

COMPANY REGISTRATION IN THE NATIONAL COURT REGISTER

The National Court Register (KRS) is the national registry maintained by the economic departments of the district courts. In accordance with the wording of the Act of 20 August 1997 on the National Court Register (Journal of Laws from 2013 item 1203), the regulations regarding the register shall apply, among others, to partnerships, corporate companies, European companies, European economic interest groups, research institutes, entrepreneurs specified in the provisions of conduct business activity in the field of small craft industries by foreign legal and natural persons on the territory of the Republic of Poland and branches of foreign entrepreneurs operating on the territory of the Republic of Poland.

The obligation of having the number KRS is excluded to the entities conducting sole proprietorships and shareholders of partnerships. They are obliged to the entry into the Central Registration and Information on Economic Activity (CEIDG), which is the register of entrepreneurs for natural persons operating on the territory of Poland.

All types of entities, which are subject to registration, must follow the same registration procedure. They constitute the provisions contained in the Act of 20 August 1997 on the National Court Register. The register is kept for the public availability of information on the legal situation of registered entities, including financial aspects and how to represent the economic entity.

Depending on the type of business the entity under the responsibility of the registration in KRS must complete and submit an appropriate form. It can be done in person at the designated for the company registration court, through mail or electronically. Regardless of the form of an entry in the register, the entry requires a fee of PLN 500, increased by PLN 100 per an announcement entry in the Court and Economic Monitor. The exception is the accompanying registration fee of a general partnership, limited partnership and limited liability company, whose contracts were concluded with the use the master agreement. Since 15 January 2015, the fee has been reduced to the amount of PLN 250 (registration in electronic mode - S24). The application form should include:

- specimen signatures of the persons authorized to represent the entity or a proxy, which have been authenticated by a notary or submitted before a judge or other authorized employee of the court,
- document confirming the applicant stating the legal relationship to the premises (real estate) where the activity is to be performed,
- relevant documents i.e. an agreement or articles of association (originals or copies certified by a notary),

evidence of payment of court fee for court fees and fees to the Bureau for Issuing Court and Economic Monitor for the announcement in the Court and Economic Monitor.

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