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21.12.2012	2.5	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Updated chapter 2.4.4 – updated rules for certificate publication in public catalogue.
28.09.2012	2.4	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Updated chapter 4.2.4 – retired discrepancy with the CPS.
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1. Introduction

1.1. Overview

This document "SK ID Solutions AS – Certificate Policy for Organisation Certificates" (CP) defines the procedural and operational requirements that SK ID Solutions AS (SK) adheres to and requires entities to adhere to when issuing and managing Organisation Certificates such as e-Seal Certificates, Certificates for Encryption and Certificates for Authentication.

Issuing and managing of the Organisation Certificates by SK is based on The Regulation (EU) No 910/2014 [7] which establishes a legal framework for electronic signature and electronic seal.

This document only describes the restrictions to Certificate Policy for EU Qualified Certificates Issued to Legal Persons with Private Key Related to the Certified Public Key in a QSCD (QCP-I-qscd) and for EU Qualified Certificates Issued to Legal Persons (QCP-I) from ETSI EN 319 411-2 [11] ("QCP-I-qscd" and "QCP-I") and Normalized Certificate Policy from ETSI EN 319 411-1 [1] (NCP).

The semantics of "no stipulation" in this document means that no additional restrictions are set and relevant provisions from QCP-I-qscd, QCP-I and NCP are applied directly.

Issuing and managing of E-Seal Certificates by SK is based on the requirements of the Policy QCP-I-qscd: certificate policy for EU qualified certificates issued to legal persons with private key related to the certified Public Key in a QSCD and Policy QCP-I: certificate policy for EU qualified certificates issued to legal persons from ETSI EN 319 411-2 [11].

The certification service for e-Seals described in this CP SHALL be granted qualified status in the Trusted List of Estonia.

Issuing and managing of Certificates for Encryption and Certificates for Authentication by SK is based on the requirements for the policy NCP: Normalized Certificate Policy from ETSI EN 319 411-1 [1].

In case of conflicts the documents are considered in the following order (prevailing ones first):

- QCP-I-qscd;
- QCP-I;
- NCP;
- This CP;
- CPS .

Pursuant to the IETF RFC 3647 [3] this CP is divided into nine parts. To preserve the outline specified by RFC 3647 [3], section headings that do not apply have the statement **"Not applicable"**. Each first-level chapter includes reference to the relevant section of ETSI EN 319 411-1 [1] and ETSI EN 319 411-2 [11].

In this CP "SHALL", "SHALL NOT", "SHOULD", "SHOULD NOT", "MAY" and so on are to be interpreted as described in clause 3.2 of the ETSI Drafting Rules (Verbal forms for the expression of provisions) [2].

1.2. Certificate Policy Name and Identification

Refer to clause 5.3 of ETSI EN 319 411-1 [1] and ETSI EN 319 411-2 [11].

This document is called "SK ID Solutions AS – Certificate Policy for Organisation Certificates".

This CP is identified by OID: 1.3.6.1.4.1.10015.7.3

OID is composed according to the contents of the following table 1.

Parameter	OID reference
Internet attribute	1.3.6.1
Private entity attribute	4
Registered business attribute given by private business manager IANA	1
SK attribute in IANA register	10015

Certification service attribute	7.3
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OID that is specific to each Certificate issued under this CP is composed according to the contents of the following table 2.

Parameter	OID reference
Internet Assigned Numbers Authority (IANA)	1.3.6.1.4.1.10015
Organisation Certificates	9
Certificate type	1 to <i>n</i>

e-Seal Certificate on QSCD SHALL include OID:

- of the policy ETSI EN 319 411-2 [11] clause 5.3 d) for QCP-I-qscd;
- of this CP;
- specific to this particular Certificate according to clause 3.2.3 of the Certificate Profile [5].

e-Seal Certificate on Secure Cryptographic Device SHALL include OID:

- of the policy ETSI EN 319 411-2 [11] clause 5.3 b) for QCP-I;
- of this CP;
- specific to this particular Certificate according to clause 3.2.3 of the Certificate Profile [5].

Certificate for Encryption or Authentication SHALL include OID:

- of the policy ETSI EN 319 411-1 [1] clause 5.3 a) for NCP;
- of this CP;
- specific to this particular Certificate according to clause 3.2.3 of the Certificate Profile [5].

1.3. PKI Participants

Refer to clause 5.4 of ETSI EN 319 411-1 [1] and ETSI EN 319 411-2 [11].

