



CT Debt Adjuster For-Profit License New Application Checklist (Branch)

Section 36a-656 of the Connecticut General Statutes requires activity subject to licensure to be conducted at an office in a state, as defined in section 36a-2. State means any state of the United States, the District of Columbia, any territory of the United States, Puerto Rico, Guam, American Samoa, the trust territory of the Pacific Islands, the Virgin Islands and the Northern Mariana Islands.

This document includes instructions for a branch office new application. If you need to complete a new application for a company main office (corporate location), refer to the company main office checklist.

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GENERAL INFORMATION

Who is required to have this license?

A location other than the main office at which a licensee or any person on behalf of a licensee acts as a debt adjuster (for-profit).

Note: The Company Form (MU1) must be requested prior to the submission of a Branch Form (MU3).

Connecticut has two types of licenses for debt adjusters: one for persons who are engaged in the business of debt adjustment as a “bona fide nonprofit organization” and one for persons who are engaged in the business of debt adjustment for profit. These checklists apply to persons who are engaged in the business of debt adjustment for profit.

Note: If the company is a “bona fide nonprofit organization” as defined in Section 36a-655 of C.G.S., please see the Connecticut Debt Adjuster Non-Profit Checklists.

Pre-Requisites for License Applications

- Total License Cost: \$820 including NMLS processing fee

Connecticut Department of Banking does not issue paper licenses for this license type.

Document Uploads

Documents that must be uploaded to the *Document Uploads* section of the Branch Form (MU3) in NMLS are indicated in the checklist below. When uploading documents:

- Follow the guidance in [Document Upload Descriptions and Examples](#).
- Only upload documents relevant to the company application.
- Only upload documents where there is a selectable document category. If inappropriate documents are uploaded that should not be, you will be contacted by your regulator and asked to remove them from NMLS.
- Do not upload the same company documents multiple times. Generally, unless the document is state-specific, if the document has already been uploaded for another state, a new upload is not required unless changes have been made.
- If a document previously uploaded has been revised, delete the old document and replace it with the new document (history of the old document will remain in NMLS).
- For state-specific documents (e.g., Surety Bonds), be sure to indicate the applicable state.

Helpful Resources

- [Branch Form \(MU3\) Filing Quick Guide](#)
- [Document Upload Descriptions and Examples](#)
- [Payment Options Quick Guide](#)
- [License Status Definitions Quick Guide](#)

Agency Contact Information

Contact Consumer Credit staff by phone at (860) 240-8225 or send your questions via email to dob.ccl@ct.gov for additional assistance.

*For U.S. Postal Service & Overnight Delivery:
Connecticut Department of Banking
Consumer Credit Division
260 Constitution Plaza
Hartford, CT 06103-1800*

THE APPLICANT/LICENSEE IS FULLY RESPONSIBLE FOR ALL OF THE REQUIREMENTS OF THE LICENSE FOR WHICH THEY ARE APPLYING. THE AGENCY SPECIFIC REQUIREMENTS CONTAINED HEREIN ARE FOR GUIDANCE ONLY TO FACILITATE APPLICATION THROUGH NMLS. SHOULD YOU HAVE QUESTIONS, PLEASE CONSULT LEGAL COUNSEL.

LICENSE FEES - Fees collected through NMLS are not REFUNDABLE or TRANSFERABLE.

Complete	CT Debt Adjuster For-Profit Branch License	Submitted via...
<input type="checkbox"/>	CT License/Registration Fee: \$800 NMLS Initial Processing Fee: \$20	NMLS (Filing submission)
<input type="checkbox"/>	Credit Report for Control Persons: \$15 per control person.	NMLS
<input type="checkbox"/>	FBI Criminal Background Check for MU2 Individual: \$36.25 per person.	NMLS

REQUIREMENTS COMPLETED IN NMLS

Complete	CT Debt Adjuster For-Profit Branch License	Submitted via...
<input type="checkbox"/>	Submission of Branch Form (MU3): Complete and submit the Branch Form (MU3) in NMLS. This form serves as the application for the license through NMLS.	NMLS
<input type="checkbox"/>	Other Trade Names: If this branch is operating under a name that is different from the applicant's legal name, that name must be listed under the <i>Other Trade Names</i> section of both the Branch Form (MU3) and the Company Form (MU1). Connecticut does not limit the number of other trade names. Note: It is the applicant's responsibility to ensure that all names are properly registered with the required municipality or government agency.	NMLS
<input type="checkbox"/>	Branch Manager: Must recognize an individual who is responsible for the actions of the licensee. Complete the Individual Form (MU2) in NMLS. This individual must be listed in the <i>Branch Manager</i> section of Branch Form (MU3). The branch manager is required to meet <u>minimum criminal and credit background check requirements</u> . The individual will be required to authorize a criminal background check and credit report through the NMLS.	NMLS
<input type="checkbox"/>	Branch Manager (MU2) Attestation: Complete the Individual Form (MU2) in NMLS. This form must be attested to by the applicable branch manager before it is able to be submitted along with the Branch Form (MU3).	NMLS
<input type="checkbox"/>	Credit Report: Branch Managers are required to authorize a credit report through NMLS. Individuals will be required to complete an Identity Verification Process (IDV) along with an individual attestation before a license request for your company can be filed through NMLS. This authorization is made when the Individual Form (MU2) is submitted as part of the Branch Form (MU3).	NMLS
<input type="checkbox"/>	FBI Criminal Background Check Requirements: Branch Managers are required to authorize an FBI criminal background check (CBC) through NMLS. After authorizing an FBI criminal background check through the submission of the Company Form (MU1) and Individual Form (MU2), you must schedule an appointment to be fingerprinted if new prints are required. See the Criminal Background Check section of the NMLS Resource Center for more info. Note: If you are able to 'Use Existing Prints' to process the FBI criminal background check, you DO NOT have to schedule an appointment. NMLS will automatically submit the fingerprints on file.	NMLS

REQUIREMENTS/DOCUMENTS UPLOADED IN NMLS

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Note	The amount of the bond on file for the Main Office will not need to change solely as a result of this branch application if this branch is newly established (e.g., it is a brand new location that has never had any existing Connecticut business). The amount of the bond on file may need to change if the branch that is applying for licensure was acquired by you from a predecessor debt adjuster (e.g., it is an existing location that had Connecticut business under the predecessor).	NMLS