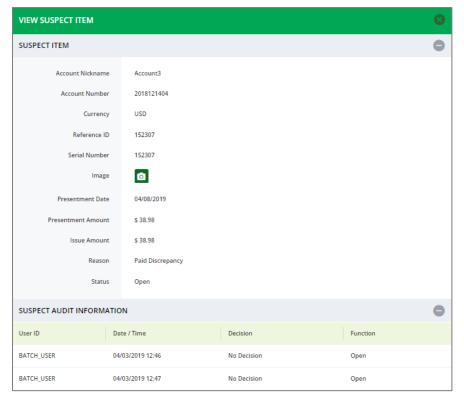
Define the date range and select **Search** when complete.

ACCOUNTS			
From 04/08/2019	 To 04/08/2019	 Search	0

Your results will be populated below.



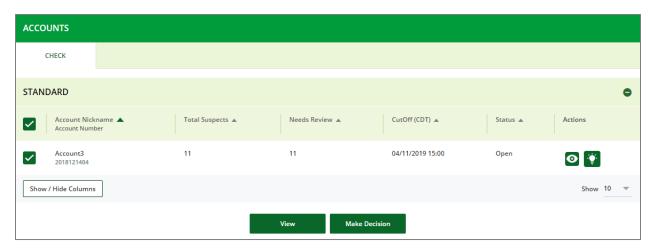
To view additional details on suspect item, select the **Eye** icon . This will populate additional information about the the suspect item including the date and the time of the file. To view an image of the suspect item, select the **Camera** icon .



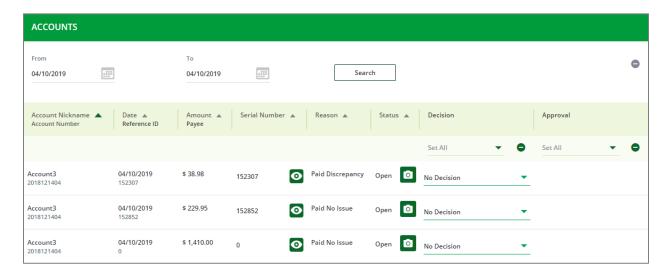


Once you have viewed all of your suspect items, you will need to decision each suspect item. If you have a suspect item, the item must be decisioned each day by 15:00, or 3 p.m. CT. If a decision is not made item(s) will be either returned or paid, per your organization's preferences.

To decision your Positive Pay items check the box next to the account you are looking to decision and select **Make Decision** or select the **Light Bulb** icon.



Here you will be able to decision each item. To view additional details on suspect item, select the **Eye** icon . This will populate additional information about the suspect item including the date and the time of the file. To view an image of the suspect item, select the **Camera** icon .



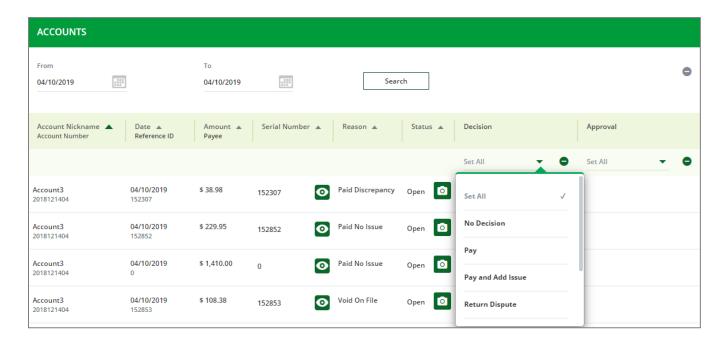
To decision an item, select the decision type from the drop down menu in the decision column. Your options for decisions are:

- Pay
- Pay and Add Issue
- Return Dispute

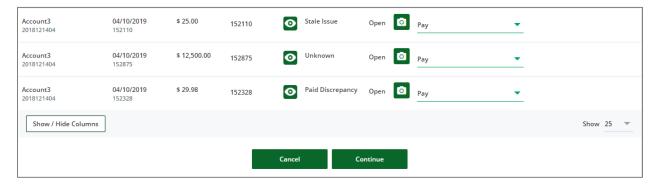


- Return Fraud
- Return Other
- Return Unauthorized

To decision all items with the same instructions, select the **Set All** option in your decisions column and select the appropriate decision. Note that by selecting this option, all issues in this account will be decisioned with the same status.

