

The Information Technology Act, 2000

Section 21 - Licence to issue electronic signature Certificates

21. Licence to issue ¹[electronic signature] Certificates.--(1) Subject to the provisions of sub-section (2), any person may make an application, to the Controller, for a licence to issue ¹[electronic signature] Certificates.

(2) No licence shall be issued under sub-section (1), unless the applicant fulfils such requirements with respect to qualification, expertise, manpower, financial resources and other infrastructure facilities, which are necessary to issue ¹[electronic signature] Certificates as may be prescribed by the Central Government.

(3) A licence granted under this section shall--

- (a) be valid for such period as may be prescribed by the Central Government;
- (b) not be transferable or heritable;
- (c) be subject to such terms and conditions as may be specified by the regulations.

1 Subs. by Act 10 of 2009, s. 2, for "Digital Signature" (w.e.f. 27-10-2009)