1.3.1. Certification Authorities

No stipulation.

1.3.2. Registration Authorities

No stipulation.

1.3.3. Subscribers

Subscriber is the subject of the certificate issued under this CP.

Subscriber can only be a legal person registered in:

- the Estonian Business Register; or
- the Estonian Non-Profit Associations and Foundations Register; or
- the Estonian Register of State and Local Government Organisations; or
- one of the European Economic Area member state business registries;
- the Swiss business register;
- United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland business register.

1.3.4. Relying Parties

Relying Parties are legal or natural persons who are making decisions based on the certificate.

1.3.5. Other Participants

Not allowed.

1.4. Certificate Usage

Refer to clause 5.5 of ETSI EN 319 411-1 [1] and ETSI EN 319 411-2 [11].

1.4.1. Appropriate Certificate Uses

Subscriber certificates are intended for the following purposes:

- e-Seal Certificate – used for proof of integrity of an electronic document and the relation with the owner of such document;
- Certificate for Encryption – certificate used for data encryption;
- Certificate for Authentication – certificate used for authentication of the Subscriber in WWW, S/MIME or other data processing systems.

Various areas of application MAY be combined into a single certificate. The e-Seal Certificate SHALL not be combined with other areas of application.

CA Private Keys SHALL NOT be used to sign Certificates except in the following cases:

- Subscriber Certificates;
- Certificates for Time-Stamping;
- OCSP Response verification Certificates;
- Internal Certificates for its own technical needs.

1.4.2. Prohibited Certificate Uses

The use of the Organisation Certificates issued under this CP is prohibited for any of the following purposes:

- unlawful activity (including cyber attacks and attempts to damage the certificate);
- issuance of new certificates and information on certificate validity;
- use of the e-Seal Certificate for signing documents which can bring about unwanted consequences (including signing such documents during testing of the systems).

1.5. Policy Administration

1.5.1. Organisation Administering the Document

This CP is administered by SK.

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1.5.3. Person Determining CPS Suitability for the Policy

No stipulation.

1.5.4. CP Approval Procedures

Amendments which do not change the meaning of the CP, such as corrections of misspellings, translation and updating of contact details, are documented in the Versions and Changes section of the present document and the fraction part of the document version number shall be enlarged.

In the case of substantial changes, the new CP version is clearly distinguishable from the previous ones. The new version bears a serial number enlarged by one. The amended CP along with the enforcement date, which cannot be earlier than 30 days after publication, SHALL be published electronically on SK website.

SK performs annual review of this CP to ensure compliance of the present document and services provided based on this CP with the applicable requirements.

All amendments are to be approved by the head of eID and Trust Services and the amended CP is enforced by the CEO or COO.

1.6. Definitions and Acronyms

1.6.1. Terminology

In this CP the following terms have the following meaning.

Term	Definition
Advanced Electronic Signature	Electronic Signature which meets the requirements provided in Article 26 of eIDAS [7].
Authentication	Unique identification of a person by checking his/her alleged identity.
Certificate	e-Seal Certificate, Certificate for Encryption and Certificate for Authentication. Within the meaning of this CP, the term "Certificate" encompasses all the previously listed certificates.
Certificate Policy	A set of rules that indicates the applicability of a named certificate to particular community and/or PKI implementation with common security requirements.
Certification Practice Statement	One of several documents forming the governance framework in which certificates are created, issued, managed, and used.
Certificate Profile	Document that determines the profile and minimum requirements for the Certificates.
Certificate Revocation List	A list of invalid (revoked) certificates.
Certification Service	Issuing certificates, managing revocation, modification and re-key.
Directory Service	Certificate validity information publication service.
Distinguished Name	Unique subject name in the infrastructure of certificates.
Encrypting	Information treatment method changing the information unreadable for those who do not have necessary skills or rights.
Integrity	A characteristic of an array: information has not been changed after the array was created.
Object Identifier	An identifier used to name an object (OID).
Organisation Certificate	e-Seal Certificate, Certificate for Encryption and Certificate for Authentication. Within the meaning of this CP, the term "Organisation Certificate" encompasses all the previously listed certificates.
Private Key	The key of a key pair that is kept secret by the holder of the key pair and that is used to create electronic signatures and/or to decrypt electronic records or files that were encrypted with the corresponding public key.
Public Key	The key pair that may be publicly disclosed by the holder of corresponding private key and that is used by Relying Party to verify electronic signatures created with the holder's corresponding private key and/or to encrypt messages so that they can be decrypted only with the holder's corresponding private key.
Qualified Electronic Signature	Qualified Electronic Signature according to eIDAS [7].

