<u>Company Law Limits' Chart (Section 1 to 148) – May/ June 2021 attempt</u>

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Illegal Association	Maximum 50 members
Associate	Significant Influence ≥ 20% TVP
Co. Small Co.	Private company with PSC ≤ ₹50 lakh; and
Govt. Co.	Turnover of last FY ≤ ₹2 crore ≥ S1% PSC held by Govt. ≥ S1% TVP if DVR has been issued
Private Co.	Maximum 200 members
Subsidiary	> 50% TVP; Layers ≤ 2
Sec. 3	 Resident → ≥ 182 days stay in
OPC	India in preceding FY • Voluntarily convert after 2 years • Mandatory conversion within 6 months if - PSC > ₹ 50 lakh; or - Turnover during relevant period > ₹ 2 crore
Sec. 3A	If members below statutory minimum, they will be liable after <mark>6 months</mark>
Sec. 4	Name to be reserved for
	 20 days → New Co. 60 days → Existing Co. If incorporated by false particulars, RoC may direct to change name within 3 months by OR
Sec. 10A	Declaration that subscribers have paid the money to be filed within 180 days of incorporation
Sec. 12	 Verification of registered office within 30 days of incorporation In case of name change, former
Sec. 13	name to be affixed for 2 years Copy of SR altering MOA to be filed with RoC within 30 days
Sec. 14	Copy of SR altering AOA to be filed with RoC within IS days
Sec. 16	Rectification of name by CG
	 Suo-moto → 3 months + 0R On application of trademark holder within 3 years → 6 months + 0R
Sec. 25	Document to be deemed as prospectus if issue house sells the shares within <mark>6 months</mark> of allotment
Sec. 26	Prospectus to be issued within 90 days of filing with RoC
Sec. 31	Shelf prospectus is valid for 1 year from date of opening of first offer
Sec. 32	Red herring prospectus is filed with RoC <mark>3 days</mark> prior to opening of issue
Sec. 39	• Min. subscription \rightarrow 90% specified
	by SEBI (N.A. to OFS) Min. application value - 5% of nominal price - 25% of issue price: SEBI - 100% for OFS If Min. subscription is not received
	 within 30 days of issue of prospectus, refund money within 15 days from closure of issue, else 15% interest Return of allotment to be filed within 30 days from allotment
Sec. 40	Rate of underwriting commission is lower of • Shares: 5% of issue price or rate in AOA
Sec. 42	• Debentures: 2,5% of issue price or rate in AOA
<i>JEL. 42</i>	 Private placement to maximum 200 persons in a FY Shares to be allotted within 60 days of receipt of application money. Upon failure refund money within next 15 days, else 12% interest from 61st day
	 If Co. contravenes any other provision, refund money within 30 days with 12% interest If allotted shares, return of allotment filed within 15 days
Sec. 43	 Voting rights on DVR ≤ 74% of TVP During 3 years no default in financial statement, annual return, not been penalised During 5 years no default in pref. dividend, term loan, IEPF, employees' statutory dues

Sec. 46	Duplicate share	e certificate is issued within					
	• 3 months —	> Unlisted company					
Sec, 47	5	> Listed company o Preference if divided not					
382. 97	Voting rights to Preference, if divided not paid for 2 years						
Sec. 48		l against variation to NCLT ing ≥ 10% issued shares of					
	that class	0					
<u></u>		be made within 21 days					
Sec. 49		ominal value of share nth between 2 call					
	 I4 days' not 						
Sec. 53		ssued at discount, to refund					
Sec. 54	ů	h 12% interest					
000, 04	shares that	maximum sweat equity can be issued is higher of					
	the following – 15% of	g – existing equity; or					
	– ₹S cror						
	 Max. sweat 25% of paid 	equity <mark>at any time</mark> can be d-up equity					
	· · · · · ·	, max. <mark>50%</mark> for 10 years					
	• Lock-in = 3	5					
Sec. 55		shares = max. 20 years ructure companies; tenure					
	can be 30 y	ears but redemption option					
	shall be give onwards	en to ≥ 10% from 21 ^{st'} year					
Sec. 56	<u>Time for del</u>	ivery of share certificate					
	Subscribers to MOA	<mark>2 months</mark> from incorporation					
	Allotment	2 months from					
	of shares Allotment	allotment 6 months from					
	of debentures	allotment					
	Transfer	I month of receipt of transfer deed					
Sec, 58	Notice of refue	al of transfer shall be sent					
500, 50	within 30 days	5					
	ls notice	Time for appeal by transferee					
		rt. Co. Public Co. 0 days 60 days					
	No 60	0 days					
	On appeal, N within 10 days	ICLT may order transfer					
Sec. 62	Rights issue	to remain open for 15 to 30					
	days. Lette	r of offer i's dispatched 3 opening of issue.					
