

### 1. WHAT DOES MFI (MADE FOR IPOD, IPHONE, IPAD) MEAN?

The MFi logo signifies that Apple has certified a product for use with specific iOS devices via Bluetooth connectivity.

If you plan to connect to a Zebra MFi product over a Bluetooth connection, you must register your app with Zebra.

### 2. DO I NEED TO REGISTER MY APP WITH ZEBRA?

- **Yes** — If your app communicates with a Zebra product via Bluetooth using the External Accessory Framework, and you plan to distribute the app via the App Store or Volume Purchase Program Store, then you must register the app with Zebra.
- **No** — Registration is not required if your app communicates with a Zebra product via WLAN, Bluetooth Low Energy, or a standard Bluetooth profile (HFP 1.6, PBAP, A2DP, AVRCP 1.4, PAN, HID, MAP). Registration is also not required for apps that are not distributed via the Apple App Store or Volume Purchase Program Store.

### 3. DO I NEED TO REGISTER MY APP AGAIN WITH ZEBRA IF I UPDATE MY APP?

Yes, the version number of a previously registered application must be updated.

Apple differentiates apps based on app names and bundle identifiers. If you change the name or bundle ID of your app you must re-register your app with Zebra.

Additionally, Zebra registers your app to individual Zebra product models. If there is an additional Zebra product model with which you want your app registered, you must submit a new request to Zebra for the additional product model.

### 4. HOW DO I GET MY APP ON THE APPLE APP STORE™?

If you are creating an app to communicate with a Zebra product, you must sign up for [Apple's iOS Developer Program](#). This program gives you access to a wide range of Apple created Developer tools and documentation. The documentation includes information on how to submit an application to the App Store™.

Applications that communicate with an MFi certified Zebra product must be registered with Zebra before being submitted to Apple for review. Apple will reject the application if it is not associated with a valid MFi Product Plan. Be sure to include the app's associated MFi Product Plan ID in the Review Notes section of the submission form.

### 5. DO I NEED TO GET SPECIAL TOOLS TO CREATE AN APP FOR USE WITH ZEBRA PRODUCTS?

Zebra [Link-OS SDK™](#) provides the API to connect, configure and operate supported Zebra printers directly from your iOS application. While it is not required, using the [Zebra Link-OS™](#) ecosystem can save significant time during the development process.

Zebra [Scanner SDK](#) provides the API to connect, configure, and operate supported Zebra scanners directly from your iOS application.

Zebra [RFID SDK](#) provides the API to connect, configure, and operate supported Zebra RFID readers directly from your iOS application.

## 6. HOW DO I REGISTER MY APP WITH ZEBRA?

Registration must be performed by Zebra, as we are the manufacturer of the product. Please send the required information listed in Appendix A to [iOSApp@zebra.com](mailto:iOSApp@zebra.com). A Zebra engineer will contact you to proceed with the registration of your app.

**Note:** Refer to [Do I need to register my app again with Zebra if I update my app?](#)

## RESOURCES

[Zebra Link-OS MultiPlatform SDK](#)

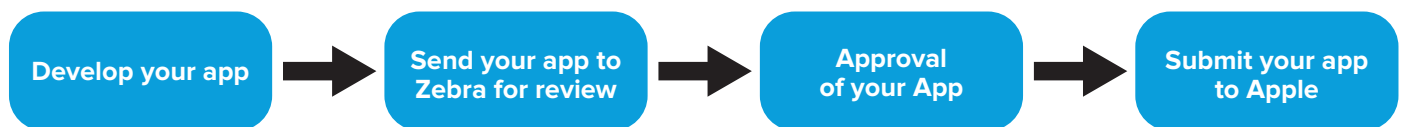
[Zebra Scanner SDK](#)

[Zebra RFID SDK](#)

[Apple Developer Program](#)

## PROCEDURE

This section details the while listing process.



## DEVELOP YOUR APP

Complete development and internal testing of your app. For apps that are designed to work with a Zebra MFi product, you must specify protocol names that match the target device. The Supported External Accessory Protocols key in your app's Info.plist list must contain one or more protocol names that match protocol names declared by the device. Your app must identify correct protocol names when enumerating connected devices using the External Accessory framework.

## SEND YOUR APP TO ZEBRA FOR REVIEW

App submission is required only for applications that communicate with Zebra printers.

