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1 Introduction

Using Sinch's E-Mail 365 service, it is possible for SAP Marketing Cloud customers to have an integrated email channel.

- 1. SAP Marketing Cloud comes pre-integrated with Sinch E-Mail 365 service as a communication channel.
- Sinch E-Mail 365 also delivers ability to secure email notification campaigns using custom domains and DKIM and SPF based deliverability/ reputation management.

This on-boarding document provides a step-by-step overview of the on-boarding process.



2 Check-list for Onboarding

2.1 Reference Documents

Before getting started, here is a checklist of reference documents (that are part of the on-boarding package):

- Sinch E-Mail 365 Provisioning form
- Sinch E-Mail 365 API Specification
- Sinch E-Mail 365 Deliverability Best Practices Field Guide
- Sinch E-Mail 365 IP Warmup Template

2.2 Information requested in provisioning form

2.2.1 Sub-Domain

It is highly recommended to create a sub-domain in order to manage your outgoing email campaign traffic instead of using top level domain:

- For example, if notifications are driven from a newsletter; a sub-domain such as newletter.customer.com would be worth consideration.
- Please talk to your IT representative to provision this.

2.2.2 "sender" and "reply to" addresses

Default "sender" and "reply-to" addresses are used when this information is not passed as part of the notification request. This is important for marketing emails.

 The sender address has to be associated with the sub-domain (for example: info@newsletter.customer.com).



 A "reply to" address is not mandatory – we provide you that flexibility. Many senders can have a common "reply to" address or each sender can have a unique "reply to" address. The reply to address can be any valid address that you may want to recipient to respond to.

For transactional emails, the "sender" and "reply to" may be passed as part of the notification request itself.

2.3 Information provided as part of provisioning

2.3.1 Credentials (*notification URL*, *username*, and *password*); typically as below:

URL	https://email-		
	eu1.sapdigitalinterconnect.com/in365-		
	api/caas_email12345/notifications		
UserID	For example, caas_abcde23115		
Password	For example, x5XXXXcL		
Sender	name@subdom.customer.com		
Reply To	contact@customer.com		

2.3.2 DKIM, SPF and MX records that need to be inserted into the TXT records of the customer sub-domain.

2.4 DKIM and SPF usage

DKIM and SPF need to be inserted into the TXT records of your sub-domain for deliverability management.

Please set the expectation around this with your DNS administration teams.

For a detailed understanding on DKIM and SPF based deliverability, please refer to the following document: Sinch E-Mail 365 – Deliverability Best Practices Field Guide.



3 Onboarding process workflow

Broadly, the on-boarding steps can be categorized into the following three processes:

3.1 Manage SAP Marketing cloud tenant set up

Define marketing Sub-domains

3.2 Manage email notification service set up

- Custom domain mapping(s)
- DKIM & SPF mapping confirmation
- MX record set up
- Email end point and credentials
- Reply to tracking
- Create plan for IP and Domain warmup

3.3 Manage campaign & user set ups

- Customer / brand landing pages
- Complete IP and Domain warmup
- Campaign user set ups
- Campaign attributes
- Campaign KPI's.

Each of the above processes have detailed sub-processes & tasks that need to be completed and here are additional nuances based on environment and infrastructure. These are as detailed in the table below:



	Process	Task	Customer	SAP Marketing Cloud	Sinch
1.	Manage	Define sub-domains for email	Yes	N/A	N/A
	SAP	notifications			
	Marketing	For example, if notifications are			
	Cloud	driven from a newsletter, a sub-			
	Tenant set	domain such as			
	ир	newletter.customer.com would be			
		worth consideration. The			
		notifications can then be sent via a			
		sender address			
		info@newsletter.customer.com			
		(details of sender of reply to set up			
		in a different step)			
2.	Manage	Set up custom sub-domains for	N/A	N/A	Yes
	email	email processing			
	Notification	Also, set up sender (from) and			
	service set	reply to addresses associated			
	up	with the sub-domain. This is			
		based on the input received from			
		customer.			
		Provision email accounts			
		Provide deliverability and	N/A	N/A	Yes
		reputation management TXT			
		records (DKIM/SPF)			
		Please refer to the "Deliverability			
		and Best Practices Guide" for how			
		this is applied.			



Setup MX record MX record to	Yes	N/A	N/A
be provided by the customer			
domain registrar			
NOTE: MX record is mandatory to			
avoid failing anti-virus checkers			
against the registered domain/sub			
domain for this service. MX record			
is required for the sender domain			
(it is assumed that both the sender			
and reply-to address are from the			
sender domain address)			
Set up deliverability and	Yes	N/A	N/A
reputation management TXT			
records (DKIM, SPF) & MX			
record in DNS.			
NOTE: DKIM, SPF are mandatory			
Dedicated IP's	Yes	N/A	N/A
A dedicated IP is recommended			
for email volumes in excess of			
100K / month as forecast at the			
end of the warm Up period.			
Anything below this volume will be			
allocated a Shared IP			
Validate custom domain set up	N/A	N/A	Yes
and confirm to customer along			
with email notification end-point			
and credentials.			
Set up email notification end-	Yes	N/A	N/A
point and credentials in SAP			
Marketing tenant			
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		Create IP and Domain warmup plan NOTE: Refer to the Sinch provided IP warming template	Yes	N/A	N/A
		Test connectivity / traffic	Yes	N/A	N/A
3.	Manage campaign	Create email marketing campaign	Yes	N/A	N/A
	& user set ups	Associate from and reply to user address to campaign	Yes	N/A	N/A
		Validate sub-domain and / or registered addresses (from and reply to).	N/A	Yes	N/A
		Complete IP and Domain warmup	Yes	N/A	N/A
		Check campaign metrics	Yes	N/A	N/A
		Check deliverability metrics (soft/hard bounces) on Hybris Marketing	Yes	N/A	N/A

Table 1 Onboarding process flow

NOTE The update of DNS setting are the responsibility of the Customer and they should seek advise from their DNS Managers (IT or otherwise) to ensure these are amended correctly. DKIM, SPF and MX records updated for the Domain/Sub Domain being set up for Sending.