

COMPETITION GUIDELINES FOR TRADE ASSOCIATIONS

Both trade association and its members can be liable for breaches of the Competition Order, 2015.



Penalty of up to 10 percent of business turnover in Brunei Darussalam for each year of infringement, up to 3 years.

Find out practical tips of the dos and don'ts that can help association and its members minimize the risk of infringing the Order.

THE DOS



Educate members on the Competition Order, 2015



Be mindful when gathering information from members



Instruct members to leave any discussions involving sensitive information



Ensure that membership criteria and objective are clear



Ensure that every meeting has a clear legitimate agenda



Designate the rules of the association precisely to ensure no sensitive information discussed at meetings



Keep meticulous record of every meeting



Guide members on industry's development and promote industry's interests to consumers

THE DON'TS



Establish price or output recommendations to members



Restrict members from taking independent commercial decisions



Facilitate share of sensitive information



Constrain members on their selling terms and conditions



Help members to divide their market territories



Coordinate collusive tendering by members



Apply standard-setting to artificially create barrier to entry