

Tabs3 Accounts Payable Guide











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Purpose of Guide

This **Accounts Payable Guide** covers the process of data entry and day-to-day tasks in the Tabs3 Accounts Payable Software, including creating vendors, entering invoices and manual checks, printing checks, and posting checks.

The **Administrator Guide** includes instructions on initial setup and configuration of the Accounts Payable software, including customization, bank accounts, where to purchase checks, and check printers.

The *Integration Guide* covers information related to integration between Tabs3 and PracticeMaster products and provides initial configuration information. Additional information related to integration is available throughout the Tabs3 and PracticeMaster documentation, particularly the built-in help feature in the software itself.

All guides are available on our Web site at:

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Introduction

Tabs3 Accounts Payable Software (APS) is a comprehensive system designed for use by professional firms. The system will generate checks for up to 99 different bank accounts and information for IRS Form 1099 for year-end processing. Invoice transactions can be entered as recurring transactions, which saves you from having to reenter the same payable information each month. You also have the ability to enter information for checks that were written manually.

Bank Accounts

Menu: File | Open | Miscellaneous

Home: All Actions | Setup | Bank Account Entry

Checks are paid from one of up to 99 different bank accounts. The **Bank Account** window is used to configure these accounts. This window is also used to configure General Ledger account integration and which Nelco check layout to use.

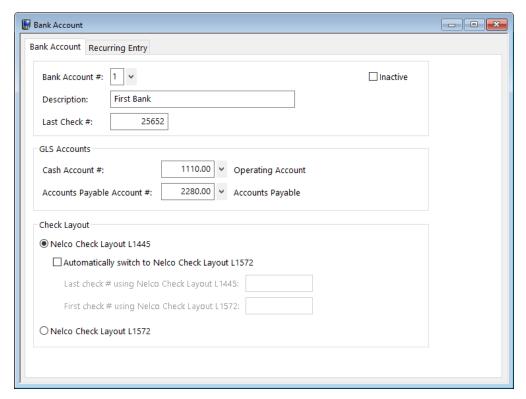


Figure 1, Bank Account window

More Info: For more information on configuring Bank Accounts, see the APS Help or the **Administrator Guide**.

Vendors

Menu: File | Open | Vendor

Home: All Actions | Vendor | Vendor Information

Vendors are business entities or individuals to whom checks will be paid. Examples of vendors include the county Clerk of Court or your local office supply company. The Vendor file is used to add, change, and delete vendor information from the Accounts Payable Software.

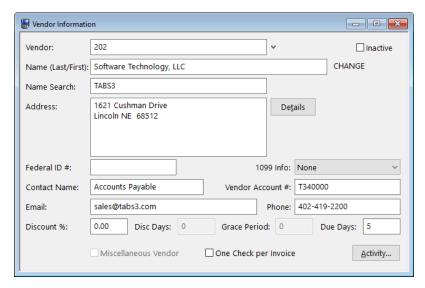


Figure 2, Vendor Information

Many of the fields in the Vendor file are self-explanatory. Those fields that require additional explanation are listed below.

Vendor	The Vendor field is used to store a unique identifying number for each vendor.
Name Search	The Name Search field allows you to run searches by vendor name rather than vendor number. It is also used to print reports in alphabetical order.
1099 Info	The 1099 Info drop-down box determines whether or not a 1099-MISC form will print for this vendor and the box in which information will print on the 1099-MISC form.
Discount %	The Discount % is used to enter a discount of up to 99.99% granted by vendors for early payment.

Disc Days The **Disc Days** field is used to enter the number of days the

vendor allows a discount to be taken for early payment.

Grace Period The Grace Period allows you to enter a number of days

beyond the **Discount Date** that you want to take a

discount.

Due DaysThe **Due Days** field is used to enter the number of days

you have to pay an invoice.

Miscellaneous Vendor The **Miscellaneous Vendor** field is used to designate a

vendor or multiple vendors as a "miscellaneous" vendor to be used for one-time vendor records. This helps to keep the number of vendors in the vendor file at a manageable level. Typically only a single miscellaneous vendor is

defined.

One Check per Invoice The One Check per Invoice check box determines whether

or not multiple invoices can be printed on the same check for the same vendor. If this option is selected, a single

invoice will print on a single check.

