



# CARD INDUSTRY NEWS

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## NEW MASTERCARD BIN RANGE

Effective 14<sup>TH</sup> October 2016, MasterCard has announced that they’re introducing a new series of Bank Identification Numbers (BINs) that begin with a “2”. The new “2” series BINs will be processed the same way as MasterCard’s existing BIN range that’s between “51–55”. Support of the new BIN range is mandatory for **all businesses**.

The table below contains both the existing and new MasterCard BIN ranges:



Card Brand Name	Lowest BIN No	Highest BIN No	Card No Length
MasterCard (Current)	51000000	55999999	16-19 Digits
MasterCard (New)	22210000	27209999	16-19 Digits

Supporting the new BIN range will protect you from loss of business due to being unable to accept transactions from cardholders that have cards issued in the new BIN range. It’ll also help prevent you from receiving any operational fines for not being able to accept the new cards.

To ensure stores and online businesses are ready to accept cards featuring the “2” series BIN, MasterCard has confirmed that they’ll launch a mystery shopper programme in early 2017. Companies who aren’t able to accept the new cards could be liable to fines, so it’s important you’re prepared.

If you rent a terminal from us, you don’t need to do anything as we’ll automatically update it before the change comes into effect. If you own your own terminals or rent them from a third party, you’ll need to contact your supplier to get them to upgrade your equipment so you can accept the new cards. If you’ve not yet done this, it’s important that you do so now, so that you’re ready if you’re visited by one of MasterCard’s mystery shoppers.

If you have any queries regarding this change, call us on 0345 702 3344\*, selecting the option for ‘all other enquiries’ or contact your Relationship Manager.

\*Lines are open between 9am - 6pm Monday to Friday, excluding public holidays. To help us continually improve on our service and in the interests of security, we may monitor and/or record your telephone calls with us. Any recordings remain our sole property. We also provide a Textphone service on 0345 602 4818.

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