

Directors' Report Waiver

Section 248 & 248A of the Companies (Guernsey) Law, 2008 (as amended)

The Companies (Guernsey) Law, 2008 requires that 'the directors of every company shall prepare a directors' report for each of the company's financial years unless the company is exempt from this duty under the provisions of section 248A.'

Some companies are automatically exempt from this duty, some will need to pass a waiver resolution if they wish to be exempt, and some are not eligible for exemption.

<u>Automatic exemption</u>

The Companies (Directors' Report Exemptions) Regulations, 2015 made under section 248 (4) of the Companies (Guernsey) Law, 2008 exempts the directors of certain non-regulated companies automatically from the duty to prepare a directors' report without the need to file a waiver resolution.

Directors of companies which fulfil both criteria 1 and 2 below are automatically exempt from the duty to prepare a directors' report, and **do not need to file a waiver resolution**:

- 1. Companies where the resident agent is an individual director of the company who is resident in Guernsey and is not the holder of a personal fiduciary licence or acting as director of the company in contravention of the Regulation of Fiduciaries, Administration Businesses and Company Directors, etc (Bailiwick of Guernsey) Law, 2000, and
- 2. where all the equity share capital of the company is held by the directors, as **beneficial** owners, or any close relatives of the directors, as beneficial owners.

Exemption by waiver resolution:

If the company does not meet the requirements for automatic exemption, a waiver resolution must be filed if the directors wish to be exempt from the duty to prepare directors' reports.

The members of a supervised company (within the meaning of section 530 of the Companies (Guernsey) Law, 2008) may not pass a waiver resolution of this type and therefore their directors cannot be exempt from the duty to prepare a directors' report.

A sample directors' report waiver resolution is overleaf. Details of how to file the resolution online are available here: Filing Resolutions Online - guidance

All waiver resolutions must be filed with the Registry within 30 days of being passed.



Exemption from duty to prepare directors' report Section 248A of the Companies (Guernsey) Law, 2008

Members Resolution (directors' report waiver)

Company name:					
Company number:					
Registered office details:					
Resolution in accordance with sec Law, 2008 of the members of the co		•		dd/mm/yy	
Waiver of requirement for direct	ors to prepare a dir	ectors'	report		
IT WAS RESOLVED pursuant to se the company waives the require rectors' report.			-	-	
This members resolution shall app	ply as follows:				
Indefinitely:	or				
N.B if the resolution exempts the company for crelates. If the financial year is the company's first			before the first fina	ncial year to which it	
For the financial year ending:	dd/mm/y	Y	or		
N.B. if it relates to only one financial year then t it relates. If the financial year is the company's				the financial year to w	hich'
For the financial years ending:	dd/mm/yy	to	dd/mm/yy		
N.B if the resolution relates to more than one fi the financial year, or one of the financial years					es. If
IT WAS FURTHER RESOLVED to Companies.	file a copy of	the res	solution with	the Registrar	· of
For and on behalf of:		,	Signature		

Please submit this resolution, with the necessary fee, to the Guernsey Registry using the online services portal or by post. The fee is £10 for an online submission and £20 for a paper submission.