	(For Pvt C	Co'. – Tesser time period Shere 90% members agree)					
		onversion of loan into shares					
		der, Co. may appeal to NCLT					
		g period ≥ I year					
Sec. 67	Public co con	aive loan to its employees					
	(other than di salary to purch	rectors/ KMP) ≤ 6 months' nase fully paid-up shares					
Sec. 68	• Max. Buy-ba	ack by Board – 10% of paid-					
	up equity +	free reserves ack by <u>Members</u> – 25% of					
	paid-up + fi no. of equite	ree reserves AND max. 25%					
	• Max. post k	puy-back Debt-Equity ratio					
	– 2:1 • Destroy sha	res within 7 daus					
	• Gap of I yea	 Destroy shares within 7 days Gap of I year between 2 buy-backs 					
	• Buy-back to be completed within I year of resolution						
	 No further issue of same kind within 6 months 						
		eturn within <mark>30 days</mark>					
Sec. 70	No buy-back i	f during <mark>3 years</mark> , default in dend; Pref. shares; term					
	Deposits; Divi loans	dend; Pref. shares; term					
Sec. 71		entures = max. 10 years					
	• 30 years for	infra companies					
	 No debenter relation - le 	ure trustee if pecuniary ower of 2% turnover or 50					
	lakhs						
	AIFI + Bai	nks NIL					
	Other financial NIL						
	institutions Listed (not AIFI + NIL						
	Banks)						
	Unlisted C – NBFC	+ HFC NIL					
	– Others						
	AND Unlisted	y Listed (not AIFI + Bank) Co. (other than NBFC + 15% on or before 30 th April					
	HFC) = DRI of	15% on or before 30 th April					

Sec.73	• Deposit Repayment Reserve of 20% to be deposited till 30 th April				
	Exemption for Pvt. Co.				
	 Deposits ≤ 100% (PSC + FR+ SP) Start-up for S years 				
	 Which satisfies following conditions Not an associate or subsidiary 				
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	paid-up or S0 cr) – No default in borrowings				
Sec.76	Eligible Co. means Public Co. having –				
	 Net Worth ≥ ₹ 100 crore; or Turnover ≥ ₹ 500 crore 				
Sec. 77	<u>Time limit to register charge</u>				
	Within 30 days normal fees of creation				
	Within 60 days additional fees				
	Further 60 days ad-valorem fees				
Sec.78	• If Co. fails to register within 30 days;				
	Charge-holder may register				
	 RoC shall give 14 days' notice to Co. before registering 				
Sec.82	<u>Time limit to report satisfaction of charge</u>				
	Within 30 days normal fees				
	of satisfaction Within 300 days additional fees				
	of satisfaction Beyond 300 Delay to be				
	days condoned by CG				
	 RoC to give 14 days' notice to charge-holder, if form is not signed by charge-holder 				
Sec.85	Co. to preserve register of charges for 8 years from the date of satisfaction				
Sec.88	• Index to be maintain in register if				
	members ≥ 50 Foreign Register				
	• File MGT-3 within 30 days				
	 Copy of foreign register is sent to India within 15 days 				
Sec.90	SBO means INDIVIDUAL holding ≥ 10% beneficial interest				
Sec. 91	Company may close register of security-holders for maximum				
	 45 days in a year; and 30 days at any one time 				
	by giving 7 days' notice				
Sec.92	• Annual return is certified by CS in practices in case of				
	 Listed Co.; or Companies having 				
	 O PSC ≥ ₹ 10 crore; or O Turnover ≥ ₹ 50 crore 				
	 Annual return is filed with RoC within 				
	60 days of AGMIf no AGM, file within 60 days of last				
	due date of AGM				
Sec.94	Register & Annual return can be kept at any other place in India where				
	> Ĭ/10 th members reside, after SR <u>Time period for preservation</u>				
