

Points of Difference	Limited Company	Limited Liability Partnership	Partnership Firm	Sole Proprietorship
Enactment	Governed by Companies Act, 2013	Governed by Limited Liability Partnership Act, 2008	Governed by Partnership Act, 1934	Not Applicable
Charter	Certificate of Incorporation, MOA and AOA	Certificate of Incorporation and Partnership Agreement	Partnership Agreement	Not Applicable
Books of accounts	Compulsory	Compulsory	Depend upon Transaction Level	Depend upon Transaction Level
Audit of Accounts	Compulsory	Depend upon Transaction Level	Depend upon Transaction Level	Depend upon Transaction Level
Formation	Formation procedure is complicated involving various Paper Work and Time Consuming	Formation procedure is complicated involving various Paper Work and Time Consuming	Formation procedure is easiest and fastest	Formation procedure is easiest and fastest
Name Availability	Name has to be got approved from the MCA.	Name has to be got approved from the MCA.	Not Required	Not Required
Management	Provisions of Companies Act, 2013 have to be complied with which are complex laborious, rigid and time consuming.	Provisions of LLP Act, 2013 have to be complied with which are less complicated	terms of Partnership Agreement have to be complied which are not complicated	Not Required
Meetings	All the meetings have to be held as per provisions, of the Companies Act, 2013. - 1 AGM - At least 1 meeting of BoD within every 3 months	All the partners meetings have to be held as per provisions, of the LLP Act, 2013.	All the partners meetings have to be held as per provisions, of the Partnership Agreement.	Not Required
Penalties	Provisions under the Companies Act are more stringent and attract penalties.	Provisions under the LLP Act are stringent and attract penalties.	No Such stringent provisions	No Such stringent provisions
Filing of Documents with Registrar	Periodic filing of Returns and Information with MCA within the prescribed period.	Annual filing of Returns and Information with MCA within the prescribed period.	No filing provisions	Not Required
Filing of Income Tax Return	Income Tax Return has to be filed compulsorily.	Income Tax Return has to be filed compulsorily.	Income Tax Return has to be filed compulsorily.	In case of taxable Income
Taxation	Basic Tax applicable ~ 15% to 30% plus surcharge and cess	30% plus surcharge and cess	30% plus surcharge and cess	As applicable to individual
Registration Fees	Depends on Nominal Capital of the Companies.	Depends on Nominal Capital of the Partner.	Depends on Nominal Capital of the Partner.	Nil
Minimum no of members	Private Limited: 2 Members Public Limited: 7 Members	2 Members	2 Members	1 Members
Minimum no of Director	Private Limited: 2 Director Public Limited: 3 Director	2 Designated Director	Not Required	Not Required

Overall Summary

Points of Difference	Limited Company	Limited Liability Partnership	Partnership Firm	Sole Proprietorship
Separate Legal Entity				
Limited Liability				
Taxation				
Transferability of Shares				
Cost of Incorporation				
Compliance Level				