



# ANDORRA

## LIMITED LIABILITY COMPANY (SL / SLU) CLIENT GUIDE 2026

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Company formation, foreign investment, taxation  
and annual compliance

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Professional company formation  
and ongoing corporate administration

A stylized, dark blue silhouette of a city skyline with various building shapes and a prominent tower with an upward-pointing arrow.

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## Andorra SL / SLU at a Glance

The Societat Limitada (SL) is Andorra's private limited-liability company. A sole-shareholder company is a Societat Limitada Unipersonal (SLU). The structure is suitable for privately held trading, service and holding activities, subject to foreign-investment approval, licensing and sector-specific requirements.

| Topic                       | Current legal / practical position                                                                                                                                                                                                           |
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| <b>Shareholders</b>         | One or more shareholders. A sole shareholder may incorporate an SLU. Natural persons and legal entities may participate.                                                                                                                     |
| <b>Foreign ownership</b>    | 100% foreign investment is possible in principle. Foreign direct investment may require prior Government authorisation; the current official creation process expressly includes foreign-investment authorisation for non-resident founders. |
| <b>Administration</b>       | The shareholders appoint the management body. It may be a sole administrator, joint administrators, several administrators acting jointly/severally, or a board of directors.                                                                |
| <b>Registered office</b>    | The registered office must be established within the Principality of Andorra.                                                                                                                                                                |
| <b>Minimum capital</b>      | EUR 3,000 for an SL / SLU. The capital is deposited with an Andorran bank and evidenced by a bank certificate for incorporation.                                                                                                             |
| <b>Incorporation</b>        | Company name approval, foreign-investment authorisation where applicable, capital deposit, articles, public deed before an Andorran notary and Commercial Companies Register inscription.                                                    |
| <b>Corporate income tax</b> | General corporate income-tax rate: 10%.                                                                                                                                                                                                      |
| <b>IGI</b>                  | General indirect tax (IGI) rate: 4.5%. Other statutory rates include 0%, 1%, 2.5% and 9.5% for specified transactions.                                                                                                                       |

### Key Benefits for International Clients

- Low 10% general corporate income-tax rate.
- 100% foreign ownership can be authorised; the official 2026 foreign-investment form expressly provides for 100% foreign investment.
- Qualifying dividends and gains from participations can be fully exempt from corporate income tax under the participation-exemption rules.
- A special holding-company regime is available to qualifying SL or SA companies whose exclusive object is holding and managing participations, subject to authorisation and statutory conditions.
- Very low 4.5% standard IGI compared with many European VAT rates.
- Collective investment institutions regulated under Andorran law are subject to a statutory 0% corporate tax rate; this is a regulated investment-fund regime, not an ordinary trading-company exemption.

### Important 2026 Tax Position

#### Andorra is low-tax, but an ordinary SL is not a blanket 0% offshore company

An ordinary Andorran SL is generally subject to 10% corporate income tax. Foreign customers, foreign-source invoices or non-resident shareholders do not by themselves create a 0% tax result. Genuine 0% outcomes are targeted - especially qualifying participation income and the statutory 0% rate for regulated collective investment institutions.

# Ownership, Management & Share Capital

| Topic                    | Current legal / practical position                                                                                                                                                                                                        |
|--------------------------|-------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| <b>Shareholders</b>      | One or more natural persons or legal entities. SLU is available for a sole shareholder.                                                                                                                                                   |
| <b>Foreign investors</b> | Prior foreign-investment authorisation applies in the cases prescribed by the Foreign Investment Law. The 2026 Government process requires detailed KYC, criminal-record, CV and business-plan information for relevant foreign founders. |
| <b>Management body</b>   | Sole administrator, joint administrators, several administrators with joint/several powers, or a board.                                                                                                                                   |
| <b>Registered office</b> | Mandatory in Andorra.                                                                                                                                                                                                                     |
| <b>Minimum capital</b>   | EUR 3,000 for an SL / SLU, deposited before incorporation.                                                                                                                                                                                |
| <b>Bank account</b>      | A future shareholder opens an account with an Andorran bank, deposits initial capital and obtains a certificate stating the contribution and ownership allocation.                                                                        |
| <b>Beneficial owners</b> | Beneficial-owner information is part of the incorporation / compliance documentation and must be maintained in accordance with Andorran AML and registry requirements.                                                                    |

## Corporate Income Tax - 10%

The Andorran Corporate Income Tax Law sets the general rate at 10%. The taxable base is determined from accounting profit with the adjustments required by the tax legislation. An Andorran resident company should therefore not be marketed as tax-free merely because its customers or investments are outside Andorra.

### Participation exemption - genuine 0% on qualifying income

Article 20 provides a full exemption for qualifying dividends / profit participations and positive gains from the disposal, liquidation or specified restructuring of participations. Key conditions include, in general, a direct or indirect participation of at least 5%, a one-year holding period (which may be completed after a dividend), and the required subject-to-tax condition for the investee. Detailed limitations and proof requirements apply.

## Special Holding Company Regime

An Andorran SL or SA whose exclusive object is the management and holding of participations in resident or non-resident companies may apply for the special holding-company regime. The regime exempts qualifying dividends and positive disposal results from the tax base and requires authorisation plus portfolio disclosure in the annual accounts.

## 0% Rate for Regulated Collective Investment Institutions

The Corporate Income Tax Law applies a 0% tax rate to collective investment institutions regulated by Andorran Law 10/2008, excluding their management companies, which remain under the general regime. This is a regulated investment-vehicle provision and should not be confused with the tax treatment of an ordinary SL carrying on commercial business.

