

ZATCA E-INVOICING

A CORPORATE GUIDE



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هيئة الزكاة والضريبة والجمارك Zakat, Tax and Customs Authority

In the realm of financial management and governmental regulations, Saudi Arabia has been making significant strides, particularly with the introduction of e-invoicing by the Zakat, Customs, and Tax Authority (ZATCA). This shift marks a pivotal moment in the country's tax landscape, promising increased efficiency, transparency, and compliance. In this blog post, we will delve into the intricacies of e-invoicing, its implementation by ZATCA, and the benefits it brings to taxpayers.



INTRODUCTION

WHAT IS E-INVOICING

What is it and how does it work?

According to the VAT Implementing Regulation, taxable persons who reside in the Kingdom of Saudi Arabia, as well as any customers or third parties that issue a tax invoice on behalf of a taxable person who is a resident of the Kingdom, are subject to the e-invoicing process known as FATOORAH.

According to the dictionary

Businesses can send, receive, and store invoices electronically through a process called e-invoicing. The primary advantages of electronic invoicing are its *paperless, efficient, and secure* nature.





WHY IS E-INVOICING BEING INTRODUCED IN KSA?

The Saudi government has launched several programs, like ZATCA, to encourage e-invoicing and digitize the economy. E-invoicing will assist in lowering the administrative load on companies, enhancing compliance, and fostering openness. It will also make it easier for the government to monitor businesses and their operations. Additionally, e-invoicing will establish a shared database for audits. The availability of this data will reduce the frequency of audits required by tax authorities.

BENEFITS FOR TAX PAYERS

The introduction of the electronic Tax Service has brought many benefits for taxpayers.

INCREASED SPEED

Improved outcomes for both buyers and sellers. The faster you issue invoices in real-time, the faster input tax credits are processed.

LESS RISK

Compared to paper, electronic data will be less prone to error, and more secure. entries. A well-designed system for validating invoices will reduce the chance of fraud, promoting fair competition, and better trade.

LOW COMPLIANCE COST

It assists companies in adhering to legal requirements; a simplified electronic invoicing procedure lowers errors and extra work for entrepreneurs. When you store documents digitally, you get paid faster, have less work to do, and can easily retrieve them.



TIMELINE

PHASE 1 DECEMBER 2021

Under Phase 1, also referred to as the Generation phase, taxpayers must use electronic solutions that meet Phase 1 requirements to create and store tax invoices and notes.
All taxpayers (apart from non-resident taxpayers), and any other parties issuing tax invoices on behalf of suppliers subject to VAT will be able to use Phase 1 starting on December 4, 2021.



PHASE 2 JANUARY 2023

• ZATCA will notify taxpayers of their Phase 2 wave at least six months in advance, and is rolled out in waves by taxpayer group, as shown below in the table: Phase 2, also known as the Integration phase, will involve the introduction of Phase 2 technical and business requirements for electronic invoices and electronic solutions, as well as the integration of these electronic solutions with ZATCA's systems.

INTEGRATION WAVES



Integration Wave 1

Taxpayers with annual taxable revenue above 3Bn in 2021



Taxpayers with annual taxable revenue above 0.5Bn in 2021

Integration period: Jan 1st- Jun 30th

Integration period: J ul 1st- Dec 31st

REMAINING WAVES TO BE ANNOUNCED

Integration Wave 2



TYPES OF E-INVOICES

Simplified Tax Invoice Example



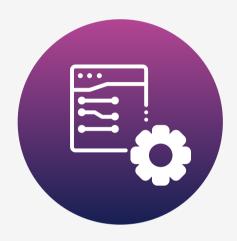
Standard e-invoice with tax information

For both B2B and B2G transactions, tax einvoices are generated. Typically, purchasers use them to claim input VAT deductions. Buyers must receive these invoices in phase 1 in the prescribed format. Only after these invoices have been cryptographically stamped and approved by ZATCA can they be shared with buyers in phase 2.

The taxpayer is required to use a compliant E-Invoice Generation Solution (EGS) that has been onboarded to the ZATCA portal to generate a tax invoice that includes all ZATCA mandatory fields in an electronic format.

Always include all mandatory fields for E-invoice Example illustrative فاتورة ضريبية مبسطة رقم الفاتورة: NV10111 اسم المتجر عنوان المتجر Seller Address ايد: 2021/12/12 قم تسجيل ضريبة القيمة المضافة: 123456789900003 Date and Time of لمنتحات Invoice Issuance Seller VAT Number 80.5 220 اجمالي المبلغ الخاضع للضريبة Seller's Name ضريبة القيمة المضافة (%15) VAT Amount or the Invoice Total Amount 253 لمجموع مع الضريبة (%15) (inclusive of VAT) لاق الفاتورة 100 ... Additional Phase 2 requirements Additional Phase 1 requirements for Simplified Tax Invoices that for Simplified Tax Invoices that are usually issued by a are usually issued by a **Business to Consumer (B2C)** Business to Consumer (B2C)





E-invoices made simpler

At the point of sale, B2C transactions generate simplified electronic invoices. For validation, each simplified tax invoice (B2C invoice) must have a QR code. Every business has been obliged to provide their clients with a streamlined invoice since the first phase.

