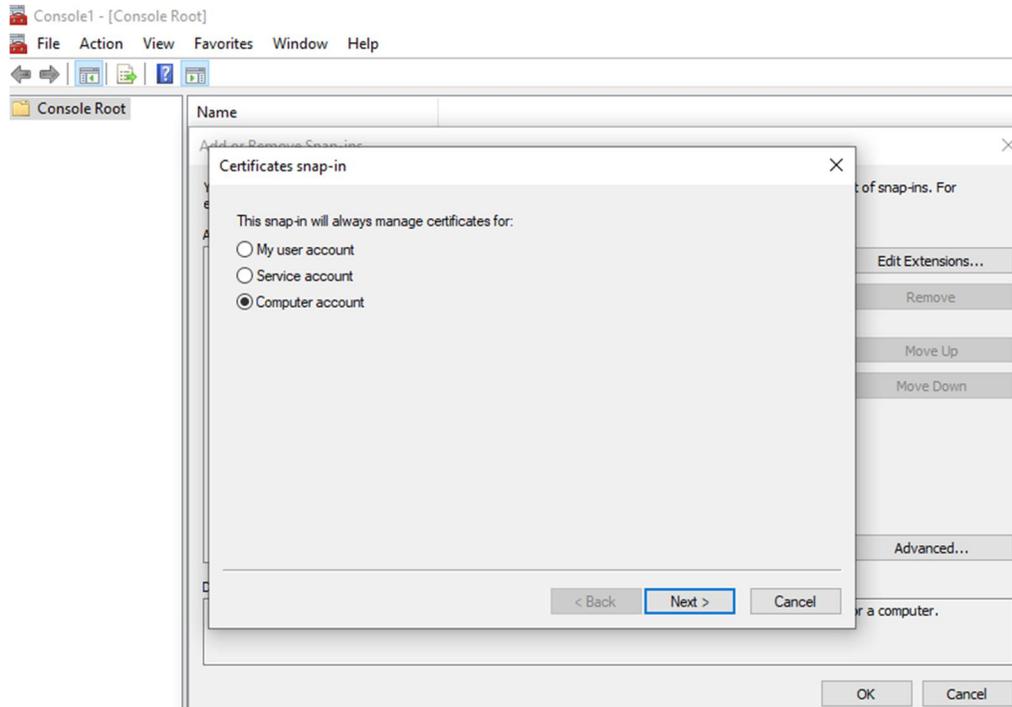
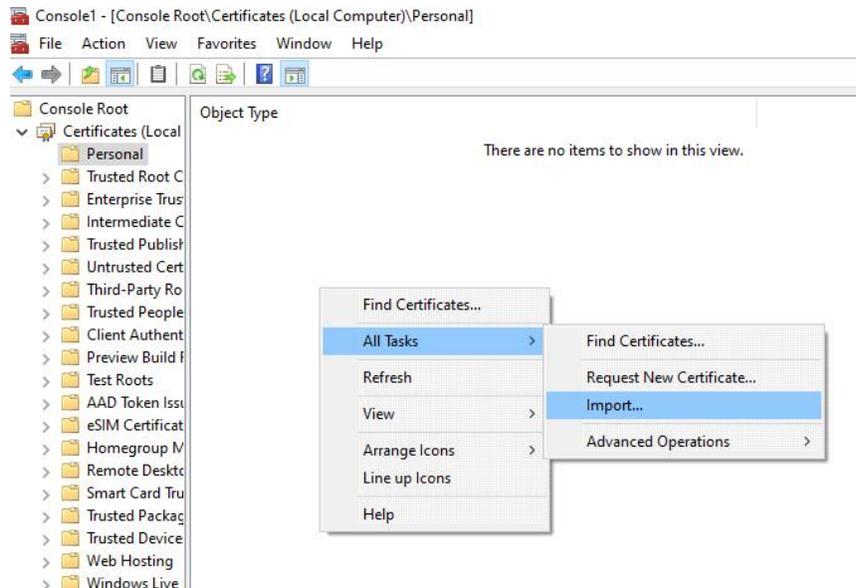


Importing a certificate into the Personal Store

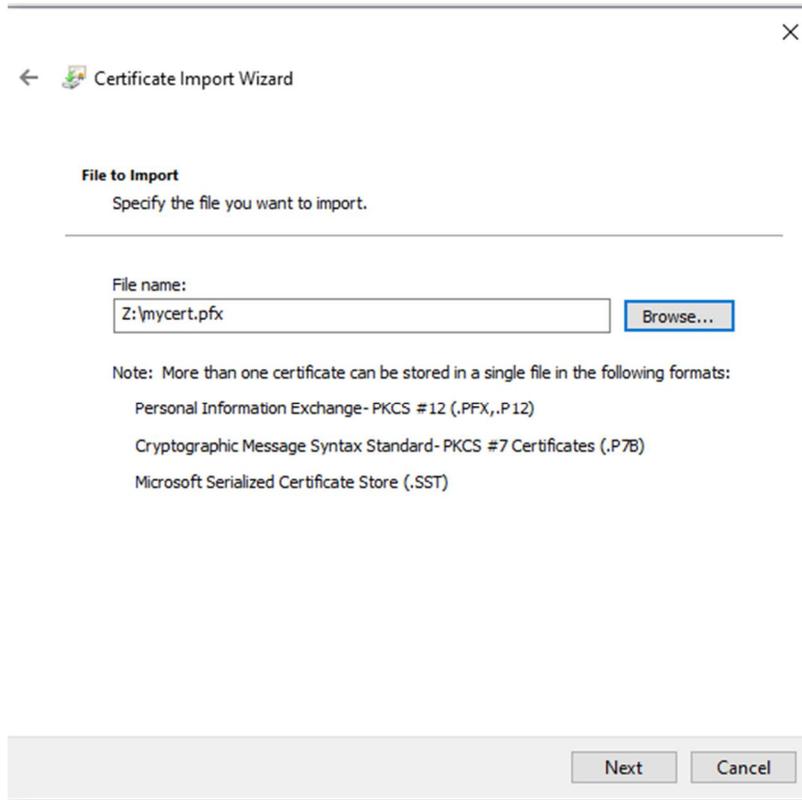
Run MMC.exe, either by clicking the Start button and searching 'mmc' or through the Run Command. Go to File>Add or Remove Snap-ins and add the Certificates Snap-in for the Computer Account.



