



## Steps to Starting a Business in Arizona

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### Choose a business name

Search the Arizona Corporation Commission, the U.S. Patent Office, and the internet to see if your name is already being used.



### Purchase a web domain

Domain names are separate from registration with the Arizona Corporation Commission or the Secretary of State.

### Create your business entity

- Reserve your business name at [www.ecorp.azcc.gov](http://www.ecorp.azcc.gov). (optional)
- Choose an entity type (corporation, nonprofit corporation, or LLC)
- Submit Articles to create a corporation or LLC
- Go to [www.azsos.gov](http://www.azsos.gov) to register a trade name (optional)

### Contact the Arizona Department of Revenue & Internal Revenue Service

- Check with the Arizona Department of Revenue for transaction privilege tax application information.
- Contact the Internal Revenue Service to obtain an employer identification number or tax identification number.



### Licensing and Financing

- Check with your city and county for licensing requirements.
- Open a business bank account.

***For more information on forming your business, visit eCorp at [www.azcc.gov](http://www.azcc.gov).  
This is a general guide. You may need to seek legal advice for your particular situation.***