More Info: Complete definitions of all fields in the Vendor file can be found in APS Help.

Before you can begin entering invoices, you must configure at least one vendor.

► To add a new vendor

- 1. From the APS menu, click on **File** menu, highlight **Open**, and then select the **Vendor** option.
- 2. Click to assign a new vendor number.
- 3. Enter the remaining information for the vendor.
- 4 Click to save the new vendor.

Invoices & Manual Checks

Menu: File | Open | Invoice/Manual Checks

Home: All Actions | Invoices | Invoice/Manual Check Entry All Actions | Checks | Invoice/Manual Check Entry

Invoice vs. Manual Check vs. EFT

An *invoice* is a bill received for goods received or services rendered. APS uses the invoice file when generating checks. When entering invoices, the **Check #** and **Date Paid** fields are generated at the time the check is printed. APS uses the invoice file when generating checks.

A *manual check* is a check written or generated by means other than Accounts Payable Software. Typically, manual checks are handwritten by someone at the firm prior to being entered into APS. When entering manual checks, the **Check #** and **Date Paid** fields are entered during the data entry process.

An *EFT* is a electronic transfer of funds used to pay an invoice. When entering EFTs, the **Date Paid** field is entered during the data entry process.

Invoices, manual checks, and EFTs are all entered using the Invoice/Manual Checks program.

Data Entry

Invoices, manual checks, and EFTs are entered via the Invoice/Manual Checks program. The **Invoice/Manual Checks** icon appears on both the **Invoices** and **Checks** group of the APS Home page and Task Folders.

- Selecting the icon from the **Invoices** group will ensure that you are entering an invoice by automatically selecting the **Unpaid Invoice** option.
- Selecting the icon from the **Checks** group will ensure that you are entering a manual check by automatically selecting the **Manual Check** option.

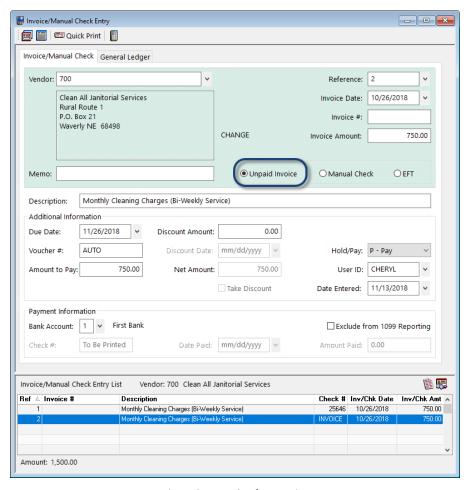


Figure 3, Example of an Invoice

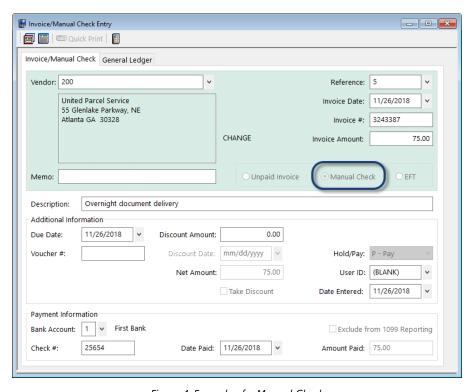


Figure 4, Example of a Manual Check

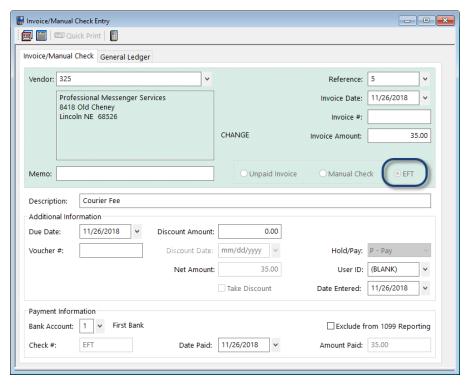


Figure 5, Example of an EFT

Invoice, Manual Check, and EFT entry are very similar. Those fields that are not self-explanatory or differ depending on the type of entry being created are explained below.

Reference

The **Reference** field is used as a unique identifier for each invoice entered for an individual vendor. Press **Enter** to add a new entry.

