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How to lodge financial statements and reports with ASIC

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Financial statements and reports must be lodged each year by:

- public companies
- a Tier 2 public company limited by guarantee
- registered schemes
- large proprietary companies
- foreign-controlled small proprietary companies
- small proprietary or small company limited by guarantee that is requested by ASIC, and
- trusts.

This guide covers how to complete the Form 388, appointing an auditor and attaching financial statements and reports.

This form can also be used:

- to notify the appointment of an auditor to the company (but not a scheme) when lodging financial statements and reports, or
- when amending previously lodged financial statements and reports.

Your financial statements and reports should be in either TIF, PDF or RTF format in order to be attached to this form.

The system allows up to 5 attachments.

The maximum file size for each attachment is 10MB. File sizes vary depending on the type of file being used; some files provide the user with the option of reducing the file size. For information on reducing the file size refer to your software support.

For security reasons ASIC rejects PDF documents containing encrypted data, active content (eg. JavaScript, PostScript), external references and PDF documents with attached objects or executables

You will need to log in to your online account before you begin.

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1. Once logged in, select **Start new** form in the left hand menu.



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Viewing Forms in the Inbox

To view the form that has been sent to you, click on the form code.

A print file will then be loaded into a new browser window in Adobe PDF format. You can print the form using the Adobe toolbar. You must have Adobe reader Version 5 or higher to print this form.

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Select form type

1. From the list of available forms, select 388 - Copy of financial statements and reports.

Note: if you are lodging an amendment to previously lodged financial statements and reports, select 388 - Amendment of previously lodged financial statements and reports. Confirm the company and the original document you are amending, and go to **page 24**.

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- 1. Enter the **ACN/ABN** of the relevant company.
- 2. Select **Next** to continue.

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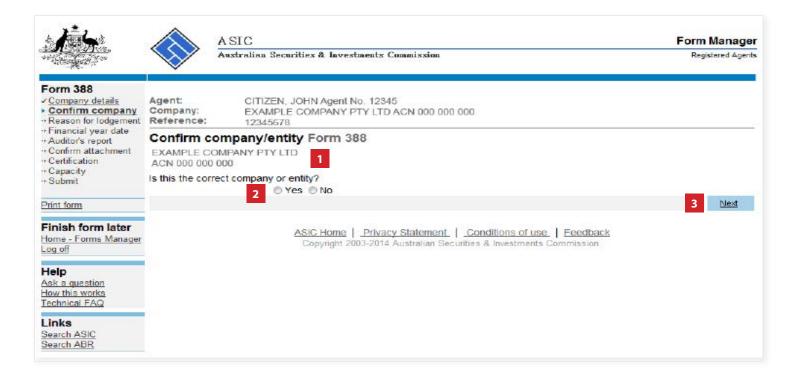
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Confirm company details

- 1. Review the company details.
- 2. Select **Yes** to confirm the company information is correct.
- 3. Select Next to continue.



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Provide reason for lodgement

1. Select the reason for lodgement that best describes why you are lodging financial statements and reports.

Note: To help you make this decision, you may wish to refer to the links at the bottom of the page - 'What is a large proprietary company?' and 'What is a public company limited by guarantee who qualifies under Tier 2?'.

2. Select Next to continue.

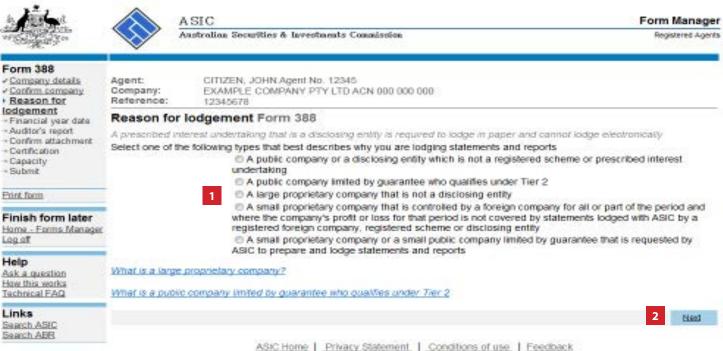
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If you selected 'A large proprietary company that is not a disclosing entity', go to page 8.

