

WAC 204-91A-035 Registered tow truck application process. (1) A tow company must apply through the patrol to be a registered tow operator in Washington state.

Once an application is received, the patrol must conduct an initial inspection of the applicant's place of business, facilities, and equipment.

(2) At the time of initial inspection:

(a) The applicant must:

(i) Provide written verification that the business complies with all applicable local laws and regulations in the geographical area where the towing business will be established.

(ii) If local zoning regulations apply, provide a copy of the certification of approval from the local zoning commission. This certificate will become a part of the permanent record maintained on each approved towing firm approved by the patrol.

(b) The inspector will:

(i) Verify the identities and status of driving privileges for all persons who operate tow trucks, and notify the applicant of any person who does not meet the minimum licensing requirements.

(ii) Determine if the applicant meets the applicable requirements of chapter 46.55 RCW, or Titles 308 or 204 WAC.

(A) If applicant meets the requirements, the inspector will provide certification.

(B) If the applicant does not meet the requirements, the inspector must state the reasons for failure to qualify in a separate report which must be returned to the applicant along with the application and inspection form. If the applicant is initially not certified, the applicant may request an additional inspection once all deficiencies are corrected.

[Statutory Authority: RCW 46.37.005, 46.55.050, and 46.55.115. WSR 09-09-118, § 204-91A-035, filed 4/21/09, effective 5/22/09.]