

DECODING FORM DIR-3 KYC
Amended upto 5th March 2019

**Don't Lose
Your
Directorship!**

**Ensure your KYC is completed by
April 30, 2019 to avoid
Disqualification**



A. INTRODUCTION

Ministry of Corporate Affairs (MCA) vide *Notification dated 5th July, 2018* has amended Companies (Appointment and Qualification of Directors) Rules, 2014 by inserting Rule 12A and made Directors KYC mandatory which was effective from 10th July 2018.

Directors KYC will be made by filing e- Form DIR-3 KYC, which is one step forward towards MCA's effort to systematically weed out fake Companies and its Directors.

B. DUE DATE OF FILING :

- **At the time of Commencement of Rule 12A of the Companies (Appointment and Qualification of Directors) Rules, 2014:** The Persons who have been allotted DIN TILL 31st March, 2018 were required to file this e-form with MCA by 31st August, 2018.(extended till 5th October 2018)

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- **Yearly KYC Compliance:** Every individual who has been allotted DIN as on 31st March of a financial year shall file DIR – 3 KYC with MCA on or before 30th April of immediate next financial year. After expiry of the due dates, system will mark all non-compliant DINs against which DIR-3 KYC form has not been filed as ‘Deactivated due to non-filing of DIR-3 KYC’.

Considering the practical aspects, we suggest annually to file e-form DIR-3 KYC for all the Directors as the compliance is better than risking the status of DIN as “Deactivated due to non-filing of DIR-3 KYC” and pay the filing fees of Rs.5000/-.

C. CERTIFICATION BY PROFESSIONAL

E-Form DIR 3 KYC is required to be signed digitally by the applicant director and the same is required to be certified and verified by practicing Chartered Accountant or Company Secretary or Cost and Management Accountant. Professional is required to declare that he has been duly engaged for the purpose of certification/verification of the form and he is certifying the followings:

- (a) That he has satisfied himself about the identity of the applicant and his address based on the perusal of the original of the attached document and in case, where the applicant is residing outside India the particulars have to be verified from the documents duly attested by the attesting authority as prescribed.
- (b) That he has verified and attested the documents of the applicant based on the Originals documents produced before me.
- (c) That he has gone through the provisions of the Companies Act, 2013 and rules made thereunder for the subject matter of this form and matters incidental thereto and he has verified the particulars mentioned in the form (including attachment(s)) from the original records maintained by the Company/applicant which is subject matter of this form and found them to be true, correct and complete and no information material to this form has been suppressed.
- (d) **That Mobile Number and Email ID of the applicant belong to the applicant who is signing the form.**
- (e) That all the required attachments have been completely and legibly attached to this form;
- (f) **That he has kept a copy of this form and attachments thereto, in his records for further reference.**
- (g) That he is understood that he shall be liable for action under section 448 of the Companies Act, 2013 for wrong certifications, if any found at any stage.

D. DEACTIVATION AND RE-ACTIVATION

In case of non-filing of e-Form DIR-3 KYC by any individual as per dates mentioned above, his/her DIN will be **De-activated** by the Central Government or Regional Director (Northern Region) or any officer authorized by the Central Government for this purpose.

The de-activated DIN shall be re-activated only after e-form DIR-3 KYC is filed with additional fees.

E.MANDATORY INFORMATION/ DETAILS FOR FILING FORM DIR-3 KYC

1. Director Identification Number (DIN)
2. Full Name of the Director
3. Fathers Name of the Director Other
4. Whether a citizen of India or not
5. Nationality
6. Whether resident in India or not
7. PAN
8. Date of Birth
9. Gender
10. Aadhar Card Number
11. Passport Number (Mandatory in case of Foreign National)
12. **Personal Mobile and Personal Email Id of the Director**
13. Permanent Residential address&Present Residential address

F.MANDATORY ATTACHMENTS TO E-FORM DIR -3 KYC

Proof of Identity and Proof of Address of individual

G. ATTESTATION

1. Before certification, professional need to ensure whether the applicant is Resident Indian or become Non Resident (as per definition of FEMA).
2. In case where the applicant is residing outside India, professional need to ensure that the particulars are verified from the documents duly attested by the attesting authority and keep original attested copy with him for future reference.

