

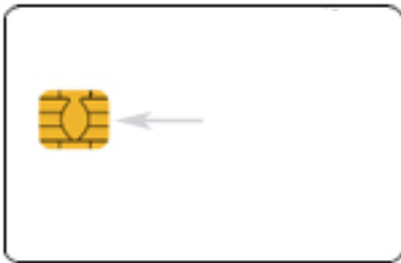
MAGNETIC STRIPE vs. SMART CARD vs. CONTACTLESS RF



MAGNETIC STRIPE

GOOD

OLD TECHNOLOGY



SMARTCARD

BETTER

MOST RECENT ACCEPTED TECHNOLOGY



CONTACTLESS RF

BEST

NEWEST TECHNOLOGY

	MAGNETIC STRIPE	SMARTCARD	CONTACTLESS RF CARD
Card Lifetime	1 or 2 months.	Few years.	Many Years.
Information Loss	Often. Easily erased.	Very rare.	Extremely rare.
Durability	Easily damaged	Durable.	Extremely durable.
Size	Credit card size.	Credit card size.	Credit card size
Cost	\$0.08 - \$0.12	\$0.12 - \$0.15	\$0.50 - \$0.80