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COMPANIES REGISTRATION OFFICE

Companies Registration Office Report 2013

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INTRODUCTION

The Companies Registration Office (CRO) Mission Statement is:

> *to oversee the highest possible rate and quality of annual return filing on the part of companies in accordance with the relevant statutory provisions and to ensure that information on companies published in turn by the CRO is timely and accurately reflects the information provided by those companies.*

At the end of 2013, there were over 187,000 companies in existence on the register resulting in 385,000 statutory submissions being filed with the CRO during 2013. 66% of all documents were filed electronically.

CRO delivered strongly overall on its mission in 2013, achieving a target by year-end of 91% of companies being up-to-date in terms of filing of annual returns. Income for the year amounted to €19.39 million.

A number of projects have been implemented at the CRO during 2013. Credit Card Payments were extended to the annual return in early 2013. It is hoped this will eventually lead to a cashless Office. An on-going objective of the CRO is to further increase the rate of "auto-registration" of statutory submissions thereby clearing some of the historical backlog of unregistered annual returns and freeing up resources to concentrate on quality assurance. More than 265,955 submissions were auto-registered in 2013 out of a total of 414,788 submissions registered, which is 64%. The CRO's user-friendly facility for the electronic filling of the pre-filled annual return, which filers only have to check, amend where appropriate and sign, has proved extremely successful. This has resulted in the CRO reducing the backlog of unregistered annual returns from over 500,000 in 2007 to 94,000 at end 2013.

In 2014 the rules engine that was built in 2009 will continue to grow so that more submissions will be auto-registered. Also, in 2014 the CRO plans to offer an electronic digitally signed version of certificates and documents as originating from the CRO.

In 2013 CRO translated its interactive sites, including the company search, into Irish. This was required under the provisions set out in the Official Languages Act 2003.

The Companies Bill was published in December 2012. It is now going through the various stages of the Oireachtas before being enacted and commenced. This Bill represents the most significant reform of the corporate code in Ireland in 50 years and will replace the existing Companies Acts 1963-2013, when enacted.

Section 3 and 4 of Companies (Miscellaneous Provisions) Act 2013 provide for a new requirement of typed director and auditor signatures on financial statements filed with the CRO and an elimination of the requirement to file copies containing manuscript signatures. From March 2014 it will be possible to file your annual return and accounts fully electronically. It is hoped this initiative will be extremely beneficial to practitioners.

This report gives a brief overview of the principal activities and functions of the CRO during the year 2013. A more detailed breakdown of the various activities and statistics is set out in the appendices that follow.

FUNCTIONS OF THE CRO

New Company Incorporation

In 2013 the number of New Companies incorporated was 15,506. This was an average of over 1,292 new companies each month.

The three company incorporation schemes, as outlined below, were consistently delivered within our customer service targets and committed time frames during 2013.

Fé Phrainn Scheme - 10 working days
A1 Online Scheme - 5 working days
Ordinary Scheme - 15 working days

Limited Partnerships and External Companies

Targets were achieved for the processing of all Limited Partnerships and External Companies documents within 15 days of receipt.

Business Names

Processing times for Business Name applications have been reduced significantly since procedures were re-engineered in 2011. 58% of correctly completed applications are now registered and certificates issued within one week, 88% are registered within two weeks and 96% are completed within three weeks.

The number of new business names registered by the CRO in 2013 was 25,795, a 0.1% increase on 2012. 13,684 of these applications were paid for by the new credit card facility, to the value of €273,680. 84% of business name applications were filed electronically in 2013.

Information, Enquiries and Cash Office

The Information Unit provides a front line service to customers who contact the Office by telephone, fax, post and e-mail. The benefit for CRO customers is that it allows first call resolution to queries and eliminates the frustration of being transferred. This service in turn acts as a front line service for staff within the Office, thus enabling line sections to carry out their specific tasks uninterrupted, which in turn contributes to shorter processing times of documents filed.

The Information Unit answered over 68,000 calls during 2013, an average of just over 1,300 calls a week, with an average waiting time of one minute and 20 seconds per phone call. Over 7,500 e-mails were answered during 2013 via the CRO e-mail handling system at info@cro.ie, with 75% of these e-mails answered within eight working hours. During 2013, the Information Unit also organised the CRO's participation at exhibitions, seminars and open days.

The Public Office continued to deal with in-person callers to the CRO during the hours 9.30-16.30 throughout 2013. In addition to assisting in-person callers with queries, the Unit manages requests for copies of submissions filed by companies, the issuing of duplicate certificates and other matters such as letters of status.

Income 2013

CRO received €19.39 million in income in 2013. This is a decrease of 2.3% on the 2012 income of €19.9 million. The fall in income arises from greater compliance resulting in less late filing penalties being paid and more companies filing electronically and paying lower filing fees.

The 2013 receipts were broken down under the following main headings:-

CRO Income	2011 outturn €	2012 €	2013 €
Late filing penalties	*11.759m*	*11.346m*	*10.614m*
Submission fees	*7.577m*	*7.321m*	*7.084m*
Enquiry charges & bulk sales	*1.267m*	*1.136m*	*1.389m*

Expenditure 2013

The 2013 expenditure was €6.688m. This represents a reduction in annual expenditure of €3.121m (32%) since 2008.

The reductions in CRO expenditure from 2008 to 2013 can be seen from the table below:

Pay and Non - Pay Budget CRO 2008 to 2013

€	2008	2009	2010	2011	2012	2013 Provision	2013 Outrun	2013 Saving
Pay	6.062m	5.439m	4.826m	4.825m	4.700m	4.604m	4.483m	0.121m
Non-Pay	3.739m	3.29m	3.072m	2.635m	2.289m	2.606m	2.205m	0.401m
Total	9.801m	8.729m	7.898m	7.460m	6.989m	7.21m	6.688m	0.522m

E-Filing

CRO continues to drive e-filing as the preferred method of filing with the CRO. It has significant efficiency and costs benefits for presenters and CRO alike. However, paper-based filing is still permitted by CRO in instances where presenters opt not to e-file. Paper-based submissions are all scanned onto the register to ensure they are also available electronically for public access. In 2013, the number of searches of the CRO register completed online was over 97%.

The up-take of e-filing increased significantly in 2013. 252,549 submissions, that is 66% of all CRO statutory forms received, were filed electronically compared to 64% in 2012. 82% of annual returns were e-filed which is a 3% increase on 2012.

During 2013, the CRO launched an electronic filing option for the C1 form (Particulars of a charge created by an Irish company).

Postal Incorporation Documents

Once a new company has been incorporated, it will continue to have filing obligations with the CRO on both annual and ad hoc bases. For example, if a director resigns and a new director is appointed, notice of these changes must be filed with the CRO. Volumes of this type of submission filed by companies are high with over 67,000 changes of director/secretary and 13,000 changes in company address filed with the CRO in 2013. In this regard, the enhanced use of e-filing and auto-registration by the CRO continues to be an important factor in keeping timescales within workable limits.

The number of share-related documents processed in 2013 was lower than that processed in 2012 mainly due to the substantial work undertaken in 2012 to eliminate the backlog.

Post Lodgements and Annual Returns

The function of the postal lodgements section is to receive and scan all documents received by post and to make them available to the general public as quickly as possible.

Customer service is a high priority and every effort is made to ensure that phone queries are answered promptly, e-mails within 24 hours and correspondence within two weeks.

The processing team continues to work on improving the quality and timeliness of submissions received onto the Register and, during 2013, implemented a new process to reduce the number of annual returns sent back for correction and speed up the turnaround times of such documents. This resulted in the number of annual returns sent back for correction falling from 37,000 in 2011 to 30,000 in 2013.

Seasonal peaks

Traditionally, the CRO encounters seasonal loads, principally in October, November and January when the number of annual returns received rises from the normal monthly average of about 12,000 per month to an average of about 20,000 per month.

The CRO continues to deal with seasonal peaks in a timely manner and backlogs are normally cleared within a week to ten days.

Backlog of unregistered annual returns (B1s)

Annual returns which pass certain checks are “received” onto the register and made available for public inspection within days of being delivered to the CRO. Before these documents can be “registered”, however, a more detailed check must be carried out on them. To “register” in the CRO context, means to determine that the documents cannot be returned or removed from the Register.

The backlog of unregistered annual returns has been reduced from over 500,000 in 2007 to 94,000 at end-2013. This means that in the past six years, some 1.4 million annual returns have been registered, including newly filed returns. This is mainly as a result of the auto-registration of correctly completed electronically filed annual returns and the conversion of paper annual returns to electronic format through an on-going data entry project.

In 2013, 225,000 B1's were registered, of which 211,000 were auto-registered, 14,000 were registered manually and 7,663 returned for correction.

Enforcement

In 2013 CRO continued to enforce the Companies Acts against companies in default of their annual return filing obligations by way of involuntary strike-off and company prosecutions. 95 companies were prosecuted for failure to file annual returns, of which 55 were convicted yielding €35,000 in fines. 7,077 companies were involuntarily struck off the register and 4,428 companies were struck off on a voluntary basis. 346 companies were struck off at the request of the Revenue Commissioners. 778 companies were restored to the register. The “fast-track” administrative restoration facility available in the morning only, has worked very satisfactorily.

A further enforcement provision at the disposal of CRO is Section 371 of the 1963 Act which allows CRO to make applications to the High Court for an Order compelling the filing of outstanding annual returns by a company. Two Section 371 cases were finalised in 2013. In the first case annual returns were filed and the case was struck out. In the second case an order was made against the Company to make good the defaults in complying with Sections 125 and 127 of the Companies Act 1963 and costs were awarded to the CRO. The company subsequently filed.

The CRO assisted the Office of the Director of Corporate Enforcement (ODCE) throughout the year in its action to secure disqualification/restriction of the directors of dissolved insolvent companies by supplying affidavits and supporting certificates.

The CRO moved to issuing its reminder letters by email in many cases and this yielded significant savings for the Office without disruption to the service that the reminders provide.

