



INCOMING FEED

Certified credsticks are a popular form of payment among those who wish to retain a semblance of anonymity. Because of this, there are still plenty of businesses that will accept certified credsticks for payment purposes, though higher-classed establishments may give the holder funny looks.

Banks issue certified credsticks in certain colors to generally indicate the limit of funds they carry; there is no limit on transaction amounts, however, except to the limit of what the credstick carries (see the Certified Credstick Table).

FAKE ID

In 2070, faking an ID—whether a SIN, medical record, restricted-item license, credit history, or the whole shebang—is a monumental task. Thanks to the modern Matrix, ID verification is handled by simultaneously accessing, cross-referencing, and double-verifying multiple databank records through a dozen or more channels. This means that falsifying an identity involves a massive amount of electronic manipulation and false data propagation. An average Joe has no hope of creating a usable fake ID. Only an extremely well-connected expert (such as an exceptionally good hacker or professional forger) possesses the resources to pull off a scam of these proportions. In fact, entire shadow organizations exist solely for the purpose of

creating false identities. Normally based in one of the world's data havens, these organizations maintain contact with the “real world” only through secret channels.

Though it is possible that a clever hacker might supplement a fake ID by inserting key supporting data into the proper records at the right time—like adding a memo from the boss about how a maintenance team was called in for unscheduled repairs to a security guard's shift notices—these efforts should be temporary at best and easily defeated with a bit of verification.

The best way to acquire fake ID is to simply buy it from a vendor with established connections. Thankfully the market for disposable identities is quite competitive, and many ID forgers are still exploiting the loopholes,

backdoors, and other bounty they experienced as a result of the Crash of '64, so acquiring a fake ID or three is within a shadowrunner's price range. See *IDs and Credsticks*, p. 322, for prices and availability.

Using a Forged ID

Whenever a character uses her fake identity to pass an ID check (whether for buying a dress or crossing a border), she must make an Opposed Test pitting her fake ID's rating

CERTIFIED CREDSTICK TABLE

Credstick Type	Maximum Funds
Standard	5,000¥
Silver	20,000¥
Gold	100,000¥
Platinum	500,000¥
Ebony	1,000,000¥