Qualified Electronic Signature/Seal Creation Device	A secure signature creation device that meets the requirements laid down in eIDAS Regulation [7].
Relying Party	Entity that relies upon the information contained within a certificate.
Registration Authority	Entity that is responsible for identification and authentication of subjects of certificates. Additionally, an RA may accept certificate applications, check the applications and/or forward the applications to the CA.
Secure Cryptographic Device	Device which holds the user's Private Key, protects this key against compromise and performs signing or decryption functions on behalf of the user.
Subscriber	Legal person bound by agreement with CA to any subscriber obligations.
Terms and Conditions	Document that describes the obligations and responsibilities of the Subscriber while using the Organisation certificates. The Subscriber has to be familiar with the document and accept the terms and conditions described within when receiving the certificates.

1.6.2. Acronyms

Acronym	Definition
CA	Certification Authority
CP	Certificate Policy for Organisation Certificates
CPS	Certification Practice Statement of Organisation Certificates
CRL	Certificate Revocation List
eIDAS	Regulation (EU) No 910/2014 of the European Parliament and of the Council of 23 July 2014 on electronic identification and trust services for electronic transactions in the internal market and repealing Directive 1999/93/EC, amended by Regulation (EU) 2024/1183 of the European Parliament and of the Council of 11 April 2024 amending Regulation (EU) No 910/2014 as regards establishing the European Digital Identity Framework [7]
HSM	Hardware Security Module
OID	Object Identifier, a unique object identification code
PKI	Public Key Infrastructure
QSCD	Qualified electronic Signature/Seal Creation Device
RA	Registration Authority
SK	SK ID Solutions AS, provider of the certification service
SK PS	SK ID Solutions AS Trust Services Practice Statement [12]

2. Publication and repository responsibilities

Refer to clause 6.1 of ETSI EN 319 411-1 [1] and ETSI EN 319 411-2 [11].

2.1. Repositories

SK SHALL ensure that its repository is available 24 hours a day, 7 days a week with a minimum of 99% availability overall per year with a scheduled down-time that does not exceed 0.5% annually.

2.2. Publication of Certification Information

2.2.1. Publication and Notification Policies

This CP is published on SK's website: <https://www.skidsolutions.eu/resources/certificate-policies/>.

This CP and referred documents – the CPS [4] and Certificate and OCSP Profile for Organisation Certificates Issued by SK (hereinafter Certificate Profile) [5] as well as the Terms and Conditions [6] with the enforcement dates SHALL be published no less than 30 days before taking effect.

2.2.2. Items not Published in the Certification Practice Statement

No stipulation.

2.3. Time or Frequency of Publication

No stipulation.

2.4. Access Controls on Repositories

No stipulation.

3. Identification and authentication

Refer to clause 6.2 of ETSI EN 319 411-1 [1] and ETSI EN 319 411-2 [11].

3.1. Naming

The Distinguished Name of the Organisation Certificate SHALL be compiled in accordance with the Certificate Profile [5].

3.1.1. Types of Names

No stipulation.

3.1.2. Need for Names to be Meaningful

The following values in Subscriber information of the certificate SHALL be meaningful:

- Organization (O);
- Common Name (CN).

3.1.3. Anonymity or Pseudonymity of Subscribers

Not allowed.

3.1.4. Rules for Interpreting Various Name Forms

No stipulation.

3.1.5. Uniqueness of Names

SK SHALL NOT issue the certificate with an identical Subscriber's Distinguished Name to different Subscribers.

3.1.6. Recognition, Authentication, and Role of Trademarks

No stipulation.

3.2. Initial Identity Validation

CA can use any legal means of communication or investigation to ascertain the identity of a natural or legal persons. CA MAY refuse to issue a certificate in its sole discretion.

3.2.1. Method to Prove Possession of Private Key

No stipulation.

3.2.2. Authentication of Organisation Identity

CA SHALL verify that the Subscriber is registered in:

- the Estonian Business Register; or
- the Estonian Non-Profit Associations and Foundations Register; or
- the Estonian Register of State and Local Government Organisations; or
- one of the European Economic Area member state business registries; or
- the Swiss business register; or
- United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland business register.

Registries SHALL have legal effect.

3.2.3. Authentication of Individual Identity

Not allowed.

