



What is 10DLC?

10DLC stands for 10 Digit Long Code. This refers to the number that your organization wishes to send texts from. It is a standard protocol employed by all major U.S. mobile carriers.

As of February 1, 2025, carriers are implementing industry-wide SMS texting enforcement. This requires all businesses to register their brand and messaging campaigns to prevent SMS blocking. This requirement is aimed at reducing spam and fraud.

Within the Telesystem Business Messaging - Clerk Chat interface, Customer Admins and Workspace Owners have the access to navigate to **Settings > Company Registration** to complete the 10DLC Brand Registration form.

What is Brand Registration and why does my company need to worry about this process?

Businesses must register their 10DLC through The Campaign Registry (TCR), a process involving submitting details about the intended use of the number, the type of messages to be sent, and ensuring compliance with carrier guidelines. This registration is mandatory to avoid message blocking by carriers.

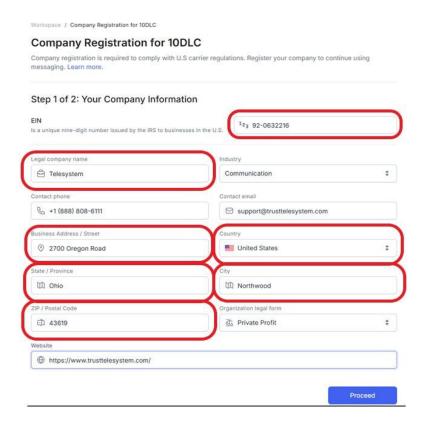
For businesses, understanding and utilizing 10DLC can significantly impact message delivery rates, customer trust, and compliance with carrier regulations. It represents a shift towards more regulated, secure, and efficient business communication via SMS.

Getting Started

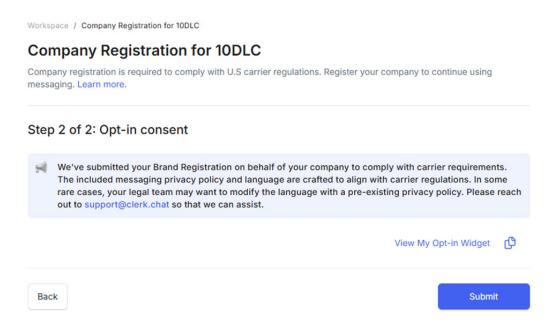
- All customers must complete company registration as soon as possible to comply with industry regulations. This is for P2P and A2P use cases.
- During the vetting period, customers can receive inbound messages but cannot send outbound messages until approval is finalized.
- To ensure a smooth onboarding experience, the 10DLC Brand Registration Process should be initiated at least two weeks before the customer's go-live date to allow enough time for vetting and to manage expectations.

Brand Registration Process

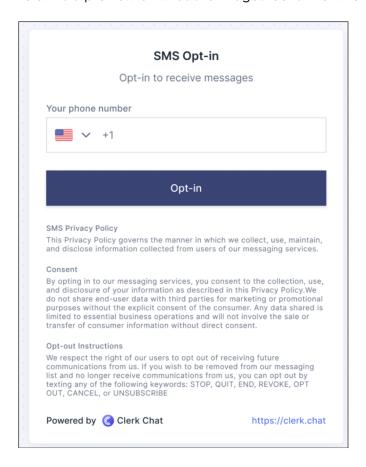
To register a company for 10DLC we require just the address and the EIN of the business.



The required Opt-In webpage will automatically be created and the link to the widget is available to review.



Below is a preview of what the widget looks like when viewed on a website.



Brand and campaigns are fully registered within 2 weeks.

Customer Responsibility for Opt-In Compliance

Clerk Chat provides customers with a unique URL that includes an SMS-compliant privacy policy and an opt-in widget. This URL is designed to serve as a compliant and user-friendly method for collecting SMS consent from your end users.

Please note that the opt-in language and privacy policy provided at this URL are intended to satisfy SMS compliance requirements, but they do not replace your organization's primary privacy policy. If your legal or compliance team has specific requirements or wishes to review or revise the opt-in language, they may contact our support team.

By properly sharing and utilizing this opt-in widget, you help ensure a transparent and compliant messaging experience for your customers.

Brand Registration FAQs

What should I have readily available in order to register?

- Company address and contact info.
- EIN (or first nine digits of BN if Canadian company)

What if I only text employees, not groups of customers?

The latest 10DLC regulations now require all companies to register their brand before sending any outbound SMS traffic—this requirement is no longer limited to only Application-to-Person (A2P) messaging.

My company is based in Canada. Why do I need to register?

Companies outside the U.S. should register if they ever need to send SMS to any U.S. based numbers. Otherwise those messages may be blocked by U.S. carriers. You must enter the first nine digits of your BN (Business Number) in place of EIN within the registration form.

Does Telesystem/Clerk Chat verify any of the information?

This service streamlines the registration process on your behalf. Simply follow the steps within the app to comply with U.S. carrier expectations. We help ensure that your request is formatted properly, but do not verify your information in any way.

How long does this process take?

The proprietary workflows powered by AI can bring the timeline for verification down to 3-4 business days with a submission approval rate above 98%. The process is dependent on third parties by regulation, however, and in some cases can take upwards of 4 weeks to complete.

Where can I get additional help if I have questions about 10DLC registration?

The Clerk Chat App will keep you updated within the app. If the application is still pending, you will see an hourglass icon next to "Settings". When complete, the icons will disappear, and the "Company Registration" menu will show your submission as complete. If your application is denied, the red x icon will reappear next to "Settings". If denied, you can resubmit. Please open a support ticket if additional assistance is needed.

What if I do not want to submit my information or register my company?

Users will be unable to send outbound messages until 10DLC Brand Registration is completed. This service will not work.

Once registered, can I send any text I want?

Once your company is registered, it still must comply with general rules around SMS messaging. SMS is a highly regulated channel and is subject to stringent regulations and carrier requirements. Certain message content is prohibited and wireless carriers will reject SMS and MMS messages containing prohibited content by default. Some of these topics include high-risk financial services, illegal substances, and hate speech. This list is not exhaustive, and should not be construed as legal advice. If in doubt, please consult with your legal counsel to make sure that your SMS program and message content comply with applicable laws.

How do I get started with 10DLC registration?

Within the Clerk Chat app, a workspace owner or admin can navigate to **Settings** and select "Company Registration". A short sequence of prompts will then provide guidance through the process.