If you selected any of the other options, go to page 9.



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Provide large proprietary company details

Note: Don't include commas or decimal points when entering the following values.

- 1. Enter the **consolidated revenue** of the large proprietary company and the entities it controls.
- 2. Enter the value of the **consolidated gross assets** of the large proprietary company and the entities that it controls.
- Enter how many people are employed by the large proprietary company and the entities it controls.
- 4. Enter the **number of members** the large proprietary company has.
- 5. Select **Next** to continue.

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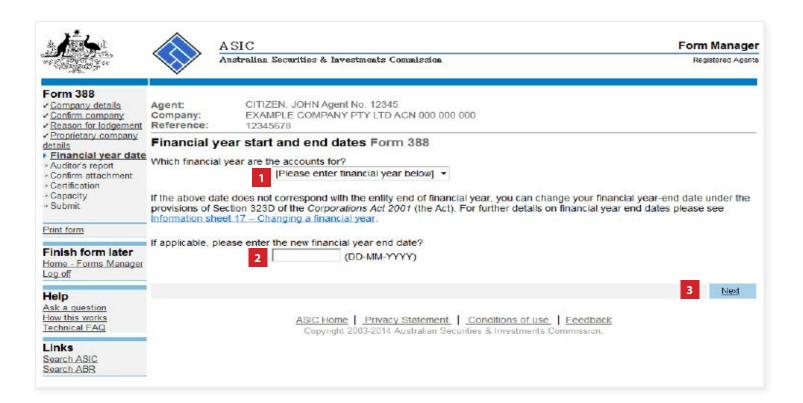
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Provide the financial year start and end dates

- If the company has lodged a Form 388 for previous a financial year, you will be able to **select the financial year** to which this Form 388 applies from the drop-down list, or
- 2. If this is the first Form 388 lodged by this company, you will have to enter the new **financial year end date** in the text field.
- 3. Select Next to continue.



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Provide auditor's reports details

1. Select **Yes** or **No** to confirm if the financial statements were audited.

Note: if you select **No**, you will need to select **Yes** to the question that follows regarding a class order exemption. This means that a Form 336C Order granting relief from accounting/auditing requirements should be recorded by ASIC and/or a Form 382 should have been previously lodged advising of this exemption.

- 2. Select **Next** to continue.
- 3. If you selected **Yes** to this question, go to **page 11.**
- 4. If you selected **No** to this question, go to **page 24**.

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Provide auditor's report details

- 1. Select **Yes** or **No** to confirm if the opinion/conclusion in the report was modified.
- 2. Select **Yes** or **No** to confirm if the report contains an Emphasis of Matter and/or Other Matter paragraph.
- 3. Select **Next** to continue.

Note: this guide follows the example of selecting **No** to both of these questions.

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Review details of current auditor/s

1. Review the details of the **current** auditor/s.

Note: If this screen does not appear, this company does not have an auditor appointed. Go to **page 14**.

From this point you can:

- 2. appoint a new auditor (go to **page** 13), or
- 3. cease or replace an auditor (go to **page 20**), or
- 4. change address for an auditor (go to **page 18**), or
- 5. Select **Next** to continue if no changes are required (and go to **page 24**).

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Appoint a new auditor

1. Select whether you want to **appoint** a second auditor or replace your existing auditor.

Note: you can only appoint a second auditor if the date of appointment of the second auditor is the same as the existing auditor ASIC has recorded on the register.

 Select Next to continue and go to page 14 if you selected to appoint a second auditor, or page 20 if you selected to replace your existing auditor.

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Provide new auditor details

- 1. Enter the **date of appointment**.
- 2. Select the **type of auditor** you wish to appoint.
- 3. Select **Next** to continue.

Note: If you selected to appoint:

- 'Auditor-General', go to page 15, or
- 'An ASIC registered auditor', go to page 16, or
- 'A firm of auditors', go to page 17.

