

Oregon Secretary of State Corporation Division



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What we do



Key Functions

Business Registry

- Business name registry
- Supplemental Filings
 - Amendments
 - Information Changes
 - Mergers/Conversions
 - Dissolution
- Business Xpress
- License Directory

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- Filing system for financing statements
- Database for searching
- Farm products master list

Notary

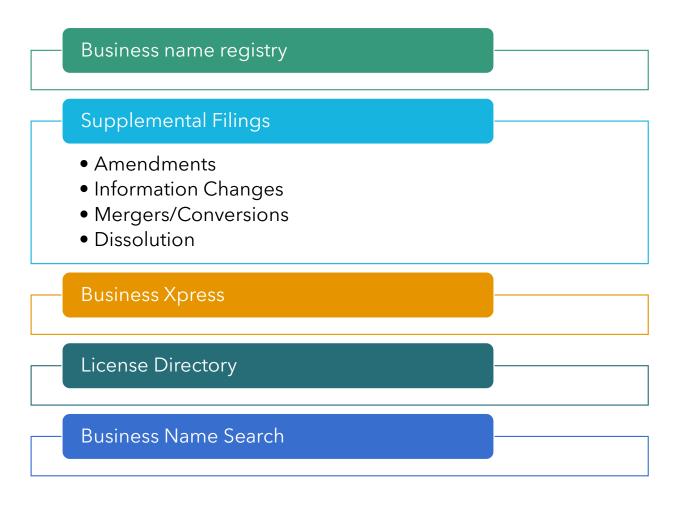
- Commission notaries
- Administer filing system
- Notary training
- Enforcement
- Apostille/Authentication



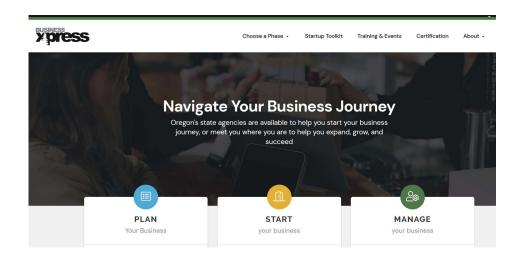
What is Business Registry

The what and why

Business Registry



Business Xpress



- The 2011 Oregon Legislative Assembly passed House Bill 3247, calling for a "One Stop Shop for Business" online portal to be established to provide resources for starting, expanding and operating a business in Oregon or relocating a business within or to Oregon. The statute behind Business Xpress is ORS 56.180.
- The Office of the Secretary of State led the project of implementing the portal by working collaboratively with the following Oregon agencies.
- https://www.oregon.gov/business/Pages/ind ex.aspx

Business Information Center

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Your One Stop Shop for Oregon Business

This business portal leads you to what you need for starting and managing a business, including Oregon state requirements, but also resources to help you grow and succeed.

Starting a Business

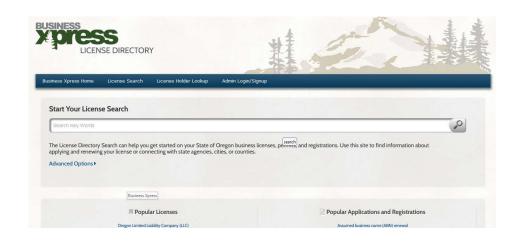
Growing, Moving, or Closing a Business

Business Resources

Consumer Protection Resources

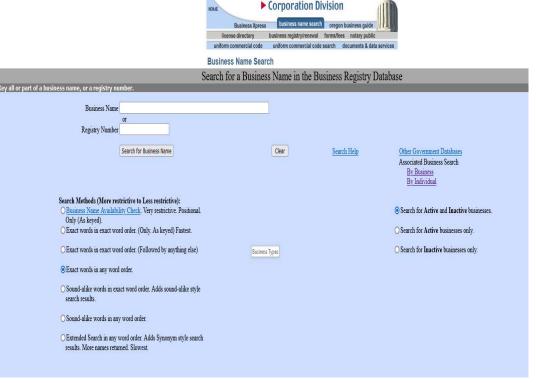
- Steps to Starting a Business
- Resources for hiring employees, changing tax filing status, relocating a business, closing a business, and much more
- Resources including laws and rules, corporate transparency act, and business alerts
- Resources for consumer protection
- https://sos.oregon.gov/business/Pages/business-information-center.aspx

License Directory



- The Oregon License Directory Application provides an improved search for business license information to assist entrepreneurs in starting or expanding a business.
- The application also provides the public an avenue to obtain license holders information.
- The License Directory Administration Interface provides the Agencies with a streamlined application for all administrative functions needed to support the License Directory Application including license management, user management and access to reports, notifications, and other administrative functions.
- https://apps.oregon.gov/sos/licensedirectory/

Business Name Search



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- The business registry database can be searched by:
 - Business Name
 - Registry Number
 - Associated Name (Individual or Business)
 - This search would be helpful to locate businesses with a specific entity listed as an associated name such as the registrant or authorized representative of an assumed business name.
- Searches may include active and inactive businesses
- https://sos.Oregon.gov/bizsearch

