

## PENNSYLVANIA BUSINESS ONE-STOP SHOP THE GO-TO RESOURCE FOR PENNSYLVANIA BUSINESSES



#### **ENTREPRENEUR'S GUIDE**

Not sure if you're ready to start a business? Check out our Entrepreneur's Guide, which is written for new and first-time entrepreneurs. This guide focuses on planning for your new business, the development of your business plan, and resources to help you get started. Download it today at business.pa.gov.

#### **HOW CAN WE HELP?**

## **✓** PLANNING

Writing a Business Plan Naming Your Business Choosing a Business Structure Finding Business Advice

#### REGISTERING

Local Registrations, Permits, & Zoning

Special Registrations

## **OPERATING**

Hiring Workers State Taxes & Permits

### GROWING

**Government Contracting Diverse Business Resources** State Funding

#### **CONTACT US**

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# BUSINESS REGISTRATION OVERVIEW



For a personalized business registration checklist, visit business.pa.gov/register.html.

<u> </u>	Confirm requirements with your financial institution and insurance company.
2.	Check for special registrations, if applicable.
3.	Confirm your professional licensure is current.*  *Only applicable to Professional LLCs or Professional Corporations. All other business structures, skip to the next step.
_ 4.	Check with the local municipality concerning taxes, zoning requirements, local licenses and permits, and any other regulations.*  *It is important to complete this step before proceeding with your business registration.
<u> </u>	Register your business structure.*  *Make sure you have verified the business name you wish to use is available.
☐ 6.	Register your Fictitious Name.*  *Only required if operating under a name that is not the Legal Name of the business or sole proprietor.
7.	Apply for a federal Employer Identification Number (FEIN).* *If you already have an FEIN, skip to the next step.
8.	Register for state tax and employer accounts.*  *Employers must comply with Act 32 on Local Earned Income Tax and report employee information to the Pennsylvania Department of Labor & Industry.
	Want a personalized step-by-step guide to registering your business?