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Provide Auditor-General details

- 1. Select an **Auditor-General** from the drop-down list.
- 2. Select **Next** to continue and go to **page 18**.

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Provide ASIC registered auditor details

- 1. Enter the ASIC registered auditor number.
- 2. Select **Next** to continue and go to **page 18**.



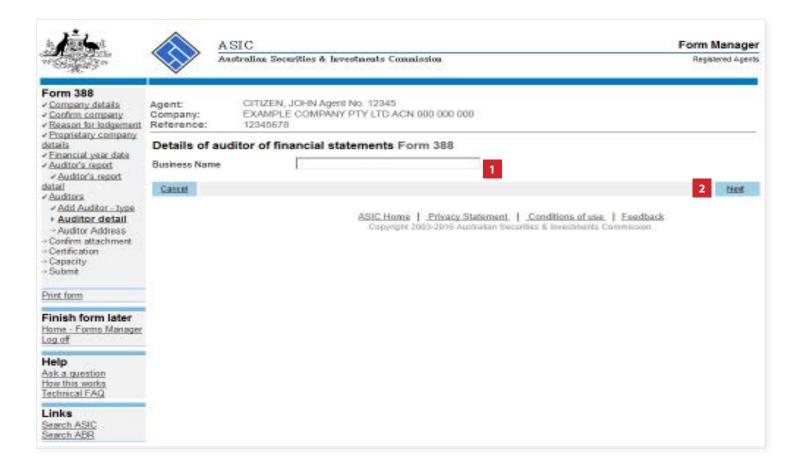
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Provide firm of auditor details

- 1. Enter the **business name** of the firm of auditors.
- 2. Select Next to continue.



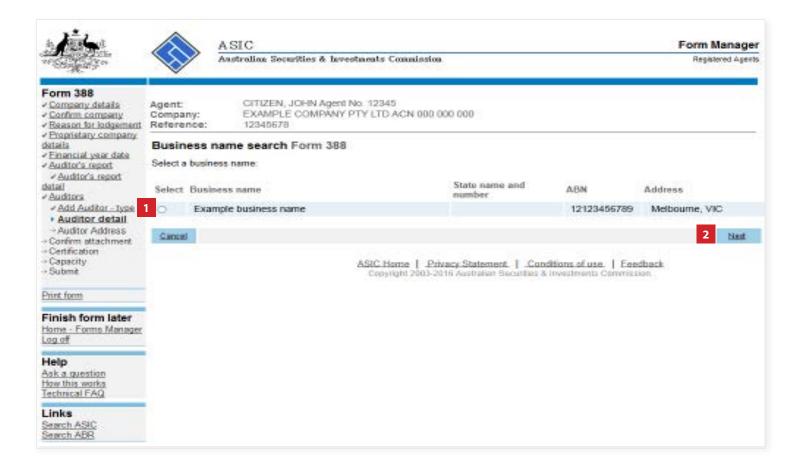
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Business name search

- 1. Select the correct **business name** from the list.
- 2. Select Next to continue.



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Provide auditor details

- 1. Enter or review the auditor **address details**.
- 2. Select **Next** to continue when you are satisfied the address details are correct.

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Review auditor details

1. Review the **auditor details.** If you appointed a second auditor, both would now appear in the list.

From this point you can:

- 2. Appoint a new auditor (go back to page 13), or
- 3. Change any of the information that is displayed, or
- 4. Undo information that was previously entered, or
- 5. Select **Next** to continue if no further changes are required, and go to page 24.



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Cease or replace an auditor

- 1. Select the **reason** why there is an auditor vacancy.
- 2. Select **Next** to continue.

Note: If the auditor resigned or was removed by the company, go to **page 21**.

If the auditor has otherwise ceased, go to **page 22**.

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Resignation/ removal of auditor details

- Select Yes to acknowledge that you have read the information about how to correctly change the auditor details.
- 2. Enter the ASIC registered auditor number.
- 3. Enter either the ASIC registered auditor's:
- given and family names, or
- company name and ACN, or
- firm name.
- 4. Enter the **auditor address details**.
- 5. Select **Next** to continue and go to **page 23**.