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Business Name Search

Business Types

Differences between them







Business Types

• https://sos.oregon.gov/business/Pages/obr-business-types.aspx

	Sole Proprietor	General Partnership	Limited Liability Company	Business Corporation	Nonprofit Corporation
Registration Required ¹	Not required, except for Assumed Business Name	Not required, except for Assumed Business Name	of Organization	Yes, File Articles of Incorporation & annual reports	of Incorporation
Governing Document ²	A business plan is recommended	Partnership agreement	Operating agreement	Bylaws	Bylaws
Ownership	One owner	Two or more partners (owners)	One or more members (owners)	One or more shareholders (owners)	No owners. Assets must be given to another nonprofit upon dissolution
Liability ³	Unlimited personal liability for debts of the business and yourself	Unlimited personal liability for debts of the business including your partners actions	Members (owners) have limited liability for debts of the LLC	Shareholder liability limited to loss of their paid-in investment	Operators are not personally liable for debts of the business
Management Control ⁴	Owner makes decisions	Partner control and decision making responsibility set out in partnership agreement	Member managed, or owners may appoint a manager per the Articles of Organization	Shareholders elect directors to oversee policies and appoint officers	May have members who may elect directors; Must have directors to oversee policies and appoint officers
Taxation ⁵	Owner reports and pays taxes on personal tax return	Each partner reports and pays share of taxes, on personal tax returns		Corporation pays taxes on income; shareholders pay taxes on dividends	Nonprofit pays taxes on income, unless tax exempt

Business Types

	Business Entity Types
Code	
ABN	Assumed Business Name
AOG	Act Of Government
DBC	Domestic Business Corporation
DBT	Domestic Business Trust
DCOOP	Cooperative
DDINP	District Improvement Nonprofit
DDIP	District Improvement Profit
DLLC	Domestic Limited Liability Company
DLLP	Domestic Registered Limited Liability Partnership
DLP	Domestic Limited Partnership
DNP	Domestic Nonprofit Corporation
DPC	Domestic Professional Corporation
FBC	Foreign Business Corporation
FBT	Foreign Business Trust
FLLC	Foreign Limited Liability Company
FLLP	Foreign Registered Limited Liability Partnership
FLP	Foreign Limited Partnership
FNP	Foreign Nonprofit Corporation
FPC	Foreign Professional Corporation
REG	Registered Name
RES	Reserved Name

Domestic vs Foreign

Domestic

• A domestic LLC or corporation is a business that is formed within its home (domestic) state.

Foreign

- Foreign qualification is when a legal entity conducts business in a state or jurisdiction other than the one in which it was originally formed.
- Foreign qualification refers to the process of registering your business so that it can do business in a state other than the one in which you initially formed or incorporated your business.

Filing Requirements

More than just filing the business name



Filing Requirements

Oregon Revised Statute requires in most cases that a business name must be registered if using a name to do business other than your own personal name

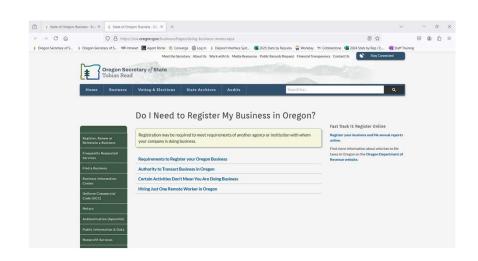
The business registry allows the public to know who they are doing business with and ensures that another business isn't using the same name

Filing a business name allows for banks and licensing agencies to know who they are doing business with

If you are conducting business for 30 or more days, you should register with the SOS.

Do I Need to Register My Business in Oregon?

- Check out the weblink below for further information
- https://sos.oregon.gov/business/P ages/doing-business-means.aspx
- You can also search "Do I need to register" in our search bar



How do I file a business

Filing Options

Online:

Use our Online Business Registry for fast, easy filing. sos.oregon.gov/business

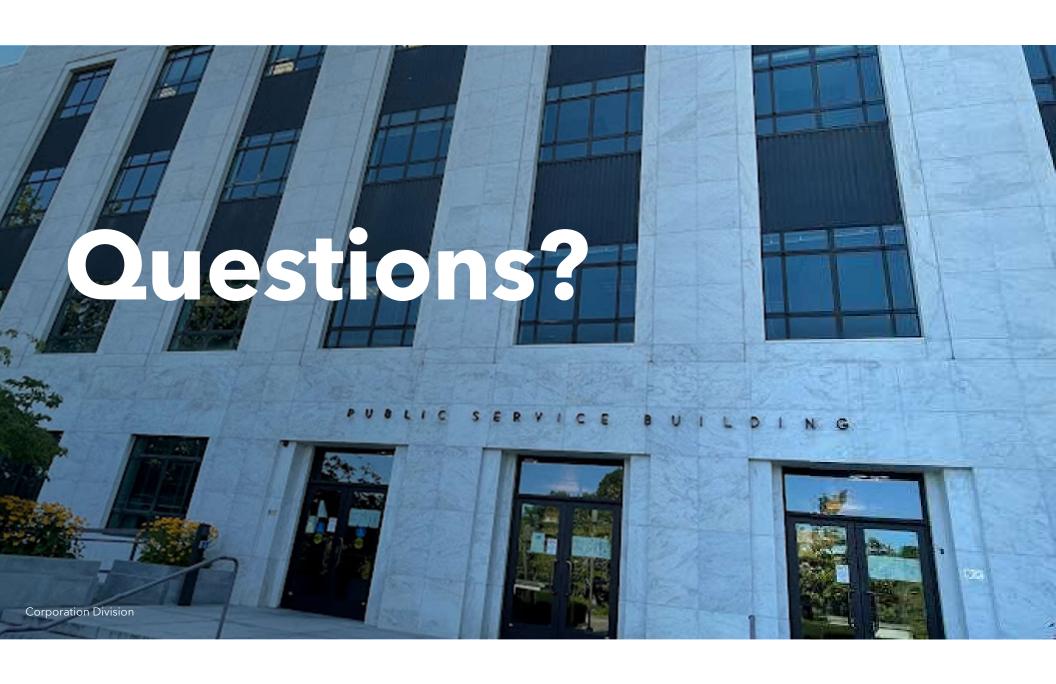
In Person:

Visit our office for same-day processing.

By Mail or Fax:

Forms may also be submitted via **mail or fax**.

(Note: We do **not** accept email attachments.)



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