## IGI - 4.5% Standard Rate

The general IGI rate is 4.5%. Official guidance also lists a 2.5% special rate, 1% reduced rate, 0% super-reduced rate and 9.5% increased rate for banking and financial services. The correct rate and place-of-supply treatment depend on the transaction.

# Formation Process & Documents Required

**1. NIA and electronic certificate 2. Company-name reservation 3. Foreign-investment authorisation where required 4. Andorran registered office 5. Bank account and EUR 3,000 capital deposit 6. Articles and public deed before notary 7. Commercial Companies Register inscription 8. Tax / IGI registration, trade-name and business-opening formalities 9. CASS registration where applicable**

The Government's current company-creation procedure requires the corporate object used in the articles to correspond with the approved company name and foreign-investment application. Foreign documents may need apostille/legalisation and translation. The notary sends the public deed to the Commercial Companies Register for registration.

## Official Government Fees

Current Government guidance states: company-name reservation EUR 5.69; the foreign-investment authorisation procedure currently carries a EUR 300 fee; and registration of an SL / SLU in the Companies Register is EUR 1,016.67. It also states an annual maintenance fee of EUR 851 where the SL is a patrimonial company or does not have an open trade/business. Notarial, professional, licensing and other third-party costs are separate. BRIS professional fees are quoted separately.

## Documents Required from the Client

- Certified passport / ID for each relevant shareholder and administrator.
- Recent proof of residential address.
- Criminal-record certificate not older than three months for relevant foreign-investment applicants.
- Updated CV with photograph for the foreign-investment process.
- For corporate shareholders: registry extract, constitutional documents, directors and full ownership chain.
- Detailed business plan, target market, value added, activities and planned investment.
- Proposed company names, Andorran registered office and business activities.
- Shareholding, EUR 3,000 capital and management/signing arrangements.
- Source-of-funds and, where appropriate, source-of-wealth evidence.

## Accounting & Annual Accounts

SL and SA companies must prepare and deposit annual accounts electronically through the Tax Administration's virtual office. Accounts must give a true and fair view. They are approved within the first six months after year-end and filed within the timetable applicable to the corporate income-tax return. Signed originals must be retained at the registered office for six years.

### Audit requirements apply from financial years beginning 1 January 2025

An SL / SA is audit-required if, for two consecutive years, at least two thresholds are exceeded: assets EUR 3.6 million, annual turnover EUR 6 million, or more than 50 employees. Audit is also required if annual turnover exceeds EUR 10 million for two consecutive years, and for specified regulated/public-interest entities and other statutory cases.

## Annual Compliance Checklist

- Maintain Andorran registered office and current Companies Register data.
- Maintain shareholder, administrator and beneficial-owner records.
- Prepare and approve annual accounts within six months after year-end.
- Deposit annual accounts electronically and retain signed originals for six years.
- File corporate income-tax and IGI returns as applicable.
- Obtain statutory audit where thresholds or sector rules require it.
- Maintain trade/business and CASS registrations where applicable.
- Reassess participation-exemption / holding-regime conditions annually.
- For authorised foreign investment, maintain effective activity and evidence required by Government follow-up.

# International Business & Tax Planning

Andorra combines a 10% general corporate income-tax rate with a 4.5% standard IGI rate and targeted exemptions for qualifying investment income. It is therefore attractive for appropriately structured international businesses, but an ordinary foreign-owned SL is not automatically tax-free. The company's real activity, residence, related-party transactions, foreign investments and treaty position must be analysed.

## Where a genuine 0% Andorran corporate-tax result can arise

Qualifying dividends and qualifying gains from participations can be fully exempt under Article 20. A qualifying authorised holding company can also exempt eligible participation income under its special regime. Separately, regulated Andorran collective investment institutions have a statutory 0% corporate-tax rate. Ordinary trading and service profits of an SL remain generally taxable at 10%.

## Foreign Investment & Substance

The 2026 foreign-investment framework places strong emphasis on effective activity after authorisation. Government materials describe post-authorisation checks of implementation, active business, annual accounts, beneficial owners and an operational Andorran bank account. Foreign investment therefore requires more than a nominal registered company and does not itself create a right to Andorran residence.

## How BRIS Group Supports You

**Structure & tax review** - Assess SL/SLU suitability, 10% corporate tax, participation exemption, holding-company regime, IGI and treaty considerations.

**Company formation** - Coordinate NIA, name reservation, foreign-investment process, articles, capital deposit, notarial deed and Companies Register filing.

**KYC / UBO** - Coordinate shareholder, administrator, beneficial-owner and source-of-funds / source-of-wealth due diligence.

**Accounting & compliance** - Coordinate bookkeeping, annual accounts, corporate tax, IGI, audit and statutory filings.

**Banking** - Prepare corporate and KYC documentation and coordinate Andorran banking support where available.

## Professional Fees & Official Sources

### Professional fees are quoted separately

This guide is informational and is not a fee quotation. BRIS Group professional fees and third-party costs - including Andorran registered office, local legal support, notary, banking, translations, accounting, tax, audit, licensing and foreign-investment support - are quoted separately according to the required services.

Official sources reviewed for this 2026 guide: Govern d'Andorra - company creation and incorporation procedure, foreign-investment process, annual-account deposit, audit regulation and IGI guidance; Departament de Tributs i de Fronteres - Corporate Income Tax Law guidance and binding tax consultations on Article 20 participation exemption and the special holding-company regime; current 2026 Government foreign-investment monitoring materials.

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