



Global Legal Advisory Licence

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Background

This licence is applicable for international law firms interested in establishing regional offices in Mauritius to provide legal advisory and international arbitration services to global business clients.

Such law firms will be eligible for a 5-year corporate tax holiday.

Application for Global Legal Advisory License

- The application is made under section 77 of the Financial Services Act 2007.
- An entity which is licensed or registered as a law firm in a foreign country may make an application to the Financial Services Commission,
- The parent law firm needs to be qualified, licensed or regulated as a firm entitled to practice law in its home jurisdiction.
- Two foreign lawyers qualified in the home jurisdiction to practice the law of that jurisdiction should be employed by or be part of the entity.
- The applicant also need to have a physical establishment in Mauritius.

Criteria to benefit from 5 years tax holidays:

Holders of the Global Legal Advisory Services Licence should employ at least five (5) lawyers to meet the employment and substance requirements.

Note

For avoidance of doubt, the above mentioned section 77 shall not apply to a person authorized to provide legal services or give legal advice under the Law Practitioners Act and shall be subject to the regulation of financial services under Part IV of the Financial Services Act 2007
broad range of services and solutions out of its office in Mauritius.

How Sunibel can assist?

- Assess your eligibility for the above tax holidays, provide appropriate tax advice and undertake any necessary formalities.
- Liaise with the regulator(s) for obtaining the required licence for existing and new companies.
- Assist in the formation and on-going administration of the company in Mauritius.
- Provide back office services.
- Provide accounting support.

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