Test framework
RPS SEPA-Clearer changes
for October 2025

Version 1.0

Contents

1 Introduction

With effect from 5 October 2025, adjustments will be made in RPS SEPA-Clearer as a result of SEPA scheme changes by the European Payments Council (EPC). Draft versions of relevant SEPA-Clearer schema files and technical specifications have already been made available on Bundesbank's website.[1]

This document describes testing to be completed by <u>direct</u> participants of the RPS SEPA-Clearer in this regard.

Successful completion of mandatory test cases is a prerequisite for further participation in the SCT, SDD Core and SDD B2B service. Please inform us as soon as possible if delays in implementing the changes become apparent in your institutions.

No tests are required for <u>indirect</u> participants.

For <u>new participants,</u> the rules described in the procedural rules apply.

This document provides information on the following aspects of testing activities:

- participants and conditions for participation;
- test registration
- test window
- test cases, testing procedure
- contact details
- test certification

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[1] www.bundesbank.de/en → Tasks → Payment systems →RPS →SEPA-Clearer → Participation

2 Participants and conditions for participation

All direct participants of the SCT, SDD Core and SDD B2B service in the RPS SEPA-Clearer must successfully complete the tests described in this document.

Participants must satisfy the following conditions to take part in the test phase:

- The necessary test infrastructure (especially hardware, software, communication channel) is available.

- Communication via EBICS or SWIFTNet FileAct to the test environment of Deutsche Bundesbank has been set up successfully.

- Successful conduction of own quality assurance tests by the participant.

- Registration as a test participant has already been submitted to the Bundesbank.

It is generally possible to use a technical service provider to carry out the test. Please name your service provider and contact person in the online registration form. In addition, you must also inform your service provider.

3 Test Registration

Participant must register for testing **by 27 June 2025 at the latest** via Bundesbank's website using an online registration form.

www.bundesbank.de/en ➔ Tasks ➔ Payment Systems ➔ Services
➔ Customer Test Centre ➔ Test Procedure

Guidance for completing the online registration form can be found in Annex B.

4 Test period

Testing have to be carried out in the following period:

21 July 2025 – 5 September 2025

Test cases should be carried out by each test participant within one calendar week.
Please indicate your institutions desired calendar week in the online registration form.

Relevant EBICS or SWIFTNet FileAct communication must already be set up before the respective test period in order to ensure smooth testing.

5 Test execution and submission window of the test environment

In order to ensure the smooth execution and monitoring of test activities by Deutsche Bundesbank, it is necessary for each test participant to provide information on the static data used for testing in advance. This is done as part of the registration process via the online form as described in point 3.

Purpose of testing is to ensure compliance of the direct participant's setup with the specifications made in Bundesbank's procedural rules. For this, the test cases defined in Annex C are to be completed.

Please note that the test data used in testing should be anonymised data, whereby the participant is responsible for making it anonymous.

Different operating hours apply in the SEPA-Clearer test environment than in the SEPA-Clearer production environment. The following submission windows are available for testing:[2]

Cut-off times	SCT and SCT R transactions, Recalls, inquiry messages	SDD Core	SDD Core R-Trans-actions	SDD B2B	SDD B2B R-Trans actions
09:00 a.m.	x	x	x	x	x
10:00 a.m.	x	x	x	x	x
11:00 a.m.	x			x	x
01:00 p.m.	x			x	
02:00 p.m.	x	x			
Change of day (D+1)					
04:45 p.m.	x	x	x	x	x

6   Contacts

Tests will be coordinated by the Bundesbank's Customer Test Centre.

Customer test centre
Postfach 10 11 48
40002 Düsseldorf
phone.: +49 211 874 2343
Email: testzentrum@bundesbank.de

The Test Centre is available for questions and support from 8:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. Monday through Thursday and from 8:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m. on Fridays. Due to the large number of test participants, contact should preferably be made via above-mentioned e-mail address. In exceptional situations (urgency etc.), contact can also be made by telephone.

