

IV. POWER OF ATTORNEY

1. What is Power of Attorney (POA) in demat scenario?

Power of Attorney is authority given by a demat account holder to some other entity to operate his demat account.

2. Is POA mandatory to open a demat account?

No. POA is not mandatory to open a demat account.

3. Who can be a POA holder?

POA holder can be an individual or a corporate entity also.

4. What are types of POA?

The POA can be

- General purpose POA i.e. the POA holder can perform all activities on behalf of the original holder(s)
- Specific purpose POA i.e. the POA holder can perform only certain operations as specified in the POA.

5. Is there any specific format for execution of POA?

The format of POA depends upon the intention of the powers being given to the POA holder.

6. Can POA be given for a joint demat account?

Yes. POA can be given by holders of a joint demat account. All the holders may give POA to a single entity or each holder may give POA to a separate entity.

7. Should the POA document be notarized?

Notarization of POA is at the discretion of the DP.

8. Can the BO submit a copy of POA document?

Yes. A Copy of the POA document submitted by the BO should be self certified as a "TRUE COPY" by the BO(s).

9. Can Multiple POAs be given by the same holder?

Yes. The same holder can give Multiple POAs.

10. Can BO himself give instructions when POA exists?

Yes. The BO can give instructions when POA exists.

11. Can POA holder open or close a demat account?

No. POA holder cannot open or close the account.

12. Can POA holder give nomination instruction to the DP?

No. POA holder cannot give nomination instruction.