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Formation of Company Limited By Guarantee ("CLBG")

A CLBG must have its own Constitution (s31)

Prohibited from having a share capital (s12)

Incorporation fee payable to SSM -RM3,000 (New!)



A CLBG is a public company (s11(2))

Minister's approval is required



Guideline on Company Limited by Guarantee





Sample of Constitution of a CLBG



A company limited by guarantee shall have a constitution

s38 (1)



Notwithstanding section 31, a company limited by guarantee shall have a constitution.

s38 (2)

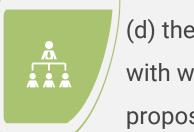
The constitution of a company limited by guarantee shall be signed by the persons intending to incorporate the company limited by guarantee and lodged with the Registrar at the time the company is incorporated.



s38(3) The constitution shall state—

(a) that the company is a company limited by guarantee;





(d) the number of members with which the company proposed to be incorporated;

(b) the objects of the company;





(e) matters contemplated by this Act to be included in the constitution; and

(c) the capacity, rights, powers and privileges of the company;





(f) any other matters as the company wishes to include in its constitution.

s38 (4)

Any provision in the constitution of a company limited by guarantee that purports to divide the company's undertaking into shares or interests is a provision for a share capital and shall be void.





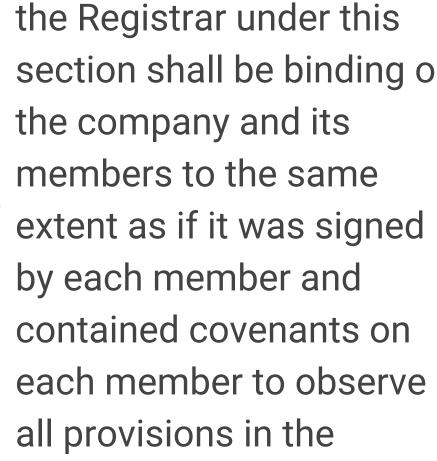
s38 (5)

Any provision in the constitution of a company limited by guarantee purporting to give any person a right to participate in the divisible profits of the company shall be void.



s38(6)

A constitution lodged with the Registrar under this section shall be binding on the company and its members to the same extent as if it was signed by each member and contained covenants on each member to observe all provisions in the constitution.





THE LAW ON CLBG
S.45



MINISTER'S
APPROVAL
REQUIRED



1.Before appointment of a
Director subject to the
Constitution of the CLBG or
terms and conditions by the
Minister upon incorporation
of the CLBG

2.Shall not hold land without a licence from the Minister (s45(4))



Number of Directors -Minimum number remains at 2 - must be

Resident Directors

Retirement age (Abolished!)

Appointment, Resignation,

Retirement, Removal

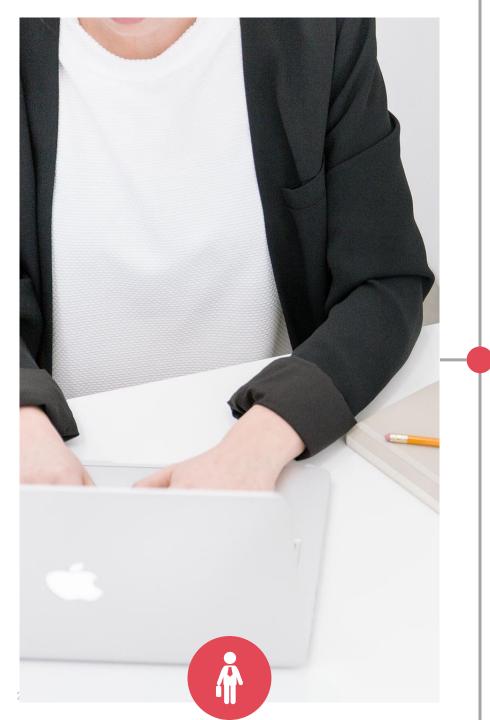
Disqualification New!



s196(2): a director must have a minimum age of 18 years.



Not subject to re-appointment at age 70. (New!)



