

# **Electronic Transactions (Certification Authority) Regulations 2010**

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**No. S 650**

**ELECTRONIC TRANSACTIONS ACT 2010  
(ACT 16 OF 2010)**

**ELECTRONIC TRANSACTIONS (CERTIFICATION AUTHORITY) REGULATIONS  
2010**

In exercise of the powers conferred by sections 22, 36 and 38 of the Electronic Transactions Act 2010, RAdm (NS) Lui Tuck Yew, Senior Minister of State, charged

with the responsibility of the Minister for Information, Communications and the Arts, hereby makes the following Regulations:

## PART I

### PRELIMINARY

#### **Citation and commencement**

1. These Regulations may be cited as the Electronic Transactions (Certification Authority) Regulations 2010 and shall come into operation on 1st November 2010.

#### **Definitions**

2. In these Regulations, unless the context otherwise requires —

“accreditation” means accreditation granted under these Regulations;

“accredited certification authority” means a certification authority that is accredited under these Regulations;

“accreditation mark” means an accreditation mark as set out in the Schedule;

“subscriber identity verification method” means the method used to verify and authenticate the identity of a subscriber;

“trusted person” means any person who has —

- (a) direct responsibilities for the day-to-day operations, security and performance of those business activities that are regulated under the Act or these Regulations in respect of a certification authority; or
- (b) duties directly involving the issuance, renewal, suspension, revocation of certificates (including the identification of any person requesting a certificate from an accredited certification authority), creation of private keys or administration of a certification authority’s computing facilities.

## PART II

### ACCREDITATION OF CERTIFICATION AUTHORITIES

#### **Application to be accredited certification authority**

3.—(1) Every application to be an accredited certification authority shall be made in such form and manner as the Controller may, from time to time, determine and shall be

supported by —

- (a) the certification practice statement of the certification authority;
- (b) an audit report prepared in accordance with regulations 23 and 34 for compliance with the Compliance Audit Checklist published on the Controller's Internet website; and
- (c) such information as the Controller may require.

(2) Upon submitting an application for accreditation, the applicant shall pay to the Controller an application fee of \$1,000.

(3) The Controller shall, in such form as the Controller may determine, notify the applicant as to whether his application is successful.

(4) Upon notification that his application is successful, the applicant shall pay to the Controller an accreditation fee of \$1,000 and, subject to regulation 5, the Controller shall grant accreditation to the applicant as an accredited certification authority upon such payment.

(5) The accreditation shall be subject to such conditions or restrictions as the Controller may, from time to time, determine.

(6) The accreditation shall be valid for a period of 2 years unless cancelled or suspended under the Act or these Regulations.

(7) The Controller shall not refund any fee paid under this regulation if the application is unsuccessful, withdrawn or discontinued, or if the accreditation is cancelled or suspended.

### **Renewal of accreditation**

4.—(1) Regulation 3 (with the exception of paragraph (2) thereof) shall apply, with the necessary modifications, to an application for renewal of accreditation under this regulation as it applies to an application for accreditation under regulation 3.

(2) The Controller may allow applications for renewal of accreditation to be submitted in the form of electronic records subject to such requirements as the Controller may impose.

(3) If an accredited certification authority intends to renew its accreditation, the certification authority shall submit an application for the renewal of its accreditation not later than 3 months before the expiry of its accreditation.

(4) If an application for renewal is made later than the time prescribed in paragraph (3), the application shall be deemed to be an application under regulation 3