3.2.4. Non-Verified Subscriber Information

The following values in the Subscriber information of the certificate MAY be non-verified:

- Organizational Unit (OU);
- Locality (L);
- State (ST).

3.2.5. Validation of Authority

The CA SHALL verify that the application is signed by:

- a) a legal representative with the power to sign documents on behalf of the Subscriber; or
- b) a person authorised by the legal representative.

If the representative is authorised with a letter of attorney, the CA SHALL verify that the letter is signed by:

- a) the person with the power to sign on behalf of the Subscriber; or
- b) the person who signed the certificate application.

3.2.6. Criteria for Interoperation

Not allowed.

3.3. Identification and Authentication for Re-Key Requests

3.3.1. Identification and Authentication for Routine Re-Key

Refer to clause 3.2 of this CP.

3.3.2. Identification and Authentication for Re-Key after Revocation

No stipulation.

3.4. Identification and Authentication for Revocation Request

No stipulation.

4. Certificate life-cycle operational requirements

Refer to clause 6.3 of ETSI EN 319 411-1 [\[1\]](#) and ETSI EN 319 411-2 [\[11\]](#).

4.1. Certificate Application

4.1.1. Who Can Submit a Certificate Application

No stipulation.

4.1.2. Enrollment Process and Responsibilities

Only electronically signed applications SHALL be accepted.

Application for e-Seal Certificate (issued under policy QCP-I-qscd) SHALL be signed with Qualified Electronic Signature.

Application for e-Seal Certificate (issued under policy QCP-I) SHALL be signed with Qualified Electronic Signature or Advanced Electronic Signature with a Qualified Certificate (AdES/QC).

Application for Certificate for Encryption and Certificate for Authentication SHALL be signed with an Advanced Electronic Signature with a Qualified Certificate (AdES/QC) or Qualified Electronic Signature.

If the legal person's representative does not have the ability to electronically sign the certificate application in the meaning of eIDAS [\[7\]](#), SK MAY accept physically delivered notarized and apostilled documents or adopt additional checks prior to the certificate issuance.

4.2. Certificate Application Processing

At least two employees of the CA SHALL review each Certificate application before the Certificate is issued. Automated processes for issuance SHALL NOT be used.

4.2.1. Performing Identification and Authentication Functions

The CA SHALL verify that:

- a) the Subscriber is not bankrupt or in the process of liquidation; and
- b) its activities SHALL NOT be suspended or in other similar state according to the legislation of its country of origin.

If the Subscriber's legal representative or a person authorised by the legal representative submits an application for e-Seal Certificate, SK SHALL additionally verify that the CA that issued the certificate used for Qualified Electronic Signature, has identified the legal representative or authorised person in compliance with eIDAS [\[7\]](#) article 24 (1a) point (a), (c) or (d) before issuing that certificate to him/her.

4.2.2. Approval or Rejection of Certificate Applications

No stipulation.

4.2.3. Time to Process Certificate Applications

SK SHALL process certificate applications within 5 working days after receiving all the necessary documentation from the Subscriber.

4.3. Certificate Issuance

At least two employees of the CA SHALL review each issued Certificate to ascertain whether the Certificate complies with the application prior to notifying the Subscriber of issuance.

4.3.1. CA Actions During Certificate Issuance

No stipulation.

4.3.2. Notification to Subscriber by the CA of Issuance of Certificate

No stipulation.

4.4. Certificate Acceptance

4.4.1. Conduct Constituting Certificate Acceptance

No stipulation.

4.4.2. Publication of the Certificate by the CA

No stipulation.

4.4.3. Notification of Certificate Issuance by the CA to Other Entities

No stipulation.

4.5. Key Pair and Certificate Usage

4.5.1. Subscriber Private Key and Certificate Usage

No stipulation.

4.5.2. Relying Party Public Key and Certificate Usage

No stipulation.

4.6. Certificate Renewal

Not allowed.

4.7. Certificate Re-Key

No stipulation.

4.7.1. Circumstances for Certificate Re-Key

No stipulation.

4.7.2. Who May Request Certification of a New Public Key

No stipulation.

4.7.3. Processing Certificate Re-Keying Requests

No stipulation.

4.7.4. Notification of New Certificate Issuance to Subscriber

No stipulation.

4.7.5. Conduct Constituting Acceptance of a Re-Keyed Certificate

No stipulation.

4.7.6. Publication of the Re-Keyed Certificate by the CA

No stipulation.

4.7.7. Notification of Certificate Issuance by the CA to Other Entities

Not allowed.

