

STATE OF HAWAII  
DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE AND CONSUMER AFFAIRS  
Business Registration Division  
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## INSTRUCTIONS FOR PREPARING AND FILING ARTICLES OF INCORPORATION

(Section 414-32, Hawaii Revised Statutes)

**Instructions:** Articles must be typewritten or printed in **black ink**, and must be **legible**. If additional space is required, use an attachment. Attachment must be typewritten or printed in black ink on 8-1/2 x 11 white, bond paper, printed only on one side. The articles must be signed by at least one individual (incorporator). All signatures must be in **black ink**. Submit articles together with the appropriate fee. The date of incorporation will be the date that the Articles of Incorporation is filed in compliance with the Hawaii Revised Business Corporation Act (Chapter 414).

(Optional) If a certified copy is required, the fee for one certified copy is \$10.00.

- Article I. State the exact corporate name. The name must contain the word *Corporation*, *Incorporated*, or *Limited*, or the abbreviation of one of the words, *Corp.*, *Inc.*, or *Ltd.*
- Article II. State the mailing address (including city, state, and zip code) of the corporation's initial principal office.
- Article III. State the name of the corporation's registered agent and the complete street address (including number, street, city, state, and zip code) in the State of Hawaii. The agent may be either an individual who resides in this State, a domestic entity, or a foreign entity authorized to transact business in the State of Hawaii, whose place of business is an address in this State to which service of process and other notice and documents being served on or sent to the entity represented by it may be delivered. If the agent is an entity, list the state or country in which it was incorporated, formed or organized. A domestic corporation cannot be its own agent.
- Article IV. State the number of shares the corporation shall have the authority to issue. The form provides for common stock only. If preferred shares are desired, you must prepare your own Articles of Incorporation.
- Article V. State the name and complete address (including city, state, and zip code) of each incorporator of the corporation.

**Filing Fees:** **Filing fee (\$50.00) is not refundable.** Make checks payable to DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE AND CONSUMER AFFAIRS. Dishonored Check Fee \$25.00.

For any questions call (808) 586-2727. Neighbor islands may call the following numbers followed by 6-2727 and the # sign: Kauai 274-3141; Maui 984-2400; Hawaii 974-4000, Lanai & Molokai 1-800-468-4644 (toll free).

Fax: (808) 586-2733 Email Address: [breg@dcca.hawaii.gov](mailto:breg@dcca.hawaii.gov)

**NOTICE: THIS MATERIAL CAN BE MADE AVAILABLE FOR INDIVIDUALS WITH SPECIAL NEEDS. PLEASE CALL THE DIVISION SECRETARY, BUSINESS REGISTRATION DIVISION, DCCA, AT 586-2744, TO SUBMIT YOUR REQUEST.**

**ALL BUSINESS REGISTRATION FILINGS ARE OPEN TO PUBLIC INSPECTION. (SECTION 92F-11, HRS)**