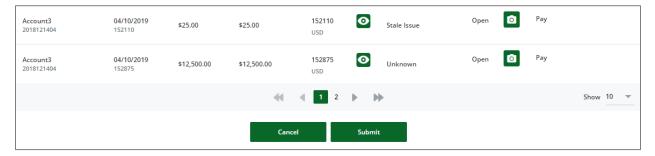


Once you have decisioned all of your items for the account, select Continue.

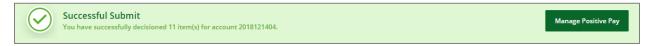




You will then be asked to review your decisions. Once you confirm all of your decisions, select **Submit**.



You will receive a Successful Submit for account and items you have decisioned.



Note: If a Positive Pay suspect needs an approval, select the line item(s) needing approval. This can be done by checking the box next to the item(s) needing approval and selecting approve.

Add a Positive Pay Check Manually

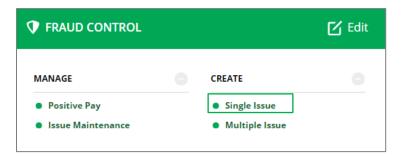
If a check is missing from your Positive Pay file for any reason, you can add the check manually by creating an **Issue Add**.

You will have the ability to create two types of **Issue Instructions**:

- Single Issue: A Single Issue is utilized for one check to be added as a Positive Pay issue.
- Multiple Issue: A Multiple Issue is utilized for more than one check to be added as a Positive Pay issue.

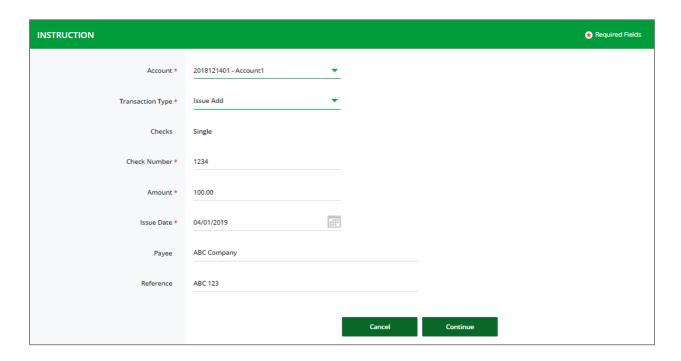
Single Issue Add

To create a single issue add for Positive Pay, select **Single Issue** from the create section in the Fraud Control menu.



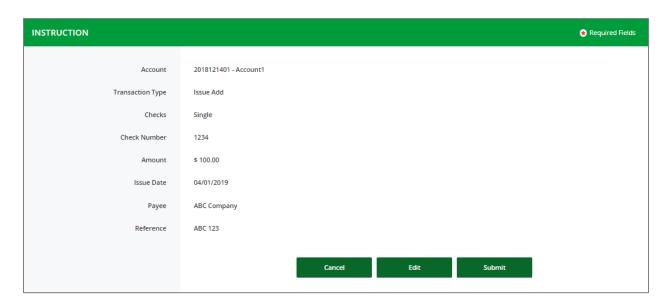
To create a single issue on one check, select **Single Issue** from the create section in the Fraud Services menu and complete the information requested including the account, check number and the amount of the check. Select **Continue** when complete.



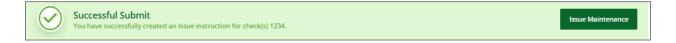


Note: For a Positive Pay issue, a range of checks is not an available option for a Single Issue Add. If you need to add multiple checks at one time, this can be done by creating a Multiple Issue.

You will then be asked to preview the issue you have added. Once you have confirmed all of the information is correct select **Submit** to complete.



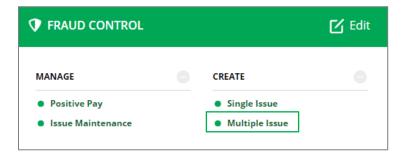
You will receive a confirmation showing your void has been submitted successfully.



