



VISA CHIP VENDOR ENABLED SERVICE (CVES)

Streamlined solutions for Level 3 (L3) testing available through the Chip Vendor Enabled Service (CVES)

The Chip Vendor Enabled Service (CVES) allows third-party vendors to perform L3 testing on behalf of acquirers and their processors helping to enable a faster time-to-market for chip contact and contactless terminal deployment. Acquirers and their processors can take advantage of this service to streamline their L3 testing efforts.

Acquirers and Processors

An acquirer or their processor interested in engaging a CVES vendor can select one from the [Visa-Confirmed CVES Providers list](#). These vendors have been confirmed by Visa to provide L3 testing services. For more information on CVES, contact your Visa representative.

CVES Vendors

CVES vendors provide the following L3 testing services on behalf of acquirers and their processors:

- Perform Visa L3 testing using an EMVCo qualified and Visa confirmed L3 test tool on the acquirer or processor's behalf ensuring the successful completion of all applicable test cases.
- Provide the ability to analyze test results and determine pass/fail outcomes as well as provide clients with consultation on any failed or inconclusive results, as necessary.
- Submit test results to Visa using the Chip Compliance Reporting Tool (CCRT).¹
- Monitor client terminal deployments and be ready to assist with resolution of interoperability issues, if required.

How to Participate

Vendors can begin the process to become a CVES participant by registering for the program on the [Visa Technology Partner site](#) (click on the "other" box and then specify "CVES Participant" in the space provided).

Visa will ensure that the vendor is able to perform L3 testing activities on the acquirer or their processor's behalf. Visa will also work with the vendor to ensure they are set up with a Visa Business ID (BID) and have access to Visa Online (VOL), CCRT, and Visa Digital Partner Services (VDPS) websites (as required).

Note: CVES participants that do not have their own EMVCo qualified and Visa confirmed L3 test tool must be sponsored by an acquirer to participate in CVES. Client sponsorship acts as an attestation that the vendor is capable of effectively meeting the L3 testing needs of the client.

There is a fee to participate in CVES. Contact technologypartner@visa.com for details.

¹ In the U.S. and LAC regions, the submission of test results using CCRT is not required. although test logs, test results, and receipts must be retained for five (5) years and provided to Visa, if requested.