

Council Regulation (EC) No 2157/2001 of 8 October  
2001 on the Statute for a European company (SE)

TITLE I

**GENERAL PROVISIONS**

*Article 1*

1 A company may be set up within the territory of the Community in the form of a European public limited-liability company (*Societas Europaea* or SE) on the conditions and in the manner laid down in this Regulation.

2 The capital of an SE shall be divided into shares. No shareholder shall be liable for more than the amount he has subscribed.

3 An SE shall have legal personality.

4 Employee involvement in an SE shall be governed by the provisions of Directive 2001/86/EC.

**Changes to legislation:**

There are outstanding changes not yet made to Council Regulation (EC) No 2157/2001. Any changes that have already been made to the legislation appear in the content and are referenced with annotations.

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**Changes and effects yet to be applied to :**

- Art. 1(1) omitted by [S.I. 2018/1298 reg. 98\(a\)](#)
- Art. 1(2) words substituted by [S.I. 2018/1298 reg. 98\(b\)](#)
- Art. 1(3) words substituted by [S.I. 2018/1298 reg. 98\(b\)](#)
- Art. 1(4) substituted by [S.I. 2018/1298 reg. 98\(c\)](#)

**Changes and effects yet to be applied to the whole legislation item and associated provisions**

- Title 3 heading words substituted by [S.I. 2018/1298 reg. 110](#)
- Signature words omitted by [S.I. 2018/1298 reg. 138](#)
- Art. AA1(1) words substituted in earlier amending provision S.I. 2018/1298, reg. 97 by [S.I. 2020/523 reg. 4\(a\)\(ii\)\(aa\)](#)
- Art. AA1(2) words substituted in earlier amending provision S.I. 2018/1298, reg. 97 by [S.I. 2020/523 reg. 4\(a\)\(ii\)\(bb\)](#)
- Art. AA1(5) words substituted in earlier amending provision S.I. 2018/1298, reg. 97 by [S.I. 2020/523 reg. 4\(a\)\(ii\)\(cc\)](#)
- Art. A1 words substituted in earlier amending provision S.I. 2018/1298, reg. 97 by [S.I. 2020/523 reg. 4\(a\)\(i\)](#)
- Art. 000A1-AAA1 inserted by [S.I. 2018/1298 reg. 97](#)
- Annex 1 omitted by [S.I. 2018/1298 reg. 139](#)
- Annex 2 omitted by [S.I. 2018/1298 reg. 139](#)
- Art. 9(1)(c)(i) substituted by [S.I. 2018/1298 reg. 104\(a\)\(ii\)](#)
- Art. 9(1)(c)(iii) words omitted by [S.I. 2018/1298 reg. 104\(a\)\(iv\)](#)
- Art. 9(1)(c)(ii) words omitted by [S.I. 2018/1298 reg. 104\(a\)\(iii\)\(bb\)](#)
- Art. 9(1)(c)(ii) words substituted by [S.I. 2018/1298 reg. 104\(a\)\(iii\)\(aa\)](#)
- Art. 40(2)(a)-(c) Art. 40(2)(a)-(c) substituted for words by [S.I. 2018/1298 reg. 113\(b\)](#)
- Art. 43(2)(a)(b) Art. 43(2)(a)(b) substituted for words by [S.I. 2018/1298 reg. 115\(b\)\(iv\)](#)
- Art. 43(3)(a)-(c) Art. 43(3)(a)(b) substituted for words by [S.I. 2018/1298 reg. 115\(c\)](#)
- Art. 47(2)(a) words omitted by [S.I. 2018/1298 reg. 117\(b\)\(ii\)\(bb\)](#)
- Art. 47(2)(a) words substituted by [S.I. 2018/1298 reg. 117\(b\)\(ii\)\(aa\)](#)
- Art. 47(2)(b) words omitted by [S.I. 2018/1298 reg. 117\(b\)\(iii\)\(aa\)](#)
- Art. 47(2)(b) words omitted by [S.I. 2018/1298 reg. 117\(b\)\(iii\)\(bb\)](#)
- Art. 52(b) substituted by [S.I. 2018/1298 reg. 122\(a\)](#)