

**533C.204 Issuance of license.**

1. When an application is filed under this article, the superintendent shall investigate the applicant's financial condition and responsibility, financial and business experience, character, and general fitness. The superintendent may conduct an on-site investigation of the applicant, the reasonable cost of which the applicant must pay. The superintendent shall issue a license to an applicant under this article if the superintendent finds that all of the following conditions have been fulfilled:

a. The applicant has complied with sections 533C.202, 533C.203, and 533C.206.

b. The applicant has not been convicted of or pled guilty to a felony or an indictable misdemeanor for financial gain within the past ten years.

c. The applicant has paid a fee set by the department of public safety, division of criminal investigation, to defray the costs associated with the search of criminal history records of the applicant. If the applicant is a corporation, the applicant shall pay the fee associated with a criminal history record check for the directors and officers of the corporation. If the applicant is a partnership, the applicant shall pay the fee associated with a criminal history record check for each of the partners. The superintendent may require the applicant to provide additional information from the applicant if the department of public safety records indicate that a person with the same name has a criminal history. If the applicant is a publicly traded corporation or a subsidiary or affiliate of a publicly traded corporation, no criminal history record check shall be required.

2. When an application for an original license under this article is complete, the superintendent shall promptly notify the applicant of the date on which the application was determined to be complete and the superintendent shall approve or deny the application within one hundred twenty days after that date.

3. The superintendent may for good cause extend the application period.

4. An applicant whose application is denied by the superintendent under this article may appeal, within thirty days after receipt of the notice of the denial, from the denial and request a hearing. The denial of a license shall not be deemed a contested case.

2003 Acts, ch 96, §7, 42; 2005 Acts, ch 35, §31