

### Helpful resources for new businesses

1. File your Assumed Name Certificate (DBA) with the County Clerk in the county/counties where the business is located and/or will conduct business.
2. Corporations, limited liability company (LLC), limited partnership, limited liability partnership, or foreign filing entity documents as well as the Assumed Name Certificates are filed through the **Secretary of State** in Austin 512-463-5555 or <https://www.sos.state.tx.us/corp/index.shtml>
3. To obtain a **state sales tax ID#**, contact the **State Comptroller** at 512-463-4600 or 254-752-3147 or online at <https://comptroller.texas.gov/>
4. **Federal Tax ID # (EIN)** are available through the **IRS**. Online information is at <https://www.irs.gov/businesses/small-businesses-self-employed/employer-id-numbers> or by phone at 1-800-829-4933
5. For information regarding **Licensing and Regulation** in Texas, Contact the **Texas Department of Licensing and Regulation** at 512-463-6599 or [www.tdlr.texas.gov](http://www.tdlr.texas.gov)
6. For information regarding food and food retail, contact the **Bell County Public Health District** at 254-778-7557 or [https://www.bellcountyhealth.org/retail\\_food/index.php](https://www.bellcountyhealth.org/retail_food/index.php)
7. For any **permit requirements**, contact the local city permits department that the business is being conducted in.
8. For **Trademark information**, contact the Texas Secretary of State <https://www.sos.state.tx.us/corp/tradepatents.shtml>
9. **Business resource information** is available from the Texas Economic Development <https://gov.texas.gov/business> or by phone at 512-936-0100.