Mortgages and Charges

An up-to-date register of mortgages was maintained in 2013 by ensuring that documents were scanned and registered within agreed business plan timeframes. The number of C1's (mortgages/ charges created by Irish companies) received in 2013 was 7,207, a rise of 243 or 3.5% on the 2012 figure of 6,964, while the number of C6's received (statutory declaration of a full satisfaction of a charge) in 2013 was 5,272 representing an increase of 1,798 or 52% on the 2012 figure of 3,474.

Liquidations and Receiverships

Up-to-date registers of liquidations, receiverships and examinerships were maintained, by registering all documents received within agreed business plan timeframes.

The number of liquidations initiated in 2013 continued a downward trend falling by 269 from 2,236 in 2012 to 1,967 in 2013 equivalent to a drop of 12%. 2013 saw a reversal in the recent upward trend with a fall in the number of companies in receivership down by 101, from 654 in 2012 to 553 in 2013, equivalent to a 15% decrease. The register of disqualified and restricted directors was also maintained, while reports of companies in liquidation continued to issue to ODCE on a regular basis.

A review of companies where liquidations were inactive continued in 2013, with letters issuing to liquidators requesting them to file outstanding returns.

Publications Section

Publications Section is charged with implementing a campaign plan which involves improving ease of access to, and customer awareness of, CRO Information Leaflets, CRO Forms and CRO Website.

The CRO publishes a regular electronic bulletin giving up-to-date information on the Offices procedures, practices and services. There is no charge for the bulletin. Instructions on subscribing to the service are available from www.cro.ie.

Publications Section is examining and co-ordinating all aspects of the Companies Bill and monitoring the impact it will have on the business needs of the CRO and its customers. A communication strategy will be developed in early 2014 to make sure our stakeholders will have sufficient notice of changes in legislation brought about by the Companies Bill.

Overview of Energy Usage in 2013

The CRO is located in Parnell House, Dublin and O'Brien Road, Carlow. The CRO is the main energy user of Parnell House (67%) and shares the building along with a canteen, 3 meeting rooms, toilets and the reception area with The Registry of Friendly Societies (RFS) and The Competition Authority. CRO Carlow is the minor energy user of O'Brien Road (45%) and shares the building with The National Employment Rights Authority.

The Energy Team in Parnell House were recognised by ***Optimising Power @ Work*** initiative in 2010 and the building was awarded runner-up in the Best Performing Building – Air Conditioned Buildings category. Parnell House currently holds a D2 energy rating, while O'Brien Road has a D1 rating.

In 2013, the CRO (Dublin & Carlow) consumed 880.88MWh of energy, consisting of:

- 355.71MWh of electricity;
- 525.17MWh of fossil fuels, with natural gas being the only fossil fuel used.
- The CRO currently does not use any renewable fuels.
- CO2 emissions: 283,195kg

This energy consumption can be broken down by location:

Dublin – 757.48MWh of energy consisting of:

- 289.93MWh of electricity;
- 467.55MWh of fossil fuels, with natural gas being the only fossil fuel used.

Carlow – 123.40MWh of energy consisting of:

- 65.78MWh of electricity;
- 57.62MWh of fossil fuels, with natural gas being the only fossil fuel used.

Actions Undertaken in 2013

- Energy Saving related emails to staff reminding everyone to turn off PC monitors, printers etc. each evening (both locations).
- Monthly 'No-Lift Days' (Parnell House).
- Out of Hours energy Audits (Parnell House).
- Air Handling Unit operating hours monitored continuously (Parnell House).
- Heating timers regularly programmed in line with current weather conditions (both locations).

It is not possible to give specific figures of energy saving for all of the above actions. CRO Dublin had a decrease of 2.6% in electricity usage in 2013 compared to 2012, fossil fuel (gas) usage in both locations rose by a total of 26.4%. Overall energy usage increased by 12.4% and CO2 emissions increased by 0.66% compared to 2012.

Actions Planned for 2014

- New Energy Awareness Posters to be displayed around the building (both locations).
- Presentations to staff (both locations).
- Out of Hours energy Audits (both locations).
- Monthly 'No-Lift Days'

It is thought that carrying out Energy Awareness campaigns can lead to overall savings of between 5-10%. By using Business Management System this allows both offices to manage energy usage remotely and efficiently and should show savings going forward.

WHAT WAS NEW IN 2013

Companies Bill

The Companies Bill was published on 21st December 2012 by the Minister for Jobs, Enterprise and Innovation, Mr. Richard Bruton. The proposed changes will revolutionise Irish company law and provide a state of the art company law code to users. It is expected that the new Companies Act will commence in early 2015 and will replace the existing Companies Acts 1963-2013.

Work began in earnest at the CRO in the latter part of the year to scrutinise various parts of the Bill. The CRO will revise procedures and amend where necessary draft forms and information leaflets. The new legislation will also require substantial systems redevelopment at the CRO, work on which is already underway. The material, once approved, will be sent to stakeholders for further scrutiny. It is further intended to launch a new CRO additional web address dedicated to information, draft forms and leaflets and procedures relating to the new Companies Bill in May 2014.

In December 2013, the CRO carried out a survey to identify the best way of providing information to its stakeholders. In early 2014, a communication strategy will be finalised and deployed prior to commencement of the new Companies Act. CRO will continue to engage at events throughout the year and will take the opportunity to broadcast the forthcoming changes within the Companies Bill.

Taking Care of Business

The CRO was one of more than 20 State bodies who contributed to a pilot one-stop-shop event "Taking Care of Business" which was organised by the Department of Jobs, Enterprise and Innovation to provide practical advice to people thinking of starting a business and to existing entrepreneurs. The CRO delivered a presentation highlighting Company law requirements for companies and also manned an information stand where we spoke directly to attendees and answered question in an informal setting.

Due to the success of the event the Department has decided to hold a number of events throughout the country in 2014. The first event is planned to take place in the Strand Hotel, Limerick on 11th March 2014, followed by The Galway Radisson on 25th March 2014, and the Silversprings in Cork on 1st April 2014. The final event will take place in The Printworks, Dublin Castle on 16th October 2014. registration for these events will begin in early February 2014.

Web Services

The CRO has further developed its "Open Services" facility. Open Services is an Application Programming Interface (API) which allows software developers include free company and submission data from the CRO in their applications.

From 29th November 2012, Customer Account holders who are registered for Open Services can now also integrate the streaming of documents from the CRO into their applications. This enables developers to display a document for a submission directly to their customers and to dramatically cut the lead time in purchasing and image.

Cost per image is the same as it is to purchase the image directly through the CRO company search site.

Customer Accounts are a facility at the CRO that allow regular presenters to the Office to lodge funds from which individual filings can then be paid. Up to 2013, accounts were opened by post and could be lodged into by cheque and credit card. From 2013, accounts may be opened online. Once an application is made online, the account is available for use by the presenter immediately.

Electoral Amendment Political Funding Act

This Act was signed into law on 6th November 2012. One of the provisions of this Act, changes the amount threshold for disclosure on an annual return form completed by a company, society or trade union.

From 7th November 2013, the amount paid as a political donation that must be disclosed was reduced from €5,079 to €200. The change did not come into effect until that date. From 7th November 2013, any annual return that was submitted to the CRO must have included donations made at the lower figure.

Unregistered Auditors

Acting as an auditor while not qualified to do so is an offence under the Companies Acts, prosecutable by the ODCE. In April 2011, CRO put in place a new system designed to deter presenters from (a) filing an auditor's report signed by an un-registered auditor or (b) filing an auditor's report fraudulently signed with the name of a registered auditor. The presenter of an annual return with audited accounts must include the Auditor Registration Number (ARN) on the B1 form. An e-mail s then sent by the CRO to the owner of that ARN to alert them that their ARN has been used on the B1 form of a particular company.

During 2013, staff in the Carlow office

- implemented and policed the ARN system,
- liaised with presenters, companies and auditors in dealing with individual cases,
- worked to safeguard the integrity of the Register by ensuring, to the maximum extent possible, that annual returns with auditor's reports signed by unregistered auditors were replaced by auditor's reports signed by properly registered auditors,
- reported all unregistered auditor cases to the ODCE and assisted the ODCE in their role as prosecutor in such cases,
- regularly reported to management and accountancy representative bodies in relation to numbers of unregistered auditors detected and follow up action being taken.

In 2013, the CRO found that 97 companies filed auditor's reports signed by 15 individuals or firms who were not on the Register of Auditors on the date they signed the auditor's report. In addition, CRO was notified of 18 cases, involving 24 companies, where the individual auditor or audit firm whose name was on the auditor's report, stated that they did no carry out the audit.

Credit card facility

In September 2012, CRO introduced payment by credit/debit card for lodgements and enquiries in the CRO Public Office. Business Names applications in CORE can also be paid by credit/debit card. In January 2013, online payments became possible for payment of an annual return.

CRO uses 3D Secure for online purchases and payment of online forms. 3D Secure is a service that has been created by Visa and MasterCard to help guard your credit card against unauthorised use online.

Submission Search facility and Slavenburg file

A foreign company which has an established place of business or branch in the State, but which has failed to register with CRO as an external company, is obliged to deliver to CRO particulars of any charge created by that company over property in Ireland in the same way (using Form 8E) (F8) as a registered external company (per NV Slavenburg's Bank v Intercontinental Natural Resources Ltd [1908] 1 All ER 955).

Submissions from the year 2000 onwards have been scanned and can be purchased from the website using the Individual Submission Search Links to external website detailing a list of submission numbers and company names together with their received date. It will be updated on a monthly basis.

Electronic filing of C1.

Electronic filing of C1 began in February 2013. The Form C1, Particulars of a Charge created by a company incorporated in the State, can be filed electronically using CORE. An electronically filed C1 has a filing fee of 40. Under the Companies Bill 2012 (when enacted) a system of priority ranking based on "first to file" rather than "first in time" will be implemented in respect of charges filed with the CRO. It is therefore important that presenters familiarise themselves now with electronic filing methods in order to achieve fastest filing times.

