



# BUSINESS SETUP DUBAI



*A Legal Touch To Business Approach...*



Business Friendly Host



# DUBAI- YOUR INVESTMENT FRIENDLY HUB

**DUBAI-** a leading destination for investment in the Middle East and MENA region, provides investors and business enthusiasts tremendous opportunity in the field of tourism, technology, energy, manufacturing, trade, e-commerce, real estate among others.



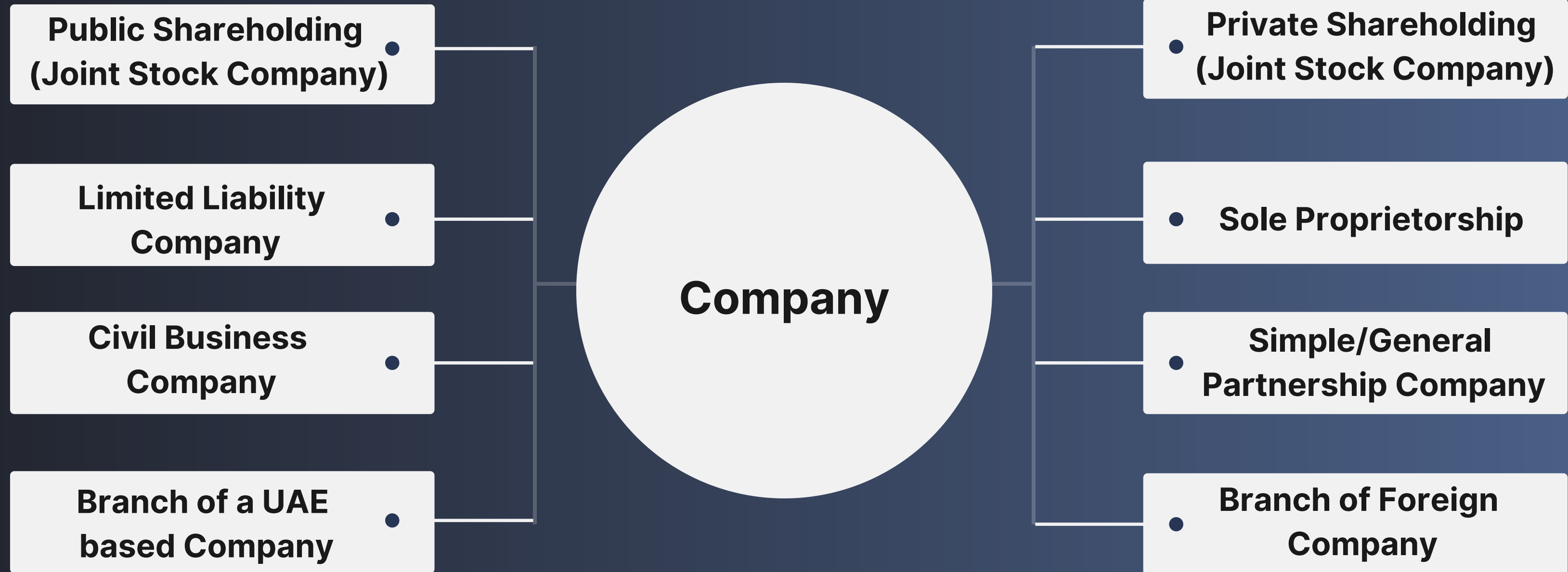
## Why Choose DUBAI?

