Company Law Limits' Chart (Section 1 to 148 & 379 to 393A) – Sep 2025 attempt

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Associate Co.	Significant influence ≥ 20% TVP			
Small Co.	Private company with			
	PSC ≤ ₹ 4 crore			
	and Turnover of Last FY ≤ ₹ 40 crore			
Govt. Co.	≥ 51% PSC is held by Govt.			
	≥ S1% TVP, if DVR is issued			
Private Co.	Maximum 200 members			
Subsidiary	> 50% TVP; Layers ≤ 2			
Sec. 3	• Resident \rightarrow ≥ 120 days in India in			
	preceding FY • If become member in 2 OPCs,			
	correct situation within 180 days			
Sec. 3A	If members below statutory minimum,			
	they will be liable after <mark>6 months</mark>			
Sec. 4	• Name to be reserved for			
	$-20 \text{ days} \rightarrow \text{New Name}$	Se		
	Extension Pay Fees (₹) upto			
	40 days from 1,000 before 20			
	approval days	Se		
	60 days from 2,000 before 40			
	approval days	Se		
	60 days from 3,000 before 20 approval days			
	$- \frac{60}{\text{days}} \rightarrow \text{Change of Name}$			
	• If incorporated by false particulars,	Se		
	ROC may direct to change name			
	within <mark>3 months</mark> by OR			
Sec. 10A	Declaration that subscribers have paid	Se		
	the money to be filed within 180 days	6.		
Sec. 12	of incorporation	Se		
Sec. 12	 Verification of registered office within <u>30 days</u> of incorporation 			
	• In case of name change, former			
	name to be affixed for <mark>2 years</mark>			
	Change of ROC within same state RD annual within 20 days			
	 RD approval within 30 days; Co. will file confirmation with 	Se		
	ROC within next 60 days	Je		
	 ROC to clarify within 30 days 			
Sec. 13	Copy of SR altering MOA to be filed			
	with ROC within 30 days	Se		
Sec. 14	Copy of SR altering AOA to be filed with ROC within <mark>15 days</mark>			
Sec. 16	Rectification of Name by CG			
	• Suo-moto \rightarrow 3 months + OR			
	• On application of trademark holder			
	within 3 years \rightarrow 3 months + OR			
Sec. 17	Members to get copies of MOA or AOA within 7 days	Se		
Sec. 25	Document to be deemed as prospectus			
500, 25	if issue house sells the shares within			
	6 months of allotment			
Sec. 26	Prospectus to be issued within 90			
	days of filing with ROC			
Sec. 31	Shelf prospectus is valid for I year			
6	from the date of opening of first offer			
Sec. 32	Red herring prospectus is filed with			
	ROC within 3 days prior to opening of issue			
Sec. 39	• Min. subscription \rightarrow 90% specified			
	by SEBI (N.A. to OFS)			

Sec. 42	Private Placement to maximum 200 Sec. 71 persons in a FY			
	 Shares to be allotted within 60 days of receipt of application money. Upon failure, 			
	refund within next <mark>15 days,</mark> else <mark>12%</mark> interest from 61 st day			
	• If Co. contravenes any other provision, refund money within 30 days with 12%			
	interest			
	 If allotted shares, return of allotment filed within IS 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,	Sec. 73		
Sec. 46	term loan, IEPF, employees' statutory dues Duplicate share certificate is issued within			
	 3 months → Unlisted company 45 days → Listed company 			
Sec. 47	Voting rights to Preference, if dividend not			
Sec. 48	paid for 2 years Right of appeal against variation to NCLT			
Sec. 98	 Holders having ≥ 10% issued shares of that 	Sec. 76		
	 class Appeal shall be made within 21 days 	Sec. 76		
Sec. 49	 Call ≤ 25% of nominal value of shares Gap of ≥ 1 month between 2 calls 	Sec. 77		
	• 14 days' notice			
Sec. 53	If shares are issued at discount, refund the money with 12% interest			
Sec. 54	• In a year, maximum sweat equity shares that can be issued is higher of the			
	following – 15% of existing equity; or	Sec. 78		
	 - ₹ S crore Max. sweat equity at any time can be 25% of paid-up equity 			
	 For start-up, max. 50% for 10 years Lock in = 3 years 			
Sec. 55	• Preference shares = max. 20 years	Sec. 82		
	• For infrastructure companies; tenure can be 30 years but redemption option shall be			
Sec. 56	given to ≥ 10% from 21 st year onwards Time for delivery of share certificate			
	Subscribers to 2 months from			
	MOA incorporation Allotment of 2 months from shares allotment 1			
	Allotment of <mark>6 months</mark> from debentures allotment	Sec. 85		
	Transfer I month of receipt of transfer deed			
Sec. 58	Notice of refusal of transfer shall be sent within 30 days			
	Time for appeal by	Sec. 88		
	sent? transferee Pvt. Co. Public Co.			
	Yes30 days60 daysNo60 days90 days			
	On appeal, NCLT may order transfer within 10 days	Sec. 90		
Sec. 62	 Rights issue to remain open for 7 to 30 days. Letter of offer is dispatched 3 days 	Sec. 91		
	before opening of issue (For Pvt. Co. – lesser time period is			
	applicable where 90% members agree) • In case of conversion of loan into shares on Cost 's order to may appeal to NCLT.			
	on Govt.'s order, Co. may appeal to NCLT within <u>60 days</u> • ESOP vestina period ≥ 1 year	Sec. 92		
Sec. 67	 ESOP vesting period ≥ I year Public Co. can give loan to its employees 			
	(other than directors/ KMP) ≤ 6 months' salary to purchase fully paid-up shares			
Sec. 68	 Max. Buy-back by Board – 10% of paid- up equity + free reserves 			
	Max. Buy-Back by Members - 25% of paid-up + free reserves AND max. 25% no.			
	of equity in a FYSec. 94• Max. post buy-back Debt-Equity ratio -			
	2:1 (6:1 for Govt. Co. in NBFC or Housing Finance)			
	 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 • Buy-back return within 30 days			
Sec. 70	No Buy-back if during 3 years, default in Deposits Dividend Pref shares term loans			
	Deposits, Dividend, Pref. shares; term loans			

