APOSTILLE ACT 2020 (SECTION 20)

APOSTILLE (CERTIFICATION OF SINGAPORE PUBLIC DOCUMENTS) REGULATIONS 2021

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Citation

1. These Regulations are the Apostille (Certification of Singapore Public Documents) Regulations 2021.

Definitions

- 2. In these Regulations, unless the context otherwise requires
 - "certificate" means a certificate issued under section 16 of the Act in respect of a Singapore public document;
 - "competent authority" has the meaning given by section 15 of the Act;
 - "Singapore public document" has the meaning given by section 14 of the Act;

"website", in relation to a competent authority, means the Internet website stated opposite the authority in the First Schedule.

Form of certificate

- 3. A certificate in respect of a Singapore public document
 - (a) must be issued in the form in the Second Schedule (being a modification of the Model Certificate);
 - (b) may be issued in a physical or an electronic form; and
 - (c) if issued in a physical form
 - (i) must be approximately 13.5 centimetres (length) by 9 centimetres (breadth); and
 - (ii) must be affixed as a sticker on the document or attached to the document.

Fee for issuing certificate

- **4.**—(1) The fee for issuing a certificate is \$10.70.
- (2) A competent authority may waive, refund or remit the whole or any part of the fee payable under paragraph (1).

Register of certificates

- **5.**—(1) A competent authority must keep an electronic register of every certificate it issues.
- (2) The register must include the following information in respect of each certificate issued by the competent authority:
 - (a) the name, contact number and email address of the person who requested the issuance of the certificate;
 - (b) the date on which and the time at which the certificate was issued;
 - (c) the information stated on the certificate;
 - (d) whether the certificate was issued in a physical or an electronic form;
 - (e) an image of the certificate.

Verification of certificates

- **6.**—(1) A competent authority must ensure that its website is capable of being used to verify certificates issued by the authority in the manner described in this regulation.
- (2) A person who wishes to verify a document purporting to be a certificate issued by the competent authority may
 - (a) access the website of the authority (whether by scanning the Quick Response code on the document or by any other means); and
 - (b) provide the verification code on the document in the manner stated on the website.
- (3) Thereafter, if the certificate is in fact issued by the competent authority, the website must show the information stated on the certificate.
- (4) To avoid doubt, the website need not show any other information in respect of the certificate or the certified Singapore public document.

FIRST SCHEDULE

WEBSITE OF COMPETENT AUTHORITY

Regulation 2

Authority

Website

1. Singapore Academy of Law

https://legalisation.sal.sg

SECOND SCHEDULE

FORM OF CERTIFICATE

Regulation 3(a)

APOSTILLE

(Convention de La Haye du 5 Octobre 1961)

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