CIPC Compliance Checklist

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- Lettie joined SA Accounting Academy in November 2017 as Head of Technical. She is a Chartered Accountant, Registered Auditor and Certified Business Accountant.
- She is a **professional trainer and webinar host**, and with her relaxed and humorous presentation style, she is able to hold the attention of an audience. She has a unique ability to communicate with delegates at their respective levels of knowledge and experience. Over the last 20 years, she has trained thousands of partners, managers, trainee accountants and other professionals.
- ☐ She is responsible for our MCLU (Monthly Compliance and Legislation Updates).
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- Lettie is passionate about improving the efficiency and standardisation at audit practices and training offices. She has extensive experience on a variety of technical and practical topics which she consults on, including: SAICA re-accreditation requirements, assistance and preparation, IRBA firm and engagement inspection assistance and preparation, audit file reviews (post-issuance monitoring and EQCR), Quality control implementation, HR and other office-specific manuals, as well as FASSET skills development facilitation.



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- ✓ Please remember to provide us with detailed feedback via link to be sent afterwards
 Questions?

INTRODUCTION



1. FUNCTIONS OF CIPC

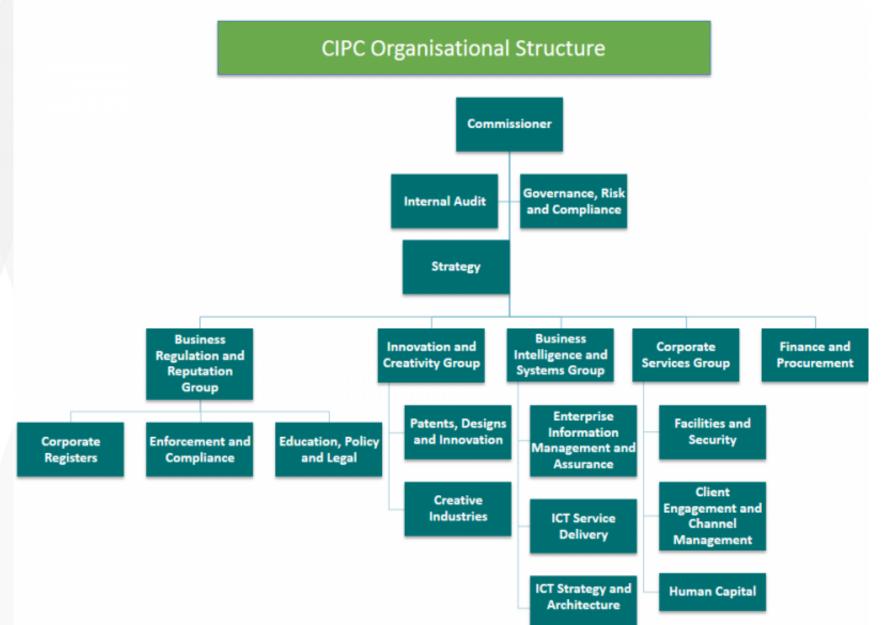


CIPC has to monitor compliance with the Companies Act

- Registration of Companies, Co-operatives and Intellectual Property Rights (trade marks, patents, designs and copyright) and maintenance thereof
- Disclosure of Information on its business registers
- Promotion of education and awareness of Company and Intellectual Property Law
- Promotion of compliance with relevant legislation
- Efficient and effective enforcement of relevant legislation
- Monitoring compliance with and contraventions of financial reporting standards, and making recommendations thereto to Financial Reporting Standards Council (FRSC)
- Licensing of Business rescue practitioners
- Report, research and advise Minister on matters of national policy relating to company and intellectual property law

CIPC Organisational Structure





CIPC NOTICE ISSUED



NOTICE 52 OF 2019



Introduction of compliance checklist button on eservices website

Issued on 13 August 2019

- The CIPC is proud to announce that a new user-friendly service has been added to e-Services for Customers to declare the compliance status of their company or companies to specific sections of the Companies Act No. 71 of 2008 (as amended).
- The service can be accessed by choosing the Compliance Checklist button on the Transact page of e-Services.
- The checklist can be completed by selecting the relevant buttons next to each question.

