

New Director Identification Number

From November 2021 if you are or become a director of a company you will be required to apply for a Director Identification Number (Director ID).

What is a Director ID?

The Director Identification Number is a unique 15-digit identifier issued by the Australian Business Registry Services (ABRS).

You apply once and will keep the Director ID forever.

The Director ID will help prevent the use of false or fraudulent director identities.

Directors must apply for their director ID themselves because they need to verify their identity.

No one can apply on their behalf.

When do you need to apply?

Applications are now open, and the deadline for applications depends on the date you become a director.

| Date you become a director | Application deadline |
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| On or before 31 October 2021 | By 30 November 2022 |
| Between 1 November 2021 and 4 April 2022 | Within 28 days of appointment |
| From 5 April 2022 | Before appointment |

To avoid any issues, register early!

Applying for a Director ID

- 1. Set up myGovID on your smart phone
 - Instructions https://www.mygovid.gov.au/set-up
- 2. Gather your identification documents
 - Tax File Number (TFN)
 - o Residential address as held by the ATO
 - Two documents to verify your identity https://www.abrs.gov.au/director-identification-number/verify-your-identity
- 3. Complete your application
 - o Via myGOVID
 - o Via Phone 13 62 50 or +61 2 6216 3440 (from overseas)
 - o Via Paper Form

For more information see the ABRS website or contact our office for assistance