



**I WANT TO BE MY OWN BOSS!**

## **SELF-EMPLOYED IN BREMERHAVEN**

**Do you want to become self-employed  
in Bremerhaven? Here's an overview of the rules  
in Bremerhaven and Germany.**



### **RESIDENCY STATUS:**

#### **WELCOME SERVICE**

**“Am I allowed to become self-employed in Germany?”**

This is a very important question. The Welcome Service for Bremen and Bremerhaven can help you with this.

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### **TAXATION:**

#### **TAX OFFICE BREMERHAVEN**

**“What do I need to know about taxation?”**

You can obtain information about taxation from the tax office. This is also where you apply for the tax number that you will need when you become self-employed.

#### **Your point of contact in Bremerhaven:**

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A tax accountant will also provide assistance for a fee.



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Bremen & Bremerhaven



### HEALTH INSURANCE:

**CONTACT YOUR HEALTH INSURANCE COMPANY**

#### **There's help for everyone who is ill.**

In Germany, everyone who is ill or injured is helped by a doctor. That costs money. When you become self-employed, part of your earnings go towards health insurance. **Talk to your health insurance company and inform them that you are self-employed. They will then check your health insurance model.**

[www.existenzgruender.de/DE/Gruendung-vorbereiten/Gruendungswissen/Versicherungen-Vorsorge/Kranken-Pflegeversicherung/inhalt.html](http://www.existenzgruender.de/DE/Gruendung-vorbereiten/Gruendungswissen/Versicherungen-Vorsorge/Kranken-Pflegeversicherung/inhalt.html)



### BUSINESS REGISTRATION:

**BUSINESS REGISTRATION OFFICE  
BREMERHAVEN**

#### **“Do I need to register my business?”**

Everyone who wants to run a business needs to register with the authorities. There are different ways of doing this. These are the possibilities:

#### **Business registration office:**

##### **Central Citizens' Office**

Phone: 0471 590 34 70

Am Alten Hafan 118 | 27568 Bremerhaven

##### **North Citizens' Office**

Phone: 0471 590 34 70

Hinrich-Schmalfeldt-Straße 30 | 27576 Bremerhaven

#### **Registering your business online:**

<https://navigaweb.de/bremerhaven>

#### **Single point of contact for the state of Bremen at Bremerhaven Business Service**

The single point of contact will help you to register your business.

Phone: 0421 163 399 475

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### STARTHAUS INITIATIVE BREMERHAVEN

In Bremerhaven, the three partners Employment Promotion Centre in the State of Bremen (afz), Bremerhavener Investment Funding and Urban Development (BIS) and Starthaus Bremen & Bremerhaven (part of the BAB) work together under the umbrella of the Starthaus Initiative Bremerhaven and provide support on the way to becoming self-employed.

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**Bremerhaven offers you support on the way to becoming self-employed. A wide range of help is available from various sources.**

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