

# What is a Smartcard?

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The LuxTrust Smartcard is a device in form of a chip card. The card allows to authenticate and to perform qualified electronic signatures that are recognised equivalent to handwritten signatures.  
The validity of a Smartcard certificate is three years.

Attention: The Smartcard reader is not supplied with the LuxTrust product.

You will find a list of all compatible card readers and the resellers by clicking [here](#).