Zebra prefers using TestFlight to receive apps for review. If you do not use TestFlight, Zebra can provide you with the details of one of our test devices. This will allow you to send your completed app to Zebra in the form of an .ipa file. Zebra also requires you to send an updated provisioning file and steps on how to print from your app.

Zebra performs a high level overview of the application functionality. Review includes:

- **Stability**– The app will not freeze, lockup, or crash when interacting with the printer such as attempting to communicate with the printer and encountering the common error cases listed below.
  - o Printer unreachable by the client.
  - o Printer is out of media.
  - o Printer media door is left open.
- **Printed Output** – The app produces the expected printed output with acceptable print quality.
- **Proper Zebra Branding** – Verify that, if present, usage of Zebra printer branding (logo, model number, etc.) meets [Zebra Technologies Global Brand Standards](#).
- While it is not mandatory, Zebra strongly recommends following [Best Practices in Designing a Printing Application](#).

**Note:** Zebra may request modification to your app before final approval. It may take several days for the registration process to complete

## APPROVAL OF YOUR APP

Upon Zebra's approval of your app, we register (white-list) your app with Apple. After Apple approves the app, we send you the appropriate Product Plan ID (PPID) codes for Zebra MFi products.

**Note:** You must complete both of these steps for Apple to accept your app submission.

## SUBMIT YOUR APP TO APPLE

Submit your app to Apple using the standard submission process. During submission, edit your metadata and include our PPID codes in the Review Notes section.

**Note:** Apple approves or rejects your application.

## 7. DOES ZEBRA HAVE A DEVELOPER PROGRAM?

Zebra understands that Independent Software Vendor (ISV) Partners have specific needs and requirements. Our ISV program is designed to provide you with access to the sales, marketing and technical support that you need to develop, integrate and promote your solutions in new markets around the globe.

For more information, visit [Zebra.com/ISV](https://Zebra.com/ISV) and Connect with other developers in [Zebra's Developer Community](#).

**8. HOW DOES ZEBRA TEST OR RECOMMEND APPS?**

Zebra Technologies offers testing programs designed to enhance customer confidence about the performance of software applications developed for Zebra products.

Learn more about how you can leverage Zebra’s Validation program to enhance your customer experience and marketing efforts at [Zebra.com/Validation](https://Zebra.com/Validation).

Zebra also documents ISV Partner software applications on select Zebra product pages. If you have interest in Zebra documenting your application, please contact us at [iOSApp@zebra.com](mailto:iOSApp@zebra.com).

**APPENDIX A**

This appendix contains the app information that Apple requests on their online form.

**REQUIRED INFORMATION**

1. Contact data (name, address, email, phone, company website):
2. App developer (company name):
3. MFi Zebra product(s) – refer to the following table

**ZEBRA MFI PRODUCT MODELS**

Mobile Printers	Stationary Printers	Scanners
iMZ220	ZD410 D	CS4070
iMZ320	ZD420 C	RFD8500
QLn220	ZD510 Healthcare	DS8178
QLn320	ZD620	
QLn420	ZT410	
QLn220 Healthcare	ZT420	
QLn320 Healthcare	ZT510	
ZQ110 MSR	ZT600	
ZQ110 no MSR		
ZQ310		
ZQ320		
ZQ510		
ZQ520		

4. Name of app as it will appear in App Store:
5. App version:
6. Bundle identifier (com.domain.app):
7. Device protocol names used by this app (com.zebra.protocol):
8. Is this a new or existing app on the App Store? (New or Existing)
9. Does the app work with non-Zebra printers or scanners?
10. App description (as it will appear in App Store):
11. Indicate countries in which app will be available:
12. iOS devices to be released with:
13. iOS version to be supported:
14. Vertical market (Healthcare, Manufacturing, Retail, Transportation & Logistics):
15. Which Apple Distribution method will you use? (B2B, Standard App Store, Enterprise)
16. When are you planning to submit this app to the App Store?

### OPTIONAL INFORMATION

- Does your app run on other operating systems besides iOS?
- Does your app run on Zebra Mobile Computers or Tablets?
- List any additional apps that work with Zebra products you want to promote with Zebra.
  - o Provide app icon
  - o App Name w/ link to app
  - o Operating System(s)
  - o App Description
  - o Zebra products
  - o App Vertical

### DOCUMENT CONTROL

Version	Date	Description
4	February, 2017	Added additional information for scanner and RFID products
3	November, 2016	Revised process to include additional MFi products.
3	February, 2016	Revised process, updated for clarity, and modified Appendix A
1	February, 2013	Initial Release

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