All simplified transactions must be reported to ZATCA within 24 hours of issuance beginning with the second phase.

E-INVOICE

STRUCTURE

- Invoice type description
- Invoice reference number (IRN)
- Invoice issuance date
- Seller's name, address, and ID
- Buyer's name, address, and ID
- Product or service description
- •VAT calculation fields (net, gross, VAT rate, subtotals, etc.)





QR CODE

The information includes:

- The seller's name.
- VAT registration number.
- The timestamp of the e-invoice or credit/debit note (date and time),.
- The amount of the e-invoice or credit/debit note (including VAT).
- The amount of VAT, the hash of the XML e-invoice, or credit/debit note.
- The cryptographic stamp.
- The public key that was used to generate the cryptographic stamp.
- The ZATCA portal cryptographic stamp of the public key of the einvoicing solution.



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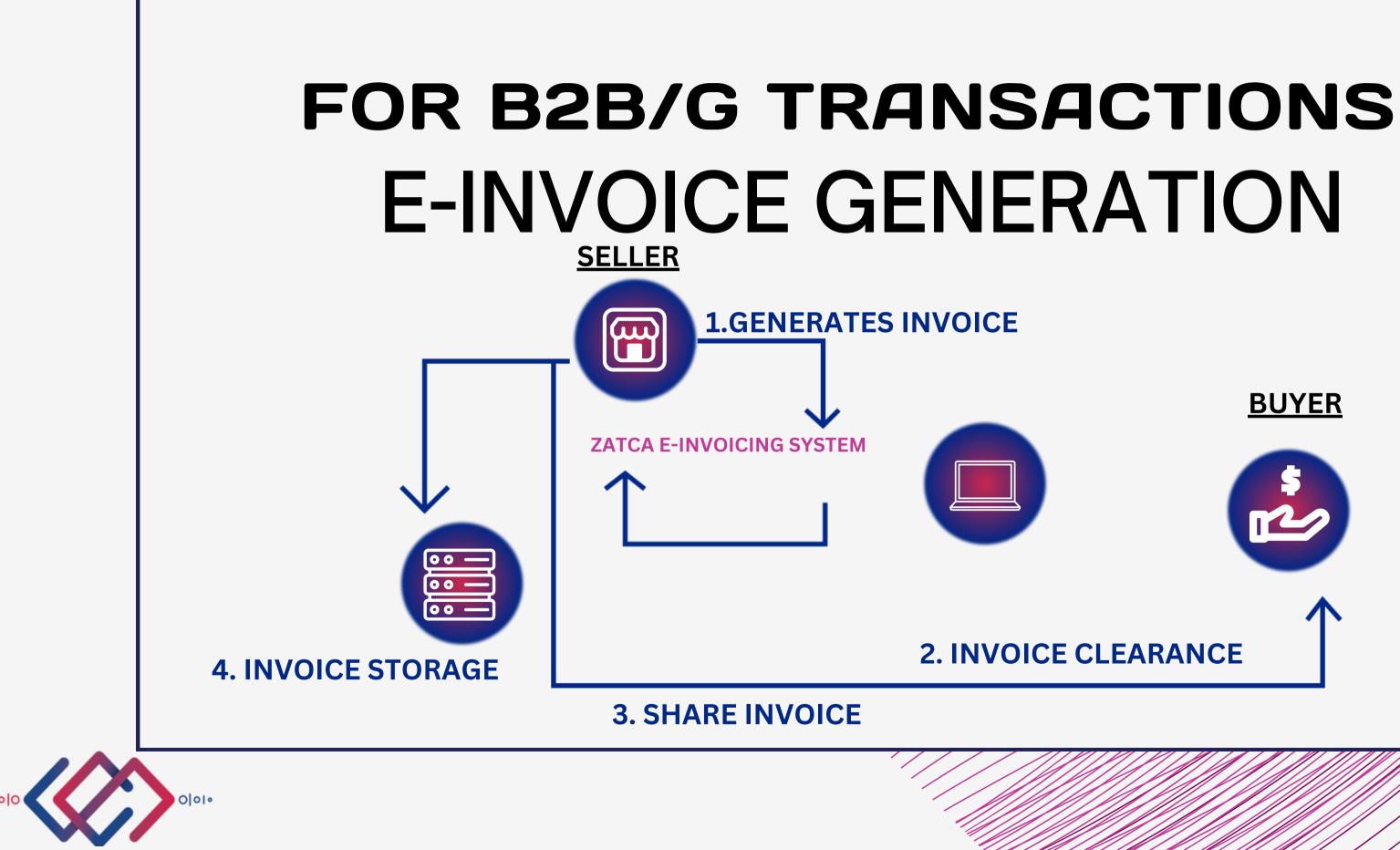
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TECHNOLOGY SPECIAL FIELD DETAILS

