

The Agent Is Becoming the Approver. Finance Needs the Off Switch.

Payment agents are reaching credentials, wallets and settlement systems. The durable control is a narrow mandate with retained evidence, human thresholds and a revocation route that works before the next transaction.

HINTS, TIPS & TRICKS

- Write the stop path before issuing a credential; it exposes authority that is too broad.
- Bind limits to vendor, category, amount and time rather than one headline cap.
- Keep reconciliation ownership separate from the initiating agent.

OPERATOR CHECKLIST

- Name owner and business purpose.
- Scope credentials and transaction limits.
- Set approval and exception triggers.
- Retain mandate, evidence and policy version.
- Test revocation and reconciliation.

COPY-READY PROMPT

Draft a revocation card for [agent/workflow]. Include owner, purpose, credential, permitted vendors and categories, amount and time limits, required evidence, human threshold, exception triggers, reconciliation owner and the fastest safe revocation method. Flag any field that cannot be enforced outside the prompt.

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