New definition of director" includes any person occupying the position of director of a corporation by whatever name called and includes a person in accordance with whose directions or instructions the majority of directors of a corporation are accustomed to act and an alternate or substitute director. (s2) (Changed!) - to define shadow director

Definition of "Board" when acting in concert -No.of director ≥ quorum or sole director, that director. (s2)





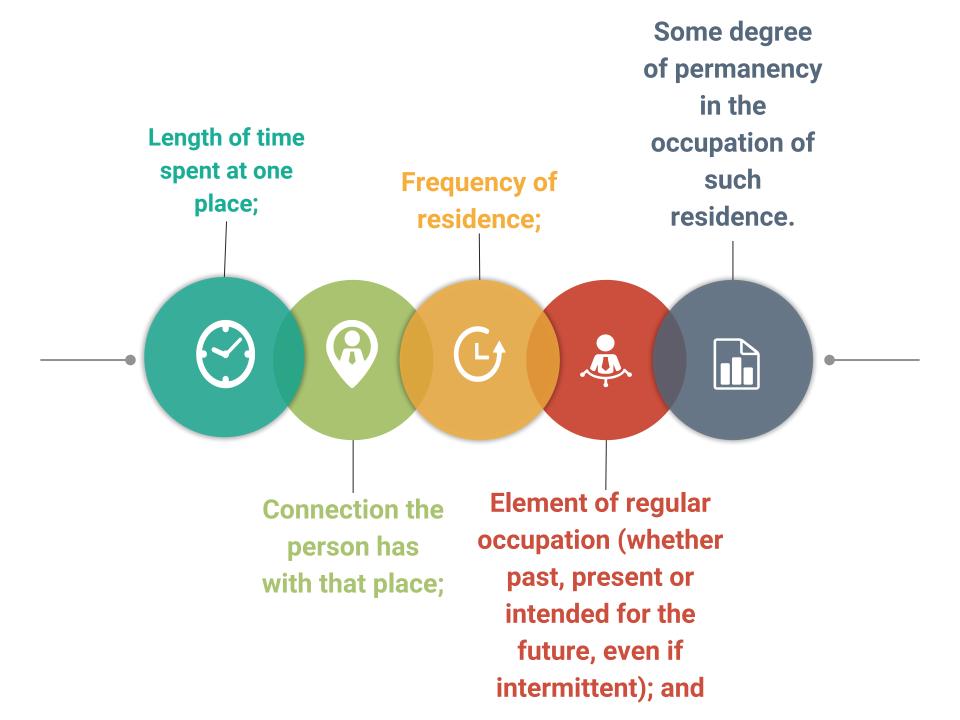


A director shall **ordinarily reside** in Malaysia by having a **principal place of residence** in Malaysia. (s196(4)(a)) (Changed!)



5 factors to determine residency

In Hoh Kiang Ngan & Ors v Hoh Han Keyet, the Court of Appeal spelt out the following considerations to determine the residency of a director:-









Functions of Board



Fiduciary duties of directors (duty to act in the best interest of company)



Duty to act with care, skill and diligence



Business judgement rule



Reliance on information provided by others



Duty of nominee director

Prohibition against improper use of company's property, position, corporate opportunity or competing with the company

Responsibility for actions of delegatee



Prohibition on interested directors from voting on the contract

Duty to disclose interests in contracts, property, offices

Member's Rights

Members'
Rights circulate
statement

Substantial transactions involving directors (s223) - 25% total assets



Related Party
Transactions (s228)

Broaden scope

Members' Rights - circulate statement

Public Company Only

≥ 2.5% (instead of 5%) paid up capital (N/A for CLBG) or ≥ 50 (instead of 100 CA1965) members with right to vote to demand, alter or add items into general meeting Agenda by way of notice of resolution or circulate statement (≤ 1,000 words) to members (s323) (Changed!)

