Cyprus



Cyprus Limited Liability Company Incorporation

Cyprus offers numerous benefits to international investors. Whether the corporations is for trading, investment or holding purposes these companies can enjoy all the tax benefits, the financial opportunities and through its well-connected economy and as a Member of the EU to accumulate all these benefits into one company. Cyprus remains an attractive foreign investors jurisdiction through its extensive double tax treaty network, flexibility in the company formation and of course its strategic location.

COMPANY NAME RESTRICTION	All Cyprus LLCs must end with the word "Limited" or "Ltd". The Registrar may, upon its sole discretion reject a company name due to its similarity with other existing companies, or by reason that the given name was found to be undesirable, misleading or offensive. A preliminary name check/search can be conducted through our firm before the application is submitted online so as to be able to see the degree of similarity with existing names/ companies.
LOCAL PRESENCE	YES - A registered office is required for a Cyprus LLC. We can offer more than 5 different registered addresses to choose from.
TRADING RESTRICTIONS	Companies may seek special permission in order to conduct business in the field of Banking, Insurance, trust management and fund management. A Cyprus Company is most commonly used as a vehicle for activity, which includes Holding, Trading, Consultancy, Professional Services, IP and Tax Planning vehicle.
RE- DOMICILIATION	Re-domiciliation or otherwise change of jurisdiction is permitted under Cyprus Law into or out of the jurisdiction.
ANNUAL REPORTING	YES - Cyprus companies must have their audited financial accounts prepared and submitted each year.
TAXATION	Dividend Tax for residence is 17%. An individual who transfers his/hers tax residence to Cyprus from 2009 and after that, can benefit 17 years of zero tax on passive incomes (dividends, interest etc.) if they qualify for non -Dom status.
DOUBLE TAX TREATY NETWORK	Cyprus has signed Double Taxation agreements with over 40 countries, however, DTT's are not accessible for non-residents companies.

PUBLICLY ACCESSIBLE RECORDS	The details of the shareholders, directors as well as the company's financial statements are publicly accessible. Nominee services are available for use, which ensure anonymity for the director or shareholders.
COMMON REPORTING STANDARD (CRS)	YES- as of 2017
DISCLOSURE OF BENEFICIAL OWNER	At this stage, disclosure on the beneficial owner information is not required. Details of the Beneficial Owners are kept internally and are not disclosed unless required or ordered to do so by Law. Nonetheless disclosure of the beneficial owner is required when a bank account is opened for the company in accordance to the applicable Anti-Money Laundering Laws, rules and regulations which call for the so called "Know Your Client "requirement. In any event, the said information obtained by the Banks, are maintained in strict confidentiality.
TIME FOR INCORPORATION	5 Business days.

ADDITIONAL IMPORTANT CORPORATE INFORMATION

Cyprus LLC	Corporate Details	
GENERAL		
Type of Entity	Private Limited Liability Company	
Law	Mixed Common and Civil Law	
Registered Office in Cyprus	YES – local requirement	
Minimum government fees (excluding taxation)	EUR €350	
DIRECTORS IN BRIEF		
Minimum number	One	
Locality requirement	No, but Cyprus resident Directors are suggested for management and control purposes.	
Location of meetings	Cyprus is suggested for management and control purposes.	
MEMBERS IN BRIEF		
Minimum number	One	
Location of meetings	Anywhere	
COMPANY SECRETARY IN BRIEF		
Required	YES	

Locality requirement	YES
ACCOUNTS	
Requirements to prepare	YES
Audit requirements	YES
ECONOMIC SUBSTANCE	Aside the tax liability reduction, economic substance or physical presence is required to be shown in order to establish the operational reality of the corporate entity. The concept is to avoid the triggering of a tax avoidance alert given the continuous evolution of the tax planning in the global economy including Cyprus, among many other jurisdictions. The concept of the Economic Substance involves a combination of various factors including (indicatory) the Cyprus residency of the majority of the Board of Directors, offices- place of business with actual employees in Cyprus and social insurance contributions / ancillary website and company logo/ land lines/email address/ bank account and statements and evidence of local expenditure in Cyprus/ bank signatories in Cyprus /accounting records located in Cyprus and that the overall effective management and control is exercised in Cyprus. Albeit the list is rather non exhaustive, the requirements for each company are subject upon the specific circumstances of the entity.

- ❖ Quotation Upon Request
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