

**325A.3 Application and issuance of permit or certificate.**

1. Upon the filing of an application by a motor carrier and compliance with the terms and conditions of [this chapter](#), the department shall issue to the applicant a permit or certificate. The actual operation by a motor carrier of a motor vehicle shall not begin without the permit or certificate being issued by the department.

2. All applications shall be in writing and contain the following:

a. The name and tax identification number of the person making the application.  
b. The applicant's principal place of business.  
c. The type of permit or certificate being requested.  
d. A signed statement agreeing to comply with all applicable safety regulations as prescribed by the department.

e. A copy of all existing tariffs provided to the department for approval by motor carriers of household goods.

f. A financial statement completed by motor carriers of bulk liquid commodities or passengers from which the department can determine the financial fitness of the applicant to engage in the transport of bulk liquid commodities or passengers.

g. A verification of liability and property damage insurance coverage as required in [section 325A.6](#), in a form prescribed by the department.

3. The provisions of [subsection 2](#), paragraph "f", and [subsection 4](#) shall not apply to the transportation of dairy products.

4. Motor carriers of bulk liquid commodities or passengers shall complete a motor carrier safety education seminar provided by or approved by the department. This seminar must be completed within six months of the permit or certificate issuance.

5. A motor carrier shall keep a permit or certificate issued to the motor carrier under [this section](#), or a copy of such permit or certificate, in the vehicle being operated by the motor carrier and shall show the permit or certificate, or copy thereof, to any peace officer upon request.

6. The department may deny issuance of a permit or certificate if the department determines that evidence exists showing that the motor carrier cannot comply with the requirements of [this chapter](#) or the rules adopted pursuant to [this chapter](#), including safety regulations and financial fitness and insurance requirements.

[97 Acts, ch 104, §34, 61](#); [2000 Acts, ch 1016, §27, 31, 32](#); [2001 Acts, ch 132, §20, 21](#)

Referred to in [§325A.25](#), [§805.8A\(13\)\(d\)](#), [§805.8A\(13\)\(e\)](#)

For applicable scheduled fines, see [§805.8A](#), subsection 13, paragraph d