On the next screen, ensure Local Computer is selected and click Finish. Now expand the Certificates (Local Computer) tree on the left and select the Personal Store. Right-click anywhere in the main pane area and select All Tasks>Import.

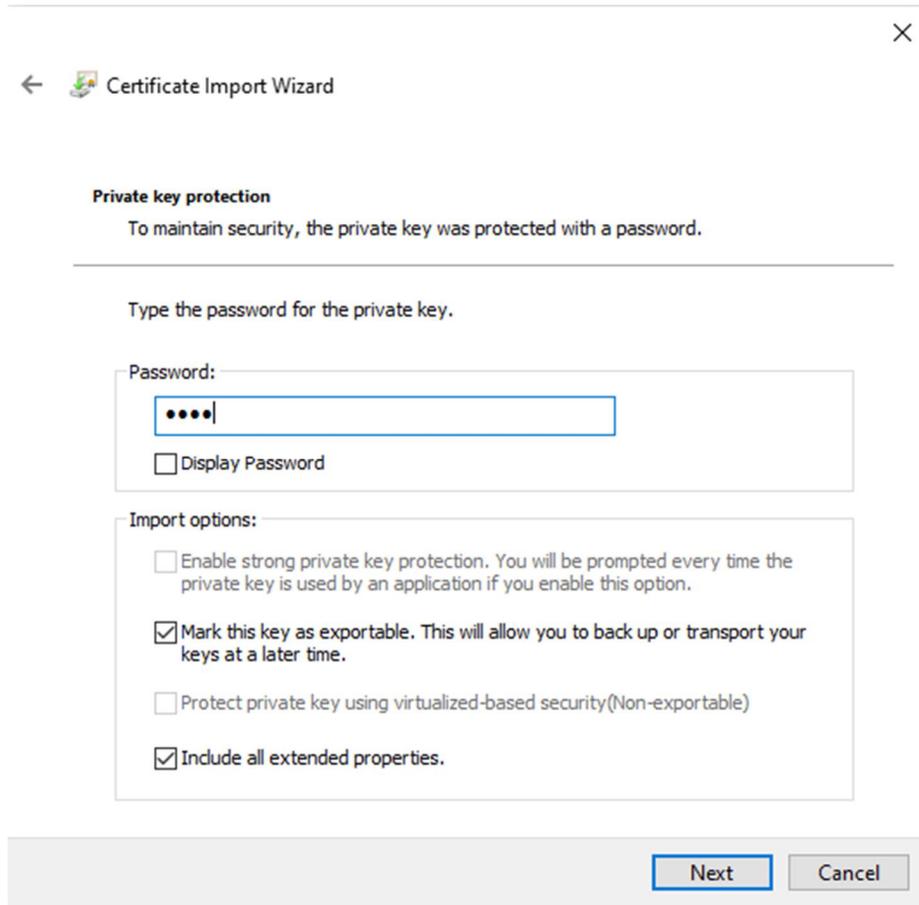


In the Certificate Import Wizard, click Next then browse to your .pfx certificate file.



Note: Double-clicking a PFX file in File Explorer will launch this wizard automatically, however you will need to specify the Store Location as Local Machine on the first screen of the wizard.

On the next screen, enter the password you set on the .pfx file. Under Import Options, ensure that "Mark this key as exportable" is checked.



The image shows a Windows dialog box titled "Certificate Import Wizard". It has a back arrow on the left and a close 'X' button on the top right. The main content is divided into two sections. The first section, "Private key protection", contains the text "To maintain security, the private key was protected with a password." followed by a horizontal line and the instruction "Type the password for the private key." Below this is a "Password:" label and a text input field containing four dots. A "Display Password" checkbox is located below the input field. The second section, "Import options:", contains four checkboxes with their respective descriptions: "Enable strong private key protection. You will be prompted every time the private key is used by an application if you enable this option." (unchecked), "Mark this key as exportable. This will allow you to back up or transport your keys at a later time." (checked), "Protect private key using virtualized-based security(Non-exportable)" (unchecked), and "Include all extended properties." (checked). At the bottom right of the dialog, there are two buttons: "Next" and "Cancel".

On the next screen you have the option to select the Store once more. Ensure it is set to Personal and click next. Click Finish on the following summary screen to complete the import.

The certificate is now imported.