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Forming a new company can be a daunting task, fraught with complex legal requirements and a myriad of contradictory resources. Entrepreneurs often find themselves navigating through a confusing array of regulations, forms, and fees, each specific to the type of business entity they wish to establish. The goal of this guide is to simplify the legal maze of business deals, offering clear and concise information to help you make informed decisions.

Whether you're considering establishing a C-Corporation, S-Corporation, LLC, General Partnership (GP), Registered Limited Liability Partnership (RLLP), or Limited Partnership (LP), this guide provides a straightforward overview of the necessary formation documents (and a workable checklist so you can make sure you have done what needs to be done to file) and associated filing fees. By presenting this information in an easy-to-follow chart, we aim to eliminate confusion and streamline the process of setting up your new company. Before you decide on the entity structure, be sure to check out our other guide on "Ownership Structure" to make sure you are fully informed what each structure looks like from an ownership perspective.



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Entity Type	Formation Document	Filing Fees	Check Box
C-Corporation	Articles of incorporation filed with the SOS (Cal. Corp. Code §§ 200, 202, and 204)	\$100	<input type="checkbox"/>
S-Corporation	Articles of incorporation filed with the SOS (Cal. Corp. Code §§ 200, 202, and 204) IRS Form 2553 for S-Corp election	\$100	<input type="checkbox"/>
LLC	Articles of organization filed with the SOS (Cal. Corp. Code § 17702.01)	\$70	<input type="checkbox"/>
GP (General Partnership)	No formal document required Statement of partnership (optional) FBN statement in principal business county or Sacramento County	None (if not filing) \$70 (for statement of partnership) Varies (for FBN)	<input type="checkbox"/>
RLLP (Registered Limited Liability Partnership)	Registration as RLLP with the SOS (Cal. Corp. Code § 16953(a)) Comply with profession-specific registration and filing requirements	\$70	<input type="checkbox"/>
LP (Limited Partnership)	Certificate of limited partnership on Form LP-1 filed with the SOS (Cal. Corp. Code § 15902.01)	\$70	<input type="checkbox"/>

Navigating the complexities of forming a new company can be challenging, but with the right information, the process becomes much more manageable. This guide has provided a clear overview (with a built in checklist) of the necessary formation documents and filing fees for various business entities, aiming to simplify the legal maze of business deals.

Understanding the specific requirements for each entity type is crucial for ensuring compliance and setting a solid foundation for your business. However, even with this guide, you might encounter unique situations or additional questions that require professional legal advice.

For personalized assistance and expert guidance, we encourage you to call Next Era Legal. Our experienced attorneys are dedicated to helping you navigate the intricacies of business formation, providing the clarity and support you need to confidently establish your new company