Memo

The **Memo** field allows information required by the vendor to be printed on the check itself. If **Print Memo on Checks** is enabled in **Check Setup**, then the contents of this field will print in the Memo line in the lower left corner of the check. This field does not print on the check stub or any reports.

Transaction Type

The **Transaction Type** options are used to distinguish between whether you are entering an Unpaid Invoice, a Manual Check, or an EFT.

Description

The **Description** field prints on the check stub and reports.

Hold/Pay The Hold/Pay field determines the payment status of the

invoice. Manual checks cannot be placed on Hold.

Amount to Pay The Amount to Pay field is used when you are paying a

partial amount of an invoice instead of the full amount. The **Amount to Pay** field is only available for an unpaid

invoice.

Check # Enter the Check # used for the manual check. The Check #

field cannot be edited for unpaid invoices. Instead, it is automatically populated when checks are printed. The

Check # field is not available for EFTs.

Date Paid Enter the **Date Paid** for the manual check or EFT. For

unpaid invoices, the **Date Paid** field cannot be edited. Instead, it is automatically populated when checks are

printed.

► To add a new invoice

1. From the APS menu, click the **File** menu, highlight **Open**, and then select the **Invoice/Manual Checks** option.

- 2. In the **Vendor** field, select the desired vendor.
- 3. Click to enter a new invoice.
- 4. Select the **Unpaid Invoice** transaction type.
- 5. Enter the desired information for the invoice.
- 6. Click to save the new invoice.

► To add a new manual check

- 1. From the APS menu, click the **File** menu, highlight **Open**, and then select the **Invoice/Manual Checks** option.
- 2. In the **Vendor** field, select the desired vendor.
- 3. Click to enter a new manual check.
- 4. Select the **Manual Check** transaction type.
- 5. Enter the desired information for the manual check, including the Check # and Date Paid.
- 6. Click to save the new manual check.

► To add a new EFT

1. From the APS menu, click the **File** menu, highlight **Open**, and then select the **Invoice/Manual Checks** option.

- 2. In the **Vendor** field, select the desired vendor.
- 3. Click to enter a new EFT.
- 4. Select the **EFT** transaction type.
- 5. Enter the desired information for the EFT, including the Date Paid.
- 6. Click to save the new EFT.

Detail vs. Rapid Mode

Data entry can be performed using either the **Detail** or **Rapid** entry modes. Click the button on the Data Entry Toolbar to toggle between Detail and Rapid mode. These modes determine which fields will be displayed during the data entry session. **Detail** mode shows all fields on the entry window, while **Rapid** mode simplifies the data entry process by masking all but the most pertinent fields from view. This useful feature allows for fewer keystrokes and faster data entry.

Integration with Tabs3 General Ledger and Tabs3 Billing

If you are integrating with Tabs3 General Ledger System (GLS) and/or Tabs3 Billing, you will see additional data entry windows for entering GLS journal entries and Tabs3 cost entries when you enter the invoice, similar to the following figures (Figure 6 and Figure 7).

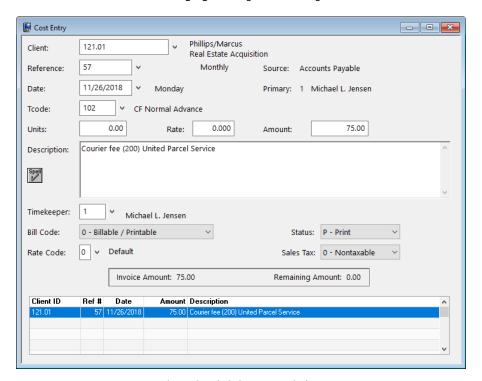


Figure 6, Tabs3 Cost Entry window

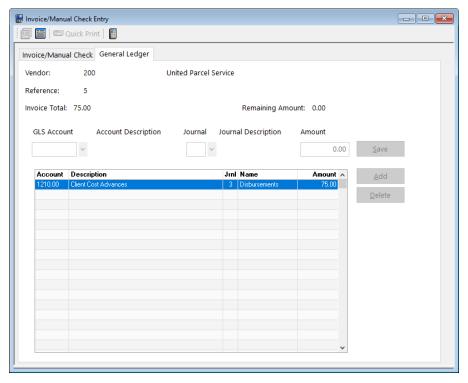


Figure 7, General Ledger (GLS) Journal Entry tab

Note: Additional information regarding integration can be found in APS Help and the *Integration Guide*.

