

CSS Technology License - Application Process Flow Chart (Process A)

Reseller [Associate License]Assembler [Associate License]

The following flow chart of procedures for obtaining a CSS Associate License is provided as a general outline only.

Instructions: Begin by completing Step 1. DVD Copy Control Association needs to process the license agreements before proceeding to Step 2.

Applicant (for Associate License)

Step 1:

- Applicant completes the contact information form and downloads Licensing Documents from website. www.dvdcca.org
- 2. Applicant emails the Inquiry Sheet to dvdcca-services@dvdcca.org
- 3. Applicant sends two (2) completed and signed CSS Associate License Agreements to DVD CCA via post or courier to:

DVD CCA c/o LMI 380 Tennant Avenue, Unit 4 Morgan Hill, CA 95037 USA

DVD CCA

- **DVD CCA will:**1. Verify completeness of Inquiry Sheet
 - 2. Email an invoice for the Annual Administration Fee applicable to the selected functional category(s) (an invoice in printed form will be provided upon request).

Step 2:

- **1.** Applicant pays DVD CCA's invoice for the Annual Administration Fee via wire transfer or by bank draft.
- 2. Associate Licensee status is activated when full payment is received and the license is countersigned.

Note: If your bank uses an intermediary bank to transfer funds, then that bank will deduct its fees from the wire transfer amount. This intermediary bank wire fee is your company's responsibility.

DVD CCA will:

- 1. Verify receipt of full payment of invoiced amount.
- 2. Issue a CSS Associate License Certificate and a countersign the license agreement.
- 3. Return the countersigned license agreement, the certificate and include a Receipt of Document.

Step 3:

- Receives a CSS Associate License Certificate, countersigned agreement, and Receipt of Document
- 2. Sign and date the Receipt of Document and email to dvdcca-services@dvdcca.org.

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DVD CCA will:

- Await receipt of the signed Receipt of Document
- 2. Ninety (90) days prior to license expiration, DVD CCA will issue an invoice electronically to the Licensee's Contact Person for the next License Year.





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No technical information is provided under a Reseller or Assembler License. The Reseller License is usually obtained by companies that do not manufacture product but wish to resell "CSS enabled" DVD product designated as Schedule 1 and/or 2. An Assembler License enables Assemblers to obtain Schedule 2 product. A CSS License is not required for receipt /use/ distribution of Schedule 3 product.

"Schedule 1 Products":

Products that are not Schedule 2 or Schedule 3 Products or that are Authenticators, Descramblers, or CSS Decoders that output data other than as permitted for Schedule 2 or Schedule 3 Products.

Examples of Schedule 1 Products:

- Chips that perform CSS authentication and/or descrambling but do not perform MPEG decompression.
- CSS Decoders that output MPEG compressed video.

"Schedule 2 Products":

Products which incorporate any part of the Contents Scramble System and which, in addition to other permitted outputs, has as an output for descrambled decompressed video in digital form.

Example of Schedule 2 Products:

A chip or software which has as its input CSS Scrambled data, and has as its output descrambled decompressed video in digital form.

"Schedule 3 Products":

CSS Compliant Products which output previously CSS-scrambled data only in a Protected form. Examples of Schedule 3 Products:

- A DVD player in which the only video output is an NTSC port with the mandated analog protection system. Other outputs may also be present if they are "protected" as defined within the CSS License Agreement.
- A PC add-in card having NTSC outputs as above and descrambled decompressed video directed toward the target computer's graphics subsystem.
- A computer which releases CSS Video Data only via Protected outputs and otherwise meets the requirements of the Assembly Specification.

If your company wants to become CSS licensed as a Reseller (for receipt / distribution of Schedule 1 and/or 2 product) or Assembler (for receipt of Schedule 2 product), a CSS Associate License is required.

Upon DVD CCA's receipt of two (2) sets of signed Reseller or Assembler Agreements, DVD CCA will issue an invoice in electronic form via email. A printed invoice will be provided upon request.

IMPORTANT: Please remember to have your agreements signed by an individual, such as a corporate officer, with the authority to legally bind your company to the terms of the CSS Associate License Agreement. DVD CCA cannot accept license agreements if they are not signed by an appropriate individual.

DVD CCA must collect an Annual Administration Fee for each category of license selected. Each CSS Associate License category (Assembler or Reseller) carries an Annual Administration Fee of USD \$5,200*. Please be aware that the CSS license is "**royalty-free**" (tax treaty withholding is not applicable). The membership fees are used to offset the costs associated with DVD CCA's administration of CSS as a licensing activity. Therefore, no tax treaty withholding is appropriate. CSS License issuance requires "full" payment on the invoice, including any bank charges deducted against the invoiced amount - no exceptions can be made. (*subject to periodic review and change)

If wiring funds, please pay your bank wire fees (and that of the "intermediary" bank - usually about \$20). Any charges against the invoice amount will require subsequent payment to cover the charges. To avoid the intermediary bank fees, payment can be made by bank draft.

Please fill out the attached form and return it to us. We appreciate your efforts to provide complete and accurate information. We look forward to servicing your CSS needs.

Best regards, DVD CCA