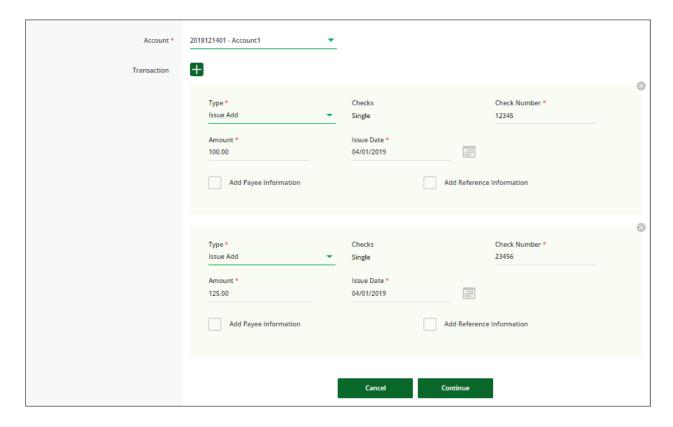


Multiple Issue Add

To create multiple issue add for Positive Pay, select **Multiple Issue** from the create section in the Fraud Control menu.

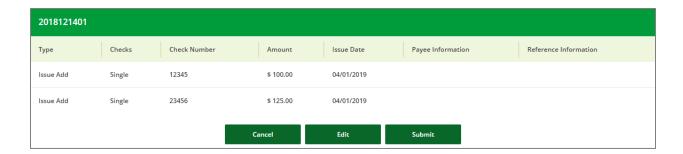


You will be asked to complete the instructions section with the account, issue type, check number, amount and issue date. To add an additional check, click the **Add** icon and an additional field will be added. If you need to remove a field, select the **Cancel** icon and the field will be removed. Select **Continue** when complete.

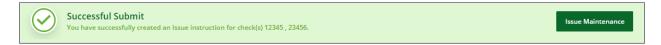


You will then be asked to preview the issues you have created. Once you have confirmed all of the information is correct, select **Submit** when complete.



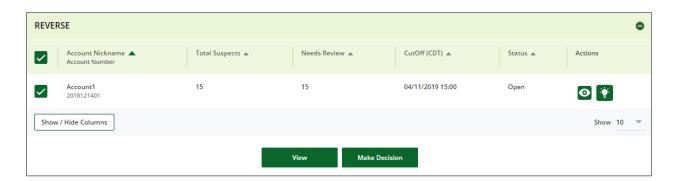


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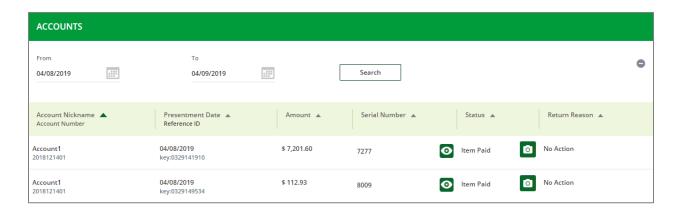


Reverse Positive Pay

To view items for Reverse Positive Pay items, select the account you would like to view by checking the box next to the account, and select **View**. You may also view suspect Positive Pay items by selecting the **Eye** icon in the Action Menu.



To view additional details on the Positive Pay item, select the **Eye** icon . To view an image of the item, select the **Camera** icon .





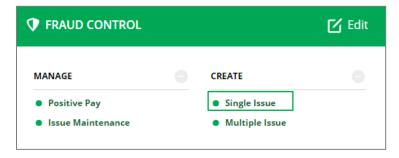
Voids

You will have the ability to create two types of **Void Instructions**:

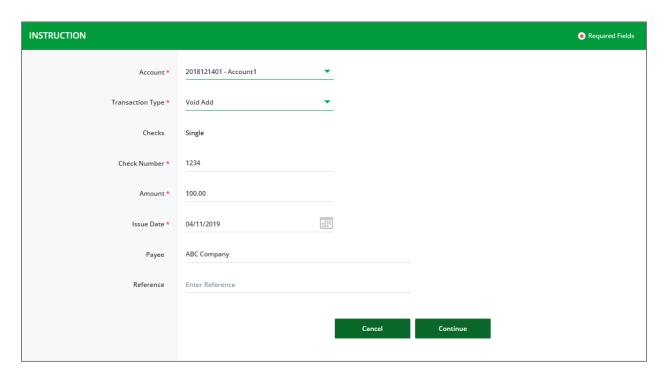
- <u>Single Issue:</u> A Single Void is processed for one check or one range of checks.
- Multiple Issue: A Multiple Void is processed for multiple checks or multiple range of checks at one time.