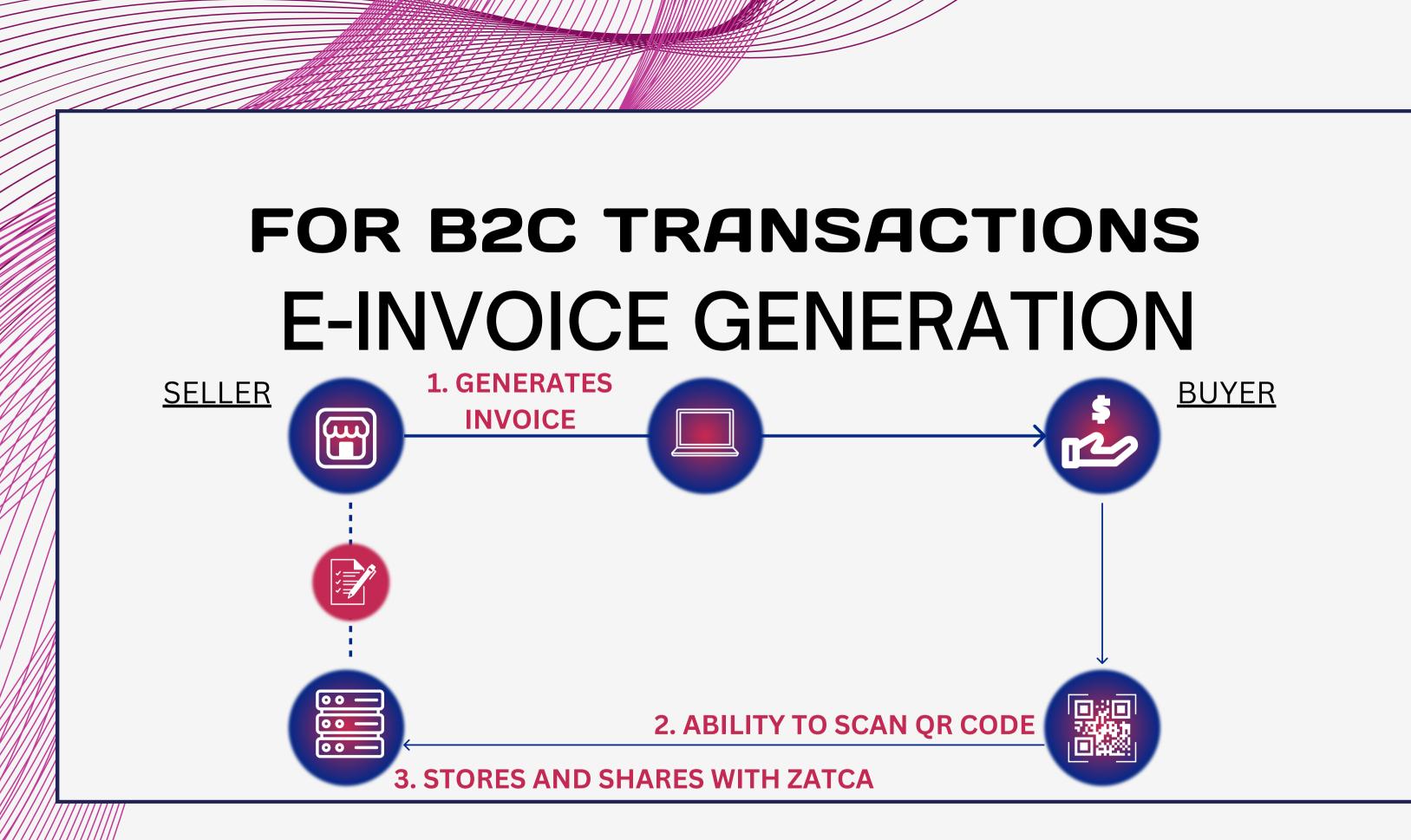
- Universally Unique Identifier (UUID): Example 061c95fb-d6bb402-e-aa6-24cb09ec1d013
- Cryptographic Stamp
- Tax Invoice Generated by ZATCA, Simplified Invoice Generated by the Tax Player Solution.
- Cryptographic Stamp Identifier: Credential that is associated with a cryptographic stamp and associates it with a registered Invoice solution.
- Previous Invoice Hash: Automatically generated within the taxpayer's invoice solutions and is not visible on the invoice. The hash can be thought of as a digital fingerprint of the invoice.
- QR Code: The QR contains basic invoice data and is included within the printed invoice and the electronic invoice.
- Invoice counter: A functionality of electronic invoice solutions that is generated automatically by the solutions.





BUYER









WHAT YOU NEED TO DO

To create the e-invoice with all the necessary fields, use an e-invoicing system that complies.
Provide a copy to the purchaser. Before sending this invoice to the buyer, you must push it to ZATCA's portal by phase 2 and get it validated.
Save the electronic invoice to your system for future use.

• Switching to a cloud-based solution with einvoicing capabilities will simplify storage and automatically guarantee compliance.



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