Using PayPal with your ecommerce package

NB. Your account will need to be a Business or Premier account to use this payment methods, if you have a personal account this can be upgraded for free from within your PayPal admin panel, for help on making this change please contact paypal.

Getting your PayPal API Username, Password & Signature

Login to your PayPal account

From the My Account section, click on your Profile link



Your Profile screen will be displayed, from the My Profile menu, choose "My selling preferences"



Locate API Access and click on the "Update" link

Choose Option 2 and click on the "Request API credentials" link

API Access

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An API (Application Programming Interface) allows PayPal software to communicate with your online shop or shopping cart.

Setting up API permissions and credentials

Choose one of the following options to integrate your PayPal payment solution with your online shop or shopping cart.

Option 1 - Grant API permissions to a third party to use certain PayPal APIs on your behalf.

Choose this option if:

- You are using a pre-integrated shopping cart, hosted by a third party
- Your website is hosted and managed by a third-party service provider

Option 2 - Request API credentials to create your own API username and password.

This option applies to:

- Custom websites and online shops
- Pre-integrated shopping carts running on your own server

Request API credentials

Grant API permission

The option "Request API signature" should be preselected if not selected it and click the "Agree and Submit button".

Request API Credentials

API credentials consist of three elements:

- An API username
- An API password
- · Either an API signature or an API SSL client-side certificate

If you're using a shopping cart or solution provider, ask whether you need an API signature or a certificate.

Request API signature if your shopping cart or solution provider has asked for an API username, password, and signature, or if you're developing a custom shopping cart. Request API certificate if your shopping cart or solution provider requires a file-based certificate.

Need help deciding which credential is right for your needs? Learn more

By clicking Agree and Submit, I agree to the API Licence Agreement and Terms of Use.



You now have your API Username, password and signature.

View or Remove API Signature Back to Profile Summary		
Developers: Do not share your credential information with anyone. Shop in a secure location with limited access.		
For preconfigured shopping carts: Copy and paste the API username, password and signature into your shopping cart configuration or administration screen.		
For building custom shopping carts: Store the following credential information in a secure location with limited access.		
Credential	API Signature	
API Username	david_api1.	
API Password	5MANN R4MMB	
Signature	AFcWxV21C7fd0v3bYYYRCpSSRI31AYA avNfn7QPczUuVE3Z	
Request Date	8 Jun 2011 09:37:39 BST	
	Done Remove	

Copy and paste them into the correct options in the paypal payment method in your ecommerce package.

Access data for PayPal API (API Signature) API User name *	david_api1.blueadmiral.com
API password *	
Signature *	AFcWxV21C7fd0v3bYYYRCpSSRl31AYAE68SiGPqTavNfn7QPczUuVE3Z
Operational mode Display PayPal button in the shopping basket	Live Ves No

Click the "Test Connection" button at the bottom of the page to ensure that everything is working, then click the "Save" button.