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[2] In the case of special test conditions, the times may vary in individual cases. In such a case, test participants are informed at an early stage.

7 Certification

Participant must confirm the successful completion of testing to mailto:testzentrum@bundesbank.deDeutsche Bundesbank by email to mailto:testzentrum@bundesbank.detestzentrum@bundesbank.de. The following text is to be used:

"„We <name of participant> hereby confirm the successful execution of the tests for the SCL release of October 2025.

Test cases were selected taking into account the changes in SEPA-Clearer procedural rules and technical specifications."

The participant will then receive an e-mail from the Deutsche Bundesbank confirming the successful completion of mandatory certification tests.

ANNEXES

A   Reference documents

The following reference documents are available for download on Bundesbank's website:

- Online registration form

  [Test procedure application form | Deutsche Bundesbank](#)

- Procedural rules for the processing of SEPA payments via the RPS SEPA-Clearer, valid from 5 October 2025

  [Participation in RPS SEPA-Clearer | Deutsche Bundesbank](#)

B   Guidance for online registration form "Test procedure"

Kontoinhaber(in)

Datum *

Current date in format DD.MM.2025

Name oder Firma *

Test bank

Mindestens eins der folgenden Felder muss ausgefüllt sein:

Bankleitzahl oder Girokontonummer

12345678

Produktions-BIC (11 Stellen)

AAAADEFFXXX

Test-BIC (11 Stellen)

AAAADEF0XXX

EBICS-Kunden ID

RTGS-Subaccount (Angabe nur bei Test der Verrechnung in T2-UTEST erforderlich)

Postanschrift

Abteilung

Ordnungsmerkmal

Postfach oder Straße *

Test bank street 1

PLZ und Ort *

60431 Frankfurt am Main, Germany

Kontaktpersonen

Vorname *

Max

Nachname *

Mustermann

Telefon

069/12345678

E-Mail *

Zahlungsverkehr@testbank.de

Vorname

Nachname

Telefon

E-Mail

Verfahren der Deutschen Bundesbank *

☐ Elektronische Kontoinformation

☐ HBV-Individual

☐ HBV-Echtzeit

☐ HBV-IMPay

☐ HBV-SEPA

☐ Scheckabwicklung

☒ SEPA-Clearer

Bei Bedarf können mehrere Verfahren ausgewählt werden.

Über den Kommunikationskanal

☐ EBICS

☐ SWIFT

Please select a communication channel!

Zweck des Testverfahrens

Bei Neuteilnahme bitte Produktionsvordrucke für die jeweiligen Verfahren bei Ihrem zuständigen Kundenbetreuungsservice (KBS) einreichen.

☐ Neuteilnahme

Wiederholung wegen

☐ Funktionserweiterung

☐ Hardwarewechsel

☐ Softwarewechsel

☒ Sonstiges

Bei Bedarf können mehrere Verfahren ausgewählt werden.

Gewünschter Testzeitraum

Von *	Bis *
07/28/2025	08/01/2025

Please specify a calendar week (within 07/21/2025 and 09/05/2025) (e.g. 07/28/2025 - 08/01/2025)

Angaben zur Software

Softwareprodukt (Hersteller, Softwarebezeichnung, Version)

Softwareprodukt (Hersteller, Softwarebezeichnung, Version)

Bemerkungen

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DEUTSCHE BUNDESBANK
EUROSYSTEM

Datenschutzerklärung*

Die von Ihnen erhobenen personenbezogenen Daten werden von der Deutschen Bundesbank (Wilhelm-Epstein-Str. 14, 60431 Frankfurt am Main, Tel: 069 9566-0, E-Mail: info@bundesbank.de) zum Zweck der Bearbeitung Ihres Anliegens verarbeitet. Im Übrigen gelten unsere › Datenschutzbestimmungen.

Pflichtfeld *

[X] Hiermit willige ich ein, dass meine personenbezogenen Daten für den genannten Zweck verarbeitet werden. Die Datenschutz-bestimmungen habe ich gelesen.

