

Safeguarding the Precious Stones & Precious Metals Dealers Sector

The Precious Stones and Precious Metals (Prevention of Money Laundering and Terrorism Financing) Act 2019 was passed to establish a regulatory regime for the precious stones and precious metals dealers (PSMD) sector to strengthen safeguards against money laundering and terrorism financing (ML/TF). The Act will come into force on 10 April 2019. Under the regime, regulated dealers will be required to comply with the following requirements¹:

1 Register with the Registrar of Regulated Dealers

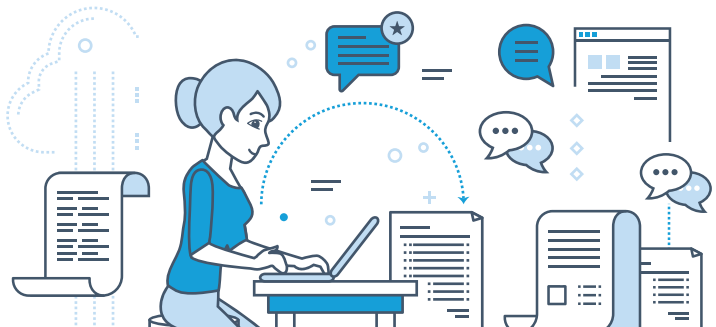
2 Transaction-based requirements

- Perform Customer Due Diligence (CDD)² under prescribed circumstances
- File cash transaction reports for cash transactions exceeding S\$20,000
- File suspicious transaction reports where there is suspicion of ML/TF
- Keep records of documents and information relating to transactions where CDD was conducted



3 Entity-based requirements

- Conduct ML/TF risk assessments
- Develop and implement internal policies, procedures and controls to monitor, manage and mitigate ML/TF risks



¹ Comprehensive guidance materials will be issued by the Ministry of Law.

² CDD is a process intended to enable regulated dealers form a reasonable belief that they know the true identity of each customer.