4.8. Certificate Modification

Certificate modification is allowed only for fixing the errors in the Certificate within 14 days after initial issuance of the Certificate.

Before Certificate modification the erroneous Certificate SHALL be revoked.

Certificate modification MAY be performed based on the initial application.

Modification requests that are made more than 14 days after initial issuance SHALL be considered as new applications and procedures for initial issuance SHALL be followed.

4.8.1. Circumstances for Certificate Modification

Certificate modification is only allowed for fixing errors in the certificate.

4.8.2. Who May Request Certificate Modification

Only the Subscriber or the CA MAY request Certificate modification.

4.8.3. Processing Certificate Modification Requests

No stipulation.

4.8.4. Notification of New Certificate Issuance to Subscriber

No stipulation.

4.8.5. Conduct Constituting Acceptance of Modified Certificate

No stipulation.

4.8.6. Publication of the Modified Certificate by the CA

No stipulation.

4.8.7. Notification of Certificate Issuance by the CA to Other Entities

No stipulation.

4.9. Certificate Revocation and Suspension

4.9.1. Circumstances for Revocation

No stipulation.

4.9.2. Who Can Request Revocation

No stipulation.

4.9.3. Procedure for Revocation Request

No stipulation.

4.9.4. Revocation Request Grace Period

No stipulation.

4.9.5. Time Within Which CA Must Process the Revocation Request

No stipulation.

4.9.6. Revocation Checking Requirements for Relying Parties

No stipulation.

4.9.7. CRL Issuance Frequency

No stipulation.

4.9.8. Maximum Latency for CRLs

No stipulation.

4.9.9. On-Line Revocation/Status Checking Availability

No stipulation.

4.9.10. On-Line Revocation Checking Requirements

No stipulation.

4.9.11. Other Forms of Revocation Advertisements Available

No stipulation.

4.9.12. Special Requirements Related to Key Compromise

No stipulation.

4.9.13. Circumstances for Suspension

Not applicable.

4.9.14. Who Can Request Suspension

Not applicable.

4.9.15. Procedure for Suspension Request

Not applicable.

4.9.16. Limits on Suspension Period

Not applicable.

4.9.17. Circumstances for Termination of Suspension

Not applicable.

4.9.18. Who Can Request Termination of Suspension

Not applicable.

4.9.19. Procedure for Termination of Suspension

Not applicable.

4.10. Certificate Status Services

4.10.1. Operational Characteristics

No stipulation.

4.10.2. Service Availability

SK SHALL ensure that its CRL and OCSP are available 24 hours a day, 7 days a week with a minimum of 99% availability overall per year with a scheduled down-time that does not exceed 0.5% annually.

4.10.3. Optional Features

No stipulation.

4.11. End of Subscription

No stipulation.

4.12. Key Escrow and Recovery

4.12.1. Key Escrow and Recovery Policy and Practices

Not allowed.

4.12.2. Session Key Encapsulation and Recovery Policy and Practices

Not applicable.

5. Facility, management, and operational controls

Refer to clause 6.4 of ETSI EN 319 411-1 [\[1\]](#) and ETSI EN 319 411-2 [\[11\]](#).

5.1. Physical Controls

5.1.1. Site Location and Construction

No stipulation.

5.1.2. Physical Access

No stipulation.

5.1.3. Power and Air Conditioning

No stipulation.

5.1.4. Water Exposures

No stipulation.

5.1.5. Fire Prevention and Protection

No stipulation.

5.1.6. Media Storage

No stipulation.

5.1.7. Waste Disposal

No stipulation.

5.1.8. Off-Site Backup

No stipulation.

5.2. Procedural Controls

5.2.1. Trusted Roles

No stipulation.

5.2.2. Number of Persons Required per Task

No stipulation.

5.2.3. Identification and Authentication for Each Role

No stipulation.

5.2.4. Roles Requiring Separation of Duties

No stipulation.

5.3. Personnel Controls

5.3.1. Qualifications, Experience, and Clearance Requirements

No stipulation.

5.3.2. Background Check Procedures

No stipulation.

5.3.3. Training Requirements

No stipulation.

5.3.4. Retraining Frequency and Requirements

No stipulation.

5.3.5. Job Rotation Frequency and Sequence

No stipulation.

5.3.6. Sanctions for Unauthorized Actions

No stipulation.

5.3.7. Independent Contractor Requirements

No stipulation.

5.3.8. Documentation Supplied to Personnel

No stipulation.