Single Issue Void

To create a single issue void, select **Single Issue** from the create section in the Fraud Control menu.

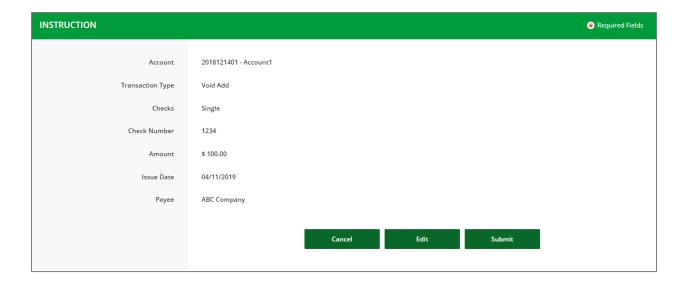


To create a single void on one check, select **Single Issue** from the create section in the Fraud Services menu and complete the information requested including the account, check number and the amount of the check. Select **Continue** when complete.

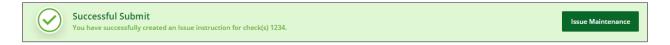


You will then be asked to preview the void. Confirm that all of the information is correct, and select **Submit** when complete.



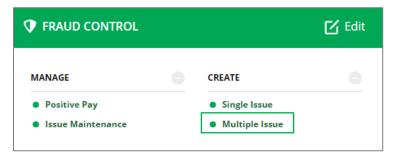


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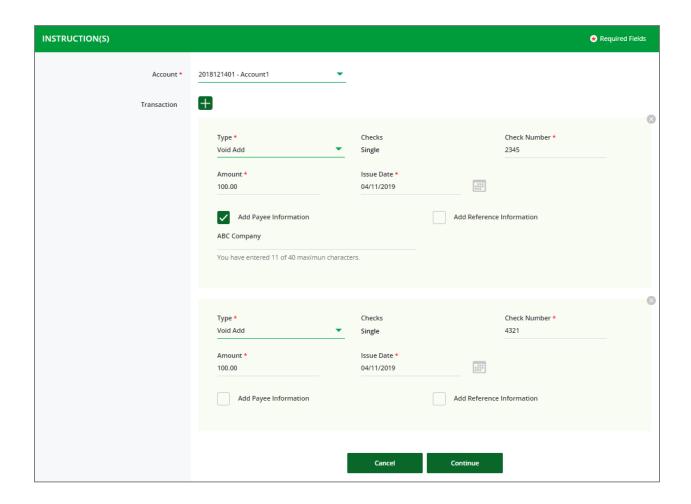
Multiple Issue Void

To create a multiple issue void, select **Multiple Issue** from the create section in the Fraud Control menu.



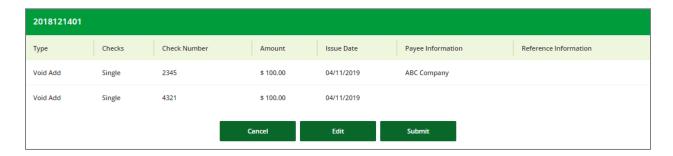
You will be asked to complete the instructions section with the account, issue type, check number, amount and issue date. To add an additional check, click the **Add** icon and an additional field will be added. If you need to remove a field, select the **Cancel** icon and the field will be removed. Select **Continue** when complete.



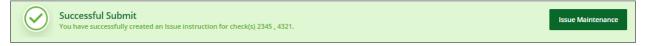


Note: You can add Payee information or reference information by checking the box next to the appropriate option. The maximum number of payee characters is 50. If a payee character is over 50 characters the files will fail.

You will then be asked to preview the void. Confirm that all of the information is correct, and select **Submit** when complete.



You will receive a confirmation showing your voids have been submitted successfully.



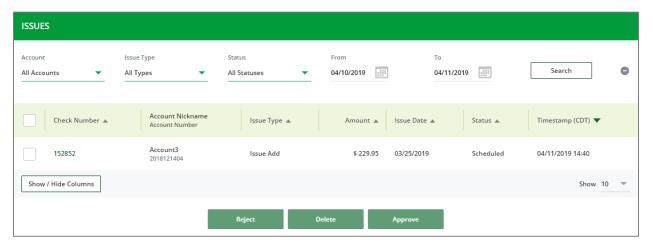


Issue Maintenance

The Issue Maintenance menu allows you to manage and view voids, see Positive Pay Issue additions and approve Positive Pay Issues if required by your organization. To view the issue maintenance menu, select **Issue Maintenance** from the mange section of the Fraud Control menu.