COMING IN 2014

Fully electronic filing of Accounts

Section 3 and 4 of (Miscellaneous Provisions) Act 2013 provide for a new requirement of typed director and auditor signatures on financial statements filed with the CRO and an elimination of the requirement to file copies containing manuscript signatures. In addition the provisions deal with new overall certification option for the accounts and this certification may be manuscript or e-signed by one director and the secretary. These provisions are intended to drive take-up of electronic accounts filing with the CRO. This initiative is due to commence in March 2014.

When electronically filing of an annual return, the customer is now presented with a list of company types/accounts types and must tick a box to indicate the accounts type being filed by his or her company. A corresponding Certificate will then appear on the signature page and the Director and Secretary can sign for both the e-B1 and accounts on this single page.

A Presenter may then

- upload the accounts as a PDF and send a single signature page to the CRO, or
- sign the signature page using ROS signatures in which case no paper documents need to be sent to the CRO, or
- annex the accounts to the B1 signature page as a paper document and send the signature page and accounts to CRO as normal.

More information is available on the CRO website.

Introduction of Digitally Certified Document and Certificates

The CRO issues a number of certified documents:

- Certificate of Company Incorporation
- Certification of Business Name registration
- Duplicate certificate (of Company Incorporation or Business Name Registration)
- Certified copy of Submission (filing of Company Information)

At present CRO issues these certificates on security paper with type set signatures from authorised signatories.

In 2014 the CRO plans to offer an electronic digitally signed version of these certificates and documents as originating from the CRO. The paper will be replaced by an electronic pdf document that will have security features built in to prove that it originated in CRO and has not been edited since.

All digitally certified documents will remain valid indefinitely and may be used multiple times by companies. The documents will also be able to be forwarded on by the recipient to third parties e.g. banks.

APPENDIX 1

DETAILED STATISTICS

Make up of Register and Activity on the Register

Make up of register of companies at end 2013

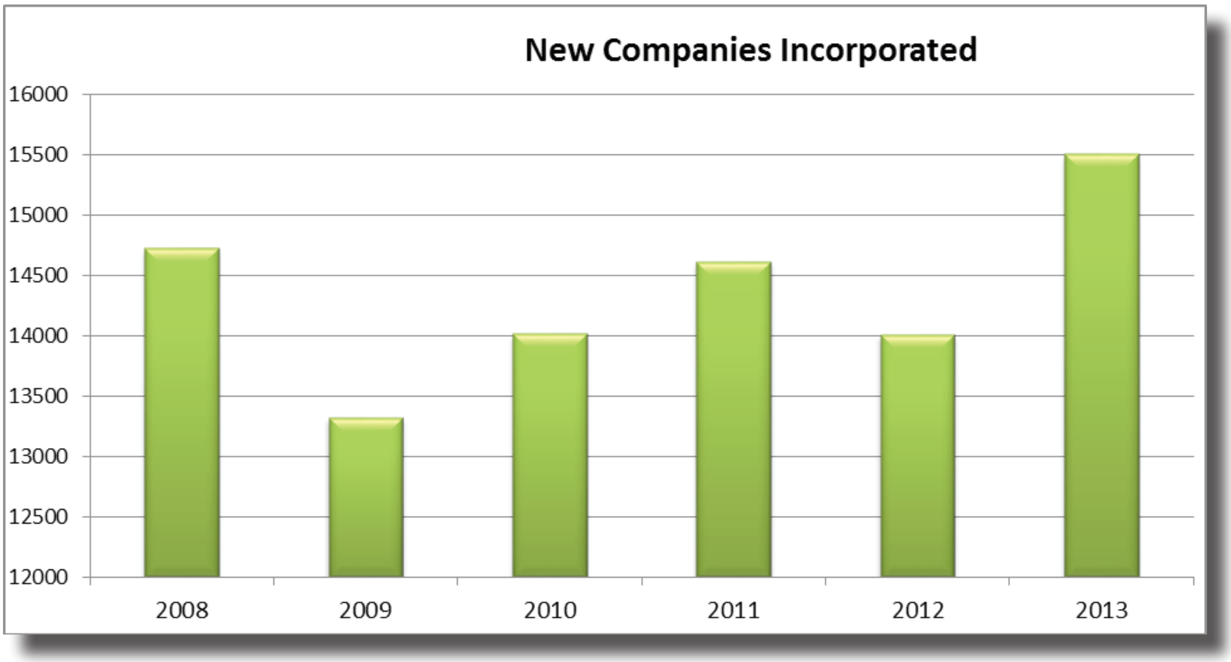
	2012	%	2013	%
Private Limited	158,666	85.97	161,071	86.07
Public Limited	1,717	0.93	1,706	0.91
Unlimited	4,202	2.27	4,324	2.31
Guarantee	15,600	8.45	15,461	8.26
External	4,340	2.35	4,552	2.43
EEIG	24	-	25	-
Total	184,549		187,139	

Note : this table excludes companies in the course of liquidation

Activity on the register of companies in 2013

	2012	2013	% +/-
Total New Companies Registered	14,009	15,506	+9.03
of which			
Private limited	13,104	14,727	+11.1
Public Limited	115	132	+12.9
Unlimited	236	180	-31.11
Guarantee	554	467	-18.62
Restorations			
By Companies within one year of strike off	679	638	
By the High Court or Circuit Court	148	140	
Companies Dissolved	14,049	13,583	
Net Change	+787	+2,701	

Total number of new companies incorporated in 2013:	15,506
Total number of companies dissolved during 2013:	13,583
Total number of companies restored to the register in 2013:	778
Number of single member companies on register:	53,167



Restoration of Companies to the Register

Section 311(8) and section 311A of the Companies Act, 1963, and section 12B(3) and section 12C of the Companies (Amendment) Act, 1982 provide for the restoration of a dissolved company to the Register of companies. A company may be restored to the Register by application to the:

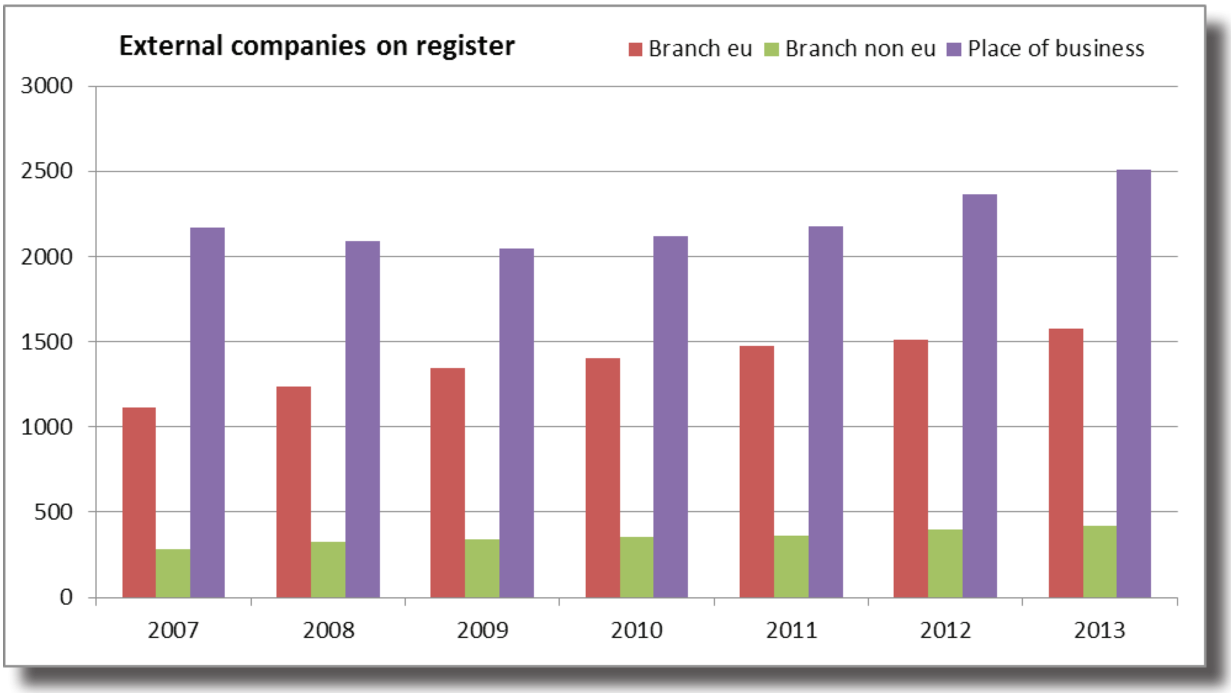
- High Court before twenty years have elapsed from the date of dissolution;
- Circuit Court before twenty years have elapsed from the date of dissolution, where the applicant is a creditor;
- Registrar of Companies before twelve months have elapsed from the date of dissolution, where the application is made by or on behalf of the company.

Year	Companies Restored to the Register	Companies on the Register	%
2008	834	184,306	0.5
2009	975	185,052	0.5
2010	659	185,608	0.35
2011	739	185,181	0.4
2012	827	184,549	0.4
2013	778	187,139	0.4

External Register

Companies on external register at 31 December 2013:

	2012	2013
Branches (EU)	1,576	1,622
Branches (Non-EU)	397	419
Place of business	2,367	2,511
Total on external register	4,340	4,552



Changes of Company Name

During 2013 a total of 1,808 company changes of name were approved. This figure includes companies which were directed to change name under Section 23 (2) of the Companies Act 1963. In 2012, there were 1,770 changes in company name and 1,905 in 2011.

Cross Border Mergers

3 companies were acquired using the Cross Border Merger legislation in 2013 while another 7 were absorbed. 3 further absorptions and 5 acquisitions were planned in 2013 but have not been completed to date.

21 companies have been acquired under the legislation to date. 49 absorptions have been completed to date.

Year	Completed Acquisitions	Completed Absorptions	New Company
2008	1	2	
2009	5	8	
2010	6	7	
2011	3	6	
2012	2	19	1
2013	4	7	

Societas Europaea

1 Societas Europaea was registered in 2013 having converted from a public limited company already on the register while another 1 Societas Europaea converted to a public limited company.

