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# Comoros International Brokerage and Clearing House License

The International Brokerage & Clearing House License introduced in 2007 allows for the license holder to engage in activities such as:

- Stock Brokerage
- Fund Management
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- Securities Brokerage
- Financial Advisory
- Asset Management
- Transaction Clearing

Custody Services

- Payment Processing
- Currency Trading (FOREX)
  Issuance of Securities
- Underwriting of Securities

**Issued and regulated** Comoros Financial Services Authority in Mwali, autonomous island of the Union of the Comoros

## Why Choose Comoros

### Global Opportunities

Access to international financial markets and a diverse client base.

#### **Favorable Regulation**

A supportive regulatory environment that promotes efficiency and transparency.

#### Cost-Effectiveness

Lower licensing fees and operational costs compared to other jurisdictions.

#### Confidentiality and Privacy Strong commitment to privacy protection and data security.



## Operational Requirements

- In order to apply for a license, the applicant must first establish an International Business Company (IBC) in Comoros;
- The IBC should have a minimum of one director who can be of any nationality and resident anywhere;
- The IBC should have a minimum of one shareholder which can be an individual also acting as director or a Company registered in any other jurisdiction;
- Minimum share capital is EUR 250,000, it should be either paid-up to the company's account or presented as a balance of the shareholder's bank statement balance.

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## Process of License Obtaining

### **Phase | Collection of Information**

Due diligence and KYC checks.
 Name check and reservation.

#### Phase II Preparing Application Forms, Drafting and Compiling Documentation & Reviewing of Application

1. Providing client with the information, documents and requirements for applying for the License;

2. Assisting client in answering questions about the application process and requirements for a Comoros International Brokerage & Clearing House License;

3. Checking the scans of the filled documents and forms;

4. Reviewing, suggesting amendments to finalize the application form and questionnaires;

5. Reviewing all documentation;

6. Drafting the Memorandum and Articles of Association of the Company;

7. Sending client the Memorandum and Articles of Association for review and confirmation. Upon confirmation this will be signed by local secretary as the Subscriber.

### **Phase III Filing Application with the MWALI**

Once the application is ready, it will be files with the MWALI together with the requisite fees.

### IV) Phase IV Follow up and liaising with MWALI

Follow up with MWALI, attend to any queries until the outcome of the application is given by MWALI.

## Requirements

#### **Requirements for Directors and Shareholders**

- Notarized copies of operative pages of passport;
- Certified utility bill as a proof of address;
- Bank statement with a residential address as a secondary proof of address;
- Bank reference letter;
- CV;
- Bank statement of the UBO with EUR 250,000 on the balance as a guarantee of share capital payment.

# If the holding company is involved (i.e. where shareholder is a company):

- Certificate of Incorporation;
- Memorandum and articles of association;
- Details of Registered Office and Principal place of Business and directors, shareholders;
- Recent set of accounts and Resolution approving Investment/ shareholding as appropriate;
- Any corporate brochures;
- Personal KYC as per requirements above for all the shareholders/UBOs/ directors of the holding company.

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<ul> <li>Professional and Legal Fee:</li> <li>Collation, preparation, review and filing of Comoros International Brokerage &amp; Clearing House License application documents;</li> <li>Assistance with initial set up and organization of the licensee and liaising with regulator and other service providers;</li> <li>Corporate Secretary Fees.</li> </ul>	€ 10, 000
Government Fees – Application fee	€ 1, 500
Government Fees – IBC fees	€ 1, 200
Government Fees – Brokerage License fees	€ 20, 000
Total	€ 32, 700

## **Annual Renewal**

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<ul> <li>Professional and Legal Fees for Annual Maintenance:</li> <li>Company Annual Fees;</li> <li>Corporate Secretary Fees.</li> </ul>	€ 10, 000
Government Fees – License fee	€ 20, 000
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Total	€ 31, 200

## **Additional Services**

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Bank account opening assistance*	€ 3, 000
E-money account opening assistance*	€ 2, 500
Card payment solution opening assistance*	€ 1, 500
Legal opinion (depending on the complexity of the request)	from € 3, 000
Additional consulting, partner, hourly rate	€ 400
Additional consulting, associate or consultant, hourly rate	€ 150

\*Excluding provider's fees, setup, compliance costs if any.

Timeline

Assuming client provides the Regulator with all the necessary information they require, such a license **can be obtained within 6 weeks.** 





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