

## **Registration of a Business License for Traders, Importers and Exporters with the Commercial Court and the publication of this event in the Official Gazette.**

Kabul Commercial Court

Supreme Court of Afghanistan, Ministry of Justice

Charahi Sedarat within the Kabul Governor House

Law: Commercial Court Law and Regulation

Documentation required:

1. An official letter from the Licensing Directorate of the MoCI
2. Identification form from the Licensing Directorate of the MoCI.
3. Corporate statute (Articles of Association) in format required by the MoCI

The process will take no more than one day. Three signatures are required, with the signature of the Director of the Commercial Court being the final signature.

Cost (fees):

- Afs. 50 fee for domestic or foreign company's publicity in the Official Gazette.
- Afs. 5 fee for investors' business license publication in the Official Gazette.

This license does not have to be renewed each year.

Step by step process of acquiring the license. Procedure of document process in Commercial Court:

1. The Registration Office of the Commercial Court issues an official letter to the MoJ requesting registration and publication of the company's (domestic or foreign) or investor's advertisement in the Official Gazette.
2. The letter is taken by the investor to the MoJ based on an official letter from the Business Licensing Directorate of the MoCI after a criminal background check has been conducted by the Criminal Technical Office of the MoIA.
3. The Commercial Court will ask the Kabul Mustofiat through a separate enquiry letter to issue the investor/company two payment

bank bills/tariffs: one for payment of Afs. 50 (company fee) and the other for payment of 5Afs. (Investor business license fee).

4. When the advertisement is published in the Official Gazette, the MoJ will send a letter to the Commercial Court permitting the registration. The Commercial Court keeps the letter in its files. A copy of the bank receipts together with the original of the company's Articles of Association are kept by the Commercial Court.
5. The Registration Office of the Commercial Court records all information and details on the trader or the company in their book of records. If it is a corporation license, then the Trade Document and Sign Registering Department will keep the company's original Articles of Association and give a copy to the owner after it has been signed and stamped
6. Finally, the Registration Office of the Commercial Court gives a letter to the investor to take to the Business Licensing Department of the MoCI signed by the director of Commercial Court. Attached to this letter are the company's Identification Form and a copy of company's Articles of Association.