



Registry API Guidance – Check Name

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1 Introduction

1.1 Service overview

The Check Name service allows regulated service providers to check the register for similar entity names or reserved names.

This service can be used to check the names for any of the following corporate and legal entity types:

1. Company
2. Partnership (LP, LLP, ILP, SLP)
3. Foundation
4. LLC (when the product law comes into force)

This service is intended to provide API channel users with an alternative route to completing the equivalent 'check name' functionality on any of the entity type incorporation forms in myRegistry.

1.2 Fees

No fees are applicable for this service (accurate as at 1 January 2021).

Please refer to the schedule of fees for Registry services that is published on the JFSC website www.jerseyfsc.org.

1.3 Guidance

This document does not provide guidance regarding the new reporting obligations or interpretation of the new Registry Law.

API users that require further guidance should refer to the guidance and documentation provided on the JFSC website and on the Collaboration Portal (Zoho).

1.4 API Integration guidelines

API integration guidelines are available for download on the Collaboration Portal (Zoho) within the **Files > API Integration Guidelines** section. The API integration guidelines document provides essential security, configuration and integration detail in addition to the application and on boarding process.

If you do not have access to Zoho, you may request access via the registryAPI@jerseyfsc.org or registryProgramme@jerseyfsc.org or registryAPI@jerseyfsc.org email address.

1.5 Registry API Support

Any questions or clarifications regarding this document should be directed to the Registry API team by email at registryAPI@jerseyfsc.org

2 Intended use

2.1 Use cases

The Check Name service is provided to allow regulated service providers to complete the following use cases.

#	Use Case	Example
1	Check name against Registered Entities	A regulated service provider user wants to check if a proposed entity name is already registered or is similar to existing registered entities.
2	Check name against Reserved Names	A regulated service provider user wants to check if a proposed entity name is already reserved or is similar to existing reserved names.

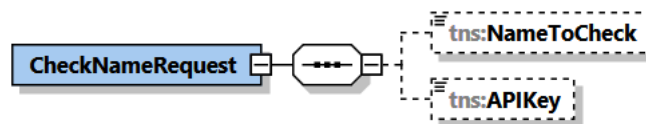
2.2 Service documentation

A service description is published and maintained for each release at the following location:

<https://myreg-stg.api.jerseyfsc.org/documentation>

3 Service request message

In order to submit a Check Name service call you will need to build up the CheckNameRequest object. The structure of the request object is provided below:

