

Company Status Types

What is the company status?

All Guernsey companies have a company status which indicates what state the company is in. This can be found on the company search pages of the Guernsey Registry website.

Company Status types - Live companies

Normal:

The company is currently registered and is live.

Registered Office Not Effective (Sec. 32):

Notice has been given by a Corporate Service Provider that the registered office is no longer effective (see Ineffective Registered Office guidance note).

Royal Court Guernsey (Court Order)/UK Court (Court Order):

The company is subject to a court order in Guernsey/the UK.

Company Status types - Voluntary Strike Off

Voluntary Strike Off Application (Sec. 357):

The company has applied to be struck from the register voluntarily and a notice has been published on the Registry website. The company will be struck from the register at the expiration of two months from the date of the notice unless the Registry is instructed otherwise.

Dissolved (Voluntary Strike Off):

The company has been struck from the register voluntarily and is therefore no longer live.

Company Status types - Compulsory Strike Off

Strike Off Listed (Sec 353-356 List Published):

The company has been listed for strike off from the register for one of the following reasons:

1. Registered office not effective (Sec 355 (1) (b))
2. Company has no resident agent (Sec 484)
3. Company has failed to file an Annual Validation (Sec 355 (1) (a))
4. Company has no directors (Sec 519)
5. Any other reason (Sec 353 (1) (a) or (b))

Dissolved (Registrar Compulsory Strike off)

The company has been struck from the Register for one of the above listed reasons.

Company Status types - Compulsory Winding Up (Sec 406-418)

Compulsory Winding Up Part 1 (Liquidator appointed):

The company has entered compulsory winding up and a liquidator has been appointed.

Compulsory Winding Up Part 2 (Commissioner appointed):

The company is in the process of compulsory winding up and the court has appointed a commissioner.

Compulsory Winding Up Part 3 (Commissioner report accepted):

The Commissioner's report has been accepted and a compulsory winding up order can now be made.

Compulsory Winding Up Order :

The Court has ordered that the company be wound up and a notice has been published on the Registry website. The company will be struck from the register at the expiration of three months from the date of the notice.

Dissolved (Compulsory liquidation):

The company has been compulsorily wound up by the court.

Note: For companies with this status as at or before 1st July 2008 this can mean the company has been struck from the register for failure to file an Annual Return.

Company Status types - Voluntary Wind Up (Sec 391-405)

Voluntary Winding Up Part 1 (Liquidator Appointed):

The company has commenced voluntary winding up and has appointed a liquidator.

Voluntary Winding Up Part 2: (Liquidators final meeting)

The company has notified the Registrar of the final meeting. The company will be struck from the register at the expiration of three months from the date of the notice unless the Registry is instructed otherwise.

Dissolved (voluntary Liquidation):

The company has been wound up voluntarily and is no longer live.

Company Status types - Other

Migrated:

The company has migrated to another jurisdiction and is no longer Guernsey registered.

Amalgamated:

The company has amalgamated with another company (or companies) and is not the continuing company.

The purpose of this guidance note is to provide information regarding company status types.

It is not intended to be definitive legal advice and should not be relied upon as such.

The interpretation of the Companies (Guernsey) Law, 2008 is a matter on which the Guernsey Registry cannot advise and companies need to form their own view on compliance with the legislation.

Independent legal advice is advised where there is any uncertainty.