Year	IN	OUT	PLC
2008	1		
2009	2	2	
2010	4	0	
2011	0	1	
2012	2	0	2
2013	1		1

Investment Fund Migration

2 companies were registered in the State by way of continuation following inward migration under section 256F Companies Act 1990 as inserted by Section 3(j) of the Companies (Miscellaneous Provisions) Act 2009 in 2013

Year	Inward Migration
2010	1
2011	16
2012	2
2013	2

Permission To Omit "Limited"

In 2013 the following associations/companies were granted permission to omit "Limited" from their names:

AG EISTEACHT
AGAPE 4 LIFE
BRUDAZZO
CARE LEAVERS IRELAND
CHILDHOOD CANCER FOUNDATION
CHILDREN OF KOLKATA
CHURCHFIELD COMMUNITY TRUST
CP FAMILY SUPPORT SERVICES
DUNDALK MUSLIM COMMUNITY
EDMUND RICE INTERNATIONAL
EOLAS SOILEIR
FOODCLOUD
GALWAY BOTANIC GARDEN
GALWAY YOUTH ARTS ALLIANCE
GLOBAL PEACE FOUNDATION - IRELAND
HELLO WORLD FOUNDATION
INDO IRELAND HIGHER EDUCATION ORGANISATION
IRELAND TELUGUS WELFARE ASSOCIATION
IRISH GUILD OF SOMMELIERS
KILCULLEN COMMUNITY CHILDCARE AND EDUCATION CENTRE
LAW CENTRE FOR CHILDREN & YOUNG PEOPLE (IRELAND)
LOOK GOOD FEEL BETTER IRELAND
MUSIC FOR CHARITY
NATIONAL ADVOCACY SERVICE FOR PEOPLE WITH DISABILITIES
NCBI CHARITABLE FOUNDATION
NCBI RETAIL
NCBI SERVICES
PARNELL SQUARE FOUNDATION
POLISH SCOUTING ASSOCIATION
RATHFEIGH AND DISTRICT HISTORICAL SOCIETY
STEPHEN GATELY TRUST
THE EUNICE-UPENDO PROJECT
THE IRISH LITERARY TRUST
THE NORTHWEST NEUROLOGICAL INSTITUTE
THE STUDENT CHRISTIAN MOVEMENT IRELAND
TIGLIN CHALLENGE
TRUE BUDDHA ORGANISATION
UVERSITY
VISION SPORTS IRELAND

Enforcement Activities for 2013

Strike Off Process

Companies dissolved (struck off for failure to file returns)	7,077
Companies dissolved under Section 882 of Consolidated Finance Acts (Revenue Strikeoff)	346
Companies dissolved (voluntary strikeoff)	4,428

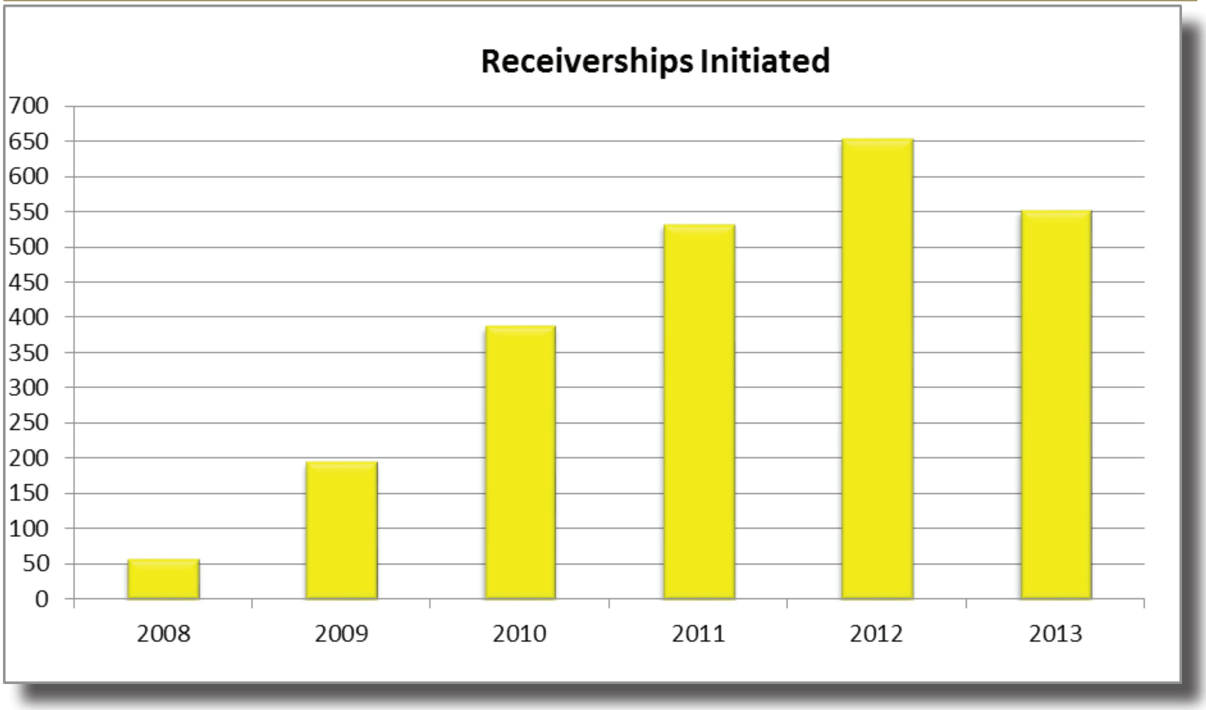
Company Prosecutions

Number of companies prosecuted	95
Number of companies convicted	55
Total amount of fines imposed	€35,000
Average fine imposed	€636

Solvency

Receiverships

	2012	2013
Number of companies in receivership at year end	1,790	2,140
Number of companies which went into receivership during year	654	553

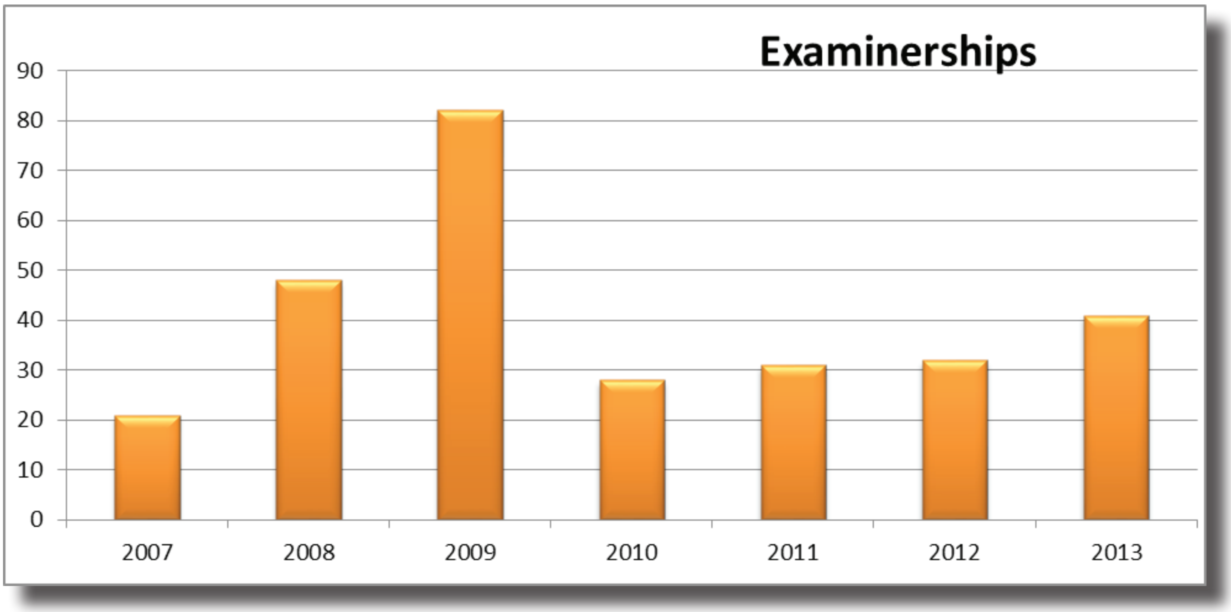


Examinership notifications received

	2011	2012	2013
Application to the court for the appointment of an examiner :	50	43	39
Court order appointing an examiner :	31	32	24
Court order appointing interim examiner :	27	16	15
Court order confirming scheme of arrangements :	10	18	15
Court order amending scheme of arrangements :	1	0	0
Court order ceasing protection from the court :	4	1	0
Examinerships in force at year end :	21	7	19

