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## Company Seal

- With effect from 31 Mar 2017, companies and limited liability partnerships (LLPs) are no longer required to use the common seal in the execution of documents as a deed, or other documents such as share certificates. Companies and LLPs can execute documents by having them signed by authorised persons.

### Authorised persons for companies

- A director and the secretary of a company;
- Two directors of a company; or
- A director of a company in the presence of a witness who attests the signature

### Authorised persons for LLPs

- Two partners of an LLP; or
- A partner of an LLP in the presence of a witness who attests the signature.

## Frequently Asked Questions

### Q: Can companies and LLPs choose to retain the use of a common seal?

A: Yes, companies and LLPs can choose to retain the use of a common seal based on business needs.

### Q: What are the safeguards for ensuring authenticity and authority of documents executed by companies and LLPs after the requirement for a common seal is removed?

A: Companies should execute documents by having documents signed by:

- a director and the secretary of a company;
- two directors of a company; or
- the director of the company in the presence of a witness who attests the signature.

LLPs should execute documents by having them signed by:

- two partners of an LLP; or
- a partner of the LLP in the presence of a witness who attests the signature.