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Acc. 71• Secured debentures = max. 10 yea• 30 years for infra companies• No debenture trustee if pecunic relation - lower of 2% turnover S0 lakhs $Requirement of DRR$ $AIFI + Banks$ NIL Other financial NIL institutions $Listed$ (Not AIFI NUL + Banks) $Unlisted Co NBFC + HFCOthersIO%Public issue by Listed (Not AIFIBank) & Unlisted Co.- OthersPublic issue by Listed (Not AIFIBank) & Unlisted Co.(other financial IO%)Public issue by Listed (Not AIFIBank) & Unlisted Co.(other financial IO%)Public issue by Listed (Not AIFIBank) & Unlisted Co.(other financial IO%)Public issue by Listed (Not AIFIBank) & Unlisted Co.(other financial IO%)Public issue by Listed (Not AIFIBank) & Unlisted Co.(other financial IO%)Public issue by Listed (Not AIFIBank) & Unlisted Co.(other financial IO%)Public issue by Listed (Not AIFIBank) & Unlisted Co.(other financial IO%)Public issue by Listed (Not AIFIBank) & Unlisted Co.(other financial IO%)Public issue by Listed (Not AIFIBank) & Unlisted Co.(other financial IO%)Public issue by Listed (Not AIFIBank) & Unlisted Co.(other financial IO%)Public issue by Listed (Not AIFIBank) & Unlisted Co.(other Financial IO%)Public issue by Listed (Not AIFIBank) & Unlisted Co.(other Financial IO%)Public issue by Listed (Not AIFIDeposit Repayment Reserve of 20%be deposited by 30th AprilExemption for Pvt. Co.(I. Deposit S 100%) (PSC + FR + SP)(Start-up for S years(S Which satisf$	to Sec. 100 Sec. 100 Sec. 100 Sec. 100	 First AGM Within 9 months from end of FY Subsequent AGM Within 6 months from end of FY Max. gap of IS months in 2 AGMs AGM in each calendar year Extension of ≤ 3 months from ROC for special reasons AGM of unlisted company at any place in India with consent of ALL members EGM to be called by Board on requisition of ≥ 10% TVP Board must proceed to call EGM within 21 days & EGM shall be conducted within 45 days Else, EGM to be conducted by requisitionists themselves within 3 months of requisition
Body corporate is lower (twice of PSC or 50 crore) – No default in borrowings ec. 76 Eligible Co. means Public Co. having • Net worth ≥ ₹ 100 crore; or		EGM Is Co. having S/C? Yes Majority in No. + 95% TVP No 95% TVP
 Turnover ≥ ₹ 500 crore Time limit to register charge Within 30 days of creation Within 60 days of creation Within 60 days Additional fees Further 60 days fees 	Sec. 10.	
 rc. 78 If company fails to register with 30 days, charge-holder may regis ROC shall give 14 days' notice to 6 before registering 	ter	
Ac. 82 Time limit to report satisfaction Within 30 days of creation Normal fees Within 300 Additional fees days of creation Model in the second s	by	 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
permanently & instrument creati charge for 8 years from the date satisfaction	ng Sec. 10	S:00 P.M. one day before GM 9 • Poll to be taken within 48 hours • Demand of Poll by Co. having ≥ 1/10 th TVP
 c. 88 • Index to be maintained in register members ≥ 50 <u>Foreign Register</u> • File MGT-3 within 30 days • Copy of foreign register is sent India within 15 days 		S/C or PSC of ₹ S lakh Any other ≥ 1/10 th TVP Co.
c. 90 SBO means INDIVIDUAL holding 10% of beneficial interest	≥ Sec. 111	are exempt from Postal Ballot
cc. 91 Company may close register security-holders for maximum • 45 days in a year; and • 30 days at any one time by giving 7 days' notice • Annual return is certified by CS practice in case of	of in	10% TVP, Co. shall Give notice ≥ 6 weeks of resolution before meeting Circulate ≥ 2 weeks statement before meeting
 Listed Co.; or Companies having PSC ≥ ₹ 10 crore; or Turnover ≥ ₹ 50 crore Annual return is filed with Rewithin 60 days of AGM If no AGM, within 60 days of log due date of AGM 	ast	 5 • Eligible members for special notice Having ≥ 1% TVP; or ₹ 5 lakh PSC • Notice to be received within 3 months before GM but at least 14
c. 94 Register & Annual Return can be ke at any other place in India where 1/10 th members reside, after SR	·	 days before GM Co. shall give notice to all members 7 days before GM
Time period for preservationRegisterofPermanently	Sec. 117	-
members Register of <mark>8 years</mark> from other security redemption	n Sec. IIi	
holders Annual return 8 years from	Sec. 119	minutes within 7 working days
filing		I Listed Public Co. to filed report on AGM within <u>30 days</u>