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3. Requirement for Attestation is no where mentioned in the form or rules. But as per the past practice we can opine following **Attestation Requirements**:

A.	Proof of Identity -Passport / PAN Card	Authority of Attestation
	For Indian National (Resident)	Any professional CA/ CS or CMA (Practising)
	For Indian National (Non-Resident)- who is residing in country which is part of Common Wealth countries	Attested by Indian Embassy
	For Indian National (Non-Resident) - who is residing in a country which is part of Hague Convention	Attested by Indian Embassy
	For Indian National (Non-Resident) - who is residing in a country outside the Commonwealth and which is not a party to the Hague Apostille Convention, 1961	Attested by Indian Embassy
	For Foreign National Residing in his own country which is under Hague Convention	1. Notarized by the Public Notary of that foreign country; and 2. Apostilled by the competent authority of that foreign country.
	For Foreign National Residing outside his Country and that country where he resides is under Hague Convention	Option A-- Notarized by the Public Notary of that foreign country and Apostilled by the competent authority of that foreign country or Option B--Attested by Embassy of his Country of Origin at place where he resides.
	For Foreign National Residing in his own Country which is under Common Wealth Country	Notarized by the Public Notary
	For Foreign National Residing outside his Country and that country where he resides is under Common Wealth Country	Option A-- Notarized by the Public Notary of that foreign country or Option B--Attested by Embassy of his Country of Origin at place where he resides.

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B. Proof of Address for Indian Citizen (RI or NRI)	Authority of Attestation
For Indian National (Resident) (Permanent and Present)	Any professional CA/ CS or CMA (Practising)
For Indian National (Non-Resident)- Permanent address in India	Any professional CA/ CS or CMA (Practising)
For Indian National (Non-Resident)- Present address at overseas -which is in a country under Common Wealth countries	Notarized by the Public Notary
For Indian National (Non-Resident)- Present address at overseas - which is under Hague Convention	1. Notarized by the Public Notary of that foreign country; and 2. Apostilled by the competent authority of that foreign country.
For Indian National (Non-Resident)- Present address at overseas - who is residing in a country outside the Commonwealth and which is not a party to the Hague Apostille Convention, 1961	1. Notarized before the Notary (Public) of such country and 2. The certificate of the Notary (Public) shall be authenticated by a Diplomatic or Consular Officer
C. Proof of Address (Foreign National)	Authority of Attestation
For Foreign National Residing in his own Country which is under Hague Convention	1. Notarized by the Public Notary of that foreign country; and 2. Apostilled by the competent authority of that foreign country.
For Foreign National Residing outside his Country and that country where he resides is under Hague Convention	Option A-- Notarized by the Public Notary of that foreign country and Apostilled by the competent authority of that foreign country or Option B--Attested by Embassy of his Country of Origin at place where he resides .
For Foreign National Residing in his own Country which is under Common Wealth Country	Notarized by the Public Notary
For Foreign National Residing outside his Country and that country where he resides is under Common Wealth Country	Option A-- Notarized by the Public Notary of that foreign country or Option B--Attested by Embassy of his Country of Origin at place where he resides .
For Foreign National who is from the Country which is outside the Commonwealth and also not a party to the Hague Apostille Convention, 1961	1. Notarized before the Notary (Public) of such country and 2. The certificate of the Notary (Public) shall be authenticated by a Diplomatic or Consular Officer

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D.	Any applicant, whether Indian or Foreign National if visited in India,	Then all above documents can be Notarized before the Notary Public in India along with his or her valid Business Visa to India.
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- The link of Countries under Hague Convention is as under:

<https://www.ag.gov.au/FamiliesAndMarriage/Families/InternationalFamilyLaw/Pages/HagueConventionOnTheCivilAspectsOfInternationalChildAbduction.aspx>

