

**Linked Vendors:** In LogiPoint Web Industrial, a “linked vendor” is simply a vendor with which a particular carrier and/or agent is associated.

Take the example of a carrier: When you add that carrier to a load, enter related charges on the load form and then generate an invoice, LogiPoint will create a “payable” which will be transmitted to QuickBooks Online. However, QuickBooks knows nothing about “carriers”, it only knows *vendors*. Therefore, LogiPoint will create the payable for *the vendor which is associated with, or linked to, that carrier*. That is why, when you create a carrier, you need to specify this linked vendor.

When you synchronize LogiPoint with QuickBooks all vendors in QuickBooks will be imported into LogiPoint (conversely, all vendors you create in LogiPoint will be transmitted to QuickBooks). When creating a carrier, you will be able to link it to any of the vendors already in LogiPoint’s vendors database. If the vendor you need doesn’t already exist then you can leave the “Linked Vendor” field on the carrier form blank, in which case LogiPoint will *automatically* create a vendor for you. This vendor will have the same name and address as the carrier, and will be transmitted to QuickBooks Online the next time you synch.

The same considerations apply to agents: i.e. each agent *must* have a linked vendor specified so that payables can be created in a way QuickBooks understands. The procedure for creating an agent parallels that for carriers, as given in the paragraph above (in LogiPoint, however, agent’s do not have an address, so if you create a vendor automatically then it will not have an address either).

Note that the linked vendor is particularly valuable when a carrier is factored; i.e. you want QuickBooks to pay the factoring company, not the carrier. In this case you will need to create a vendor for the factoring company first (you can do this either in QuickBooks or LogiPoint Web Industrial), *then* create the carrier and link it to that vendor.