

### **Stand Up to Stand Out**

Your guide to vertical cards and our innovative technologies that bring them to life.



#### **OVERVIEW**

# Stand out from the competition by offering cards that stand up vertically

From ATMs to chip readers to contactless (i.e. tap-and-go) payments, consumers are holding their cards like they do their smartphones: vertically. So why not design them to mimic that behavior?

Whether you're a financial institution looking to differentiate in a crowded marketplace, or a bureau wanting to support your customers in achieving top-of-wallet status, it's important to know more about the vertical card trend – and the limitless possibilities brought forth by Entrust innovations.

#### In this guide, we'll delve into:

- Expanding card creativity for market differentiation
- Embracing the best in vertical card personalization technologies
- Optimizing the label
- Utilizing the power of the carrier



### Expand card creativity for market differentiation

Portrait card orientation (also known as vertical) uses flat card printing, which empowers financial institutions to creatively differentiate their card designs or to offer cardholders the unique ability to express themselves through personalized card options. From endless printing and personalization options to new substrates such as metal, vertical cards let financial institutions, well, brand themselves. And Entrust offers the solutions that make it possible for bureaus to support them in their quest to differentiate.

- Vary the personalization colors, sizes, fonts, placement
- Move personalization information to the back of the card
- Try out metal card substrates
- Print edge-to-edge color images on white cardstock
- Offer customers the choice to pick from a gallery or submit their own card image





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#### THE SOLUTIONS

## The best in vertical card personalization technologies

#### Datacard® Artista® VHD Retransfer Printing Module Gen 2

The Artista VHD Retransfer Printing Module Gen 2 uses an innovative retransfer printing technology that maintains consistent, high print quality by printing separate layers of cyan, magenta, yellow, black, and/or a spot color (such as metallics) on transparent retransfer material. The technology then transfers the composite image to a blank card utilizing heat and an adhesive. This technology is the perfect choice for print-on-demand capabilities that allow cardholders to choose the card image, or provide one of their own.

- Metallic spot printing
- Edge-to-edge printing
- Vibrant colors

- True skin tone
- Near lithographic quality
- Supports brand mark printing



#### **Durable Graphics Printing Module**

The Durable Graphics Printing Module uses direct-to-card thermal transfer printing using a graphics ribbon to personalize preprinted cardstock. The printhead applies pressure to the backside of the ribbon, placing the front side of the ribbon in direct contact with the surface of the card, then heat is applied to the ribbon to print black, white, metallic gold or metallic silver personalization onto the card. The printing is then UV-cured to create durability without the need for a topcoat. This technology is the perfect option for high-quality personalization and durability.

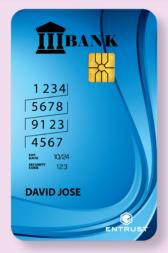
- Cost-effective, easy way to move into flat card printing
- Offers metallic printing for a truly differentiated look











### Drop on Demand Printing Module Gen 2 and Duplex Drop on Demand Printing Module

Drop on Demand inkjet printing utilizes specially formulated, fast-curing or drying ink, enabling high-speed printing.

A pressurized printhead directs fine drops of ink specifically where required. This belt-less, reliable printing solution offers all-in-one pretreat, printing, protective varnish, and UV-curing – all in one module. The duplex module can personalize both sides of the card in a single module. This technology is the perfect option for colorful, durable cards being printed and personalized on either side of the card.

- Highly precise and unique printing
- Monochrome, color, or clear varnish printing options
- Highly precise personalization
- Edge-to-edge printing













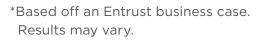
For a complete list of our modular technologies, contact a sales representative at **sales@entrust.com**.

#### Optimize the label

If you're going to go vertical, go vertical all the way. That includes the label. In addition to housing activation information, a vertical label can be personalized, flooded with color, even present QR codes. Supporting vertical labels is as easy as shifting the orientation of the artwork. And the shift can pay off: Personalizing vertical labels can realize a 1%\* or more lift in activation rates, driving additional transaction fee revenue and account balance interest. With on-demand labels such as vertical orientation, bureaus can increase value-added services by granting financial institutions the flexibility to do more with the label, which helps secure profits and happy customers.

- Improve cardholder experience with personalization and eye-catching designs
- Gain flexibility to customize unique messages to each cardholder
- Print dynamic, vivid, edge-to-edge color images











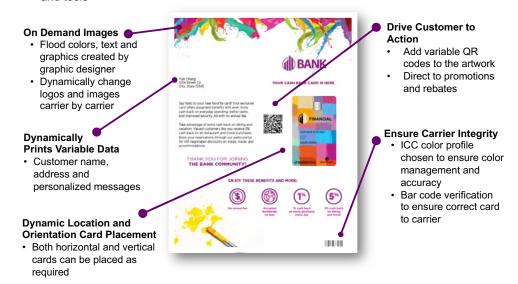
#### Utilize the power of the card carrier

So, if the cards and labels are vertical, it only makes sense to offer the ability to attach cards vertically to the carriers as well. Card carriers are the ideal space for financial institutions to build that relationship with the cardholder. With the card attached, the carrier rises above junk mail to become prime real estate for card issuers to tell the story they want the cardholder to read, be it cross promotions, corporate messages, rewards programs, etc. It is even more important that the carrier be printed to get noticed. Entrust offers a variety of printers as a part of our inline or standalone card delivery systems that can support a wide variety of carrier designs. From simple black and white to full color designs. Correct card orientation and easy mailer readability are made possible with our vertical card placement option that can dynamically place cards in varying orientation to support efficient workflows. With only a matter of seconds to catch the cardholder's attention, be sure to put this prime real estate to work.

- Use the space on the carrier to build your brand identity through key messages and eye-catching images
- · Offer up one-to-one marketing
- Dynamically print full-color, near edge-to-edge card carriers unique to each cardholder type

#### **Power of the Artwork**

- · Carrier layouts are more flexible than ever before
- Ensure high-quality printing with industry standard color management practices and tools







Get more information and ideas on how flat card personalization and vertical mailings can impact your business:

**FLAT CARD PERSONALIZATION** 

**VERTICAL CARD MAILING SOLUTIONS** 



#### **ABOUT ENTRUST CORPORATION**

Entrust keeps the world moving safely by enabling trusted identities, payments, and data protection. Today more than ever, people demand seamless, secure experiences, whether they're crossing borders, making a purchase, accessing e-government services, or logging into corporate networks. Entrust offers an unmatched breadth of digital security and credential issuance solutions at the very heart of all these interactions. With more than 2,500 colleagues, a network of global partners, and customers in over 150 countries, it's no wonder the world's most entrusted organizations trust us.





