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Statutory registers

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In short: Statutory registers are the records company law requires a company to keep, usually at its registered office or on the public registry: registers of members (shareholders), directors, secretaries, people with significant control or beneficial owners, and charges, plus minutes of meetings and resolutions.

In the UK, companies must keep these registers and records available for inspection, or elect to keep certain information on the central Companies House register instead. Accounting records must be kept for at least six years from the end of the financial year they relate to. Other countries have similar rules; in several (for example Estonia and Poland) the shareholder register is held by the registry itself.

See also

- Company secretary
- Beneficial owner
- Registered office

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