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## How to Start a Business in Pennsylvania Checklist

### 1. Form your business.

#### 1.1. Review Pennsylvania formation options.

There are four main types of formations in Pennsylvania. Choose the one that best suits your business.

#### 1.2. Name your business.

After checking to see your name does not exist, register your business name with the Secretary of State.

#### 1.3. Get an Employer Identification Number.

Apply for an Employer Identification Number at the IRS.

#### 1.4. Register your business in Pennsylvania.

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 Department of State website to see if your business requires any special licenses. If you do, apply for them online.

### 2. Register your business for taxes.

#### 2.1. Register for Unemployment Tax.

Apply for unemployment tax at the Pennsylvania Department of Labor & Industry.

#### 2.2. Register for Pennsylvania Sales and Use Tax.

Apply for sales and use tax at the Pennsylvania Department of Revenue.

#### 2.3. Register agricultural vehicles for sales tax.

Visit the Pennsylvania Farm Bureau to see if your vehicles require taxing.



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**3. Hire employees and report them to the state.**

3.1. Register with the Pennsylvania Department of Labor and Industry.

Independent contractors need not register.

3.2. Check your business employer requirements.

Ensure that you meet various labor, safety and tax obligations