5.4. Audit Logging Procedures

5.4.1. Types of Events Recorded

No stipulation.

5.4.2. Frequency of Processing Log

No stipulation.

5.4.3. Retention Period for Audit Log

No stipulation.

5.4.4. Protection of Audit Log

No stipulation.

5.4.5. Audit Log Backup Procedures

No stipulation.

5.4.6. Audit Collection System (Internal vs. External)

No stipulation.

5.4.7. Notification to Event-Causing Subject

No stipulation.

5.4.8. Vulnerability Assessments

No stipulation.

5.5. Records Archival

5.5.1. Types of Records Archived

No stipulation.

5.5.2. Retention Period for Archive

No stipulation.

5.5.3. Protection of Archive

No stipulation.

5.5.4. Archive Backup Procedures

No stipulation.

5.5.5. Requirements for Time-Stamping of Records

No stipulation.

5.5.6. Archive Collection System (Internal or External)

No stipulation.

5.5.7. Procedures to Obtain and Verify Archive Information

No stipulation.

5.6. Key Changeover

No stipulation.

5.7. Compromise and Disaster Recovery

5.7.1. Incident and Compromise Handling Procedures

No stipulation.

5.7.2. Computing Resources, Software, and/or Data are Corrupted

No stipulation.

5.7.3. Entity Private Key Compromise Procedures

No stipulation.

5.7.4. Business Continuity Capabilities After a Disaster

No stipulation.

5.8. CA Termination

No stipulation.

5.9. Supply Chain

No stipulation.

6. Technical security controls

6.1. Key Pair Generation and Installation

Refer to clause 6.5 of ETSI EN 319 411-1 [\[1\]](#) and ETSI EN 319 411-2 [\[11\]](#).

6.1.1. Key Pair Generation

The Subscriber keys of e-Seal Certificates on QSCD issued under policy QCP-I-qscd SHALL be generated in one of the following ways:

- by the Subscriber in QSCD;
- by the CA in a hardware module that is compliant with requirements of QSCD and will be handed over to the Subscriber.

The Subscriber Private Keys for e-Seal Certificates on Secure Cryptographic Device issued under policy QCP-I, Certificates for Encryption and Certificates for Authentication MAY be generated by the Subscriber or by the CA.

6.1.2. Private Key Delivery to Subscriber

If the Private Keys are generated by the CA, the Private Keys SHALL be handed over to the legal representative of the Subscriber in person or using a courier.

6.1.3. Public Key Delivery to Certificate Issuer

No stipulation.

6.1.4. CA Public Key Delivery to Relying Parties

No stipulation.

6.1.5. Key Sizes

Allowed key sizes SHALL be as described in the Certificate Profile [\[5\]](#).

6.1.6. Public Key Parameters Generation and Quality Checking

No stipulation.

6.1.7. Key Usage Purposes (as per X.509 v3 Key Usage Field)

Allowed key usage flags SHALL be set as described in the Certificate Profile [\[5\]](#).

6.2. Private Key Protection and Cryptographic Module Engineering Controls

6.2.1. Cryptographic Module Standards and Controls

In case of e-Seal Certificates on QSCD issued under policy QCP-I-qscd the Private Key SHALL be generated on a device certified in accordance with eIDAS [\[7\]](#) and EN 419 211: Protection profiles for secure signature creation device [\[8\]](#).

6.2.2. Private Key (n out of m) Multi-Person Control

No stipulation.

6.2.3. Private Key Escrow

No stipulation.

6.2.4. Private Key Backup

No stipulation.

6.2.5. Private Key Archival

No stipulation.

6.2.6. Private Key Transfer Into or From a Cryptographic Module

No stipulation.

6.2.7. Private Key Storage on Cryptographic Module

No stipulation.

6.2.8. Method of Activating Private Key

No stipulation.

6.2.9. Method of Deactivating Private Key

No stipulation.

6.2.10. Method of Destroying Private Key

No stipulation.

6.2.11. Cryptographic Module Rating

No stipulation.

6.3. Other Aspects of Key Pair Management

6.3.1. Public Key Archival

No stipulation.

6.3.2. Certificate Operational Periods and Key Pair Usage Periods

The validity period of Subscriber certificates SHALL be as defined in the Certificate Profile [\[5\]](#).

6.4. Activation Data

6.4.1. Activation Data Generation and Installation

If the private key of the Subscriber is generated by the CA, copies of activation codes SHALL NOT be stored by the CA.

