The City of Carlsbad's goal is to make doing business easy. This sheet lists the basic steps required to operate a business in the city. Further information and an e-copy of this document can be found online at: www.carlsbadca.gov/econdev.

City of Carlsbad

Business license

Fill out the online application for business license:

carlsbadca.gov/bizlicense business.license@carlsbadca.gov 760-602-2495

Permits (building, engineering, land use, fire, other)

Contact the development services manager to determine if your project requires any additional city permits.

carlsbadca.gov/devservices 760-602-4600

County of San Diego

Fictitious business name

If your business name does not include your surname you must file a Fictitious Business Name Statement with the County of San Diego:

sandiegocounty.gov 619-236-3771

Health permits

If applicable to your business type, you must file for the appropriate Health Permits with the County of San Diego:

sandiegocounty.gov/deh 619-338-2222

State of California

State income tax information

Obtain State income tax forms from the Franchise Tax Board:

taxes.ca.gov 800-400-7115

Sales and use permit (seller's permit)

All businesses selling or leasing tangible property must obtain a Seller's Permit from the Board of Equalization

boe.ca.gov 800-400-7115

Other permits

Enter your business type and location into CalGOLD to determine what additional permits maybe required calgold.ca.gov

Federal

Employer identification number (EIN or SSN)

Employers with employees, business partnerships and corporations, must obtain an Employer Identification Number from the I.R.S.

irs.gov/businesses

See reverse for more useful links



Useful Links and Regional Resources

City of Carlsbad Economic Development carlsbadca.gov/econdev

City of Carlsbad Talent Attraction
CarlsbadLifeInAction.com

BIOCOM biocom.org

Carlsbad Chamber of Commerce carlsbad.org

Cleantech San Diego cleantechsandiego.org

CommNexus commnexus.org

CONNECT connect.org

North County Career Center northcountycareercenters.com

San Diego Brewer's Guild sandiegobrewersguild.org

San Diego North Economic Development Council sdnedc.org

San Diego Regional Economic Development Corporation sandiegobusiness.org

San Diego Sport Innovators sdsportinnovators.org

SCORE – San Diego sandiego.score.org

Small Business Development Center North County sandiegosmallbiz.com

Software San Diego softwaresd.org

US Small Business Administration – San Diego Office sba.gov