Directors NEED NOT circulate if -

- rights abused by members for needless publicity;
- matter is defamatory, frivolous or vexatious; or
- not in the best interest of the company. (s325(1))

Thresholds under s228

	Thresholds	Approval of members at a MoM
Minimum in RM	< RM50,000	No
Net Assets	RM50k to RM250k > 10% Net Assets	Yes
Net Assets	RM50k to RM250k < 10% Net Assets	No
Maximum in RM	> RM250,000	Yes

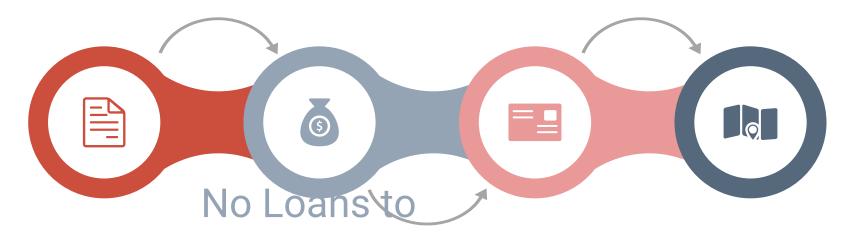
Passing of Members' Resolutions

At meeting of the members only (s290(2)) New!



Service
Contract New!

Indemnity and insurance for directors (ss288 and 289)

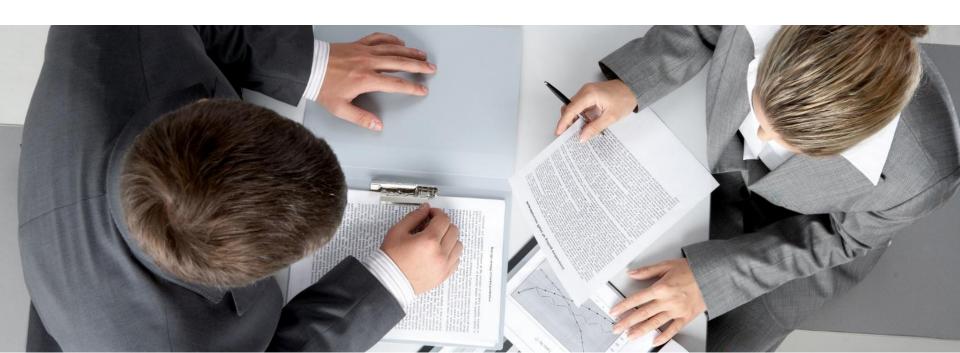


Directors or persons connected (ss224 & 225)

Service Address New! FEES AND
BENEFITS



Public Company or PLC and subsidiaries - Directors' fees, benefits and compensation for loss of office, if applicable, payable must be approved by shareholders (s230(1)) (New!)







No tax free payment to Directors (s226(1))





Not lawful for any payment of compensation for loss of office without the *prior* approval of shareholders. If public company, affected director and persons connected must abstain from voting on the resolution.

SERVICE CONTRACT (NEW!)

I Agree



A public company shall keep and maintain a copy of every Director's service contract for services performed by a director personally or otherwise as a director or otherwise for the public company or its subsidiaries at the RO for inspection. (s232(1)) Right of inspection by members holding 5% of members

Fail to



keep and maintain a copy of every director's service contract with the company or with its subsidiaries for inspection