	 Min. application value
	– 5% of nominal value
	- 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
	• Debentures: 2.5% of issue price or rate in AOA

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• CSR applicable to companies having

Sec. 135

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Sec. 123	 Dividend shall be deposited in separate bank A/C within 5 days of declaration <u>Max. dividend in case of losses or inadequate profits</u> 1. Dividend rate ≤ Average of last 3 years' dividend rate 2. Amount drawn ≤ 10% of (PSC + Free Reserves) 3. Losses set off against such amount 4. Balance of reserves ≥ 15% PSC <u>Max. interim dividend in case of loss in previous quarter</u> Average of last 3 years' dividend rate
Sec. 124	 Dividend to be paid within 30 days If remaining unclaimed, transfer to Unclaimed Div. A/C within 7 days If not transferred, transfer with 12% interest If transferred, upload statement within 90 days Transfer to IEPF after 7 years
Sec. 127	If dividend is not paid within 30 days, pay along with 18% interest
Sec. 128	 Books of A/C to be preserved for 8 years Can be kept at any other place in India, after giving notice to ROC within 7 days
Sec. 129A	Copy of periodical financial statements to be filed within 30 days
Sec. 130	Accounts can be re-opened for 8 FYs
Sec. 131	Voluntary revision of financials is allowed for max. 3 FYs



