



## MEDIA STATEMENT

### **CIPC GOES DIGITAL WITH AUTOMATED COMPANIES AND CLOSE CORPORATIONS RE-INSTATEMENT APPLICATIONS**

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The Companies and Intellectual Property Commission (CIPC) is proud to announce that the application process for companies and close corporations' re-instatements (Form CoR405) has been fully automated effective from today, 11 August 2025.

This digital upgrade forms part of CIPC's mission to modernise the services it renders to the clients, save time and simplify doing business in South Africa.

From today onwards, all applications for companies and close corporations' re-instatements must be submitted online via:

- CIPC e-Services
- BizPortal
- Self-service Terminals

The old email address previously used for these applications ([re-instatements@cipc.co.za](mailto:re-instatements@cipc.co.za)) will be discontinued and will no longer accept applications.

This fully automated service allows users to complete and submit Form CoR40.5 online without the need to upload supporting documents, unless the user is submitting a court order.

It is important to note that only companies and close corporations that were operational or had economic value at the time of deregistration are eligible for re-instatement. Such evidence must be retained and may be requested by CIPC in line with Companies Regulation 168.

Key Points to Note:

- No supporting documents are required unless a court order is submitted.
- The application fee is R200, payable via the CIPC card payment facility.
- Court orders MUST be uploaded and will be processed free of charge.
- Once re-instated, all outstanding Annual Returns, Beneficial Ownership Declarations, and AFS/FAS must be filed within 30 business days. Failure to do so will result in the entity being deregistered again.
- Applicants with pending manual submissions may still apply electronically. However, duplicate processing and billing may occur, and CIPC will not issue refunds or cancel manual applications in such cases.

To ensure seamless transition, CIPC will walk the clients through the new process using the step-by-step user guide, a list of frequently asked questions, and will host webinars following the launch, please visit [www.cipc.co.za](http://www.cipc.co.za) for further details.

**Ends.**

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