Tips & Tricks

Adding a Surcharge When Customers Pay by Credit Card

We have had a few people ask how they can automatically add a surcharge to an Invoice when the Customer is paying by Credit Card.

This can be achieved using a script that fires when an invoice is saved, where it checks for a **Credit Card** MEDIA TYPE in the Banking Lines, then calculates a SURCHARGE as a percentage of the GROSS AMOUNT and drops it into one of the Charges fields.

We have a sample script available which you can link to the **INInvoiceEntryForm.BeforeSave** Script Event. The script will prompt for a surcharge and add this into a Charge field called SURCHARGE.

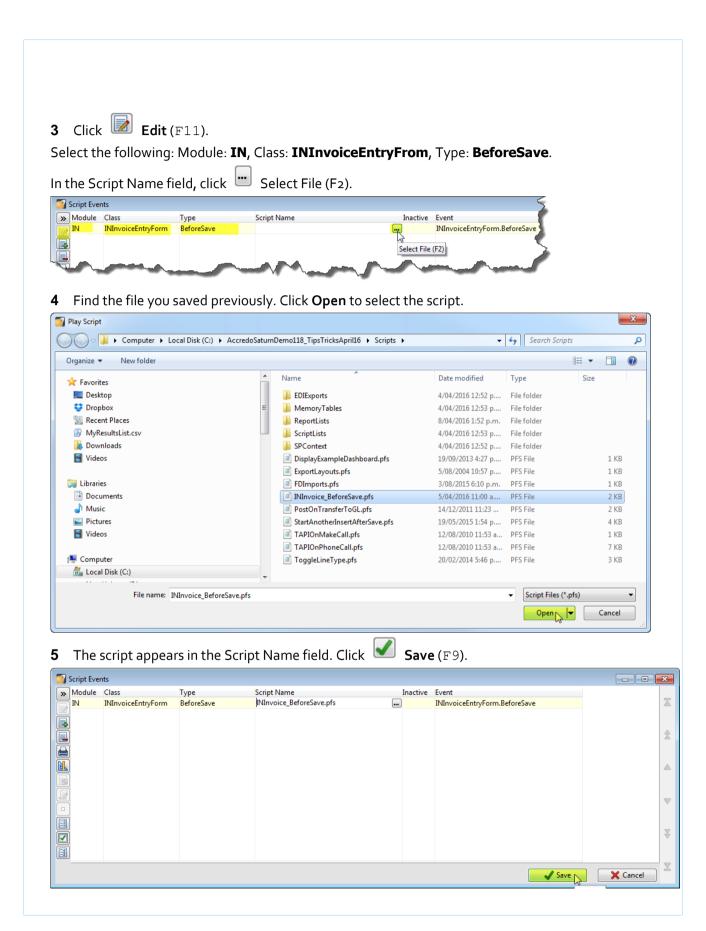
If you already have a script linked to this event, you will need to get your existing script modified. Your QSP can assist with this.

Follow the instructions below to add the sample script to the **INInvoiceEntryForm.BeforeSave** Script Event.

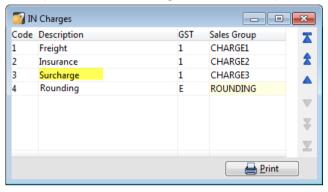
- **1** Go to FTP://FTP.ACCREDO.CO.NZ/PUBLIC/DOWNLOADS/SCRIPTS. Right-click **INInvoice_BeforeSave.pfs** and select SAVE LINK AS... Save the file.
- **2** Link the Script to the **INInvoiceEntryForm.BeforeSave** Script Event. Go to Main Menu > Script > Script Events.



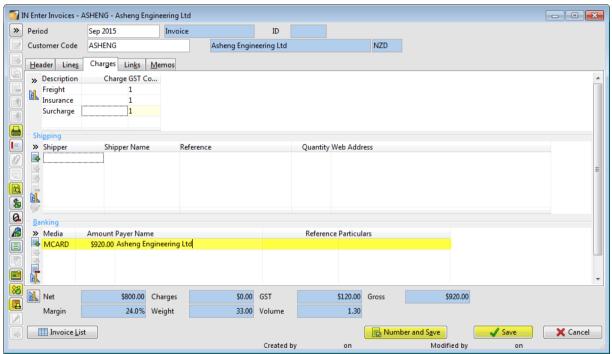




Go to Setup > Invoicing System > Charges to rename the Charge field Description. Change the Description field of a Charge field you are not using to **Surcharge** then move the cursor off the Description field. The change is automatically saved as this is live edit grid.

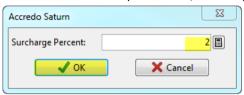


Now, when you go to save an Invoice (that means Print, Save and Print Preview, Cash Sale, Save and Post Immediately, Print as Packing Slip, Number and Save, or Save) where the Banking Media is AMEX, DINERS, MCARD or VISA....



... you will now be prompted for a Surcharge. The sample script has a default of **2%** and validation has been added so that only percentages between **0%** and **5%** is accepted.

8 Press **OK** to accept the **2%**, or change the percentage then press **OK**.



The Surcharge is calculated and added to the Surcharge Charge field and will be printed on the Invoice.



NOTE: This is a sample script. If you wish to change default percentage you can open the script and change the Surcharge Percent number to any number less than or equal to **5**.

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INInvoice_BeforeSave.pfs - Notepad
File Edit Format View Help
const SurchargeCode = "SURCHARGE"
Function IsCreditCardMedia(aMediaCode as String) as Boolean
        Dim Result as Boolean

Result = aMediaCode = "AMEX" or aMediaCode = "DINERS" or aMediaCode = "MCARD" or aMediaCode = "VISA"
        Return Result
End Function
Dim frmINInvoiceEntry1 as Object
frmINInvoiceEntry1 = GetTriggerObject
Dim Banking as Object
Banking = frmINInvoiceEntry1.Banking
       determine if this invoice is liable for surcharge
Banking.First
Do Until Banking.EOF or IsCreditCardMedia(Banking.MediaCode)
       Banking.Next
Loop
frmINInvoiceEntry1.Charge[SurchargeCode].ChargeEnteredAmount = 0
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If not Banking.EOF Then
' prompt for surcharge
Dim SChargePerc as Number
                                                                                                           ' there are credit card lines present
         Do
                SChargePerc = InputNumber("Surcharge Percent:","",2)
               If IsNull(SchargePerc) Then Abort("Cancelled", True)
If SchargePerc < 0 Then
Msgbox("Surcharge percent must be a positive number")
' assume 0 value is OK
ElseIf SchargePerc > 5 Then
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Alternatively, you can hard code the Surcharge Percentage based off the Banking Media Type. For example, you can set it so **DINERS** is charge **3%**, and **VISA** is charged **2%**. Your QSP can assist with this.