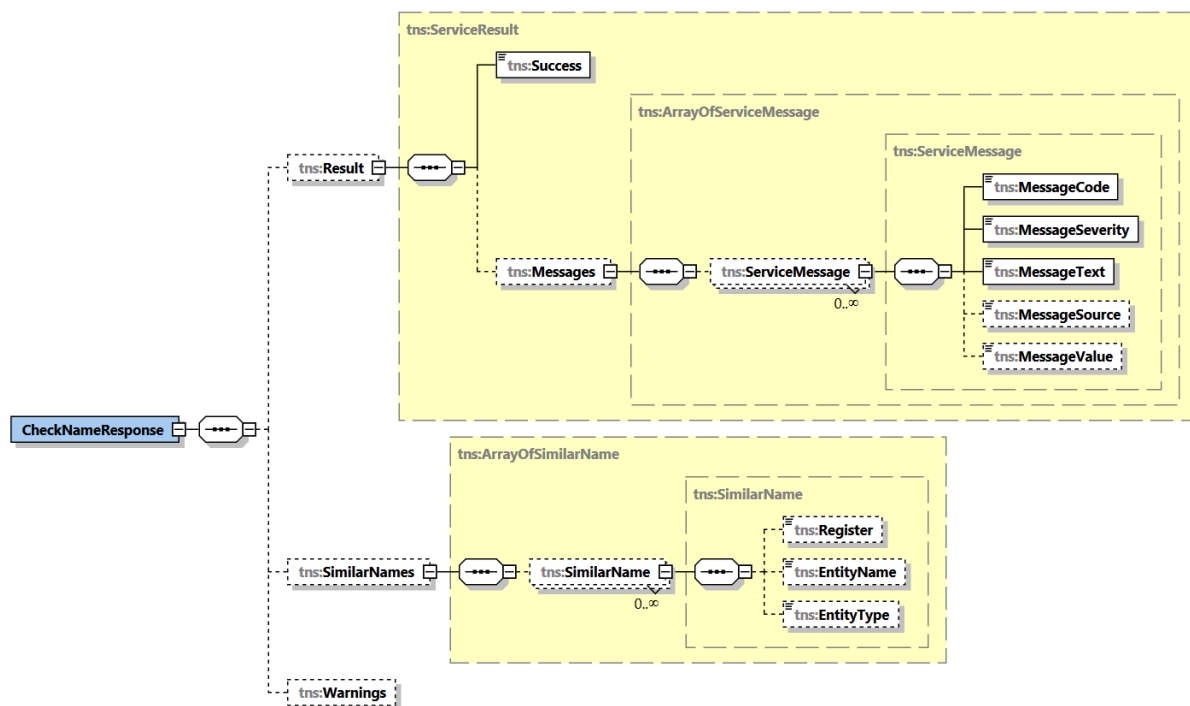


An overview of the individual elements is provided in the following table.

Element	Description	Cardinality
NameToCheck	The name to be checked against the registers	1 - mandatory
APIKey	The API key that is issued to your organisation by the JFSC.	1 - mandatory

4 Service response message

The service message response to the Check Name request adheres to the following structure.



An overview of the individual elements and the context to the CheckName service request is provided in the following table.

Element	Description	Notes
Result	A result object is synchronously returned for each service call.	N/A
Success	Boolean indicator if the service request was successful or not.	N/A
ServiceMessage	Service calls that result in an error will return a ServiceMessage object with supporting information.	Message Code: Indicates what the message relates to (see section 4.3 for the Message code (error types). Message Severity: If the message relates to Information, Warning, or Error etc. Message Text: A long version of the error description. Message Source: Whether the service call has failed API validation or core business logic validation. Message Value: A short version of the error description.

SimilarNames	An array of similar names found on the Registers against the name to check.	N/A
Warnings	A list of warning messages (if any) in relation to the name check.	

4.1 SimilarNames

The data elements within the SimilarNames object array are presented as follows:

Element	Description	Notes
Register	The register where the similar name is found	The valid registers are: "Companies"; "Foundations"; "Limited Liability Partnerships"; "Register of LLC"; "Incorporated Limited Partnerships"; "Limited Partnerships"; "Separate Limited Partnerships"; "Reserved Names"
EntityName	The registered entity name having a similar name	N/A
EntityType	The registered entity type having a similar name	N/A

4.2 Warnings

A list of warning messages will be returned when appropriate in relation to the name check. The following is a list of prescribed warning messages:

Type	Description	Message
Passed Initial Checking	No similar names are found and no reserve or stop words are contained in the search query.	<i>"Your requested name has passed initial checking. This does not mean you are guaranteed the name as it may still be rejected during processing."</i>
Reserved Words	The name check has identified reserved words (examples of reserved words are: "Jersey", "government", "bank", "hospital", "royal", "crown", "parish", "states", "British")	<i>e.g. "JERSEY is a restricted word or phrase. The proposed name will need to be reviewed by the Corporate Registry to determine if it can be used in the proposed name."</i>
Stop Words	The name check has identified stop words. These are words which have the potential to be offensive.	<i>"The term <ABC> is not allowed in entity names. Please choose an entity name that does not include the term <ABC>."</i>

4.3 Message Code (error types)

- NoPresenterSurnameProvided
- NoPresenterFirstnameProvided
- NoPresenterEmailAddressProvided
- NoEntityNumberProvided
- InternalAPIError
- ActivitySectionRequired (Static API Validation only)
- RiskSectionRequired (Static API Validation only)
- InvalidReserveNameNumber (Static API Validation only)
- InvalidSubmissionReferenceNumber
- SubmissionValidationError
- InvalidApiKey
- EntityNotInPortfolio
- FunctionNotAvailable (Temporarily used when functions are closed but still listed on the WSDL e.g. File upload, Amend Nominated Person, Company Incorporation)
- SubmissionNotMadeByCustomer

The most common error returned to users will be the “Submission Validation Error” which reflects that the service call has failed business logic validation. The message will be further elaborated in the message text. These are the same validation business rules that are applied in the myRegistry portal.