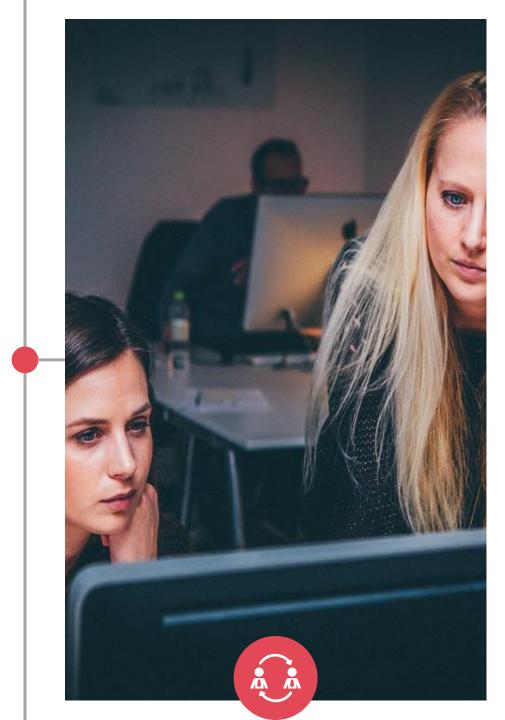


at the registered office of the company

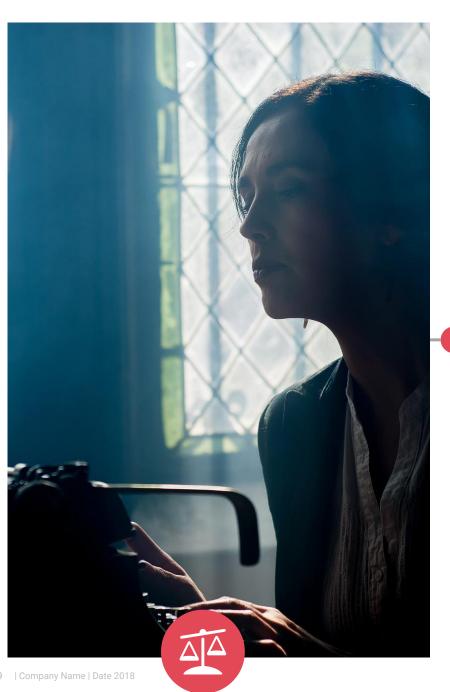


Including those terminated or expired for at least one year after termination or expiry

The company and every officer who contravene subsection (1), (2) or (3) commit an offence and shall, on conviction, be liable to a fine not exceeding RM250,000.

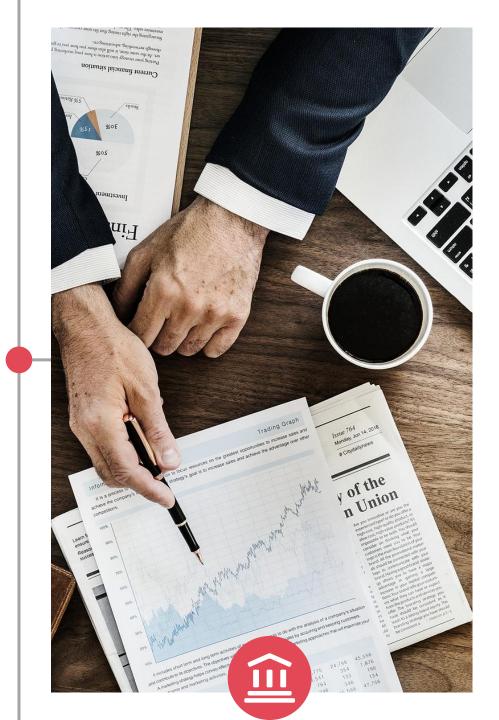






Convicted of offence involving **bribery**, fraud and dishonesty (Changed!) (s198)
Note: within or without Malaysia.

By court, due to habitual contravention of the Act/his duties under the Act. (New!) (s199)







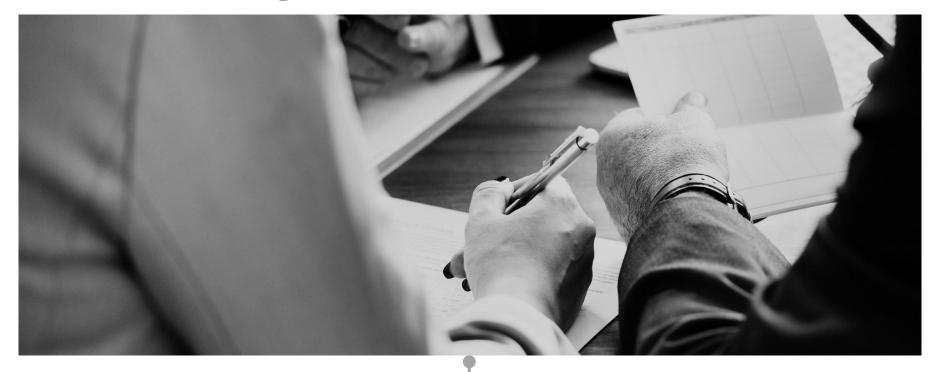
Power of Registrar to remove name of disqualified director -