In the Issue Maintenance menu, you will be able to view your Voids and Positive Pay Issues.

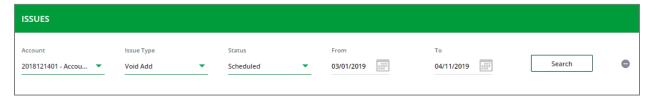


If a Positive Pay Issue needs an approval, select the line item(s) needing approval this can be done by checking the box next to the item(s) needing approval, and selecting **Approve**.

To search for a Void or Positive Pay Issue, select the **Search** icon SEARCH from the Issue Maintenance menu.

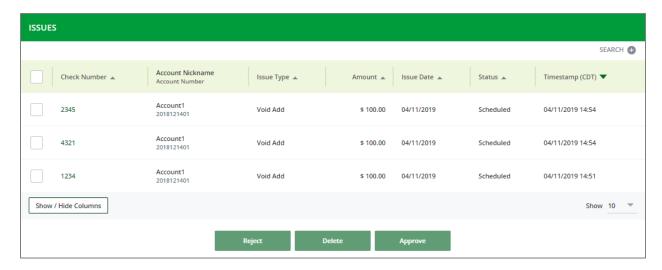


Select the account you would like to search, the issue type, status and date range if applicable. Select **Search** when complete.



Your search results will then appear below based on the parameters entered.





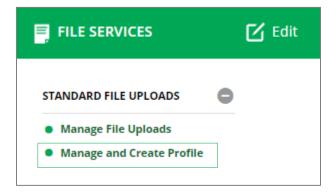
Note: If a Positive Pay manual issue or void item needs an approval, access the Issue Maintenance screen, check the box next to the item(s) needing approval, and select Approve.

File Services

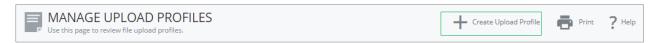
File services allows you to create a Positive Pay profile as well as upload your Positive Pay files.

Manage and Create a Profile

To upload your Positive Pay file, a corresponding profile will need to be created. To create a Positive Pay import profile, select the File Services menu on your top navigation, and select **Manage and Create Profile**.



Here you will see all of your previously created upload profiles. To create a new profile, select **Create Upload Profile.**



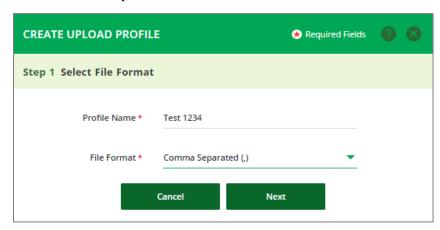
Enter a unique profile name for your new profile, and select the file format you will be using for your profile. File format options include:

- Asterisk Separated (*)
- Semi-Colon Separated (;)
- Comma Separated (,)
- Tilde Separated (~)



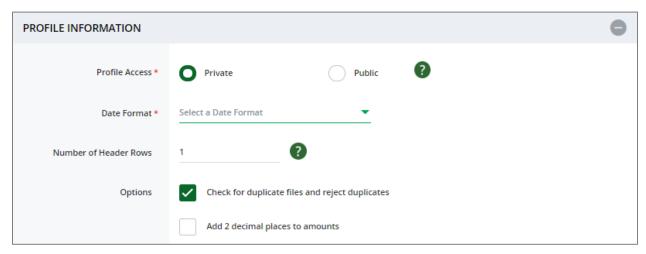
- Pipe Separated (1)
- Tab Separated (T)
- Fixed Length

Select Next when complete.



Next, define your profile information:

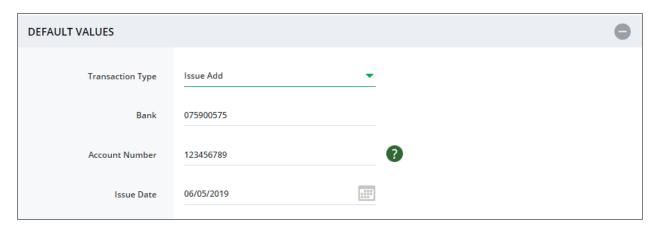
- **Public or Private Profile Access:** A public profile will allow any user within your organization to utilize the profile for file upload. A private profile will only allow you to access the profile.
- **Date Format:** Select the date format used in your file.
- **Number of Header Rows:** Enter the number of header rows contained in your file. If your file does not have a header row, enter zero.
- **Options:** If you would like for your file to be checked for duplicate files and reject any duplicates or to add 2 decimal places to any amount, select the check box next to either option.



