WAC 480-30-096 Certificates, application filings, general. (1) A person must submit its certificate application on forms provided by the commission.

(2) Applications must include all requested information, attachments, signed statements, and filing fees.

(a) The commission may reject or defer consideration of an application until the applicant provides all required information;

(b) The commission may reject or defer consideration of an application until the applicant pays any outstanding fees, fines, or penalties; or

(c) The commission may reject or dismiss an application if it includes false, misleading, or incomplete information.

(3) Applications for auto transportation certificate authority must include, but are not limited to:

(a) A complete description of the proposed service including, but not limited to:

(i) The line, route, or service territory described in terms such as streets, avenues, roads, highways, townships, ranges, cities, towns, counties, or other geographic descriptions;

(ii) Whether the service will be:

• "Door-to-door service" - Service provided between locations identified by the passengers and points specifically named by the company in its filed tariff and time schedule. Door-to-door service requires a time schedule in compliance with WAC 480-30-281 (2)(c) and may be restricted to "by reservation only"; and/or

• "Scheduled service" - Service provided between locations specifically named by the company (e.g., the X Hotel at 4th and Main) and points specifically named by the company in its filed tariff and time schedule. Scheduled service requires the company to file a time schedule in compliance with WAC 480-30-281 (2)(b) and may be restricted to "by reservation only."

(b) A map of the proposed line, route, or service territory that meets the standards described in WAC 480-30-051;

(c) A statement of the applicant's assets and liabilities;

(d) A proposed tariff and time schedule for the proposed service;

(e) A statement of conditions from the applicant and statements from members of the public that demonstrate that public convenience and necessity requires the proposed service;

(f) Ridership and revenue forecasts for the first twelve months of operation;

(g) A projected balance sheet and income statement for the first twelve months of operation;

(h) A list of equipment currently owned or leased, or proposed to be purchased or leased, to be used in providing the proposed service;

(i) A statement of the applicant's prior experience and familiarity with the commission's statutes and rules, specifically safety requirements that govern the operations it proposes; and

(j) Evidence of compliance with state tax, labor, employment, business, and vehicle licensing laws and rules. The commission will accept valid, verifiable account numbers showing the applicant has established accounts with other state agencies.

(4) The provisions of this rule do not apply to applications for auto transportation company certificate authority to provide intrastate service over an interstate regular route under a federal grant of authority. Refer to WAC 480-30-101.

(5) An application for new authority filed by a person not currently holding a certificate may propose a tariff that in addition to the applicant's proposed fares includes a request that the company be granted flexible fare authority under WAC 480-30-420 with the proposed maximum fares shown in compliance with the rule. Before the commission grants such authority, it will determine that the proposed base fares are fair, just, reasonable, and sufficient.

(6) A person holding a certificate applying for a name change or mortgage is not required to comply with WAC 480-30-096(3).

[Statutory Authority: RCW 80.01.040, 81.04.160, 81.04.250, 81.68.030, and 81.68.040. WSR 13-18-003 (Docket TC-121328, General Order R-572), § 480-30-096, filed 8/21/13, effective 9/21/13. Statutory Authority: RCW 80.01.040, 81.04.160, 81.12.050, 81.68.030, and 81.70.270. WSR 06-13-006 (General Order No. R-533, Docket No. TC-020497), § 480-30-096, filed 6/8/06, effective 7/9/06.]