Registrar is empowered to remove the name of directors from the Register (New!) (s200)

AUDITORS



Rights of Auditors

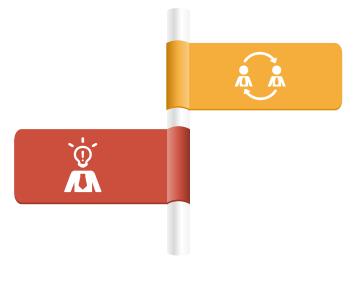


Attendance of AGM as of right (s285(1))



Auditor commits an offence if he fails to attend the general meeting UNLESS -

he is prevented by circumstances beyond his control from attending;



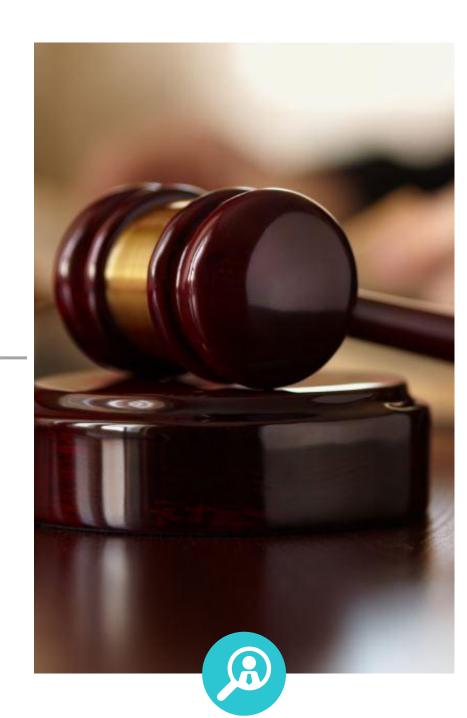
he arranges another auditor; or agent or another partner of the firm to attend



Appointment of Auditors - for each financial year (s271) by

- Board before 1st
 AGM or to fill
 casual vacancy
 only; or
- Members by ordinary resolution at AGM

Resignation of Auditors - may request company to circulate statement to members and the Board to convene a general meeting to give explanation on circumstances leading to resignation



Removal of Auditor by ordinary resolution at general meeting only (\$276)



Need special notice (Note: to send special notice to affected auditor and Registrar**

immediately upon receipt (s277)) and

Failing which is an offence under the Act.

to notify Registrar of removal within 14 days of passing of ordinary resolution.

ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING



Note: 21 days notice is required for AGM of a public company

Notice of AGM if published on website (s320)

Must notify member of the publication of notice on the website



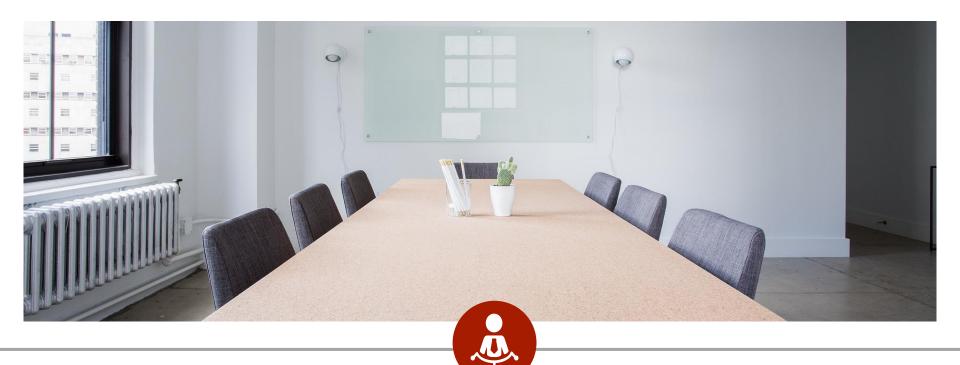


Notification in writing either in hard copy or electronic form

Notice available on website throughout notice period until conclusion of the meeting