Verification Lists

Upon closing the **Invoice/Manual Check** program, you will be prompted to print a verification list. Verification lists are used to track all records that have been added, changed, or deleted per User ID. This list makes it easy to keep an audit trail of which invoices, manual checks, and/or EFTs have been entered. If you are integrating with Tabs3 General Ledger Software, journal entries will be included as well. Click **OK** and follow the printer prompts in order to generate a verification list.

Num	Vendor Number	Voucher Number	Invoice Number	Entry Date	Inv Date	Due Date	Inv Amount	Disc Amount	Disc Date	Take Disc	Bank Acct	H/P
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GL	S Acct:	1210.00	Advanced Client	Costs	Journal:	1 Amt:	75.00					
Invoices Total Ar	mount:		0.00	Total Discount:		0.00						
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Figure 8, Invoice/Manual Check Verification List

Printing Checks

Checks can be individually printed from the Invoice/Manual Check program, or in batches from the Print Checks program.

Printing from the Invoice/Manual Checks Program

Menu: File | Open | Invoice/Manual Checks | Quick Print

Home: All Actions | Invoices | Invoice/Manual Check Entry | Quick Print

The Quick Print feature is available when entering an invoice from the Invoice/Manual Check window. Quick Print allows you to print a check without leaving the data entry window. When an invoice is entered with an amount, clicking the Quick Print button on the Invoice Data Entry toolbar lets you print a check for the selected invoice.

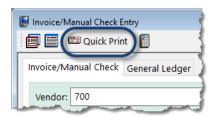


Figure 9, Invoice/Manual Checks
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Printing from the Print Checks Program

Menu: Checks | Print Checks

Home: All Actions | Checks | Print Checks

The Print Checks program is used to process checks for unpaid invoices. You can set a beginning check number and print unlimited test patterns before printing checks.

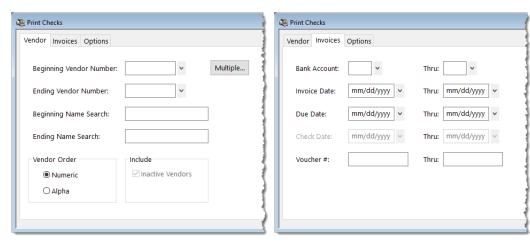


Figure 10, Print Checks - Vendor tab

Figure 11, Print Checks - Invoices tab

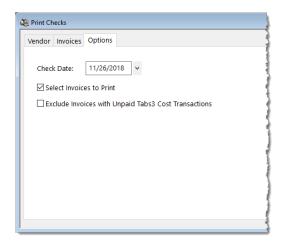


Figure 12, Print Checks - Options tab

Vendor tab

The **Vendor** tab allows you to select vendors by their vendor number or the value entered in the **Name Search** field. You can also specify whether checks should print in numeric or alphabetical order. To print checks for all vendors, leave the values on this tab blank.

Invoices tab

The **Invoices** tab allows you to select invoices by specifying ranges of bank accounts, invoice dates, due dates, and voucher numbers. Leaving the values blank will allow you to print all unpaid invoices regardless of date.

Options tab

The **Options** tab allows you to select the date to print on the checks. The **Check Date** will be used as the Date Paid in the **Invoice/Manual Checks** file. The **Check Date** will also be used for the GLS journal entry date if integrating with GLS.

The **Select Invoices to Print** check box on the **Options** tab allows you to view a list of all invoices that are eligible for printing prior to processing (*Figure 13*). This feature allows you to select specific invoices for which to print checks, which is particularly useful when only a single check must be printed at a time when checks typically aren't processed.

The Exclude invoices with Unpaid Tabs3 Cost

Transactions check box on the **Options** tab allows you to prevent checks from printing for invoices with Tabs3 costs if the cost is unpaid. Selecting this check box makes it possible to not pay invoices for advanced client costs until the client has paid the firm.

