

Market Requirements for US

Business in the United States is regulated by federal, state, and local municipal government authorities. Each state has different regulations on business entities, registration, licensing, etc. There are several business options available for establishing a second business, each with its own legal requirements. The decision of which option an Independent Business Owner chooses would be driven by United States income tax issues and the individual's plans for the business and its development.

		Description	Supporting documentation	Official contact information. (eg. Website, phone #, email address, etc)	Potential costs/Fees associated	Potential timeframe	Obtained by authorized agent allowed? (Y/N)
Legal Requirement	Citizenship Requirement	N/A					
	Residency Requirement	Must have address on file					
	Local Address	Yes					
	Visa Requirement	1. If non-resident is not traveling to the United States: No visa requirements 2. If non-resident is traveling to the United States: Visa must allow you to operate a Amway business Student visas are not eligible Unless exempt from visa requirements, every foreign Independent Business Owner seeking entry for temporary stay in the United States must first obtain the appropriate non-immigrant visa Visa applications are generally available from the United States Consulate or Embassy office in the applicant's home or resident country The applicant must present a valid passport and other required documents, depending on the type of visa requested					
	Business Requirement (ie. Tax implications)	No Tax ID required. Some states regulate product sales.					
	Local bank account	N/A					
Business Entity	Who can be a distributor? (are corporations accepted?)	Original Applicant is legal name. Can incorporate later.	Business Reference Guide				
	Minimum Age requirement	16 and older	Business Reference Guide				
	Restriction on # of applicants	no limit					
	Who can register as a partner/applicant? (eg. Spouse, children, relatives)	spouse, children, parents, relatives, friends	Business Reference Guide				
	Registrants prohibitee (eg. Student, government worker.)	no restriction	Business Reference Guide				
	Is an ABO able to register their Amway Business as a legal entity?	Yes, Only individuals can register as IBOs but they can then sign an Entity Authorization Agreement if they wish to operate their IB as a legal entity.	Business Reference Guide - Rule 3.3				
Amway Requirement	Does Contract explicitly allow transfer of assets to trust, legal entity, etc.	Not explicitly.	Business Reference Guide				
	Amway business Requirement ((eg. Must be at certain PV level of percentage level to earn a bonus)	Bonus payments are based on your PV level. IBO must be in good standing.	Business Reference Guide				
	Amway Limitations (eg. Frequency of visiting the market. Business advice from the market. Etc)	N/A					
	Registration Fee Requirement	Fee requirement - no kit purchase requirement. Registration Fee includes necessary literature pieces.			Registration Fee is \$50 (or \$62 w/\$12 IBOAI support). Starter kit is \$83.		
	Renewal Requirement	Annual renewal September 1 - August 31					
Reference Materials	Do you allow the sale of a distributorship?	yes	Business Reference Guide Rule 6.8				
	Cultural differences		Materials in English, Spanish, Korean, Chinese and some Russian				
Do you provide any additional support from your market? What is it?	Unique market characteristics (eg. Some products are not sold in this market.)	U.S. products					
	Full Customer Service department and Website for additional information.						

If you have any further questions or concerns, please contact the company at 1-800-253-6500 or Customer Service at customer.service@amway.com