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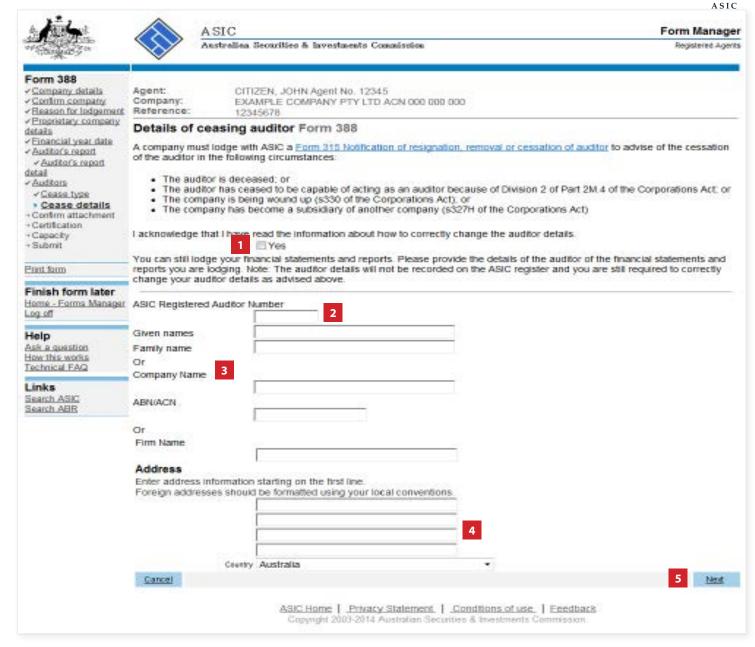
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- Select Yes to acknowledge when you have read the information about how to correctly change the auditor details.
- 2. Enter the ASIC registered auditor number.
- 3. Enter the ASIC registered auditor's:
- given and family names, or
- company name and ACN, or
- firm name.
- 4. Enter the auditor address details.
- 5. Select Next to continue.



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Review auditor details

- 1. Ensure you **read the note** that advises the auditor details will not be recorded on the ASIC register.
- 2. Review the details of the auditor of financial statements.
- 3. If the information is correct, select **Next** to continue, or
- 4. Select **Change** or **Undo** to take you to a previous screen, if amendments are necessary.

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Provide attachment

1. Select **Browse** to find the relevant attachment.

Note: the choose file window will display. Choose the appropriate file and select **Open**.

- 2. The pathname field for the file will now be populated. Enter a **Description of Document**.
- 3. Select **Next** to continue.

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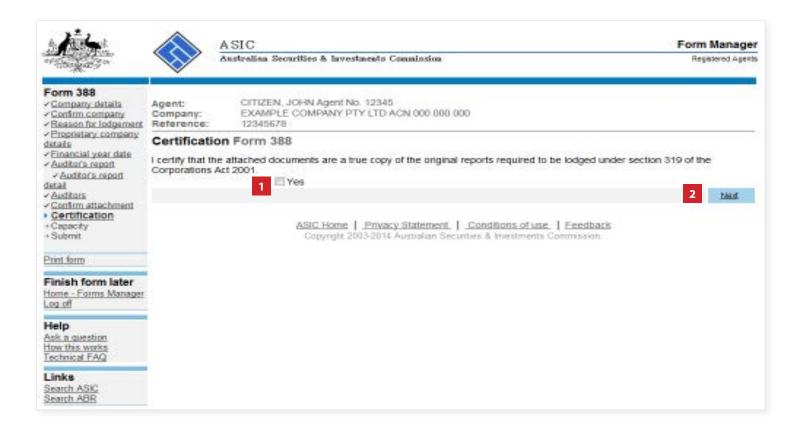
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- 1. Select **Yes** to certify the attachments are a true copy of the original reports.
- 2. Select **Next** to continue.



