Exporting 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 on your certificate and select All Tasks>Export.



On the second screen of the wizard, ensure you select the option to export the private key.

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<i>←</i>	F Certificate Export Wizard		i
	Export Private Key		
	You can choose to export the private key with the certificate.		
	Private keys are password protected. If you want to export the private key with the certificate, you must type a password on a later page.		
	Do you want to export the private key with the certificate?		
	• Yes, export the private key		
	\bigcirc No, do not export the private key		
	Next Cance	el	

Accept the defaults on the following screen and on the screen after that, specify an export password and confirm it.

Certificate Export	: Wizard		
Security To maintain secu using a passwor	urity, you must protect th d.	e private key to a security principal or	Ъу
Group or use	r names (recommended)		
		Add	
		Remove	
Password:			
••••			
Confirm pass	word:		
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Encryption: Tri	pleDES-SHA1 \vee		

Next, specify an export location, and click Finish on the following summary screen.

The certificate should now be exported in .pfx format.