	Register of Permanently members				
	Register of other 8 years security holders				
	Annual Return 8 years Foreign register of Permanently				
	members Foreign register of 8 years				
	other security holders				
Sec. 96	First AGM				
	 Within 9 months from end of FY <u>Subsequent AGM</u> 				
	• Within 6 months from end of FY				
	 Max. gap of 15 months in 2 AGMs AGM in each calendar year 				
	 Extension of ≤ 3 months from RoC on special reasons 				
	AGM of unlisted company at any place in India with consent of <u>ALL members</u>				



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Sec. 105 • Max. 50 members, but having ≤ 10% share capital can have 1 proxy • Proxy form to be deposited 48 hours before the meeting • Co. cannot increase 48 hours • 3 days' Notice to be given for inspection of proxy forms • Inspection period - 24 hours before meeting till conclusion Sec. 108 • E-voting mandatory for - Listed Co.; or - Every Co. with ≥ 1,000 members • Co. shall announce cut-off date which shall be within max. 7 days before the GM • Remote e-voting to remain open for ≥ 3 days and to conclude at \$100 p.m. one day before GM Sec. 109 • Poll to be taken within 48 hours • Demand of Poll by Co. having ≥ 1/10th TVP or paid-up capital of ₹ 5 lakh Any other ≥ 1/10th TVP Sec. 110 OPC and Co. having ≤ 200 members are exempt from Postal Ballot Sec. 111 On request of members having ≥ 10% TVP; co. shall Give notice ≥ 4 weeks before of resolution meeting ≥ 2 weeks before statement meeting Circulate ≥ 2 weeks before of resolution ≥ 1% TVP; or - Holding shares of ₹ 5 lakh • Notice to be received within 3 months before GM Sec. 118 • Eligible members for Special Notice - Having ≥ 1% 500 P; or - Holding shares of ₹ 5 lakh • Notice to be received within 3 months before GM Sec. 118 • Eligible members for Special Notice • Holding shares of ₹ 5 lakh	Sec. 103	 Pvt Co. → 2 members Public Co. Members Quorum ≤ 1,000 S > 1,000 but ≤ 5,000 15 		
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	Sec. 121			

Sec.123	Dividend shall be deposited in separate scheduled bank A/c within <mark>S days</mark> from declaration		Sec. 139	• Auditor is appointed till every 6 th AGM (i.e. for 5 years)
	Max. dividend out of reserves in case of			 Rotation is applicable on Listed Co.
	inadequate profits			– Unlisted Public Co.+ PSC ≥ 10 cr
	 Dividend ≤ Average of last 3 years' dividend rate 			 – Pvt. Co. + PSC ≥ 50 cr – Any Co. with Loans + Public
	2. Amount drawn ≤ 10% (PSC + FR)			Deposits ≥ <mark>50 cr</mark>
	3. Losses set-off against amount drawn			 Individual – I term of 5 years
	4. Balance of reserves ≥ IS% PSC			• Firm – 2 terms of 5 years
	Max. interim dividend in case of loss in			 Cooling-off period – 5 years
	<u>previous quarter</u>			 In Govt. Co., appointed by CAG within 180 days starting FY
	Average of last 3 years' dividend rate			First Auditor
Sec.124	• Dividend to be paid within 30 days			• By Board within 30 days of
	 If remaining unclaimed, transfer to Unclaimed Div. A/c within 7 days 			incorporation \rightarrow else by members
	• If not transferred, transfer with interest			within 90 days
	 @ 12% p.a. If transferred, upload statement within 			 In Govt Co., by CAG within 60 days of incorporation → else by Board within
	90 days			30 days \rightarrow else by members within
	• Transfer to IEPF after <mark>7 years</mark>			60 days Casual Vacancy
Sec.127	If dividend is not paid to the shareholder within 30 days, pay along with 18% p.a.			