Sie haben das Recht, Ihre Einwilligung in die Verarbeitung jederzeit zu widerrufen. Die Rechtmäßigkeit der aufgrund der Einwilligung bis zum Widerruf erfolgten Verarbeitung bleibt unberührt. Ihren Widerruf können Sie formlos an die Deutsche Bundesbank richten.

Senden

Zurücksetzen

Alternatively, "Opening a test procedure when using a technical service provider

In this case, please add the following information in the Comments field:

Angaben zur Software

Softwareprodukt (Hersteller, Softwarebezeichnung, Version)

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Bemerkungen

Changes in RPS SEPA-Clearer October 2025 – Use of a technical service provider

We use the software provided by service provider xxx /Bank xxx and apply for testing.

Contact person for the service provider/bank: Mr or Ms Mustermann
Telephone number and email address: Mr or Ms Mustermann

C   Test cases

The following test scenarios must be successfully carried out as receiver and sender for the **SCT service** at least once in interaction with the RPS SEPA-Clearer.

- **Submission to Bundesbank**

   SCT (ICF)

pacs.008.001.08	(ICF)
Pacs.004.001.09SCT	(ICF)
pacs.028.001.03	(ICF – or/and alternatively as IQF)
Camt.056.001.08SCT	(ICF)
camt.029.001.09	(ICF – or/and alternatively as IQF)

   SCT inquiry (IQF)

pacs.028.001.03	(IQF – or/and alternatively as ICF)
camt.027.001.07	(IQF)
camt.029.001.09	(IQF – or/and alternatively as ICF)
camt.087.001.06	(IQF)

- **Delivery by Bundesbank**

   SCT (SCF, CVF)

pacs.008.001.08	(SCF)
Pacs.004.001.09SCT	(SCF)
camt.029.001.09	(SCF)
Camt.056.001.08SCT	(SCF)
Pacs.002.001.10SCLSCT	(CVF)

   SCT INQUIRY (OQF, QVF)

pacs.028.001.03	(OQF)
camt.027.001.07	(OQF)
camt.029.001.09	(OQF)
camt.087.001.06	(OQF)
Pacs.002.001.10SCLSCT	(QVF)

The following test scenarios must be successfully carried out as receiver and sender for the **SDD-Core or SDD-B2B service** at least once in interaction with the RPS SEPA-Clearer.

- **Submission to Bundesbank**

  SDD Core (IDF) OR SDD B2B (IDF)

Pacs.002.001.10SDD	(IDF)
pacs.003.001.08	(IDF)
Pacs.004.001.09SDD	(IDF)
pacs.007.001.09	(IDF)
camt.056.001.08	(IDF)

- **Delivery by Bundesbank**

  SDD Core (SDF, DNF, DVF) OR SDD-B2B (SDF, DNF, DVF)

Pacs.002.001.10SDD	(DNF)
pacs.003.001.08	(DNF)
Pacs.004.001.09SDD	(SDF)
pacs.007.001.09	(SDF)
camt.056.001.08	(DNF)
Pacs.002.001.10SCLSDD	(DVF)

If desired, the following test scenarios can be executed on an optional basis as recipients for the **SDD-Core or SDD-B2B service**. The test participant is responsible for arranging the necessary submission of suitable message types to the test environment[3] and any necessary liquidity management in the T2 UTEST.

- **Delivery by Bundesbank**

  SDD Core (RSF/UDF) OR SDD-B2B (RSF/UDF)

Pacs.002.001.10SCLSDD	(RSF)
Pacs.002.001.10SDD	(UDF)
pacs.003.001.08	(UDF)
Pacs.004.001.09SDD	(UDF)

SCL Directory:

Download of an ROCS table provided by Bundesbank on the website (SCL-Directory | Deutsche Bundesbank) in schema version rocs.001.001.**07**.

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[3] Via messages addressed by the test participant themselves or in bilateral consultation with other test participants