

People Authorised to Certify Copies of Original Documents

The person who is authorised to certify documents must:

- sight the original and the copy and make sure both documents are identical;
- make sure all pages have been certified as true copies by **writing** or **stamping** 'certified true copy' followed by their **signature, printed name, qualification** (e.g. Justice of the Peace, Australia Post employee, etc.) and date.

The following people can certify copies of the originals **as true and correct copies**:

- Chiropractor
- Dentist
- Legal practitioner
- Medical practitioner
- Nurse
- Optometrist
- Patent attorney
- Pharmacist
- Physiotherapist
- Psychologist
- Trademarks attorney
- Veterinary surgeon

Other persons:

- Agent of the Australian Postal Corporation who is in charge of an office supplying postal services to the public
- Australian Consular Officer or Australia Diplomatic Officer (within the meaning of the Consular Fee Act 1955)
- Bailiff
- Bank officer with two or more continuous years of service
- Building society officer with two or more years of continuous service
- Chief executive officer of a Commonwealth court
- Clerk of a court
- Commissioner for Affidavits
- Commissioner for Declarations
- Credit union officer with two or more years of continuous service
- Employee of the Australian Trade Commission who is:
 - in a country or place outside Australia; and
 - authorised under paragraph 3(c) of the Consular Fees Act 1955; and
 - exercising his or her function in that place
- Employee of the Commonwealth who is:
 - in a country or place outside Australia; and
 - authorised under paragraph 3(d) of the Consular Fees Act 1955; and
 - exercising his or her function in that place
- Fellow of the National Tax Accountants' Association
- Finance company officer with two or more years of continuous service
- Holder of a statutory office not specified in another item in this list

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- Judge of a court
- Justice of the Peace
- Magistrate
- Marriage celebrant registered under Subdivision C of Division 1 of Part IV of the Marriage Act 1961
- Master of a court
- Member of Chartered Secretaries Australia
- Member of Engineers Australia, other than at the grade of student
- Member of the Association of Taxation and Management Accountants
- Member of the Australian Defence Force who is either:
 - an officer; or
 - a non-commissioned officer within the meaning of the Defence Force Discipline Act 1982 with two or more years or continuous service; or
 - a warrant officer within the meaning of that Act
- Member of the Institute of Chartered Accountants in Australia, the Australian Society of Certified Practising Accountants or the National Institute of Accountants
- Member of either:
 - the Parliament of the Commonwealth; or
 - the Parliament of a State; or
 - a Territory legislature; or
 - a local government authority of a State or Territory
- Minister of religion registered under Subdivision A of Division 1 of Part IV of the Marriage Act 1961
- Notary public
- An officer with, or authorised representative of, a holder of an Australian financial services licence, having two or more years of continuous service with one or more licences
- Permanent employee of the Australian Postal Corporation with two or more years of continuous service who is employed in an office supplying postal services to the public
- Permanent employee of:
 - the Commonwealth or a Commonwealth authority; or
 - a State or Territory or a State or Territory authority; or
 - a local government authority; with two or more years of continuous service who is not specified in another item in this list
- Person before whom a statutory declaration may be made under the law of the State or Territory in which the declaration is made
- Police officer
- Registrar, or Deputy Registrar, of a court
- Senior Executive Service employee of either:
 - the Commonwealth or a Commonwealth authority; or
 - a State or Territory or a State or Territory authority
- Sheriff
- Sheriff's officer
- Teacher employed on a full-time basis at a school or tertiary education institution
- Member of the Australasian Institute of Mining and Metallurgy