

**WAC 480-70-081 Certificates, general. (1) Certificate required.**

A person must have a certificate of public convenience and necessity from the commission before operating as a solid waste collection company in the state of Washington.

(2) **Company name.** The company name is the name of the certificate holder.

(a) A company electing to conduct operations under a trade name must first register the trade name with the commission.

(b) A company must conduct all operations under the company name or a registered trade name. The term "operations" includes, but is not limited to: Collection, billing, advertising, and identifying vehicles.

(3) **Display.** A company must keep the original of its certificate on file at its main office subject to inspection by any customer, law enforcement officer, commission compliance officer, or other authorized commission representative who asks to see it.

(4) **Replacement.** The commission will replace a lost or destroyed original certificate at no charge.

(5) **Description of certificated authority.** When a company's certificated authority is described using boundaries such as streets, avenues, roads, highways, townships, ranges or other descriptions, those descriptions or boundaries are established in the certificate as they existed at the time the commission granted the authority.

(6) **Operating within certificated authority.**

(a) A company must operate strictly within the authority described in its certificate.

(b) The commission may institute administrative sanctions against a company operating outside its certificated authority. Refer to WAC 480-70-216 for information regarding administrative sanctions.

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