Next you will be asked to set your default values. Note that these fields are optional.

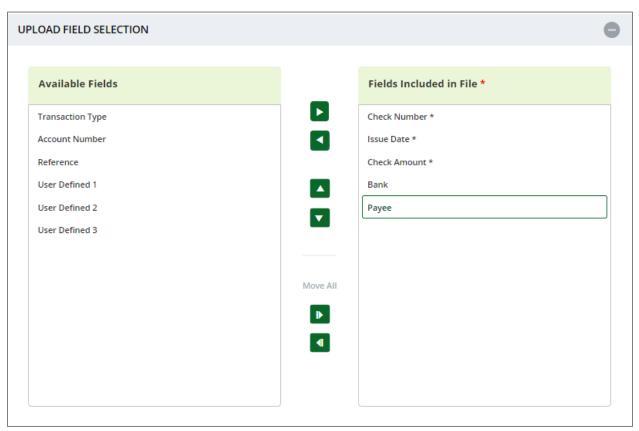
- Transaction Type: Select either Issue Add or Void Add based on the information contained in your file.
- **Bank:** Enter Associated Bank's routing number (075900575).
- **Account Number:** The account number associated with the account for the file upload. If you do not include an account number in this field, you must include the account number in your upload file.
- **Issue Date:** Select the date from the calendar for which the issue or void file is for.





Next you will be asked to set your transaction type mapping values. Note that these fields are optional. Key in the corresponding transaction code(s) based on your file.

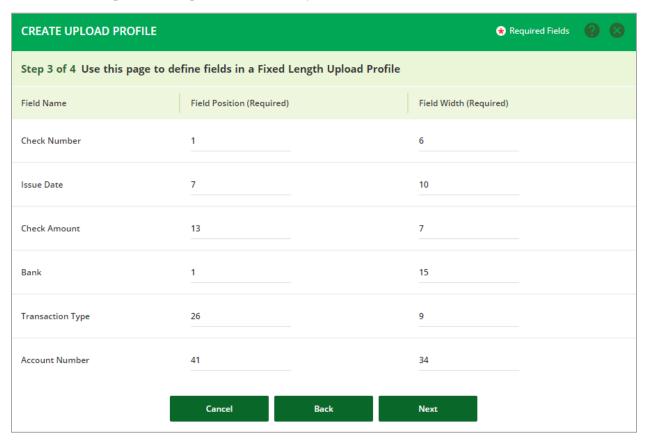
Define the fields in your file by selecting the corresponding fields included in each file. Note that check number, issue date and check amount are required fields in any upload file. Utilize the right and left arrows to move fields from one column to the other based on the fields included in your file.



Note: Fields must be in the same order from left to right in your file, as they read up and down. For example, your first field in your document must be the first field listed in the files to include. Once all of your fields are included, select **Next**.