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Confirm your capacity

- 1. Select the **capacity** in which you are lodging the form.
- 2. Select **Yes** to certify the information in the form is true and complete, and lodged on behalf of the company.
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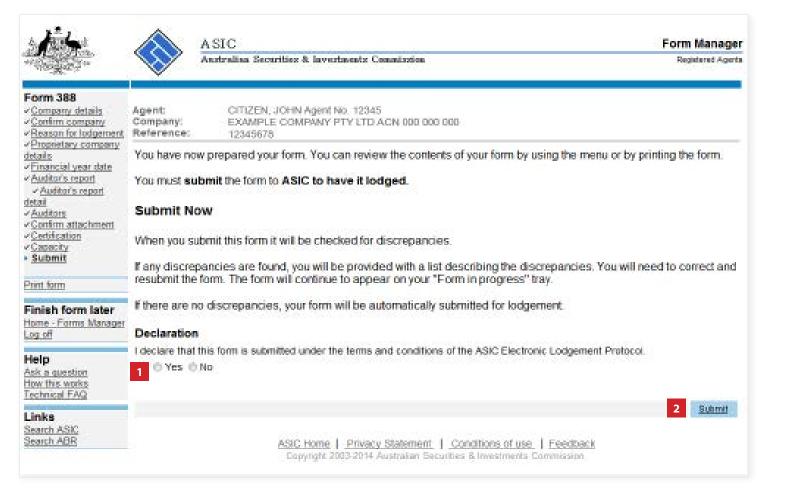
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Make the declaration

- 1. Select **Yes** to complete the declaration when you are satisfied the document is being lodged within the terms and conditions of ASIC's Electronic Lodgement Protocol.
- 2. Select **Submit** to lodge the form with ASIC.



Notes:

- The lodgement process is not instantaneous it may take some time to process.
- If the form is accepted by ASIC, it will appear in 'forms submitted'.
- If the form is not accepted, it will appear in 'forms in progress'. You will need to select it and correct the errors, before resubmitting the form.

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Confirmation of form submission

This screen confirms your document was submitted to ASIC.

1. Select **Next** to continue.

Note:

Occasionally, the system may present an additional form submission screen at this point. If this is the case, continue to select **Next** to finalise this transaction.



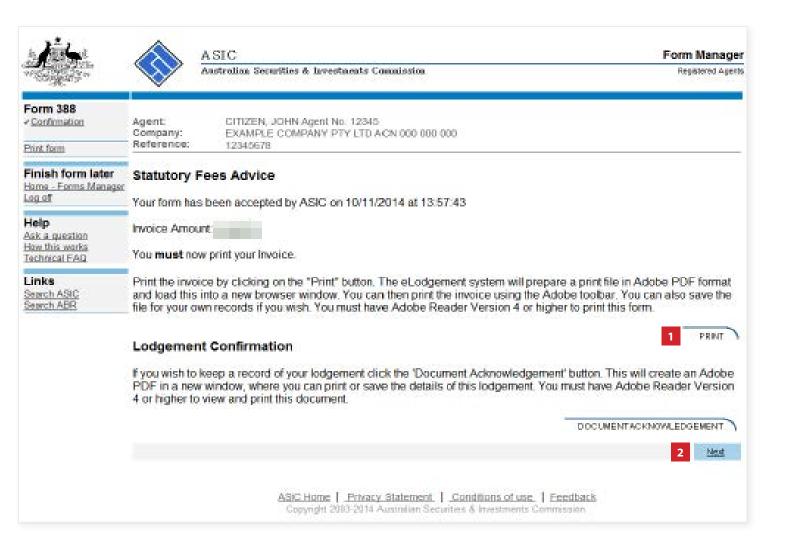
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Statutory fees advice

This screen informs you whether or not any fees are payable.

- If fees are payable, select **Print** to print your invoice. A new browser window opens with your invoice in PDF format. From here you can:
- **print** the invoice, and/or
- **save** the invoice PDF file to print later.
- 2. Select **Next** to finalise this transaction.



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