

Setting up at the BLZ

Apply for Land / Serviced Facilities

The BLZ follows a simple, transparent and fair application process:

1. Prerequisites: review eligibility and selection criteria to ensure that your company meets them.
2. Submit completed Application Form and all supporting documentation
3. Allow for two weeks for response from the BLZ Selection Committee

Eligibility

As part of the PMA's vision to be a catalyst for economic development in Bahrain, the Bahrain Logistics Zone has been set up as a pioneering landmark logistics development with the overall objectives of creating adequate and high value added employment, promoting private sector involvement and creating direct and foreign direct investments for Bahrain.

Nature of Business

The Bahrain Logistics Zone aims at attracting high performing and long-term sustainable operations that focus on:

- Third Party Logistics (3PL) services
- General and specialised storage and distribution activities for export/re-export purposes
- Value added logistics services such as: assembly, cosmetics weighing, mixing, filling, packaging and repackaging, de-consolidation/consolidation, kitting, palletizing, labeling for distribution, testing and repair, and other value-added-logistics activities

Selection Criteria

In order to ensure that the overall objectives, strategy, and effectiveness of the zone is achieved and maintained, each company application will be evaluated based on its ability to meet the following three tiers of selection criteria:

1. Economic

With a 30% weight, companies are evaluated based on their ability to support Bahrain's economic development objectives through:

- a. Leveraging Bahrain as a regional hub for operations
- b. Creating mid and high-value jobs and knowledge transfer opportunities
- c. Operations that entail value adding activities
- d. Promoting Direct / Foreign Direct investments
- e. Innovation of business concepts and operations

2. Industrial

Also with a 30% weight, companies should demonstrate their ability to support the Bahrain Logistics Zone objectives through:

- a. Leveraging the port facilities and customs free procedures
- b. Export / Re-export focused operations
- c. Operations that include permitted and focus activities in the zone
- d. Match to land and utility capacity availability
- e. Compliance with safety, health and environment standards

3. Financial

Most importantly, and with a 40% weight, applicants must prove their ability to meet minimum business sustainability standards through:

- a. Experience and capabilities

- b. Financial health
- c. Legal compliance