

## YOUR BUSINESS LICENSE, PERMIT, AND REGISTRATION

Illinois law requires persons in some professions and occupations to obtain a state license through the Department of Professional Regulation. 320 West Washington Street 3<sup>rd</sup> Floor LMUI Springfield, Illinois 62786.

The occupations and professions with an asterisk (\*) require continuing education.

Acupuncturists	* Optometrists
Architects	*Pharmacists/Pharmacies
Athletic Trainers	Physical Therapists
Barbers	*Physicians
*Chiropractors	Physicians Assistants
Collection Agencies	*Podiatrists
Controlled Substances	Private Alarm Contractors
*Cosmetologists	Private Detectives
*Dentists/Dental Hygienists	Private Security Contractors
Detection of Deception	Professional Boxing/Wrestling
* Dietitians/Nutrition Counselors	*Professional Counselors/Clinical
* Estheticians	Professional Counselors
Environmental Health Practitioners	Professional Engineers
*Funeral Directors/Embalmers	Professional Geologists
Home Medical Equipment and Service Providers	Professional Service Corporations
Interior Designers	Psychologists
Land Surveyors	*Public Accountants
Landscape Architects	Roofers
Locksmiths	Respiratory Care Practitioners
*Marriage and Family Therapists	*Shorthand Reporters
Medical Corporations	*Social Workers
*Nail Technicians	Speech-Language Pathologists/ Audiologists
Naprapaths	Structural Engineers
Nurses	*Veterinarians
*Nursing Home Administrators	Wholesale Drug Distributors
Occupational Therapists	

### ORGANIZING YOUR BUSINESS

There are various ways to organize your business in Illinois. They are Sole Proprietorship, Partnerships (General, Limited, Registered Limited Liability), Limited Liability Company, Corporation (C and S).

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Sole proprietorships and partnerships must register with the county clerk when the business uses a name other than the owner(s) full legal name. This is the Assumed Name Act.

**COUNTY CLERKS OFFICES**

Cook	312-603-5652
DuPage	630-407-5500
DeKalb	815-895-7156
Kane	630-232-5950
Kendall	630-553-4104
McHenry	815-334-4242
Will	815-740-4615

**ZONING, PERMITS, LOCAL RESTRICTIONS**

At the city, local village, township or county level, some communities require businesses to be licensed or registered and to comply with local zoning requirements. Some businesses need health department inspections and permits.

Before buying or leasing property for your business, verify that it meets zoning codes. If your location requires construction or modification, you may need building permits from the city or county. These requirements also apply to home based businesses.

<i>County Offices</i>	<i>Zoning</i>	<i>Building Permits</i>
Cook	312-603-0500	312-603-0500
DuPage	630-407-6700	312-407-6700
DeKalb	815-895-7188	815-895-7188
Kane	630-232-3492	630-232-3485
Kendall	630-553-4141	630-553-4141
McHenry	815-334-4560	815-334-4560
Will	815-774-3321	815-774-3321

See your telephone directory for your building and zoning officials.

**BUSINESS PERMITS, REGISTRATIONS, LICENSES**

Some communities require businesses within their borders to get a permit to business in their community. Annual registration fees are often assessed and collected by the local community. A certificate of compliance is often required to be posted at the business site.