6.4.2. Activation Data Protection

If the Private Key of the Subscriber is generated by the CA, activation codes SHALL be delivered to the Subscriber or handed over in person to the legal representative of the Subscriber in a secure envelope separately from QSCD.

6.4.3. Other Aspects of Activation Data

Not allowed.

6.5. Computer Security Controls

6.5.1. Specific Computer Security Technical Requirements

No stipulation.

6.5.2. Computer Security Rating

No stipulation.

6.6. Life Cycle Technical Controls

6.6.1. System Development Controls

No stipulation.

6.6.2. Security Management Controls

No stipulation.

6.6.3. Life Cycle Security Controls

No stipulation.

6.7. Network Security Controls

No stipulation.

6.8. Time-Stamping

No stipulation.

7. Certificate, CRL, and OCSP profiles

Refer to clause 6.6 of ETSI EN 319 411-1 [\[1\]](#) and ETSI EN 319 411-2 [\[11\]](#).

7.1. Certificate Profile

Certificate SHALL be compliant with the profile described in the Certificate Profile [\[5\]](#).

7.2. CRL Profile

The CRL SHALL be compliant with the profile described in the Certificate profile [\[5\]](#).

7.3. OCSP Profile

The OCSP responses SHALL be compliant with the profile described in the Certificate Profile [\[5\]](#).

7.3.1. Version Number(s)

No stipulation.

7.3.2. OCSP Extensions

No stipulation.

8. Compliance audit and other assessments

Refer to clause 6.7 of ETSI EN 319 411-1 [\[1\]](#) and ETSI EN 319 411-2 [\[11\]](#).

8.1. Frequency or Circumstances of Assessment

No stipulation.

8.2. Identity/Qualifications of Assessor

No stipulation.

8.3. Assessor's Relationship to Assessed Entity

No stipulation.

8.4. Topics Covered by Assessment

No stipulation.

8.5. Actions Taken as a Result of Deficiency

No stipulation.

8.6. Communication of Results

No stipulation.

9. Other business and legal matters

Refer to clause 6.8 of ETSI EN 319 411-1 [\[1\]](#) and ETSI EN 319 411-2 [\[11\]](#).

9.1. Fees

9.1.1. Certificate Issuance or Renewal Fees

The CA MAY charge a fee for the issuance of the certificate according to its price list.

9.1.2. Certificate Access Fees

No stipulation.

9.1.3. Revocation or Status Information Access Fees

No stipulation.

9.1.4. Fees for Other Services

No stipulation.

9.1.5. Refund Policy

No stipulation.

9.2. Financial Responsibility

9.2.1. Insurance Coverage

No stipulation.

9.2.2. Other Assets

No stipulation.

9.2.3. Insurance or Warranty Coverage for End-Entities

No stipulation.

9.3. Confidentiality of Business Information

No stipulation.

9.4. Privacy of Personal Information

9.4.1. Personal Data Protection Principles

No stipulation.

9.4.2. Personal Information Processed by SK

No stipulation.

9.4.3. Responsibility to Protect Private Information

No stipulation.

9.4.4. Notice and Consent to Use Private Information

No stipulation.

9.4.5. Disclosure Pursuant to Judicial or Administrative Process

No stipulation.

9.4.6. Other Information Disclosure Circumstances

No stipulation.

9.5. Intellectual Property Rights

SK obtains intellectual property rights to this CP.

9.6. Representations and Warranties

9.6.1. CA Representations and Warranties

An employee of CA SHALL NOT have been punished for an intentional crime.

9.6.2. RA Representations and Warranties

An employee of RA SHALL NOT have been punished for an intentional crime.

9.6.3. Subscriber Representations and Warranties

No stipulation.

9.6.4. Relying Party Representations and Warranties

A Relying Party SHALL verify the validity of the certificate using validation services offered by SK before using the certificate.

A Relying Party SHALL follow the limitations stated in the certificate and SHALL make sure that the transaction to be accepted corresponds to this CP.

9.6.5. Representations and Warranties of Other Participants

No stipulation.

9.7. Disclaimers of Warranties

No stipulation.

9.8. Limitations of Liability

No stipulation.

9.9. Indemnities

No stipulation.

9.10. Term and Termination

9.10.1. Term

Refer to clause 2.2.1 of this CP.

9.10.2. Termination

This CP SHALL remain in force until it is replaced by the new version or when it is terminated due to CA termination or when the service is terminated and all the Certificates therefore become invalid.

