

# Startup Shareholder Partnership Governance Template

## 1. Parties

This agreement is entered into between the following shareholders:

Name	Contact	Shareholding (%)
[Shareholder 1]	[Contact Details]	[%]
[Shareholder 2]	[Contact Details]	[%]

## 2. Objectives

To establish the terms of partnership, decision-making procedures, and shareholder rights and obligations for the governance of [Startup Name], in accordance with good corporate governance practices.

## 3. Board of Directors

- Appointment: Directors shall be appointed by majority shareholder vote.
- Composition: The board shall consist of [Number] members.
- Meeting Frequency: The board shall meet at least [Frequency] times per year.
- Quorum and Voting: A quorum is [X] directors; decisions by majority vote.

## 4. Shareholder Rights & Obligations

- Pre-emption rights apply to any new share issuance.
- Material decisions (e.g., mergers, acquisitions) require [X]% shareholder approval.
- Share transfers are subject to right of first refusal for existing shareholders.
- Confidentiality and non-compete obligations are agreed upon by all parties.

## 5. Dividend Policy

Dividends, if declared, shall be distributed in proportion to shareholding unless otherwise agreed.

## 6. Dispute Resolution

In the event of a dispute, the parties agree to first seek resolution via mediation. Should mediation fail, disputes shall be resolved by arbitration in [Jurisdiction].

## 7. Amendment & Termination

- Amendments to this agreement require written approval by shareholders representing at least [X]% of shares.
- This agreement may be terminated by mutual written consent.

## **Signatures**

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[Shareholder 1 Name & Date]

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[Shareholder 2 Name & Date]