

Civil Partnership**1. Purpose**

Operation of a small business.

2. Founders

Must be established by *at least two persons*.

3. Minimum capital

N/A

4. Legal personality

None. It is the partners, not the partnership itself, who are the operator. A civil partnership is set up according to the general principles of Civil Law.

5. Liability

Each partner is jointly liable for the debts and obligations of the partnership without limit to the extent of his or her entire property.

6. Taxation

PIT Declaration - Personal Income Tax

7. Establishment process

In order to be effective, a deed of partnership must be executed in writing; each partner is obliged to register as an entrepreneur in the Business Activity Register (*Ewidencja działalności gospodarczej*).

8. Additional requirements for foreign investors

International agreements on reciprocity should be in place. Otherwise, a foreign investor is required to present a certificate issued by the competent Polish representation abroad stating that, in accordance with the principle of reciprocity, that Polish entrepreneurs are permitted to conduct business activity in the country in which the investor has permanent residency or a registered office.

Foreign investors from the EU or from the countries which are the members of European Free Trade Agreement (EFTA) and belong to European Economic Area are able to run business activity on the same basis which apply to Polish citizens.

9. Representation of a partnership

Each partner has the right to represent the company.