

Requesting information from the competition register

Do you want to know whether there is an entry against you in the competition register? Then you can request information from the Federal Cartel Office.

Competent Department

- [Bundeskartellamt Abteilung Wettbewerbsregister](#)

Basic information

The Bundeskartellamt keeps a competition register (WebReg) of companies against which certain final criminal convictions or fines have been imposed. You can apply for an extract from the WebReg and obtain information on entries about you as a person or about your company. If there are no entries, you will receive so-called "negative information".

Public clients can use the WebReg to find out whether legally binding judgments or fines have been issued against a company before awarding a contract. The competent public prosecutor's offices and fine authorities report all relevant criminal and fine decisions to WebReg. The Bundeskartellamt checks the notifications for obvious errors and informs the companies of a planned registration.

If you receive such a notification, you can object to the planned registration on the grounds that the data provided is incorrect. Notifications are deleted from the register after 3 or 5 years, depending on the severity of the offense. You can obtain early deletion by submitting an application for self-cleaning.

Requirements

- You are a natural person or are submitting the application on behalf of a company.
- If you are legally represented: You can provide proof of power of representation. Authorized representatives cannot submit an application.

What documents do I need?

- If applying by post: Application form with official or officially notarized signature
- For legal representation: Power of representation

Procedure

You can request an extract from the Competition Register online or by post from the Bundeskartellamt.

Apply for an extract online:

- Call up the online application. This will guide you step by step through the necessary information, which you can enter electronically.
 - Note: As a company, you need a company account with MeinUK (Elster)
 - as a natural person, you need a BundID account.
- You will be asked to pay the fee when you submit your application. After successful payment, your application will be sent to the Federal Cartel Office.
- The Bundeskartellamt will check your details.
- You will receive the relevant extract from the competition register by post.

Apply for an extract by post:

- Download the application form from the Bundeskartellamt's website and complete it.
- Print out the form and add an official or officially certified signature.
- Send the form with any necessary documents by post to the responsible office at the Bundeskartellamt.
- The Bundeskartellamt will check your details and documents.
- You will receive a request to pay the fee. Pay the fee.
- Once payment has been received, you will receive the relevant extract from the Competition Register by post.

Legal bases

- [§ 5 Absatz 2 bis 5 Wettbewerbsregistergesetz \(WRegG\)](#)
- [§ 8 Wettbewerbsregisterverordnung \(WRegVO\)](#)

More information

There are no references or special features.

Legal remedy: Appeal against the decision of the registration authority.

What deadlines must be paid attention to?

If you have already applied for information, you can only submit a new application after one year, unless there is a legitimate interest.

How long does it take to process

Not specified.

What are the costs?

20,00 EUR Payment method: Visa card, Mastercard, giropay