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AUDITORS IN MALAYSIA



Why Do We Need Auditors and Audit Firms in Malaysia?

Companies Act 2016 Malaysia stipulates that all :-

- ✓ Public listed companies;
- Private limited companies (except those eligible for audit exemption) and;
- ✓ Other branch offices

incorporated under the Act are required to appoint an **approved auditor** to audit the accounts of the company and report to members of the company every year at the Annual General Meeting (AGM).

(Companies Act, 2016)



It is MANDATED by the LAW!



DEFINITION

What is Audit?

A systematic, independent and documented process for obtaining audit evidence [records, statements of fact or other information which are relevant and verifiable] and evaluating it **objectively** to determine the extent to which the audit criteria [a set of policies, procedures or requirements] are fulfilled.

(ISO 19011: 2018)

MAIN OBJECTIVE

Form an **unbiased opinion** to conclude whether :-

- the financial statements have been prepared properly and in
 - accordance to relevant standards;
- the financial statements show a true and fair view of the financial position of the entity;
- the company's records are properly maintained and updated.



Benefits Of Auditing Your Accounts:





Who Are Exempted From Statutory Audit?

Under the Companies Act 2016, private companies that are:

Dormant companies;

Companies with Zero Revenue; or

Companies that are threshold-qualified

Revenue < RM100,000

may elect for audit exemption.



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Employees < 5 person

Asset < RM300,000

(Companies Act, 2016)



Auditing vs. Accounting

ACCOUNTING

Process of **recording**, **maintaining and reporting** daily financial transactions that a company is involved in.

> Process ends with the preparation of the company's financial statements

Process of verifying the reliability of those financial statements so that users can be reasonably assured that those statements are free from material misstatements.

AUDITING



Who Performs the Audit?

- Only APPROVED AUDITORS or AUDIT FIRMS may conduct statutory annual auditing of accounts for a company.
- The auditor or audit firm must be INDEPENDENT of the audited company

(Companies Act, 2016)





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