

**WAC 480-31-052 Suspending and canceling certificates.** (1) **Cause for suspension.** The commission may suspend a certificate for cause. Cause includes, but is not limited to:

(a) Failure to maintain evidence of required liability insurance coverage for all areas of a private, nonprofit transportation provider's operations;

(b) Failure to file an annual report or pay required regulatory fees;

(c) Failure or refusal to comply with operating standards that protect the public health, safety, or welfare;

(d) Allowing others to operate under a provider's certificated authority without having first obtained commission approval;

(e) Operating in a manner that violates the rights of customers and/or constitutes an unfair or deceptive business practice; or

(f) Repeated failure or refusal to comply with laws and rules pertaining to operations of private, nonprofit transportation providers.

(2) **Cause for cancellation.** The commission may cancel a certificate for cause. Cause includes, but is not limited to:

(a) Operating without proper insurance;

(b) Failure to file an annual report or pay required fees;

(c) Failure to correct within the time specified in a suspension order all conditions listed in the suspension order that led to the certificate's suspension;

(d) Continued violations of laws and rules affecting the public health, safety, or welfare when the commission has reason to believe the private, nonprofit transportation provider will not comply with those laws and rules following a specified period of suspension;

(e) Failure to supply requested information needed by the commission in the performance of its regulatory functions; or

(f) Submission of false, misleading or inaccurate information.

(3) **Notice of pending suspension and cancellation.** When the commission believes cause exists to suspend or cancel a certificate, it will issue a notice to the private, nonprofit transportation provider of the commission's intention to suspend or cancel the authority.

(4) **Contest of suspension and cancellation.** A private, nonprofit transportation provider may contest the pending suspension and/or cancellation of its certificate by requesting a hearing or brief adjudicative proceeding within ten days following the date of the notice.

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