NOTICE 52 OF 2019 (CONTINUED)



- The roll out of the Compliance Checklist will be on a voluntary basis for a period of 4 months from 1 September 2019 to allow entities to familiarise themselves with the Checklist.
- On 1 January 2020, it will become mandatory for entities to complete the Compliance Checklist before submitting Annual Returns
- Refer to snapshot in Webinar Material

This full notice has been included in the Webinar Material & is also available as a Source Document

THE COMPLIANCE CHECKLIST

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1. WHY THE COMPLIANCE CHECKLIST?



What is the Compliance Checklist?

- = a declaration on the compliance status of a company to specific sections of the Companies Act No. 71 of 2008 (as amended).
- AKA Enforcement Compliance Checklist

<u>CIPC have therefore implemented this Compliance Checklist to be able to monitor compliance, including:</u>

- To ensure compliance of the mandatory requirements of the Companies Act, such as described in section 15, -requiring every company to have a MOI.
- Serves as an educational tool for directors and company secretaries, in guiding them with regards to their responsibilities in terms of the Companies Act.
- CIPC will utilise the Checklist to monitor and regulate proper compliance with the Companies Act and if trends of non-compliance appear, to act accordingly

2. <u>CATEGORIES OF</u> <u>COMPANIES</u>



Which categories of companies must comply with the Compliance Checklist?

- Incorporated Inc. (21)
- Proprietary Limited (Pty) Ltd (07)
- Limited Ltd (06)
- State owned company SOC (30)
- Non-Profit Company NPC (08)

3. FALSE DECLARATIONS



What happens if you do not answer each question truthfully? TERMS AND CONDITIONS

- 1) Section 215(2) (e) of the Companies Act A person **commits** an offence who knowingly provides false information to the CIPC.
- 2) Section 216 (b) Any person convicted of an offence in terms of the Companies Act is liable to a fine or to imprisonment for a period not exceeding 12 months, or to both a fine and imprisonment.
- 3) Compliance with these minimum specific sections does not constitute permission not to comply with the entire Companies Act/ Schedules and Regulations

4. SCREENSHOTS



Screenshots of what the Compliance Checklist looks like

- Once you have logged into e-Services, click on the Transact button, and then on the Compliance Checklist button.
- Enter the Compliance year, and Registration number of the company.
- Now answer each question truthfully, by referring to the detailed requirements in the *Checklist.pdf* document
- Refer to screenshots in the Webinar Material

5. DETAILED CONTENT



Reference to Sections of the Companies Act No. 71 of 2008 (As amended)

- Once you are logged into e-Services, you are able to download this document
 - ✓ I have already done this for your convenience
- Checklist.pdf
 - Let's run through the 35 pages...
- How should you use this document?

This full document is available to you as a Source Document

6. RECTIFYING INCORRECT INFORMATION



How to rectify incorrect information submitted

• If incorrect information is submitted **send an email** to <u>COR135.1complaints@cipc.co.za</u> to explain why incorrect information was submitted and why it should be rectified and CIPC will make a determination.

7. E-MAIL FOR QUERIES



If you require clarification on the Compliance Checklist

 For any questions or specific points of clarification on the Compliance Checklist send email to COR135.1complaints@cipc.co.za



BONUS MATERIAL



FOR YOUR USE...





☐ CIPC Compliance Checklist Working Paper

- Compiled by Lettie
- Based on the CIPC Checklist.pdf, and columns added to document proof of compliance
- Each section of the Companies Act, Regulation or Schedule must be measured against the detailed requirements in the Checklist.pdf document, and then be answered as Yes, No or N/A
- This is the detailed contents of the Checklist.pdf document, and contains all the requirements that compliance must be measured against
- ☐ Checklist.pdf in MS-Word format

These MS-Word documents are available to you as Bonus Documents

QUESTIONS?



OR...if you have to rush...

- ✓ Send your questions via e-mail to info@accountingacademy.co.za
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