55	 CSK applicable to companies having 	Sec. 150	-
	 Net worth ≥ ₹ 500 crore; or 		
	 Turnover ≥ ₹ 1,000 crore; or 		•
	 Net Profit ≥ ₹ 5 crore 		
	in the preceding FY		
	CSR Committee		
	 CSR Committee to have ≥ 3 directors 		
	out of which atleast I should be ID		
	• If ID is not required, committee to have		
	≥ 2 directors		•
	 No requirement of CSR Committee if 		
	amount to be spent on CSR ≤ ₹ 50 lakh		
	<u>CSR Expenditure</u>	Sec. 137	•
	 Amount to be spent on CSR ≥ 2% of 	300. 157	
	Average Net Profits for last 3 FYs or		
	where incorporated since less than 3		
	years, during such FYs		•
	• Transfer Unspent amount on CSR to		
	Schedule VII fund within 6 months from		•
	end of FY		
	 CSR pursuant to ongoing project 		
	– Transfer unspent amount to		
	UNSPENT CSR A/C within 30 days		
	from end of FY		
	- to be utilised within 3 FYs	Sec. 138	In
	– Failing which transfer to Schedule		•
	VII fund within 30 days from end of		•
	3 rd FY		
	• Co. can undertake CSR activities through		
	other Co./ Trust/ Society having track		
	record of 3 years		
	 Administrative overheads ≤ 5% of total 		
	CSR expenditure		
	• Set-off of excess CSR expenditure to be		
	allowed up to 3 FYs	C 120	-
	CSP Panartina	Sec. 139	•
	<u>CSR Reporting</u>		•
	 If average CSR obligation in 3 FYs ≥ 		
	₹ 10 crore, Impact assessment to be		
	conducted for CSR projects completed		
	not less than I year before, having outlay		
	of ≥ ₹ crore		
	• Expenditure on Impact assessment can		•
	be treated as CSR expense upto the		•
	higher of 2% of total CSR expense or		•
	₹ 50 lakh		•
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To	<u>gain that Extra Edge in Law,</u>		
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Sec. 136	 Annual report is circulated 21 day before the AGM 19 days in case of Sec. 8 Co. Shorted period if consent of Is Co. having S/C? Yes → Majority in No. + 95% TVP No → 95% TVP Electronic circulation in Listed Co.; or Public Co. having NW > ₹ 1 crore; and Turnover > ₹ 10 crore 	5 Sec. 141	 Auditor disqualified Person, Relative or Partner holds security or interest in CASH or Co-subsidiary But Relative may hold security in Co. of FV ≤ 1 lakh Further if > 1 lakh, relative may take corrective action in 60 days Person, Relative or Partner indebted for > 5 lakh in CASH or Co-subsidiary Person, Relative or Partner has given Guarantee or Security for > 1 lakh to CASH or Co-subsidiary Audit of > 20 companies 		
Sec. 137	 Annual report to be filed with ROG within 30 days of AGM or adjourned AGM or else the las due date of AGM OPC to file within 180 days from the end of FY XBRL filing mandatory for Listed + their Indian subsidiaries Co. with PSC ≥ ₹5 crore Co, with turnover ≥ ₹100 crore 	Sec. 143	 [Exclusion - OPC, Dormant, Small & Pvt Co. having PSC < 100 cr] Fraud < 1 cr → Auditor to report to Board within 2 days Fraud ≥ 1 cr → Auditor to seek reply of Board within 45 days → then report to CG within 15 days <u>Cost Records</u> Specified goods/ service + Overall 		
6	 Co. covered under Ind-AS Banks, Insurance, NBFC & HFC are exempt 		turnover ≥ 35 cr <u>Cost Audit</u> Regulated Non-		
Sec. 138	Internal Audit applicable on • Listed Co. or • unlisted Co. having		Regulated Overall ≥ 50 cr ≥ 100 cr turnover		
	PublicPrivate O/S $\geq 2S$ crDeposit-PSC ≥ 50 crBorrowings ≥ 100 cr ≥ 100 cr		AND Specified ≥ 25 cr ≥ 35 cr goods/ service		
Sec. 139	Turnover ≥200 cr ≥200 cr • Auditor is appointed till every 6 ^t • AGM (i.e. for S years) • Rotation is applicable on - Listed Co. - Unlisted Public Co. + PSC ≥ In		 Cost auditor appointed within 180 days of commencement of FY Validity of appointment → earlier of 180 days of closure of FY or submission of report Casual vacancy filled by Board within 30 days 		
	cr – Pvt Co. + PSC ≥ S0 cr – Any Co. with Loans + Publi Deposits ≥ S0 cr		 Cost auditor to submit report within 180 days of closure of FY Co. shall intimate everything to CG within 30 days 		
	 Individual CA - I term of S years CA Firm - 2 terms of S years Cooling-off period = S years In Gout Co. annointed by CAU 	Sec. 374	 ≥ 50% Paid-up capital held by Indians, foreign company shall comply with all the provisions 		
	 In Govt. Co. appointed by CAG within 180 days starting FY <u>First Auditor</u> By Board within 30 days of incorporation → else by members within 90 days In Govt. Co., by CAG within 60 days of incorporation → else by Board within 30 days → else by members within 60 days 		 Foreign company shall deliver to RoC required documents within 30 days of establishment of place of business In case of any alteration, file details within 30 days of alteration 		
			• Financials are filed with RoC within 6 months of closure of FY + 3 months extension		
	Casual Vacancy • By Board within 30 days. I resigned, approved by member	5	Annual return is filed within 60 days from the end of FY bith prospectus not required to		
	within 3 months • In Govt. Co. by CAG within 3 days → else by directors within 30 days	,	• With prospectus, not required to file constitution documents if prospectus is issued 2 years after the commencement of business		
Sec. 140	<u>Removal of Auditor</u> Board resolution → CG approva within 30 days → SR within 60 day	5 L	• File along with prospectus, copy of other material contracts entered within preceding 2 years		
	<u>Resignation</u> – Auditor shall give notice within <u>30 days</u> <u>NCLT changed auditor</u> – cannot be appointed as auditor for <u>5 years</u>				

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