	interest			• By Board within 30 days. If resignation, approved by members
Sec.128	 Books of A/c to be preserved for 8 years 			within 3 months • In Govt Co., by CAG within 30 days
	• Can be kept at any place in India, after			\rightarrow else by Board within 30 days
	giving notice to Roc within 7 days		Sec. 140	Removal of Auditor
Sec. 130	Accounts can be re-opened for 8 FYs			Board Resolution $ ightarrow$ CG approval within
Sec. 131	Voluntary revision of financials is allowed for max, 3 FYs			30 days \rightarrow SR within 60 days
Sec.135				<u>Resignation</u> – Auditor shall give notice within 30 days
000,120	 CSR applicable to companies having Net Worth ≥ ₹ 500 cr; or 			<u>NCLT changed auditor</u> – Cannot be
	– Turnover ≥ ₹ 1,000 cr; or			appointed as auditor for 5 years
	- Net Profits ≥ ₹ 5 cr		Sec. 141	Auditor disqualified
	 Amount to be spent on CSR ≥ 2% of Average Net Profits for last 3 FYs 			• Person, Relative or Partner holds security or interest in CASH or co-
	 Co. can undertake CSR activities through other Co./ Trust/ society having track 			subsidiary But Balativa may hald convrity in Co
	record of 3 years			But Relative may hold security in Co. of FV ≤ I lakh
Sec.136	• Annual Report is circulated 21 days			Further if > I lakh, relative may take corrective action in 60 days
	before the GM I4 days in case of Sec. 8 Co. 			• Person, Relative or Partner indebted
	• Shorter period if consent of			for ≥ Ś lakh in CASH or Co-subsidiary
	Co. having Majority in Number + S/C ≥ 95% TVP			 Person, Relative or Partner has given Guarantee or security for ≥ 1 lakh to
	Any other Co. ≥ 95% TVP			CASH or Co-subsidiary
	Electronic circulation in			 Audit of > 20 Co. [Exclusion – OPC, Dormant, Small & Pvt Co. + PSC < 100
	– Listed Co. or			cr]
	– Public Co. having ○ NW >₹ I cr; and		Sec. 143	• Fraud < $lcr \rightarrow$ Auditor to report to
	o Turnover > ₹ 10 cr			Board within 2 days • Fraud ≥ I cr → Auditor to seek reply
Sec. 137	• Annual report is filed with RoC within 30			of Board within 45 days \rightarrow then report to CG within 15 days
	days of AGM or adjourned AGM or else the last due date of AGM		Sec. 11.2	, , , , , , , , , , , , , , , , , , ,
	• OPC to file within 180 days from end of		Sec. 148	<u>Cost Records</u> Specified goods + service + Overall
	FY XBRL filing mandatory for 			turnover ≥ 35 cr Cost Audit
	– Listed + their Indian subs.			Last Regulated Non-
	– Co. with PSC ≥ ₹ S cr – Co. with turnover ≥ ₹ 100 cr			turnover regulated
	– Co. covered under Ind-AS			Overall ≥ 50 cr; ≥ 100 cr; & & &
	Banks, Insurance, NBFCs & HFCs are exempt			specified ≥ 25 cr ≥ 35 cr goods +
Sec.138	Internal Audit applicable on Listed Co. and			service
	either of following			• Cost auditor appointed within 180 days of commencement of FY
	Public Private 0/s Deposit ≥ 25 cr -			• Appointed till earlier of 180 days of
	PSC ≥ 50 cr - Loans > 100 cr > 100 cr			closure of FY or submission of report
	Turnover ≥200 cr ≥200 cr			 Casual vacancy filled by Board within 30 days
				• Cost auditor to submit report within
				180 days from closure of FY
				• Co. shall intimate everything to CG within 30 days

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