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Common form	LLC (limited liability company) [1]
Registry	Companies Control Department (Ministry of Industry, Trade and Supply) [1]
Minimum capital	JOD 1 [1]
Directors	1 manager [1]
Local director	Not required; some activities restrict foreign ownership [1]
Corporate tax	20% (24% for certain sectors; 35% for banks) [2]
VAT / sales tax	Sales tax 16% [2]
Typical timeline	Usually 1–2 weeks [1]
Tax treaties	Domestic rates and treaty list [7]
Currency	Jordanian dinar (JOD)

In short: To set up a company in Jordan, most founders form an LLC, registered with the Companies Control Department (Ministry of Industry, Trade and Supply). [1] Minimum capital: JOD 1. Corporate tax: 20% (24% for certain sectors; 35% for banks). Registration: usually 1–2 weeks (as of November 2026).

Short guide. Tax figures come from PwC Worldwide Tax Summaries (reviewed 05 July 2026); company-law details summarise official guidance and can change. Confirm requirements with the Companies Control Department (Ministry of Industry, Trade and Supply) before filing.

Companies in **Jordan** are registered with the **Companies Control Department**. The standard income tax rate for companies is 20%, with higher rates for banks and some other sectors.

Business structures

Most founders in Jordan form an LLC, registered with the Companies Control Department (Ministry of Industry, Trade and Supply). [1] Other forms are listed below.

- **LLC** – the usual company form for private businesses

Requirements

Minimum share capital in Jordan (2026): JOD 1. Directors required: 1 manager. Local resident director: not required; some activities restrict foreign ownership. [1]

- A company name that is available, checked with the registry.
- Share capital: JOD 1.
- Directors: 1 manager.
- Local residency: not required; some activities restrict foreign ownership.
- A registered office address in Jordan.
- Articles of association; standard templates are often available.

Registration process

Typical time to register a company in Jordan (2026): usually 1–2 weeks. [1] The usual steps are:

1. Choose the company form and check that the name is available.
2. Prepare and sign the articles of association.

3. File the registration with the Companies Control Department (Ministry of Industry, Trade and Supply).
4. Receive the company's registration number, and pay in the share capital where required.
5. Register for corporate tax and VAT or sales tax with the Income and Sales Tax Department.

Taxation

The corporate tax rate in Jordan in 2026 is 20% (24% for certain sectors; 35% for banks). [2] **Standard VAT or sales tax: sales tax 16%.** [2]

Tax	Rate and notes
Corporate income tax	20% (24% for certain sectors; 35% for banks)
VAT / indirect tax	Sales tax 16%
Withholding tax on dividends to non-resident companies	Depends on the payer and recipient; see the Double tax treaties section

Ongoing compliance

Annual compliance in Jordan: Companies file annual financial statements and tax returns with the Income and Sales Tax Department, and keep their details up to date with the Companies Control Department. [1]

Double tax treaties

Jordan has a network of double tax treaties. A double tax treaty decides which country may tax cross-border income and usually caps the withholding tax the paying country can charge.

Domestic withholding tax on payments to non-resident companies

Jordan's withholding rules depend on the type of payment; PwC's summary for Jordan lists them.

The reduced rate for each partner country is set by the treaty concerned; PwC's withholding tax summary for Jordan lists them.

Domestic rates from the PwC Worldwide Tax Summaries withholding tax quick chart (November 2026). Treaty benefits require proof of tax residence and are subject to anti-abuse rules.

Frequently asked questions

How long does it take to register a company in Jordan?

Typical registration time in Jordan: usually 1–2 weeks (as of November 2026), once all documents are ready. Opening a bank account and tax registrations can take longer.

What is the minimum share capital for a company in Jordan?

Minimum share capital in Jordan: JOD 1 (as of November 2026).

What is the corporate tax rate in Jordan in 2026?

The corporate tax rate in Jordan in 2026 is 20% (24% for certain sectors; 35% for banks). See the Taxation section for reduced rates and other taxes.

Can a foreigner own 100% of a company in Jordan?

Yes, for most activities, though some sectors restrict foreign ownership or require approval. Local director rule in Jordan: not required; some activities restrict foreign ownership.

Official registries and resources

- Companies Control Department (Ministry of Industry, Trade and Supply)
- Income and Sales Tax Department

Figures as of November 2026. Rates, thresholds and procedures change; confirm with the official registry, the tax authority or a local adviser before filing.

See also

- Comparison of company formation by country
- Company formation in Georgia
- Company formation in the United Arab Emirates
- Company formation in Armenia
- Company formation in Saudi Arabia
- All countries

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