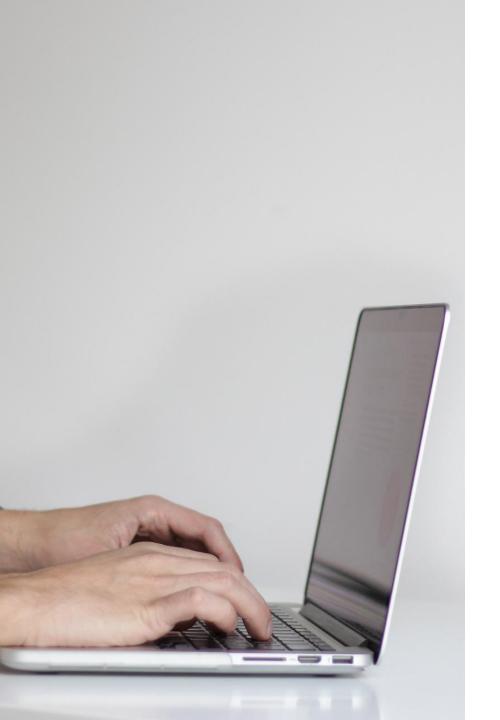


AGM (s340)



To hold its AGM in every calendar year within 6 months of the Company's financial year end and not more than 15 months (18 months for newly incorporated company) after the last preceding AGM





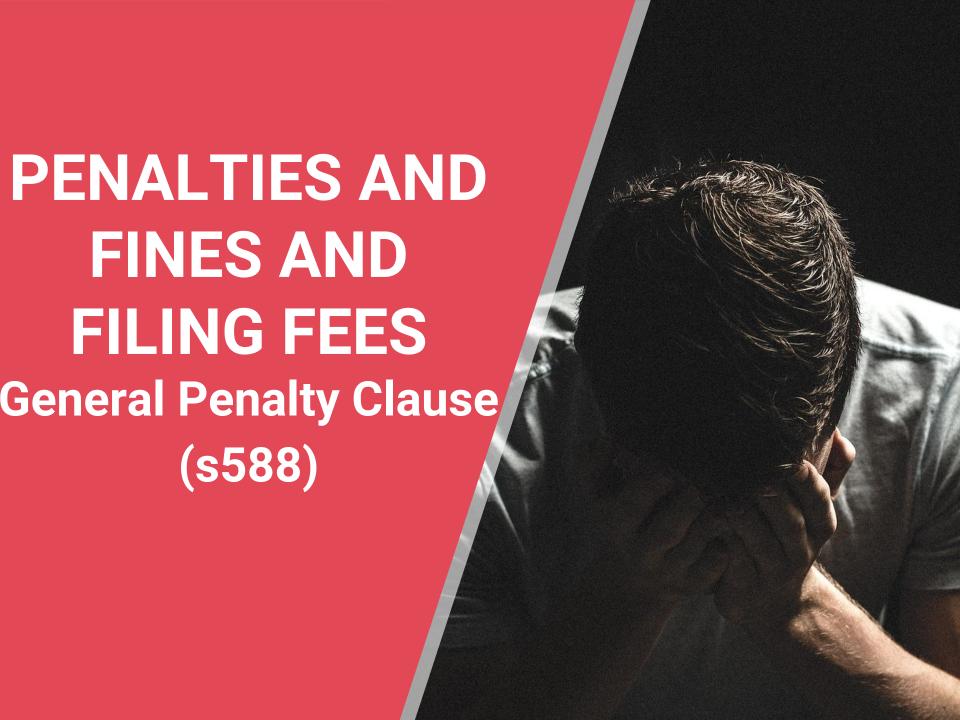
To lodge the AR to SSM within 30 days from the anniversary of its incorporation date (s68)

Note: "Not having a share capital"

s258

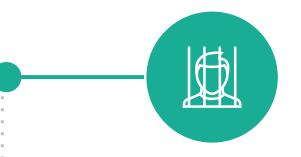
Circulation of AFS to members at least 21 days before the date of AGM (s258) and within 6 months from the financial year end and to lodge to SSM within 30 days from the date of AGM.





