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FREE ZONES



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About Dubai South (DWC)

- Dubai South, previously known as Dubai World Central, is an emerging 145 sq. km. master-planned city based on happiness of the individual.
- It is one of the strategic business hubs developed by the Government of Dubai, and was renamed as Dubai South to reflect the strategic location of the free zone.
- It is home to the world's largest airport in the making – the Al Maktoum International Airport – and is host to landmark events such as World Expo 2020 and the Dubai Air show.
- Creating a vibrant society that invests, lives and works within a sustainable, healthy and happy environment.
- Leveraging the strategic location connecting both air and sea mega ports, creating a self-sustained urban destination to empower businesses, families and individuals to grow and prosper.

Types of Licenses

The categories of license available within the DWC are:

- **Commercial License:** allows the licensee to carry out specified commercial services including general trading and logistics services.
 - **Trading License:** allows the licensee to import, export, sell, distribute and store items specified in the License.
 - **Logistics License:** allows the licensee to carry out specified logistics services. The license holder will be able to pick up and deliver (but not sell) products within the UAE.
- **Service License:** allows the licensee to carry out services specified in the license within the DWC Free Zone and elsewhere in the UAE
- **Industrial License:** allows the licensee to carry out specified light manufacturing activities. Industrial Licenses will not be issued without proof that an Environmental Impact Assessment for the project has been carried out and approved by Dubai Municipality
- **Education License:** allows the licensee to carry out educational and social services, educational aid training, and educational consultancy services

Office Spaces

DWC offers a full range of facilities:

- Business Centre Offices
 - Smart Desk
 - Permanent Smart Desk
 - Smart Office
 - Permanent Smart Office
- Business Park Offices
 - Fitted out offices (35 sqmt to 250 sqmt)
 - Shell & Core (120 sqmt to 12,000 sqmt)
 - Build to Suit (Plot of land – tenant can self construct or contract dubai south for the construction under this model.)

Business Centre Packages

	Smart Desk	Permanent Smart Desk	Smart Office	Permanent Smart Office
License Fee	10,000	10,000	10,000	10,000
Set Up Fee (One time Payment)	1,000	1,000	1,000	1,000
Establishment Card	2,060	2,060	2,060	2,060
Annual Fees	16,900	24,900	26,900	44,900
Total	29,960	37,960	39,960	57,960
No. of Visas	2	2	3	3
Office Usage	5 hrs / week	Exclusive	5 hrs / week	Exclusive

- The no of hours used at the business centre facilities can be carried over to the next week (subject to availability)
- Above fees are subject to 5% value added tax
- All values are in AED

Business Park Offices Packages: 8sqmt = 1 visa

Size in sqmt	Rate per sqmt (AED)	Service Charge per sqmt	Rent free period
< 40	1,200	300*	1 month
40-55	1,200	300*	2 months
56-79	1,200	300*	3 months
80-100	900	300*	2 months
>100	800	300*	2 months
<250	750	175	2 months
250-300	700	175	3 months
>300	600	175	3 months
B4 – Level 4	1,300	300**	nil

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Business Set Up - Process

An easy and quick online process

- Apply for pre-qualification & make a booking.
- Complete the application
- Submit the application
- Pay the fee & submit your original documents
- Registration complete

Apply for pre-qualification & make a booking.

The following information needs to be provided:

- Basic contact details
- Type of company
- Type of unit
- Description of the business
- Payment of the initial set up fee of AED 2,000

Complete the application

Fill in the following in the application form:

- Provide 3 choices for the company name
- Share capital information
- Unit information
- Activities that the company performs
- Information about the parent company
- Appoint Shareholders (this is just for LLC)
- Appoint General Manager (this is for both LLC and Branch companies)
- Appoint Director/Chairperson and secretary information (solely for LLC)
- Upload a few documents as instructed

Submit the application with the original documents

Pay the Fees

Registration Complete

- Complete application form signed by the applicant must be submitted along with the following supporting documents.
- Passport copies with signature page

Note: *Unless the original passport has been seen by one of the registrars at Dubai South, all copies of passports must be certified as true copies, of the original, by a lawyer, accountant, banker or UAE embassy or consulate official.*

- Residency or employment visa copy (if applicable)
- Signed Authorization Card
- Authorization letter/POA notarized
- Specimen Signature Form

Note: *Signed by all shareholders, directors, general manager and secretary themselves, and cannot be signed by a third party representative.*

- 2 Full Sets of MOA & AOA typed and signed and dated
 - Shareholder name and physical address
 - Shares owned (in numbers not percentages)
 - Signed by the shareholders
- If the company is based outside UAE:
 - The POA should be notarized
 - Then send to UAE embassy for attestation
 - This doc should be then authenticated from the Ministry of Foreign affairs, UAE
- for within UAE....
 - Should be notarized by UAE notary Public.



About ANSH

Ansh Legal through its offices in the UAE and UK has a large network of affiliated law firms, corporate services firms, management consultants, tax advisers and professionals in several jurisdictions where its clients operate or have their assets or business interests. We actively advise several multi-national conglomerates, funds, family offices and high net worth individuals. Our lawyers have been advising several banks, financial institutions, governmental authorities and bodies and multi-national conglomerates over the past several years.

Being a multi-service law firm registered with Abu Dhabi Global Market Authority in the UAE and the Companies House, UK, the firms together assist on UAE and Indian law matters and coordinate advise on other jurisdictions through local experts. Our key practice areas are:

❑ Corporate

- Cross border investments
- Corporate mergers & acquisitions
- Funds
- Start-ups
- General Corporate & Commercial

❑ Finance

- The full spectrum of debt financing – bank lending, secured financing, margin financing, structured financing, leveraged and acquisition financing, infrastructure finance
- Securities and capital market matters including start-up funding, private placements
- Crypto and block chain technology
- Secondary market matters
- Insolvency and restructuring

❑ Financial regulatory

❑ General

- Succession and estate planning
- Technology and media
- Healthcare
- Commercial contracts
- Employment matters
- Dispute resolution advisory and support

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