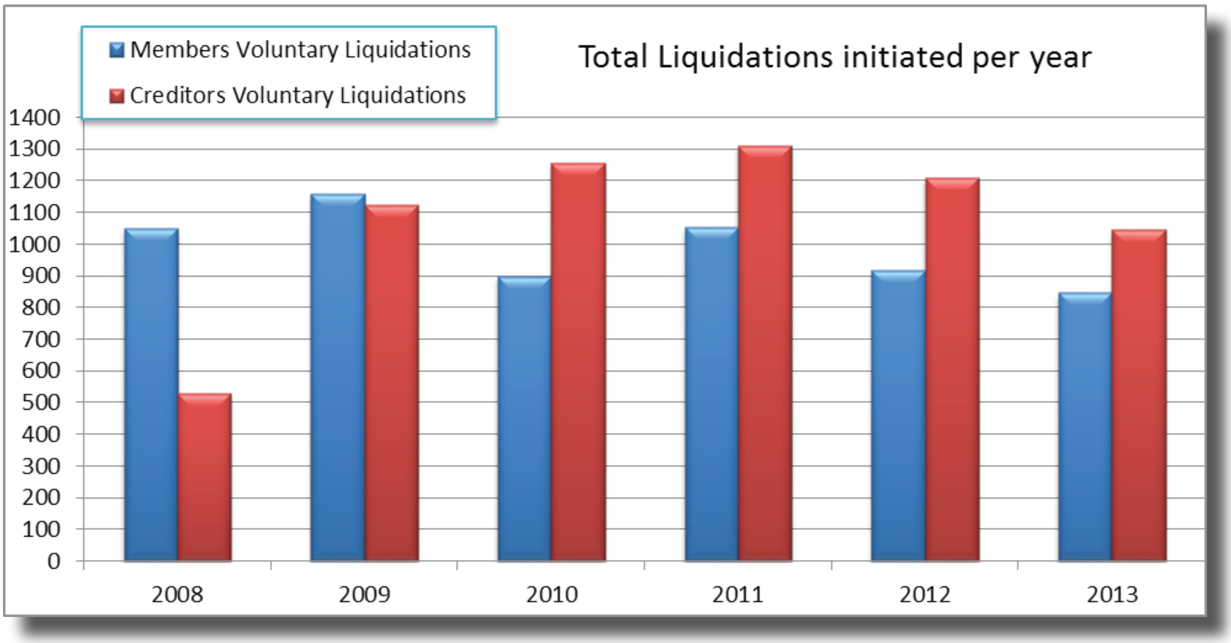
Examinerships

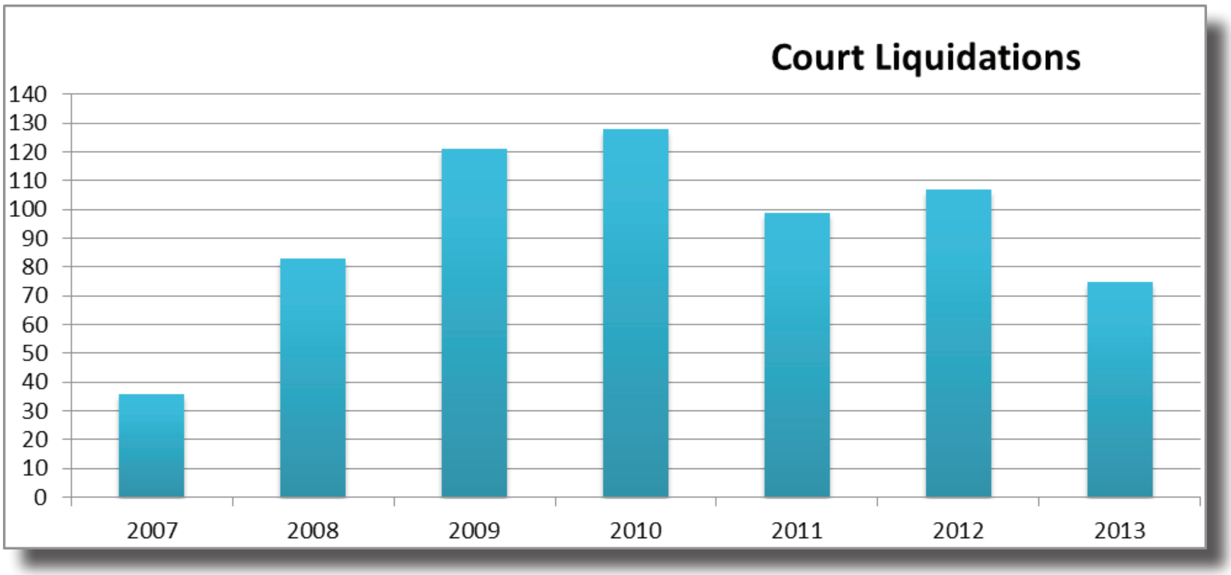
41 companies went into examinership in 2013. By year end, 18 had returned to normal status, 4 had entered court liquidation, two of which also entered receivership and 19 companies were in examinership.



Liquidations by type notified to CRO

	2011	2012	2013
Members Voluntary	1,054	919	848
Creditors Voluntary	1,311	1,210	1,043
Court Liquidations	99	107	76
Total	2,464	2,236	1,967





Companies in liquidation

Year	Number in course of liquidation
2010	6,287
2011	6,680
2012	7,938
2013	8,097

Notifications That Proper Books Were Not Kept

In accordance with the provisions of section 194 of the Companies Act 1990, the Registrar received notices in respect of the following companies during 2013:

Company Name	Company Number
BRENT CHEMICALS LIMITED	16881
GREEN WITH ENVY LIMITED	102182
RAVEN TRANSPORT LIMITED	102770
ALTHORNE LIMITED	137131
LOBAT LIMITED	174769
VINCENT BYRNE & SONS LIMITED	230907
T.T.I. (IRELAND) RALLY LIMITED	306186
AIRMID LIMITED	330095
TYRRELSTOWN NO 3 MANAGEMENT LIMITED	344301
TRADE EXCHANGE NETWORK LIMITED	352224
SEATEM (DONEGAL) LIMITED	362120
GRANTS COURT LIMITED	373310
BALLYMOTE CONSTRUCTION LIMITED	376232
BALLYHYLAND CONSTRUCTION SERVICES LIMITED	377870
THORNBERRY MANAGEMENT PROPERTY COMPANY NO. 2 LIMITED	398153
WORLDWIDE GPMS LIMITED	419887
TS TIERNEY CONSTRUCTION LIMITED	422279
INTRADE THE PREDICTION MARKET LIMITED	436732
BRINKHALL (ASHFORD) LIMITED	459167

Registration of Prospectuses

Prospectuses

The Investment Funds, Companies and miscellaneous provisions Act 2005 and SI 324 /2005 which gave effect to the Prospectus Directive 2003/71/EC were enacted in June 2005. All prospectuses over €2,500,000 require prior approval by the Central Bank. Only those relating to Irish registered companies may then be presented to the CRO for registration.

Local offers defined as such by being less than €2,500,000 whether for Irish or foreign registered companies should be presented to the CRO for registration.

Domestic Prospectuses over €2,500,000

130 companies registered in the state submitted prospectuses during the year. Prospectuses were registered by the following companies:

AIB MORTGAGE BANK
ALFA BOND ISSUANCE PUBLIC LIMITED COMPANY
ALLIED IRISH BANKS PUBLIC LIMITED COMPANY
AMETHYST STRUCTURED FINANCE PUBLIC LIMITED COMPANY
ARCADE FINANCE PUBLIC LIMITED COMPANY
BABSON CAPITAL MASTER FUNDING PUBLIC LIMITED COMPANY
BANK OF IRELAND MORTGAGE BANK
BAYONES ECA LIMITED
BEECHWOOD STRUCTURED FINANCE PUBLIC LIMITED COMPANY
BESAYA ECA LIMITED
BILKREDITT 4 LIMITED
BILKREDITT 5 LIMITED
BKM FINANCE LIMITED
BLUESTEP MORTGAGE SECURITIES NO. 2 LIMITED
BOOST ISSUER PUBLIC LIMITED COMPANY
BROOKFIELDS CAPITAL PUBLIC LIMITED COMPANY
BSPB FINANCE PUBLIC LIMITED COMPANY
CALYPSO CAPITAL II LIMITED
CARLYLE GLOBAL MARKET STRATEGIES EURO CLO 2013-2 LIMITED
CASTLE HILL ENHANCED FLOATING RATE OPPORTUNITIES LIMITED
CBOM FINANCE PUBLIC LIMITED COMPANY
CLOVERIE PUBLIC LIMITED COMPANY
CORSAIR FINANCE (IRELAND) LIMITED
CORSAIR FINANCE (IRELAND) NO. 6 LIMITED
CREDIT-LINKED ENHANCED ASSET REPACKAGINGS (C.L.E.A.R.) PUBLIC LIMITED COMPANY
CRH FINANCE LIMITED
CROWN MIDDLE MARKET BUYOUTS III PUBLIC LIMITED COMPANY
DBINVESTOR SOLUTIONS PUBLIC LIMITED COMPANY
DECO 2013-CSPK LIMITED
DME AIRPORT LIMITED

Domestic contd

EBS MORTGAGE FINANCE
EDC FINANCE LIMITED
EIRLES TWO LIMITED
EM FALCON LIMITED
EMERALD ASSET REPACKAGING LIMITED
EMERALD CAPITAL LIMITED
EPERON FINANCE PUBLIC LIMITED COMPANY
ESB FINANCE LIMITED
ESPACCIO SECURITIES PUBLIC LIMITED COMPANY
ESPIRITO SANTO INVESTMENT PUBLIC LIMITED COMPANY
FASTNET SECURITIES 9 LIMITED
FEDERAL GRID FINANCE LIMITED
FGA CAPITAL IRELAND PUBLIC LIMITED COMPANY
GERMAN RESIDENTIAL FUNDING 2013-1 LIMITED
GERMAN RESIDENTIAL FUNDING 2013-2 LIMITED
GLACIER SECURITIES LIMITED
GPB EUROBOND FINANCE PUBLIC LIMITED COMPANY
GREEN DEVELOPMENT VENTURES LIMITED
GREEN FIELDS II CAPITAL LIMITED
GREEN REIT PUBLIC LIMITED COMPANY
GREENSTREET STRUCTURED FINANCIAL PRODUCTS PUBLIC LIMITED COMPANY
GS SECURED FUNDING PUBLIC LIMITED COMPANY
GUARDIAN LOAN OPPORTUNITIES LIMITED
HARVEST CLO VII LIMITED
HIBERNIA REIT PUBLIC LIMITED COMPANY
IBERDROLA FINANCE IRELAND LIMITED
INDEPENDENT NEWS & MEDIA PUBLIC LIMITED COMPANY
IRIS II SPV LIMITED
LIBRETTO CAPITAL PUBLIC LIMITED COMPANY
LIGHTHOUSE TRADE FINANCE ISSUER I LIMITED
LUNAR FUNDING V PUBLIC LIMITED COMPANY
LUNAR FUNDING VII PUBLIC LIMITED COMPANY
MAGNOLIA FINANCE IX LIMITED
MAGNOLIA FINANCE V PUBLIC LIMITED COMPANY
MBA COMMUNITY LOANS PUBLIC LIMITED COMPANY
METALLOINVEST FINANCE LIMITED
MMC FINANCE LIMITED
NIMROD CAPITAL PUBLIC LIMITED COMPANY
NOMOS CAPITAL PUBLIC LIMITED COMPANY
NOVATEK FINANCE LIMITED
NOVUS CAPITAL PUBLIC LIMITED COMPANY
OPAL FINANCIAL PRODUCTS PUBLIC LIMITED COMPANY
PHOSAGRO BOND FUNDING LIMITED
PRBB LPN ISSUANCE LIMITED

