



## PUBLIC NOTICE

### New obligations of Non-Profit Organisations registered under the Non-Profit Organisations Act No. 7 of 2019

Recent legislative amendments have created new obligations for non-profit organisations, including the following requirements:

1. notifying the Registrar General of the founders, members, beneficiaries or class of beneficiaries of the non-profit organisation;
2. identifying the controllers of the non-profit organisation, using the new definition of controller and the basis on which someone is so identified;
3. verifying that controller information obtained is and remains current and correct; and
4. filing a return on an annual basis, rather than an application for renewal on a five-year basis.

#### Timeline for Compliance

Requirement	Timeframe	Governing Legislation
Filing the Form 1 - "Application for Registration" with the Registrar General	At the time of registration of the non-profit organisation	Non-Profit Organisations Act sections section 5
Filing the Form 6 - "Annual Return" with the Registrar General by a <b>Non-Profit Company</b>	30 days from the NPO's anniversary date of incorporation/continuance as a non-profit company under the Companies Act*	Non-Profit Organisations Act section 21C(3)
Filing the Form 6 - "Annual Return" with the Registrar General by an <b>unincorporated NPO</b> or <b>NPO formed by Act of Parliament</b>	30 days from the NPO's anniversary date of registration as a non-profit organisation under the Non-Profit Organisations Act*	Non-Profit Organisations Act section 21C(1)

**\*NOTE:** The annual return is only required to be filed upon the next anniversary date of the NPO, after 14th October 2024.

You are advised to take all necessary steps to ensure that your non-profit organisation is in compliance with the obligations. The above information is not an exhaustive list, and you are encouraged to peruse the legislative amendments to become familiar with the full suite of obligations applicable to non-profit organisations, and where necessary, seek appropriate legal advice. It is in your interest to furnish the Registrar General with beneficial ownership and related information on an urgent and expeditious basis, in conformity with the law.

The Registrar General shall take action against defaulting non-profit organisations for failure to comply with the new obligations, including the imposition of a late filing penalty of \$300.00 per month, or part thereof, and suspension and cancellation of the registration of the non-profit organisation where the non-profit organisation is in contravention of the Non-Profit Organisations Act.

REGISTRAR GENERAL  
15<sup>th</sup> January 2025