## What is an eSignature?



An electronic signature, or an eSignature, is any electronic means indicating a person's authorisation or consent to a document.

eSignatures can involve you simply typing your name, inserting a photo of your signature or drawing it on your screen.

eSignatures are a modern and convenient way to sign documents and have been legal in Australia since 1999. In recent times, eSigning has become necessary as more people work remotely. You can use an eSignature in many different circumstances, for example to sign and send formal correspondence, policies and even contracts.

An eSignature is specifically used to confirm the terms or authorise the completion of a particular document and is equivalent to a handwritten signature.

Utilising eSignatures is a way Freight Save is able to speed up document driven processes and allow you to quickly progress to the next step.

e-signature vs traditional signature comparison	e-sig	traditional
Instant	✓	×
Paperless	<b>✓</b>	×
Convenient	<b>✓</b>	×
Digital audit trail	<b>✓</b>	×
Shows intent to complete a document or enter a contract	✓	<b>✓</b>
Legally binding	✓	<b>~</b>

For more information, please see *Electronic Transactions Act 1999 (Cth)*, or contact us: accounts@freightsave.com.au 1300 696 001

