



Fiduciary Services - Mauritius



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High net worth individuals face complex estate planning challenges. AXIS can design and implement an international estate plan to help overcome these challenges and meet specific financial objectives.

#### About us

AXIS Fiduciary Ltd ("AXIS Fiduciary") is a Mauritius Management company offering a full spectrum of corporate and fiduciary services to a diversified client base. We can set up companies, trusts, funds and other legal entities and provide the necessary fiduciary, corporate secretarial, administration, accounting and other ancillary services to help individuals and corporations accomplish their goals and optimize their benefits. Through our offices in Seychelles & Kenya and our network of partners and affiliates worldwide, we can also assist in the setting up and administration of entities in other jurisdictions.

AXIS Fiduciary is licensed by the Financial Services Commission ("FSC") of Mauritius to act as Qualified Trustee and to provide Trust administration services.

### Preferred Legal Partner – BLC Chambers

AXIS Fiduciary works closely with BLC Chambers ("BLC"), a leading Mauritian firm with a robust offshore practice and a strong team of legal advisors. BLC is a member of ALN, which is Africa's leading alliance of top tier independent law firms present in some of Africa's fastest growing jurisdictions. BLC is also associated with the leading international law firm Harney Westwood & Riegels (Harneys) which operates through a network of six offices around the world including BVI, Cayman, Cyprus and Anguilla. Our access to first class lawyers with unmatched legal, structuring, tax and regulatory expertise helps us provide a flawless, cost-effective and comprehensive service to our clients.

# Trust and Foundations Formation and Administration Services

AXIS Fiduciary can set up and manage Trusts and Foundations in Mauritius.

AXIS Fiduciary also provides administration, accounting and other ancillary services to Trusts and Foundations set-up in Mauritius.

Being familiar with complex legal structures, we can provide assistance in identifying and implementing a proper estate and/or succession plan and/or tax efficient structures tailored our clients' needs and requirements.

#### **Our Services**

- We provide the following services:
- Setting up of trusts/foundations
- Acting as Qualified Trustee of a Trust
- Acting as Foundation Council of a Foundation
- Acting as Enforcer of a Purpose Trust
- Trust/Foundation Administrative services
- Accounting
- Compliance
- Legal support
- Trust and/or Foundation migration and redomiciliation



## Key Features of a Mauritian Trust

There are various types of Trusts; including fixed, discretionary, protective, purpose, spendrift, sharia compliant and charitable trusts.

The salient features of a Mauritius Trust are as follows:

- No registration or filing requirements
- Anti-avoidance provisions in relation to forced heirship
- Trustee must be regulated by the Financial Services Commission
- Extensive powers may be given to the Protector
- Possibility to split Trusteeship into a Custodian and a Managing Trustee
- Maximum duration of 99 years
- Non-resident trusts are tax-exempt
- Trusts may apply for a GBC I license
- Confidentiality is enshrined in the law

## Key Features of a Mauritian Foundation

The Foundation legislation allows for foundations to be set up to benefit persons, a class of persons or to carry out a purpose which may be charitable, non-charitable or both. The salient features of a Mauritius Foundation are as follows:

- Has a separate legal personality
- Foundation needs to be registered
- Charter needs not be registered
- Requirement to have a council
- Requirement to have a company secretary licensed by the Financial Services Commission
- Registered Office to be in Mauritius
- Extensive powers may be given to the Protector
- Non-resident foundations are tax-exempt
- Foundations may apply for a GBC I license
- Information filed in respect of offshore foundations not available for public inspections

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