9.10.3. Effect of Termination and Survival

SK SHALL communicate the conditions and effect of this CP's termination.

9.11. Individual Notices and Communications with Participants

No stipulation.

9.12. Amendments

9.12.1. Procedure for Amendment

Refer to clause 1.5.4 of this CP.

9.12.2. Notification Mechanism and Period

Refer to clause 1.5.4 of this CP.

9.12.3. Circumstances Under Which OID Must be Changed

OID SHALL change when the scope of this Policy will change or when a new type of Certificate will occur.

9.13. Dispute Resolution Provisions

No stipulation.

9.14. Governing Law

This CP is governed by the jurisdictions of the European Union and Estonia.

9.15. Compliance with Applicable Law

SK SHALL ensure compliance with following requirements:

- eIDAS - Regulation (EU) No 910/2014 of the European Parliament and of the Council of 23 July 2014 on electronic identification and trust services for electronic transactions in the internal market and repealing Directive 1999/93/EC, amended by Regulation (EU) 2024/1183 of the European Parliament and of the Council of 11 April 2024 amending Regulation (EU) No 910/2014 as regards establishing the European Digital Identity Framework [\[7\]](#);
- applicable Commission eIDAS Implementing Regulations;
- Personal Data Protection Act [\[9\]](#);
- related European Standards:
 - ETSI EN 319 401 Electronic Signatures and Infrastructures (ESI); General Policy Requirements for Trust Service Providers [\[10\]](#);
 - ETSI EN 319 411-1 Electronic Signatures and Infrastructures (ESI); Policy and Security requirements for Trust Service Providers issuing certificates; Part 1: General requirements [\[1\]](#);
 - ETSI EN 319 411-2 Electronic Signatures and Infrastructures (ESI); Policy and security requirements for Trust Service Providers issuing certificates; Part 2: Policy requirements for certification authorities issuing qualified certificates [\[11\]](#);
 - EN 419 211 Protection profiles for secure signature creation device [\[8\]](#).

9.16. Miscellaneous Provisions

9.16.1. Entire Agreement

No stipulation.

9.16.2. Assignment

No stipulation.

9.16.3. Severability

No stipulation.

9.16.4. Enforcement (Attorneys' Fees and Waiver of Rights)

No stipulation.

9.16.5. Force Majeure

No stipulation.

9.17. Other Provisions

Not allowed.

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- [1] ETSI EN 319 411-1 V1.5.1 (2025-04) Electronic Signatures and Infrastructures (ESI); Policy and Security requirements for Trust Service Providers issuing certificates; Part 1: General requirements;
- [2] ETSI Drafting Rules (Verbal forms for the expression of provisions);
- [3] RFC 3647 – Request For Comments 3647, Internet X.509 Public Key Infrastructure, Certificate Policy and Certification Practices Framework, <https://www.ietf.org/rfc/rfc3647.txt>;
- [4] SK ID Solutions AS – Certification Practice Statement of Organisation Certificates, published: <https://www.skidsolutions.eu/resources/certification-practice-statement/>;
- [5] Certificate, CRL and OCSP Profile for Organisation Certificates Issued by SK, published: <https://www.skidsolutions.eu/resources/profiles/>;
- [6] Terms and Conditions for use of organisation certificates, published: <https://www.skidsolutions.eu/resources/conditions-for-use-of-certificates/>;
- [7] eIDAS - Regulation (EU) No 910/2014 of the European Parliament and of the Council of 23 July 2014 on electronic identification and trust services for electronic transactions in the internal market and repealing Directive 1999/93/EC, amended by Regulation (EU) 2024/1183 of the European Parliament and of the Council of 11 April 2024 amending Regulation (EU) No 910/2014 as regards establishing the European Digital Identity Framework;
- [8] EN 419 211 Protection profiles for secure signature creation device;
- [9] Personal Data Protection Act, RT I 06.01.2016, 10;
- [10] ETSI EN 319 401 V3.1.1 (2024-06) Electronic Signatures and Infrastructures (ESI); General Policy Requirements for Trust Service Providers;
- [11] ETSI EN 319 411-2 V2.6.1 (2025-06) Electronic Signatures and Infrastructures (ESI); Policy and security requirements for Trust Service Providers issuing certificates; Part 2: Policy requirements for certification authorities issuing qualified certificates;
- [12] SK ID Solutions AS Trust Services Practice Statement, published: <https://www.skidsolutions.eu/resources/trust-services-practice-statement/>.