- The link of Countries under Common Wealth is as under:

<https://www.newark-sherwooddc.gov.uk/media/newarkandsherwood/imagesandfiles/democraticservices/pdfs/List%20of%20Eligible%20Commonwealth%20Countries.pdf>

H.PRECAUTION FOR ANY PROFESSIONAL BEFORE CERTIFICATION OF E-FORM DIR 3 KYC

A word of caution to professional before he certifye-Form DIR-3 KYC:

- To obtain Engagement Letter from the applicant confirming his engagement for the purpose
- To obtain declaration from applicant confirming (a) his Mobile Number with a copy of mobile bill , (b) Email- ID belongs to him only and (c) he is qualified or disqualified to be Director by MCA;
- To verify / attest all documents after review of Originals only and
- To keep a copy of e-Form DIR 3 KYC with all attachments attached thereto for his record.

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H.FILING OF E-FORM DIR KYC WITH OWN DIGITAL SIGNATURE:

Since every individual is required to file e-Form DIR-3 KYC with his / her own Digital Signature (DSC), he/ she need to have DSC, for which following documents and details are required to obtain DSC.

Sr. No	Documents required for getting Digital Signature Certificate
1	Photograph in JPEG format
2	<u>Self certified Proof of identity</u> : (Any one of the following) (i) PAN Card (Mandatory for Indian National) (ii) Passport (Mandatory for Foreign National) (iii) Voter Identity Card (iv) Driving License (v) Passport (vi) Aadhaar Card
3	<u>Self certified Proof of residence</u> (Any one of the following): (i) Voter Identity Card (For Indian Citizen only) (ii) Driving License (iii) Passport (iv) Aadhaar Card (For Indian Citizen only) (v) Electricity Bill not older than 1 month (vi) Telephone Bill not older than 1 month (vii)Utility Bill for Gas or Water not older than 1 month
4	Email ID for video verification
5	Mobile number for verification
Note:	<u>If Director is residing outside India:</u> Supporting documents should be apostilled/ attested by the Consulate of the Indian Embassy or Foreign Notary Public.

OUR VIEWS

Originally vide the Companies Amendment Act, 2006 dated 29th May 2006, provisions for DIN was mandated by inserting Section 266 A to 266 G and e-Form DIN -1 was prescribed . PAN was not mandatory to fill while applying for DIN.

Later MCA vide Circular No. 11 of 2011 dated 7th April, 2011 had mandated that all existing DIN holders who have not furnished their PAN earlier at the time of obtaining DIN were required to furnish their PAN by filing e-Form DIN -4 by 31st May, 2011 failing which their DIN will be disabled and they shall also be liable for heavy penalty. The last date was further extended vide various Circular No. 32 of 2011 dated 31st May, 2011, Circular No. 66 of 2011 dated 4th October 2011 , Circular No. 70 of 2011 dated 15th December, 2011 and Circular No.4 of 2012 dated 09th March , 2012.

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With this backdrop of updating the data based of all Individuals who are having DIN to update with PAN details, the MCA has commenced this massive drive of KYC of all DIN holders to clean the Corporate sector from shell companies and bogus directors. MCA has put onus on professionals to ensure that the DIN holders credentials are verified.

Further MCA has also mandated that while filing e-Form DIR-3 KYC the applicant need to use PAN based DSC in case of Indian Nationals i.e., DSC should contain PAN as specified in the form and in respect of Foreign Nationals, applicant's name in DSC would be matched with his/her name entered while filing the e-Form DIR-3 KYC. In case the PAN /Name in DSC does not match with PAN/Name entered in the form, the applicant is required to get a DSC with PAN/Name as specified in the form. While filing the e-Form DIR 3 KYC, the Unique Personal **Mobile Number and Personal Email ID** is required to be mandatorily mentioned and would be duly verified by **One Time Password(OTP)** so that the applicant is aware about his DIN.

With digitization, MCA is striving to clean the corporate sector from non-compliant, negligent and errant individuals from the management of business.

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