



How to Start a Business in New Jersey Checklist

1. Form your business.

1.1. Review formation options in New Jersey.

There are six main types of business entities in New Jersey. Choose the one that suits your business best.

1.2. Name your business.

After checking to see that your name does not exist, register your business name with the New Jersey Treasury Department.

1.3. Get an employer identification number.

Apply for an EIN with the IRS.

1.4. Register your business in New Jersey.

Sole proprietorships and general partners do not need to file with the state. LLCs and corporations must file online.

1.5. Obtain necessary permits and licenses.

Check the New Jersey government website to see if your business requires any special licenses/permits. If you do, apply for them online.

2. Register your business for taxes.

2.1. Register for New Jersey state taxes.

Apply for your state taxes at the NJ Division of Revenue and Enterprise Services.

2.2. File Form NJ-REG.

By filing Form NJ-REG, your business will be registered for applicable taxes and related liabilities.

3. Hire employees and report them to the state.

3.1. Go to the New Jersey Employer Services Portal.

Report all new and returning employees online.

3.2. Obtain Workers' Compensation Insurance.

The insurance must be written by a mutual or stock carrier authorized to write insurance in New Jersey.

3.3. Display mandatory posters in your place of business.

There are 14 mandatory labor law posters in New Jersey, which you can obtain from the NJ Department of Labor and Workforce Development.