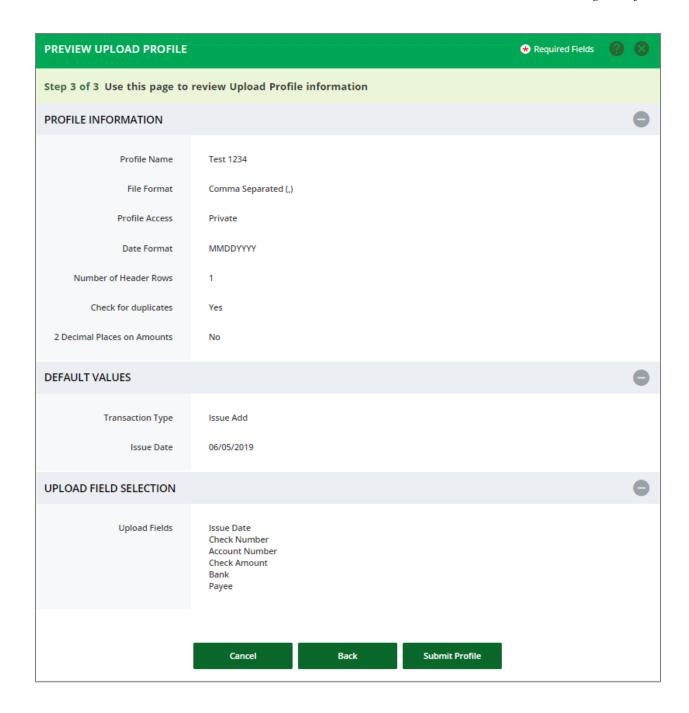


For users who are creating a fixed length profile, please know that you will need to enter the start position under the "Field Position" and the "Field Width" in each respective field. If you enter a stop position in field width, an error will occur. An example has been provided below for you to review.

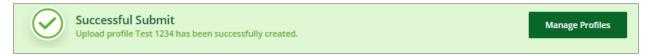


Once complete, you will have a chance to review the profile. Once you have reviewed and all of the fields are populated correctly, select **Submit Profile**.





Your profile will be shown as **Successfully Submitted**. Select **Manage Profiles** to return to the manage profile section for file uploads.



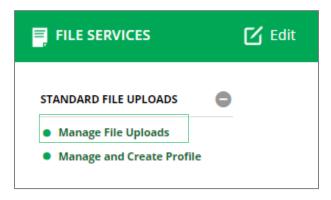


Here you will be able to view the profile you have just created.



Uploading a Positive Pay Profile

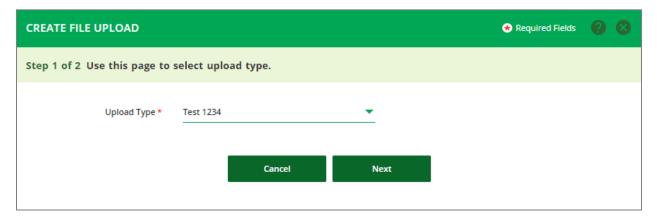
To upload a Positive Pay file to a profile, select Manage File Uploads.



Next, select **Upload File** from your toolbar.

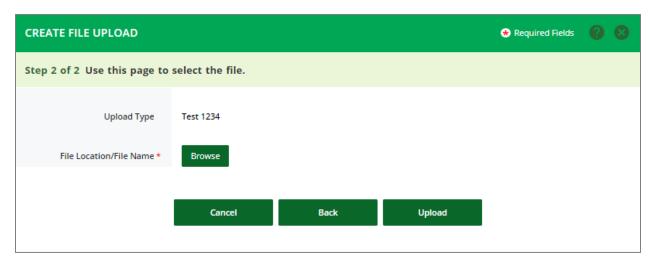


Select the profile you would like to upload your file against. Select Next when complete.



Select the file from your desktop by selecting browse and select Upload.





Once uploaded, the status of the file will be shown in the Manage File Uploads screen. If your file uploads successfully, the status will be shown as Awaiting Transmission.

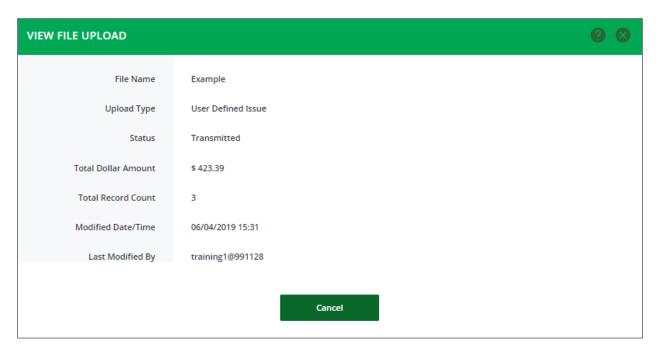
Once successfully Awaiting Transmission, select the file(s) you wish to transmit and select Transmit at the bottom of your screen. This will display one final file transmission screen confirming the number of items read within the file and the dollar sum of the items within the file. Once confirmed to be accurate, select the line item(s) you wish to transmit and select Transmit at the bottom of the screen.

Note: If an uploaded Positive Pay file needs an approval, access the Manage File Uploads screen, check the box next to the item(s) needing approval, and selecting Approve and Transmit.



Additional detail is available by selecting the file name in green.





If your file fails to transmit, the file status will be shown as Parse Failed.



Select the file name in **green** to show the reason for the file fail.

