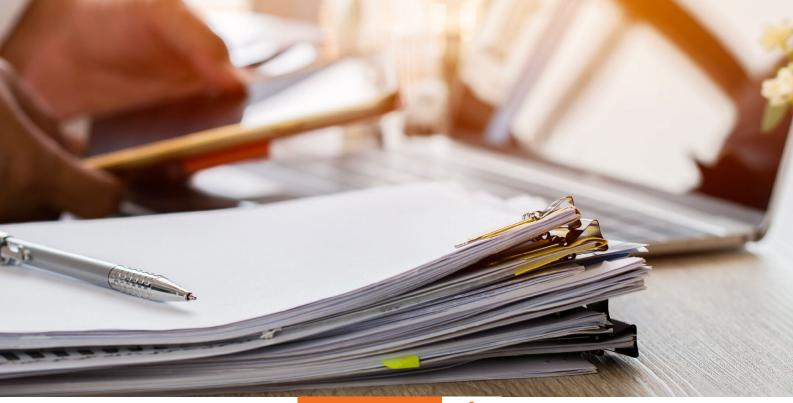


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# FILING ANNUAL RETURNS WITH UGANDA REGISTRATION SERVICE BUREAU

All companies registered with the Uganda Registration Services Bureau (URSB) are required to prepare and file Annual returns with URSB in accordance with Sections 132 and 133 of the Companies Act, 2012. Annual Returns show the changes that have been made in the company during the previous year, such as shareholding, membership, directorship and the company's registered office, secretary, among others.

Companies are required to file this return within forty-two (42) days after the annual general meeting (AGM) for the year as per Section 134(1) of the Companies Act. An AGM must be held once a year and not more than fifteen months should elapse between the date of the last AGM and the next.

# Notice issued by URSB

Recently, URSB issued a public notice requiring all companies to comply with their legal obligation to file all outstanding annual returns.

## **Requirements for filing returns**

Before filing the return, there are requirements that must be submitted and pre-requisite fees that must be paid. The requirements and fees vary depending on the type of company whose return is being filed. The requirements and fees are as follows:

No.	Type of company	Requirements	Pre-requisite fees
1.	A company limited by shares	Director's National ID's/passport bio data page	UGX 50,000 per year
2.	A company limited by guarantee	Director's National ID's/passport bio data page	UGX 30,000 per year
3.	A single member company	Director's National ID's/passport bio data page	UGX 50,000 per year
4.	A Foreign company incorporated in a non commonwealth country	Audited books of account	USD 55 per year
5.	A Foreign company incorporated in a commonwealth country	Exemption form signed in wet ink	USD 55 per year

## **Default Fine**

If a company fails to comply with this requirement, the company officers shall be held liable to a default fine of Uganda Shillings Five Hundred Thousand (UGX 500,000) and where such default continues for a period of five years, URSB may strike the company off the register.

Therefore, all companies are urged to file their returns with URSB within the specified timelines.



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