

# Document Certification Information Sheet

## List of Australian and New Zealand Acceptable Certifiers

### What is a 'certified copy' of document?

A certified copy is a document that has been approved as a true copy of an original document.

### Why 'certify' a copy?

Where you are unable to present your original identification documents in person at a Suncorp Branch, we may accept certified copies of your identification documents instead.

#### (A) You may be unable to provide the ORIGINAL copy of Identification or supporting documents (e.g. Enduring Power of Attorney, Trust Deeds, Wills etc)

In these circumstances you may already have a 'certified copy' of the identification or supporting documents we are requesting. Go to Step 3

If you do not have a 'certified copy' to return to us immediately go to Step 1.

#### (B) You may be unable to present your identification in person at a Suncorp Branch. Go to Step 1.

### How do I have a document certified?

#### Step 1

Photocopy the original document and take the original and the copy to a Certifier (for information on "acceptable certifiers", refer to the enclosed List of Australian and New Zealand Acceptable Certifiers as authorised by Suncorp).

#### Step 2

The Certifier will endorse the copy with the following requirements:

- a. The statement that **"I certify that I have sighted the original document and this is a true copy of it"**.
- b. FULL PRINTED NAME of the Certifier (e.g. Michelle Helena Citizen)
- c. DATE that the document was certified
- d. SIGNATURE of the Certifier
- e. CAPACITY or QUALIFICATION in which they have certified the document (e.g. JP, Solicitor, etc)
- f. REGISTRATION NUMBER (if applicable)

Note: The Certifier will check the copy is accurate and that no alterations have been made. This can be time consuming when a document contains a large number of pages or is of a technical nature.

#### g. Variation for multi page documents (e.g. Trust deeds)

- The Certifier should endorse the first page as per above requirements (a-f)
- The Certifier should endorse the last page "I certify that I have sighted the original document (containing xx pages) and this is a true copy of it".
- The Certifier should then sign or initial each page of the copy and number as Page1 of xx, Page 2 of xx, and so on.

#### Step 3

Return certified copies of identification or supporting documents to your Suncorp representative.

Your Suncorp representative is:

Name:

Mail: IPC

**GPO BOX 1453 Brisbane Qld 4001**

## List of Australian Acceptable Certifiers (as authorised by Suncorp)

Bailiff	Chief Executive Officer of a Commonwealth Court
Chiropractor	Clerk of a Court
Commissioner for Affidavits	Commissioner for Declarations
Dentist	Judge of a Court
Justice of the Peace	Legal Practitioner
Magistrate	Master of a Court
Medical Practitioner	Member of Chartered Secretaries Australia
Member of Engineers Australia (other than at the grade of student)	Nurse
Optometrist	Patent Attorney
Pharmacist	Physiotherapist
Police Officer	Psychologist
Registrar or Deputy Registrar, of a Court	Sheriff
Sheriff's Officer	Trade Marks Attorney
Veterinary Surgeon	
A Fellow of the National Tax Accountants' Association	
A member of the Institute of Chartered Accountants in Australia, CPA Australia or the National Institute of Accountants with 2 or more years of continuous membership	
A permanent employee of the Australian Postal Corporation with 2 or more years of continuous service who is employed in an office supplying postal services to the public	
A permanent employee of, the Commonwealth/a State/a Territory; or a Commonwealth/State/Territory authority; or a local government authority, with 2 or more years of continuous service who is not specified in another item in Part 2 of the Statutory Declaration Regulations 1993	
A person who is enrolled on the roll of the Supreme Court of a State/Territory, or the High Court of Australia, as a Legal Practitioner (however described)	
An agent of the Australian Postal Corporation who is in charge of an office supplying postal services to the public	
An Australian Consular Officer of an Australian Diplomatic Officer (within the meaning of the Consular Fees Act 1955)	
An employee of the Australian Trade Commission, who is in a country or place outside of Australia; authorised under paragraph 3 (c) of the Consular Fees Act 1955; and exercising his/her function in that place	
An employee of the Commonwealth, who is in a country or place outside of Australia; authorised under paragraph 3 (d) of the Consular Fees Act 1955; and exercising his/her function in that place	
An finance company officer with 2 or more years of continuous service	
An officer with, or authorised representative of, a holder of an Australian Financial Services license, having 2 or more continuous years of service with one or more licenses	
Marriage Celebrant registered under Subdivision C of Division 1 of Part IV of the Marriage Act 1961	
Member of parliament of the Commonwealth/State/Territory/local government authority of a State or Territory	
Member of the Association of Taxation and Management Accountants	
Member of the Australasian Institute of Mining and Metallurgy	
Member of the Australian Defence Force, who is an officer, a non-commissioned officer within the meaning of the Defence Force Discipline Act 1982 with 2 or more years of continuous service; or a warrant officer within the meaning of that Act	
Minister of Religion registered under Subdivision A of Division 1 of Part IV of the Marriage Act 1961	
Notary Public appointed and located within Australia	
Person before whom a statutory declaration may be made under the law of the State or Territory in which the declaration is made	
Senior Executive Service employee of the Commonwealth/State/Territory	
Teacher employed on a full time basis at a school or tertiary education institution	

## List of New Zealand Acceptable Certifiers (as authorised by Suncorp)

A person who has the legal authority to take statutory declarations or the equivalent in New Zealand
Chartered accountant (within the meaning of section 19 of the New Zealand Institute of Chartered Accountants Act 1996)
Commonwealth representative (as defined in the Oaths and Declarations Act 1957)
Justice of the peace
Kauma'tua (as verified through a reputable source) <sup>1</sup>
Lawyer (as defined in the Lawyers and Conveyancers Act 2006)
Member of Parliament
Member of the police
Minister of religion
New Zealand Honorary consul
Notary public
Registered medical doctor
Registered teacher

<sup>1</sup> Kaumātua are elected tribal elders in the Māori society. Male elders are also known as koroua (or koro for short), and female elders as kuia. They are appointed by their people under the belief that the chosen elders have the capacity to teach and guide both current and future generations. For more information refer Teara website. <http://www.teara.govt.nz/en/kaumatua-maori-elders/page-1>.