Domestic contd

PREMIUM GREEN PUBLIC LIMITED COMPANY
PROFILE FINANCE PUBLIC LIMITED COMPANY
RECOLTE SECURITIES PUBLIC LIMITED COMPANY
REDCEDAR LIMITED
RENAISSANCE CONSUMER FUNDING LIMITED
ROSNEFT INTERNATIONAL FINANCE LIMITED
RUBRIKA FINANCE COMPANY LIMITED
RZD CAPITAL PUBLIC LIMITED COMPANY
SAJA ECA LIMITED
SALIX FINANCE LIMITED
SANTANDER INTERNATIONAL PRODUCTS PUBLIC LIMITED COMPANY
SCF RAHOITUSPALVELUT 2013 LIMITED
SECURED MULTI ASSET REPACKAGING TRUST PUBLIC LIMITED COMPANY
SHAMROCK CAPITAL PUBLIC LIMITED COMPANY
SIBUR SECURITIES LIMITED
SIGNUM FINANCE 1 PUBLIC LIMITED COMPANY
SIGNUM FINANCE II PUBLIC LIMITED COMPANY
SIGNUM FINANCE III PUBLIC LIMITED COMPANY
SIGNUM FINANCE V PUBLIC LIMITED COMPANY
SILVERSTATE FINANCIAL INVESTMENTS PUBLIC LIMITED COMPANY
SOURCE COMMODITY MARKETS PUBLIC LIMITED COMPANY
SOURCE PHYSICAL MARKETS PUBLIC LIMITED COMPANY
STARLING FINANCE PUBLIC LIMITED COMPANY
STEEL FUNDING LIMITED
STRATUS CAPITAL PUBLIC LIMITED COMPANY
TCS FINANCE LIMITED
TITANIUM CAPITAL PUBLIC LIMITED COMPANY
TRANSALP 1 SECURITIES PUBLIC LIMITED COMPANY
TRANSALP 2 SECURITIES PUBLIC LIMITED COMPANY
TRANSALP 3 SECURITIES PUBLIC LIMITED COMPANY
TRIPLE ENHANCED RATED NOTES (TERN) LIMITED
UBRD CAPITAL LIMITED
ULSTER BANK IRELAND LIMITED
URALKALI FINANCE LIMITED
VEB FINANCE PUBLIC LIMITED COMPANY
VESPUCCI STRUCTURED FINANCIAL PRODUCTS PUBLIC LIMITED COMPANY
VIGADO CAPITAL PUBLIC LIMITED COMPANY
VOYCE INVESTMENTS PUBLIC LIMITED COMPANY
VPB FUNDING LIMITED
VTB EURASIA LIMITED
VTB-LEASING CAPITAL LIMITED
WATERFORD CAPITAL INVESTMENTS PUBLIC LIMITED COMPANY
WAVES FINANCIAL INVESTMENTS PUBLIC LIMITED COMPANY
XELO II PUBLIC LIMITED COMPANY

Domestic contd

XELO III PUBLIC LIMITED COMPANY
XELO IV PUBLIC LIMITED COMPANY
XELO PUBLIC LIMITED COMPANY
XELO V PUBLIC LIMITED COMPANY
XELO VI LIMITED
XELO VII LIMITED
XENON CAPITAL PUBLIC LIMITED COMPANY

Local Offerings – Domestic

ANALOG DEVICES INTERNATIONAL
CANADA LIFE GROUP SERVICES LIMITED
DPS ENGINEERING HOLDINGS LIMITED
JTI IRELAND LIMITED
NORISH PUBLIC LIMITED COMPANY
PRAMERICA SYSTEMS IRELAND LIMITED
THE CONCENTRATE MANUFACTURING COMPANY OF IRELAND

Purchase of Own Shares

During 2013, the Registrar received 255 notifications to purchase their own shares from the following 205 companies:

ABSOLUTE TECHNICAL SOLUTIONS LIMITED
ACCENTURE PUBLIC LIMITED COMPANY
ALLEGION PUBLIC LIMITED COMPANY
ANORD CONTROL SYSTEMS LIMITED
AQUA FIRE PREVENTION LIMITED
ARCWELL DEVELOPMENTS LIMITED
ARE DIRECT SALES MANAGEMENT LIMITED
ASHBROOK FACILITY MANAGEMENT LIMITED
ASLEYCOURT INVESTMENTS LIMITED
ASSET FINANCE AND MORTGAGE COMPANY LIMITED
AUTOBIZ LIMITED
BAKU GLS LIMITED
BALBRIGGAN TEXTILES LIMITED
BALLYMACKEN MACHINERY RENTAL HOLDING LIMITED
BEECHILL GROWERS LIMITED
BEECHWOOD HOUSE NURSING HOME LIMITED
BERANSON LIMITED
BERKLEY PROPERTIES LIMITED
BITBUZZ LIMITED
BLACKSHELL FARM LIMITED
BLOODSTOCK BUSINESS AGENTS IRELAND LIMITED
BLUENET LIMITED
BRESCO LIMITED
BUGGY FOODS LIMITED
BUSSCHOTS HOLDING LIMITED
BUIOCHAS TEORANTA
C. AND S. PLANT LIMITED
C.J.K. ELECTRICAL LIMITED
CAPEL ABBEY LIMITED
CARTHAGO VALUE INVEST SE
CAUSEWAY SOFTWARE SOLUTIONS LIMITED
CDGA ENGINEERING CONSULTANTS LIMITED
CEREAL FEEDS LIMITED
CHARLES KELLY LIMITED
CHRISTY ROBINSON TYRE SERVICES LIMITED
CLEAN HABIT LIMITED
CLINCH WEALTH MANAGEMENT LIMITED
CLYLIM PROPERTIES LIMITED
CMG INTERACTIVE LIMITED
COLLERANS BUTCHERS (GALWAY) LIMITED
COLOUR CENTRAL LIMITED

Purchase of Own Shares contd

COMMERCIAL ENERGY RATINGS LIMITED
COMSAT ASSOCIATES LIMITED
CORBAL WOOD LIMITED
CORK SCAFFOLDING (CSC) LIMITED
CORRIB FINANCE LIMITED
COUNTY MAYO RADIO LIMITED
CRASHED LIMITED
CSC CONSTRUCTION LIMITED
DAINGEAN JOINERY LIMITED
DAWN RAIDERS LIMITED
DELTA VALVES AND PLASTICS LIMITED
DES BYRNE PAINTING CONTRACTORS LIMITED
DISTILLED MEDIA GROUP LIMITED
DOCAL LIMITED
DONAL MC MONAGAIL AGUS A MHIC TEORANTA
DOOLEYS MERCHANTS LIMITED
DOUBLEODESIGN IRELAND LIMITED
DOUBLEODESIGN LIMITED
DUNFOX LIMITED
DUNNES BUILDING SERVICES LIMITED
DWN INSTRUMENTATION LIMITED
E FULFILMENT ONLINE LIMITED
EASYDOESIT LIMITED
EDMOND G. BUCKLEY LIMITED
ELAN CORPORATION PUBLIC LIMITED COMPANY
EMUTEX LIMITED
EUROSCAPE GARDEN DESIGN LIMITED
EXCELSYS TECHNOLOGIES LIMITED
F.L.I. INTERNATIONAL LIMITED
FAHRENHEIT PLUMBING AND HEATING LIMITED
FINLAYS OF ARDEE LIMITED
FINN'S PRECISION COMPANY LIMITED
FLEXITECH LIMITED
FORT PLANT SALES LIMITED
FUTURE ANALYTICS CONSULTING LIMITED
G. A. STEVENS & SON LIMITED
GATECASTLE CONSTRUCTION LIMITED
GLOBAL INDEMNITY PUBLIC LIMITED COMPANY
GOLDCORE LIMITED
GRANT ENGINEERING (IRELAND) LIMITED
GREEDMONKEY LIMITED
GREEN ROAD GREYHOUND COMPANY LIMITED
GSMEXCHANGE.COM LIMITED
GTO MARKETING

Purchase of Own Shares contd

HAIR CREATIONS LIMITED
HAMBISANA MEDIA & TECHNOLOGY LIMITED
HARRINGTONS CONFECTIONERS LIMITED
HERITAGE ISLAND LIMITED
HIGH VOLTAGE OPERATIONAL TRAINING AND CONSULTANCY LIMITED
HILLVIEW MOTORS (KINGSCOURT) LIMITED
HOLLYBROOK MOTORS LIMITED
HOOPER DOLAN INSURANCES LIMITED
HORSEWARE PRODUCTS LIMITED
HTAMRETFA LIMITED
I F G GROUP PUBLIC LIMITED COMPANY
ILEN MARINE (HOLDINGS) LIMITED
INDEPENDENT SENSORY SERVICES LIMITED
INSURANCES & GENERAL INVESTIGATION SERVICES LIMITED
INVESTMENT RADIO UK LIMITED
IRISH FENCING LIMITED
IRISH MORTGAGE CORPORATION LIMITED
IRISH PAYROLL ASSOCIATION LIMITED
IRISH SECURITY DISTRIBUTORS LIMITED
ISEP LIMITED
IT FORCE LIMITED
J.W. MCNULTY LIMITED
JAMES HEALY (BRASS-FOUNDERS-ENGINEERS) LIMITED
JAMES SPOLLEN LIMITED
JAVA REPUBLIC LIMITED
JDM PRODUCTS LIMITED
JOHN BANKS LIMITED
JOHN PATTON FROZEN FOODS LIMITED
JOSEPH MACNAMEE & COMPANY LIMITED
KEEN SIGHT OPTICIANS LIMITED
KENNEDY O'DONOVAN ELECTRONICS LIMITED
KILBUSH NURSERIES LIMITED
KILLARNEY PRECISION ENGINEERING LIMITED
KIRBY GROUP ENGINEERING LIMITED
KOG LOGISTICS LIMITED
KOOLGEN LIMITED
LARRY MASSEY LIMITED
LASER SHIPPING COMPANY LIMITED
LAUNDRY MACHINE RENTALS LIMITED
LEANORT LIMITED
LIMERICK SPECSAVERS LIMITED
LKS DISPOSALS LIMITED
M & M WALSHE HOLDINGS LIMITED
M.J. HEALY DISTRIBUTIONS LIMITED