- Offers 0% income tax
- 0% corporate tax
- 100% ownership in a company
- Full repatriation allowed
- No double taxation system
- 10 years visa for some of the investors
- Politically and economically stable climate p
- Easily available workforce
- The huge availability of natural resources
- Robust Network
- Opportunity to operate and invest in wide sectors
- Easy access to the market





# LEGAL TYPES



# BUSINESS ACTIVITIES

DUBAI is a global market and has a distinct range of business opportunities from salons to construction and many more. In DUBAI, you can carry out any of the following activities;

## ACTIVITIES

- Commercial activities – trading, real estate, rental services, broadcasting, and communications services
- Industrial activities – production and manufacturing, packaging, processing, power transmission services
- Professional activities– finance consultancy, education, farming, salon, hospitals and recovery houses, laboratories.
- Freelance activities – actor, content provider, animator



# JURISDICTION



**MAINLAND**



**FREE ZONE**



**OFF SHORE**



## MAINLAND

**Mainland** is the total geographical area which is permitted by the DED (Dubai Economic Department) to all the business entities and their representative to operate commercial business functions.

It is the most preferred company formation destination for many investors because of the freedom to do business anywhere in Dubai and UAE.

Mainland companies can practice any industrial, commercial, trading, professional, or tourism activity.





## FEATURES OF MAINLAND

- 1.No corporate or personal taxes
- 2.100% tax exemption
- 3.Easy access to the UAE market
- 4.Ownership Structure:
  - a.Appointment of UAE nationals is mandatory either as a local partner or a National Service Agent
  - b.Out of 100% shares of an LLC, 51% of shares are held by a UAE national and 49% are held by the expatriate partner
  - c.100% ownership on activities that fall under professional licenses such as consultant service, legal services.
- 5.No limitation in getting employment visas
- 6.Can establish more than one branch
- 7.Flexibility in renting an office
- 8.The easy and hassle-free registration process



## FREE ZONE

A Free Zone (free trade zone) is a special economic zone with low trade barriers, where companies can trade, manufacture or reconfigure their goods and services without paying taxes or customs duties.

There are more than 40 Free Zones, each having different rules and requirements in terms of the license, documents, capital, audit, and business activities.

Every company operating within UAE Free Zone is required to obtain a business license (also known as a trade license) such as a general trading license. Each business license is valid for one year, starting from the date of issue, and must be renewed annually.





# FEATURES OF FREE ZONE

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- 100% ownership of the business
- No local sponsorship requirement
- Tax and Duty exemption
- 100% repatriation
- Easy startups and licensing procedures
- Company and shareholder details are kept confidential
- 3 years residency visa
- Can open a bank account



- Easy recruitment process
- No restrictions in hiring expatriates
- Flexible government policies
- Can be liquidated at any time
- Can acquire properties
- Option to choose Flexi office
- Availability of land, infrastructure, and other amenities

# OFFSHORE



Offshore Companies are registered business entities that have non-resident status and are governed by the Offshore Company regulations and trade rules.

The most important things to be considered while registering an Offshore entity is:

- Finding the right jurisdiction
- Selecting the Registered Agent
- Opening Bank account



## FEATURES OF OFFSHORE

- Easy documentation and fast incorporation process
- Low setup cost and low maintenance cost
- Office of the Registered Agent is the legal address
- No tax and financial reporting/auditing
- Not allowed to do business through a mainland or free zones
- Not allowed to perform banking and insurance activities
- No Visas for Employees
- Easy to transfer shares
- Easy to close the company
- Total freedom to invoice Clients worldwide



# ALLOWED

## OFFSHORE CO.

- Conduct business activity outside UAE
- Open bank accounts in UAE banks
- Can be a shareholder in other UAE companies

## FREE ZONE CO.

- Conduct business activity outside UAE and work with other free zone companies in the UAE.
- Recruit employee
- Apply for a resident visa
- Rent office
- Can apply for UAE tax residency certificate

## MAINLAND CO.

- Conduct business activity throughout the UAE
- Can rent an office in any emirates
- Participate in government tender



# NOT ALLOWED

## OFFSHORE CO.

- Conduct business in UAE
- Rent office space in UAE
- No residency visa for employees
- Apply for Tax Residency Certificate
- To receive funds from the UAE companies

## FREE ZONE CO.

- Lease office space outside UAE
- Distribute goods and services outside the free zone. However, distribution can be done through the local company distributor.
- Participate in government tender

## MAINLAND CO.

- Not applicable

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