



Companies Act 2006

2006 CHAPTER 46

PART 31

DISSOLUTION AND RESTORATION TO THE REGISTER

CHAPTER 1

STRIKING OFF

Voluntary striking off

1003 Striking off on application by company

- (1) On application by a company, the registrar of companies may strike the company's name off the register.
- (2) The application—
 - (a) must be made on the company's behalf by its directors or by a majority of them, and
 - (b) must contain the prescribed information.
- (3) The registrar may not strike a company off under this section until after the expiration of [^{F1}2 months] from the publication by the registrar in the Gazette of a notice—
 - (a) stating that the registrar may exercise the power under this section in relation to the company, and
 - (b) inviting any person to show cause why that should not be done.
- (4) The registrar must publish notice in the Gazette of the company's name having been struck off.
- (5) On the publication of the notice in the Gazette the company is dissolved.
- (6) However—

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- (a) the liability (if any) of every director, managing officer and member of the company continues and may be enforced as if the company had not been dissolved, and
- (b) nothing in this section affects the power of the court to wind up a company the name of which has been struck off the register.

Textual Amendments

- F1** Words in s. 1003(3) substituted (10.10.2015) by [Small Business, Enterprise and Employment Act 2015 \(c. 26\)](#), **ss. 103(4)**, [164\(1\)](#) (with s. 103(7)); S.I. 2015/1689, reg. 4(c)

Modifications etc. (not altering text)

- C1** Ss. 1003-1011 applied (with modifications) (1.10.2009) by [The Limited Liability Partnerships \(Application of Companies Act 2006\) Regulations 2009 \(S.I. 2009/1804\)](#), regs. 2, **51** (as amended: (10.10.2015) by [The Companies and Limited Liability Partnerships \(Filing Requirements\) Regulations 2015 \(S.I. 2015/1695\)](#), regs. 1, **5(4)**; (26.6.2020) by [The Limited Liability Partnerships \(Amendment etc.\) Regulations 2020 \(S.I. 2020/643\)](#), reg. 1(1), **Sch. 3 para. 4** (which amending S.I. is revoked (16.2.2021) by S.I. 2021/60, reg. 1(1), **2**); and (16.2.2021) by [The Limited Liability Partnerships \(Amendment etc.\) Regulations 2021 \(S.I. 2021/60\)](#), reg. 1(1), **Sch. 3 para. 4** (with reg. 4(2)))

Commencement Information

- I1** S. 1003 wholly in force at 1.10.2009; s. 1003 not in force at Royal Assent, see s. 1300; s. 1003 in force for specified purposes at 20.1.2007 by [S.I. 2006/3428](#), **art. 3(3)** (subject to [art. 5](#), [Sch. 1](#) and with [arts. 6](#), [8](#), [Sch. 5](#)); s. 1003 otherwise in force at 1.10.2009 by [S.I. 2008/2860](#), **art. 3(o)** (with [arts. 5](#), [7](#), [8](#), [Sch. 2](#)) (as amended by [S.I. 2009/1802](#), [art. 18](#))

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Changes and effects yet to be applied to the whole Act associated Parts and Chapters:

- Act amendment to earlier affecting provision S.I. 1989/638, Sch. 4 by [S.I. 2024/410 Sch. 2 para. 1](#)
- Act amendment to earlier affecting provision S.I. 2008/373 reg. 11(1) by [S.I. 2013/1971 reg. 9\(a\)](#) (This amendment not applied to legislation.gov.uk. Amending Regulations revoked (1.10.2013) without ever being in force by S.I. 2013/2224, reg. 2)
- Act amendment to earlier affecting provision S.I. 2008/373 reg. 3(4) by [S.I. 2013/1971 reg. 4](#) (This amendment not applied to legislation.gov.uk. Amending Regulations revoked (1.10.2013) without ever being in force by S.I. 2013/2224, reg. 2)

Whole provisions yet to be inserted into this Act (including any effects on those provisions):

- s. 156A-156C inserted by [2015 c. 26 s. 87\(4\)](#)
- s. 156B(5) omitted by [2023 c. 56 Sch. 2 para. 26](#)
- s. 156C(2) words substituted by [2023 c. 56 s. 41\(2\)\(a\)](#)
- s. 156C(2A) inserted by [2023 c. 56 s. 41\(2\)\(b\)](#)
- s. 156C(3) substituted for s. 156C(3)-(5) by [2023 c. 56 Sch. 2 para. 27](#)
- s. 479A(2)(c)(zi) inserted by [S.I. 2019/177 reg. 4\(b\)\(i\)](#) (This amendment not applied to legislation.gov.uk. Reg. 4 substituted by regs. 4, 4A immediately before IP completion day by S.I. 2019/1392, regs. 1(2), 4)
- s. 479B(a)(iii) amendment to earlier affecting provision S.I.2008/1991 reg.34 by [S.R. 2024/78 reg. 31\(4\)](#)
- s. 479B(a)(iii) amendment to earlier affecting provision S.I.2008/1991 reg.34A by [S.R. 2024/78 reg. 31\(5\)](#)
- s. 1047(4)(i)(j) inserted by [2023 c. 56 s. 21\(2\)](#)
- s. 1087(da) substituted by [2023 c. 56 s. 52\(2\)](#)
- s. 1087A-1807C applied by S.I. 2009/2436, Sch. 1 para. 20(1)(ca) (as substituted) by [S.I. 2024/410 Sch. 2 para. 5\(d\)\(ii\)](#)
- s. 1110E-110G applied by S.I. 2009/1804, reg. 60 (as amended) by [S.I. 2024/234 reg. 26](#)
- s. 11989A applied (with modifications) by S.I. 2009/1804, reg. 79A (as inserted) by [S.I. 2024/234 reg. 46](#)
- Sch. 10 para. 6(2D) inserted by [S.I. 2019/177 reg. 28\(e\)](#) (This amendment not applied to legislation.gov.uk. Reg. 28(e) omitted immediately before IP completion day by virtue of S.I. 2020/523, regs. 1(2), 14(e)(iv))
- Sch. 10 para. 7(2A) inserted by [S.I. 2019/177 reg. 29\(b\)](#) (This amendment not applied to legislation.gov.uk. Reg. 29 substituted immediately before IP completion day by S.I. 2020/523, regs. 1(2), 14(f))