Purchase of Own Shares contd

M.J.F. (HOLDINGS) LIMITED
MALLINCKRODT PUBLIC LIMITED COMPANY
MARIGOT LIMITED
MARRAKESH LIMITED
MARTIN CAHILL LIMITED
MARTIN FOOD EQUIPMENT LIMITED
MATHEWS AGRICULTURAL SERVICES LIMITED
MAYO MOVIE WORLD LIMITED
MBC PRODUCTS (IRELAND) LIMITED
MCGEOUGH'S FUNERALS LIMITED
MEADOWCOURT HOMES LIMITED
MIQUEL FOTO LAB LIMITED
MONSET LIMITED
MOSH GROUP LIMITED
MSL ENGINEERING LIMITED
MURRAY SURGICAL LIMITED
NATIONAL ORGANIC 160 PRODUCTS LIMITED
NORTH WEST KERRY TRANSPORT LIMITED
NOW A TOW C.N.C. MACHINING CO. LIMITED
NSSL LIMITED
NXSYSTEMS LIMITED
O'CONNELL PLANT HIRE (GRENAGH) LIMITED
O'DRISCOLL O'NEIL (LIFE & PENSIONS) LIMITED
O'DRISCOLL O'NEIL LIMITED
OLDTOWN ENGINEERING COMPANY LIMITED
ONLINE WEB ACCOUNTING LIMITED
ONYX SECURITY SERVICES LIMITED
ORCAN LIMITED
OZZIES DINER LIMITED
P. MCCORMACK BUILDING CONTRACTORS LIMITED
P.J. REYNOLDS & SONS (ELECTRICIANS) LIMITED
PCTI TECHNOLOGIES LIMITED
PEACHPARK LIMITED
PETER ROCHE CONSTRUCTION LIMITED
PHONE PULSE LIMITED
PHOTOVALUE LIMITED
PHT ALTERNATIVES LIMITED
PLC INGREDIENTS LIMITED
POWER & MURPHY INVESTMENTS LIMITED
PROCESS AND INDUSTRIAL PIPING ENGINEERING LIMITED
RAYKEL LIMITED
RIVERCROSS DEVELOPMENTS LIMITED
ROBIN FLIGHT LIMITED
RUSSELL CURRAN PRODUCTIONS LIMITED

Purchase of Own Shares contd

SANDWICH STALL LIMITED
SCANCOR LIMITED
SEACLAIDI NA SCEILGE TEORANTA
SEAGATE TECHNOLOGY PUBLIC LIMITED COMPANY
SHEERAGH WIND LIMITED
SKEHANAGH WIND FARM LIMITED
STAINLESS CRAFT LIMITED
STAMFORD DEVICES LIMITED
START COMPUTING LIMITED
STATIONERY EXPRESS (IRELAND) LIMITED
STERIPACK LIMITED
STREAM SOLUTIONS LIMITED
STURDY PRODUCTS LIMITED
SURESKILLS LIMITED
SWALLOW FLIGHT LIMITED
TARREA QUEEN ENTERPRISES LIMITED
THE HIVE ADVERTISING LIMITED
THE KELLEHER CLOTHING CO. LIMITED
THE KENMARE SALMON COMPANY LIMITED
THE NORTHERN STANDARD, LIMITED
THE TRAVEL DEPARTMENT HOLDINGS
THESAURUS SOFTWARE LIMITED
TIMLIN CONSTRUCTION LIMITED
TORLINE SERVICES LIMITED
TVC HOLDINGS PUBLIC LIMITED COMPANY
W. & H. STEEL & ROOFING SYSTEMS LIMITED
WATERMILL MUSIC LIMITED
WEALTH AND PROPERTY SOLUTIONS LIMITED
WEBTRADE LIMITED
WESTERN POWER LIMITED
WEXFORD INFORMATION SYSTEMS ENGINEERING LIMITED
WHF. KING LIMITED
WILLIAM MCCARTHY LIMITED
ZUTEC INC. (IRELAND) LIMITED

European Economic Interest Groupings

There was one new EEIG registered in 2013.

The following is a list of all EEIGs registered:

AMEC HEGARTY JV EEIG, Co PJ Hegarty & Sons, Carrolls Quay, Cork
AQUACULTURE, INITIATIVE EEIG, Crofton House, Crofton Road, Dun Laoghaire, Co Dublin.
AVIVA EUROPE SERVICE EEIG, One Park Place, Hatch Street, Dublin 2
CARRIGRENNAN CIVIL JV EEIG, C/O P.J. Hegarty & Sons, Connolly Quay, Cork.
CONCORD CONSTRUCTION & PROPERTY CONSULTANTS EEIG, Slanelough, Ashford, Co Wicklow.
DELL COMPUTER EEIG, Innovation House, Cherrywood Science and Technology Park, Dublin 18.
DIAMONDDIAL EEIG, 7th Floor, Hume House, Ballsbridge, Dublin 4.
EBAS-AGRO EEIG, Capuchin Friary, Church Street, Dublin 7
ECOM EEIG, Port Road, Letterkenny, Co Donegal.
ECRIA EUROPEAN ECONOMIC INTEREST GROUPING, 4 South Anne Street, Dublin 2, Ireland.
ERNACT. EEIG, Lifford, Co. Donegal.
FIRSTINVEST INTERNATIONAL EUROPEAN ECONOMIC INTEREST GROUPING, 7th Floor, Hume House, Ballsbridge, Dublin 4
GROUP FOR EUROPEAN EDUCATION EEIG, Mount Kennett House, Henry Street, Limerick.
HVBS EEIG, Capuchin Friary, Church Street, Dublin 7.
IGROW - INTEGRATED TECHNOLOGIES AND SERVICES FOR SUSTAINABLE GROWTH EUROPEAN ECONOMIC INTEREST GROUPING(EEIG), Invent DCU, Dublin City University, Glasnevin, Dublin 9
METLIFE SERVICE EEIG, 20 on Hatch, Lower Hatch Street, Dublin 2
PLUSCHEM EEIG, NCC House, Lower Leeson Street, Dublin 2.
PYRAMOS EEIG, 11 Woodbine Park, Blackrock, Co. Dublin.
SEAFOOD DEVELOPMENTS EEIG, BIM HQ. P.O. Box 12, Crofton Road, Dun Laoghaire, Co. Dublin.
STRABANE/LIFFORD DEVELOPMENT COMMISSION EEIG, Lifford, Co Donegal.
SYSTEMS 2020 EEIG, Timberland, Tomriland Crosslands, Roundwood, Co. Wicklow
TORUS INTERNATIONAL ACCOUNTANCY EUROPEAN ECONOMIC INTEREST GROUPING, 30 Lower Leeson Street, Dublin 2.
TORUS INTERNATIONAL LEGAL EUROPEAN ECONOMIC INTEREST GROUPING, 30 Lower Leeson Street, Dublin 2.
VALMARIP EEIG, 29 Upper Mount Street, Dublin 2.
WORLD 3B2 CONSORTIUM EEIG, 7a Carrickbrennan Road, Monkstown, Co Dublin.

Limited Partnerships

Limited Partnerships registered during 2013: 45
Total registered at period end: 978

The following Limited Partnerships were registered in the year to 31 December 2013:

DBLM Solutions
Ark Events
Middle Calf Partnership
Breedwatch Capital
Mala Global Private Equity Funf L.P.
Sign Hippo
The Blarney Castle Estate
Heffernan Family Limited Partnership
SBCT Investments
O'Donnell Family Partnership
DSMCM Partnership
MK JI Holdings LP
801 Boylston (Ireland) No.1 Limited Partnership
801 Boylston (Ireland) No.2 Limited Partnership
Intercall SOSv Limited Partnership
The Dori Limited Partnership
Jackson-Ireland
352 Newbury (Ireland) Limited Partnership
342 Newbury (Ireland) Limited Partnership
Northumberland real Estate Limited Partnership
The Bank of Ireland Kernel Capital Growth Fund (ROI)
The Green River Limited Partnership
D.Moran, Driving School
Icanix Capital Fund I Limited Partnership
TW Limited Partnership Limited
SOSventures Ireland Fund
Hibernian Haddington Partnership
Barla Limited Partnership
China Ireland Growth Technology Fund, L.P.
The Bank Of Ireland Kernel Capital Growth Fund (NI)
Millennium Three Partnership
The IDV Developments Limited Partnership
Zombie Computer
The BDO Development Capital Fund
Irish Investors Capvest III Limited Partnership
1999 Co-Investment Limited Partnership 2011
Co-Investment Limited Partnership Number 2001 A5
Conroy Limited Partnership The
iNua Little Island Partnership The