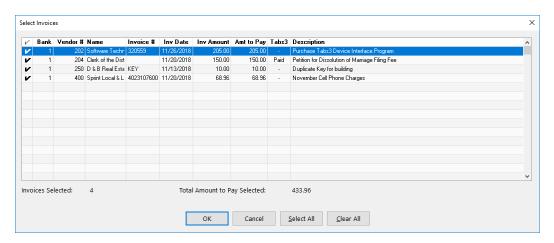


Figure 13, Print Checks - Select Invoices to Print window

Posting Checks and EFTs

Menu: Checks | Post Invoices/Checks | Post Checks/EFTs

Home: All Actions | Checks | Post Checks/EFTs

The **Post Checks/EFTs** program is used to post check and EFT information to the appropriate files. Running the Post Checks program creates Tabs3 General Ledger journal entries when Accounts Payable is integrated with GLS. The Post Checks/EFTs program can be run as often as desired, but is typically run once a month.

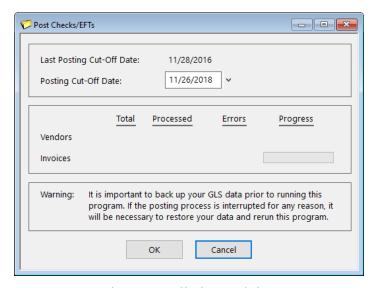


Figure 14, Post Checks/EFTs window

► To post checks and EFTs

- 1. From the APS menu, click the **Checks** menu, highlight **Post Invoices/Checks**, and then select the **Post Checks/EFTs** option.
- 2. Enter the desired Posting Cut-Off Date.
- 3. Click **OK**. A progress monitor showing the total number of vendors and invoice entries will be displayed along with the current vendor and invoice entry being posted.

Voiding Checks and EFTs

Once a check has been printed or posted, it cannot be edited or reprinted without being voided. There are two programs available for voiding checks: **Void/Reprint Unposted Checks** and **Void Posted Checks/EFTs**.

Void/Reprint Unposted Checks

Menu: Checks | Void Checks | Void/Reprint Unposted Checks

Home: All Actions | Checks | Void or Reprint an Unposted Check

The **Void/Reprint Unposted Checks** program allows you to void unposted checks or reprint unposted checks that have already been printed or were interrupted during the printing process. Invoices and manual checks can be voided. This program does not allow you to void or reprint checks that have already been posted.

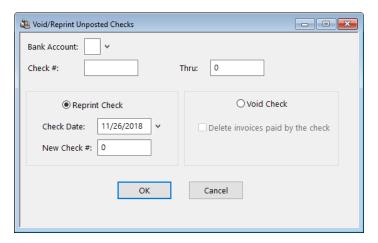


Figure 15, Void/Reprint Unposted Checks

Void Posted Checks and EFTs

Menu: Checks | Void Checks | Void Posted Checks/EFTs Home: All Actions | Checks | Void Posted Checks/EFTs

The **Void Posted Checks/EFTs** program allows you to void posted invoices, including posted manual checks and EFTs. The Void Posted Checks/EFTs program will back out a paid invoice from the vendor totals. If you are integrating with GLS, reversing General Ledger journal entries are automatically created and posted to GLS.

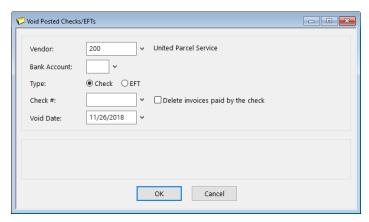


Figure 16, Void Posted Checks

Additional Resources

Help

The Help contains detailed information on all features of the software. The Help is accessible by pressing F1 from anywhere within the software; doing so will load the Help information for the particular topic being accessed.

Knowledge Base

Tabs3's extensive Knowledge Base is available 24 hours a day, 7 days a week. The Knowledge Base can be accessed from within the software by selecting *Help | Internet Resources | Knowledge Base*.

• <u>R11104</u> - "Tabs3 Accounts Payable (APS) Frequently Asked Questions" contains answers to commonly asked questions regarding Tabs3 Accounts Payable Software.

All Knowledge Base articles are available on our website at:

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Report Pack

The Accounts Payable Report Pack provides detailed descriptions, definitions, and examples of reports provided with the Accounts Payable Software. This is a useful reference for anyone looking to better understand the reporting features included with the software.

All guides and report packs are available on our Web site at:

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