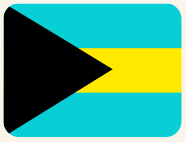
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Crypto license in the Bahamas

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Regulator	Securities Commission of the Bahamas (SCB) [1]
License	Registration under the Digital Assets and Registered Exchanges (DARE) Act [1]
Legal basis	Digital Assets and Registered Exchanges Act 2024 [1]
Minimum capital	Not confirmed
Application fee	Not confirmed
Decision time	Not confirmed
Travel Rule	Not confirmed
Client asset segregation	Not confirmed
Compensation scheme	None
Cross-border passport	No
Licensed firms	See the SCB register [1]
Public register	SCB register of registrants

In short: Registration under the Digital Assets and Registered Exchanges (DARE) Act from the Securities Commission of the Bahamas (SCB). [1] Minimum capital: Not confirmed. Travel Rule: not confirmed. Compensation if the firm fails: none. As of November 2026.

The Bahamas regulates digital asset businesses under the **Digital Assets and Registered Exchanges (DARE) Act**, supervised by the **Securities Commission of the Bahamas (SCB)**. The 2024 Act replaced the original 2020 framework and tightened rules on custody, staking and stablecoins.

License types

The license used by crypto businesses in the Bahamas: Registration under the Digital Assets and Registered Exchanges (DARE) Act. [1] Legal basis: Digital Assets and Registered Exchanges Act 2024. [1]

- **DARE registration** – for digital asset businesses, including exchanges and custodians

Capital and financial requirements

Minimum capital in the Bahamas (2026): Not confirmed.

Application fee: Not confirmed.

Capital is only the regulatory floor. Staff, audit, compliance, security and technology usually cost more than the capital itself.

Application process

Decision time: Not confirmed. The usual steps are:

1. Apply to the SCB with the business plan, ownership, governance and AML/CFT documents.
2. Meet any conditions before starting operations.

Substance and governance

Not confirmed.

Client protection

What the rules in the Bahamas require, as of November 2026. See Client protection for the same rules in every jurisdiction.

Protection	Rule in the Bahamas
Travel Rule	Not confirmed.
Client asset segregation	Not confirmed.
Custody	Not confirmed.
Compensation if the firm fails	None.
Serving clients abroad	No.

Number of licensed firms

Registrants are listed by the SCB. [1]

> The public register is the only current source of who holds a license.

How to verify a license

1. Find the exact legal name and license number of the entity you would contract with, usually in the website footer or the client agreement.
2. Search for it on the regulator's own register: SCB register of registrants .
3. Check that the website address and contact details on the register match the site you are using, to rule out an impostor site.
4. Check which group entity your account would be opened with: crypto brands often run several entities under different regulators.

Frequently asked questions

Who regulates crypto in the Bahamas?

The Securities Commission of the Bahamas, under the DARE Act.

Figures as of November 2026. Requirements, fees and capital change; confirm with the SCB or a qualified adviser before applying. Where we could not confirm a figure from an official source, this article says so.

See also

- Crypto licenses compared
- Crypto license in the United States
- Crypto license in Canada
- Crypto license in the Cayman Islands
- Crypto license in Bermuda
- How to verify a crypto business's license
- All jurisdictions

References

Entries marked **Official** are the regulator, the law or another public body.

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