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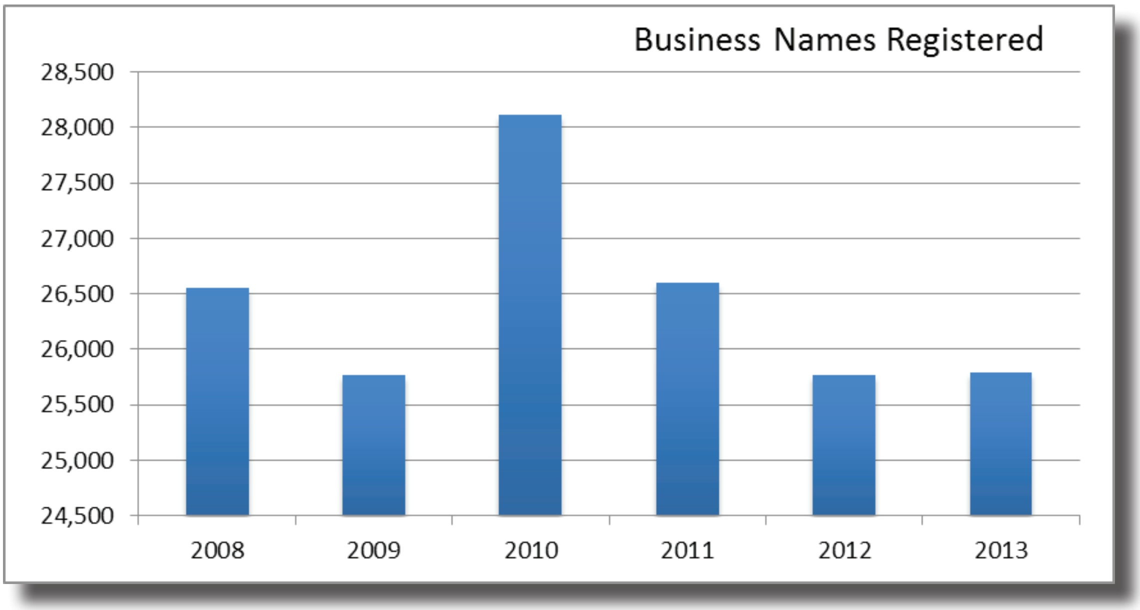
Barrington Development Limited Partnership
De Paor Hibernian
2001 Co-Investment Limited Partnership
Berber Bloom
O'Reilly Brothers Environmental
Secondary Acquisitions I Limited Partnership

Registration of Business Names Act 1963

Make up of Register and Activity on the Register

Changes in the register	2012	2013
New registrations	25,766	25,795
Statement of changes in the registered particulars	2,007	1,850
Cessations	2,552	2,329
Total on register at year end	430,365	453,782

The CRO continues to receive a large number of applications to register business names. The chart below shows the number of new business names registered since 2008.



Disqualifications and restrictions of directors and other persons

Disqualifications - Section 160 Companies Act 1990 (as amended by section 42 Company Law Enforcement Act 2001)

By year end 3,951 persons were on the register of disqualified persons.

Restrictions under section 150 of the Companies Act 1990

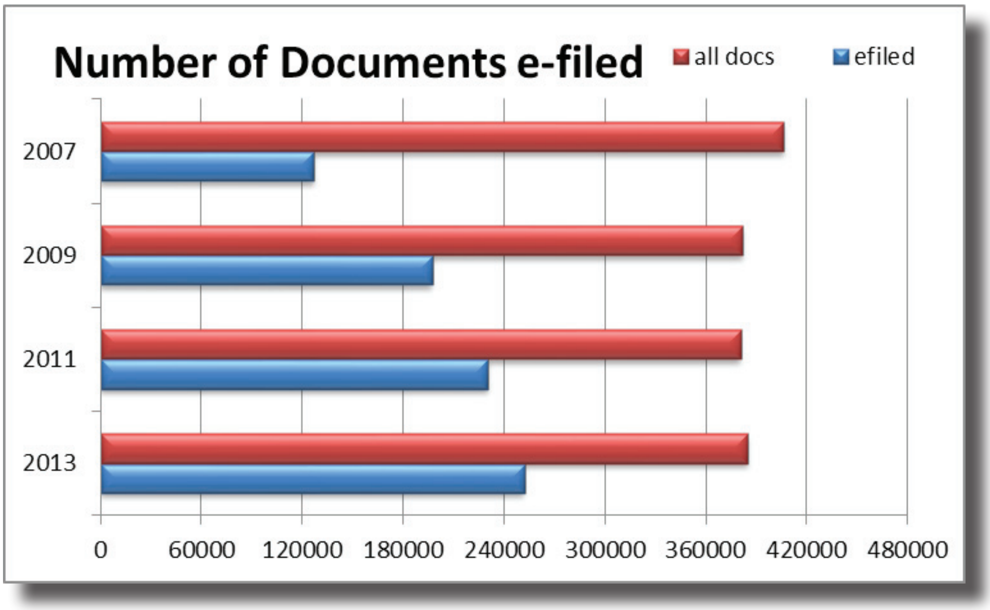
767 persons were on the restricted persons register at the end of 2013.

The disqualified and restricted registers can be searched online at www.cro.ie. This facility is updated daily.

Document Processing

Submissions Filed During The Year

Submission Type	2009	2010	2011	2012	2013
New Company	13,573	14,060	14,723	14,604	15,594
Annual Return	174,540	170,017	170,036	169,990	173,257
Change of Name	2,093	1,980	2,032	1,902	1,856
Change of Address	15,810	14,119	14,001	12,760	13,097
Change in Directors	65,099	64,354	66,755	63,601	67,581
Nomination of change of Annual Return Date	9,124	7,132	6,969	6,944	7,261
Authorisation of Electronic Filing Agent	10,123	7,920	8,819	6,551	6,236
Auditors Notice before company claims audit	2,703	2,129	1,528	1,325	1,366
Notice of appointment of receiver	244	477	624	790	663
Receivers Abstract	362	718	1,418	2,104	3,159
Notice of Receiver ceasing to act	16	27	26	107	144
Special Resolution to wind up and appoint a Liquidator	1,187	956	1,103	1,055	896
Special resolution to Wind up	158	128	114	98	148
Special resolution to appoint a liquidator	13	0	9	9	6
Liquidator’s Statement of Account	1,219	1,565	1,483	1,799	1,971
Liquidator’s Account	1,517	1,882	2,435	2,443	3,544
Liquidator’s Affidavit	2,063	2,016	3,052	3,249	4,694
Final Winding up meeting - Members & Creditors	250	495	558	693	1,000
Final Winding up meeting – Members	970	1,073	915	1,098	947
Declaration of Solvency	1,163	901	1,061	926	854
Creditors’ resolution to appoint/confirm liquidator	75	62	140	67	47
Court Order to wind up and appoint Liquidator	132	136	103	113	81
Court Order to appoint provisional Liquidator	21	6	6	10	5
Ordinary resolution to Wind up & appoint liquidator	866	1,029	1,128	938	820
Notice that no creditors Resolution was passed	125	60	71	69	46
Notice of Appointment of a liquidator	2,266	2,086	2,463	2,145	1,831
Notice of application to appoint an examiner	115	41	50	43	41
Court order appointing examiner	84	29	31	32	29
Restriction of Company Secretary/Director - S 150	80	154	109	240	120
Request for Voluntary strikeoff	2660	5,306	5,614	4,642	4,248
Charge	6,996	5,920	6,151	6,964	7,207
Satisfaction of charge	4,097	3,982	3,171	3,474	5,272
Resignation of Auditor	2,086	2,072	3,069	3,435	2,465
Report that proper books not kept	34	28	15	20	19
Removal of Auditor	36	31	38	35	63
Notice of location of register of Members	452	899	604	405	538
Notice of increase in Nominal Capital	358	373	395	260	351
Change to Single Member Company	2,396	2,449	2,451	2,801	2,374
Change from Single Member Company	836	982	980	979	1,067
Application by plc to commence business	25	16	11	8	13
Amended memorandum and Articles	117	104	77	71	11
Alteration to Memo & Arts	5,560	5,070	5,062	4,787	4,978
Allotment of Shares	5,140	4,933	4,829	4,753	4,871
Cross Border Merger Applications	13	17	27	15	11
Societas Europaea documents	7	5	7	10	5
Inward Migration	-	5	14	3	2
Other Submissions	14,816	14,176	14,868	14,943	14,649
Total Submissions; Companies Acts	350, 621	327,754	349,145	343,310	355,438
Business Names	31,174	31,591	31,517	31,056	29,991
Total	381,795	373,515	380,662	374,366	385,429



Unregistered submissions

	Dec 2009	Dec 2010	Dec 2011	Dec 2012	Dec 2013
All Companies	708,133	698,468	658,155	546,137	496,648
Live Companies Only	361,279	330,132	266,383	151,646	94,169

APPENDIX 2
FINANCE

Fees Paid in Respect of Registered Companies in 2013

	2012 €	2013 €
Late Filing Penalties	11.35m	10.61m
Submission Fees	7.32m	7.084m
Enquiry charges and Bulk data customers & Misc	1.14m	1.389m
Total	19.81m	19.394m

Fees Paid in Respect of the Registration of Business Names

in 2007	€ 870,735
in 2008	€ 713,855
in 2009	€ 643,145
in 2010	€ 638,665
in 2011	€ 623,200
in 2012	€ 545,145
in 2013	€ 357,095

APPENDIX 3

REGISTRAR OF COMPANIES AND OTHER AUTHORISED PERSONS

Registrar of Companies	Ms. Helen Dixon
Assistant Registrar	Mr. Gerry Doyle
Assistant Registrar	Ms. Eileen O'Carroll
Assistant Registrar	Mr. Harry Lester
Legal Adviser	Ms. Nora Rice

Persons Authorised

The following persons were authorised as at 31st December 2013 pursuant to section 52(2) of the Companies (Amendment)(No.2) Act 1999, section 16 of the Registration of Business Names Act 1963 and section 15 of the Limited Partnerships Act 1907:

Ms. A. McCarron	Mr. P. Daly	Ms. S. Houlihan
Ms. A. King	Mr. P. Porter	Ms. J. Doyle
Ms. B. Byrne	Ms. S. Clare	Ms. E. Nolan
Mr. P. Foran	Ms. I. Toomey	Ms. F. Yule
Ms. E. Kelly	Mr. G. Flood	Ms. E. Fitzgerald
Ms. D. Booth	Ms. B. Power	Mr. D. McDonnell
Ms. B. Furlong	Ms. M. Shortall	Mr. G. Doyle
Ms. M. Giblin	Mr. C. Donegan	Ms. C. Cole
Ms. L. O’Sullivan	Mr. W. Flynn	Mr. M. Williams
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