

Organisation Validated SSL Certificates - VeriSign Comparison

	GlobalSign OrganizationSSL	VeriSign Secure Site	VeriSign Secure Site Pro
Corporate Structure	Part of GMO Internet Inc Group, a public company. UK HQ in UK and UK support handled through UK HQ.	A VeriSign brand (VeriSign owns Thawte and GeoTrust).	A VeriSign brand (VeriSign owns Thawte and GeoTrust).
Vetting Method	Organisation vetting turnaround in 1-2 business days	Organisation vetting	Organisation vetting
Browser Recognition	All popular browsers and mobile devices supported	All popular browsers and mobile devices supported	All popular browsers and mobile devices supported
Encryption Level	✓ SGC enabled Free of Charge. Steps weak 40 bit browsers up to strong 128 bit, provides at least 128 bit and up to 256 bit on all popular non-legacy browsers	✗ Not SGC enabled. Will not step up legacy browsers from 40 bit to 128 bit. Will keep legacy browsers at 40 bit only.	✓ SGC enabled. Steps weak 40 bit browsers up to strong 128 bit, provides at least 128 bit and up to 256 bit on all popular non-legacy browsers
Confidence Enhancing Clickable Site Seal	✓ "Secured by GlobalSign" clickable site seal included	✓	✓
Installation Healthcheck	Server availability, certificate installation, common error checking and site seal installation all checked free of charge for every certificate issued	✗	✗
Server Licensing Model	3 server licenses For web server, backup server and third for additional server or load balancer. Usage is customer defined	1 server license For web server only	1 server license For web server only
Additional Server License Policy	Additional packs of three server licenses available for £199	Additional server licenses at £259	Additional server licenses at £599
Warranty	\$100,000 underwritten by insurance	\$250,000	\$250,000
Wildcard SSL	✓ £300 option	✗	✗
IP Address Support	✓ Allows SSL Certificate to be issued to public IP address	✗	✗
Single Certificate Support for www & non-www sites	✓ Single SSL Certificate is always issued to both www and non-www web sites	✗	✗
Subject Alternative Name (SAN) Support	✓ Allows up to 40 domains to be included within a single certificate (Includes any combination of unified communications, FQDN's, multi-level subdomains, IP addresses and localhost names)	✗	✗
Trial Availability	✓ 30 days on Test GlobalSign Root CA	✗	✗
Validity Periods	1 to 5 years	1 to 3 years	1 to 3 years
Standard Retail Price 1 year Standard SSL	£199	£259	£599
Standard Retail Price 1 year Wildcard SSL	£499	✗	✗