(a)

in the case of a person who is an individual, to a fine not exceeding RM50,000 or to imprisonment for a term not exceeding 3 years or to both;

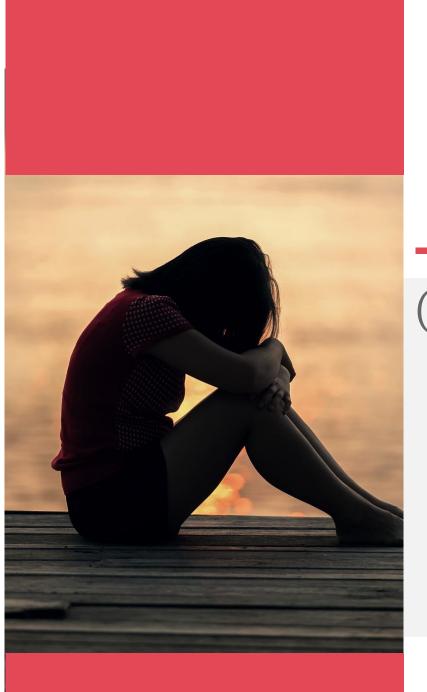


(b)

in the case of a person other than an individual, to a fine not exceeding RM50,000

FINES AND SANCTIONS (S591 TO S598)



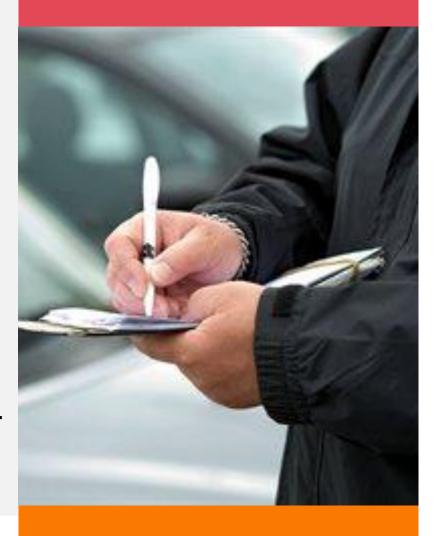


FALSE AND MISLEADING STATEMENTS (S591)

(a) in the case of a corporation, on conviction, shall be liable to a fine not exceeding RM3,000,000; and

(b)

in the case of officer of the corporation, on conviction, shall be liable to imprisonment for a term not exceeding 10 years or a fine not exceeding RM3,000,000 or to both. (1965 Act - 10 years imprisonment or a fine of RM250,000 or both)







On conviction, imprisonment for a term not exceeding 10 years or to a fine not exceeding RM3,000,000 or to both. (1965 Act - 10 years imprisonment or a fine not exceeding RM250,000 or both)

False report or statement to the Registrar (s593)



On conviction, imprisonment for a term not exceeding 10 years or to a fine not exceeding RM3,000,000 or to both.

(1965 Act - No similar provision)

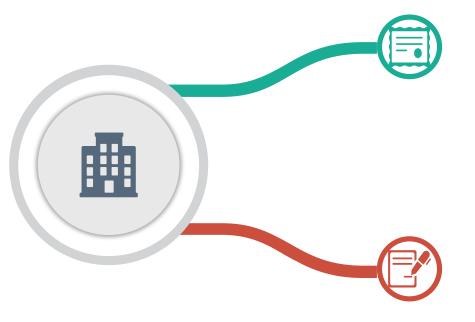
Subject Matters	New Fees	Old Fees
Application for reservation of name of company	RM50	RM30
Lodgement of alteration or amendment of constitution	RM30	Nil
Lodgement of annual return under section 68 of the Act	RM500	RM150
Lodgement of audited financial statements and reports under section 259 of the Act	RM200	Nil
Lodgement of any document relating to company not specifically mentioned in this Schedule	RM100	Nil

COMMON SEAL



(Signature)

Common Seal



Common seal is optional New!

Resolution and amend the Constitution if a CLBG wishes not to have a Common Seal

