MINORITY AND WOMEN BUSINESS ENTERPRISE CERTIFICATION

APPLICATION



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MWBE APPLICATION FOR CERTIFICATION

SECTION I. PROGRAM ELIGIBILITY

Is your Business at least 51% majority owned by women or racial/ethnic minorities?	Yes	□No
2. Are the minority or women owners United States Citizens or Lawfully Admitted Permanent Residents of the United States?	Yes	□No
3. Is your Business located in the United States?	Yes	☐ No
4. a. Have the current minority and women owners owned and operated the Business for at least one year?	Yes	☐ No
b. Date operations started: (month) (year)		
c. Has the Business been continuously operating for at least one year?	Yes	□No
5. a. Have the current women or minority owners filed at least one year of federal tax returns for the Business?	Yes	□No
b. Have the current women or minority owners filed federal Business and personal tax returns for the most recently completed tax year?	Yes	□No
6. a. Out-of-State Businesses ONLY: Is the Business currently certified as a DBE, MBE or WBE in its own state?	Yes	□No
b. Out-of-State Businesses ONLY: Has the governmental certifying body in the state where your principal place of business is located conducted a physical onsite review at your place of business within the past three (3) years?	Yes	□No

(X) STOP! If your answer to ANY question in this section was \underline{NO} , then you Do Not qualify for this program and do not need to fill out this application.

SECTION II. GENERAL INFORMATION

1. Legal Name of Business:											
2. Street Address of Business (P.O. B	ox number alone is not ac	ceptable):									
City:		County:		State:	Zip Code:						
Mailing Address of Business (if different controls)	erent from Street Address):										
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4. Full Name of Primary Contact Pers	on:		5. Telephone N	Number:							
6. Facsimile Number: ()	7. E-mail:		8. Web Page:								
9. Form of Business: (Please Choose	One)										
Sole Proprietorship	Limited Liability Corporation	tion									
☐ Partnership ☐	Professional Services Cor	rporation	ed Partnership								
Other (identify):											
10. Does your Business have an S-Co	orp election?			Yes	П No						
If 'yes', provide the S Election Effect	ctive Date										
11. Has your Business ever existed in	a different form or under a	a different name?		Yes	□No						
If 'Yes', identify:											

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12. Is the Address in Section II, Question 2 your Principal F	Residence?		Yes	☐ No
13. Does your Business operate at more than one (1) locat If 'Yes', please list other location(s) by city and state:	ion?		/es	□No
14. Is your Business registered with the Kentucky Secretary	y of State's Office?		Yes	□ No
15. Method of Acquisition (check all that apply):				
Merger or Consolidation	☐ Inherited Business			
Started New Business Myself	from		_	
☐ Bought Existing Business				
from	Gift from		_	
Other (explain):				
16. Type of Business (select one primary business categor	y from the choices listed):			
☐ Consultant ☐ Contractor	Subcontractor	☐ Supplier	/Distributer	
☐ Manufacturer ☐ Professional Service	s Retail	☐ Nonprofe	essional Ser	vices
☐ Broker ☐ Private Foundation	Other (identify):		
17. List the activities, products or services of the Business:				
 18. List your business's primary NAICS code. 19. Identify the type of federal tax return filed by the Busine proprietor only, etc.): Tax Year: Tax Year: Tax Year: Filed Form: Fi	ess for each of the last three (3)		1065, Sched	dule C (sole
21. Has your Business applied for reorganization under Ch	apter 11, and/or		Yes	□No
liquidation under Chapter 7, within the last 3 years? 22. List your business's FEIN, if applicable (Do NOT list y	our social security number):			
SECTION III. CERTIFICATION INFORMATION 1. If certified by the Commonwealth of Kentucky, do you program opportunities in other states?	intend to use the certification to	qualify for MBE or WBE	Yes	□ No
Is your Business currently certified by any of the follow that apply):	ving programs? Yes	No If 'Yes,' identify t	he program	(check all
KY Transportation Cabinet DBE Program	U.S. Sma	all Business Administration	on 8(a) Progi	ram
Other State Certification Entity (identify):				
Has your Business or any of its owners, Board of Dire denied or decertified DBE, MBE or WBE certification by			Yes	□ No
If 'Yes,' please provide the following:				
State that Denied or Decertified Name of Agency	Date Reas	on for Denial or Decert	ification	

SECTION IV. RELATIONSHI	PS WITH OTHER BUSINESSI	ES	
		equipment, inventory, financing, of	
If 'Yes', explain the nature of the	relationship by providing the follow	wing information:	
a. Name of other business(es), of agreement:	organization(s), entity(ies) or indivi	idual(s) with whom you have any f	ormal, informal, written, or oral
	esource (examples include teleph /, financing, office staff and/or em		e, storage space, yard, warehouse,
c. Explain the nature of the share	ed resources:		
Do any other businesses, organize If 'Yes', identify:	zations, or entities presently hold a	an ownership interest in your Busir	ness? Yes No
Have any other businesses, orgal If 'Yes', identify:	nizations, or entities previously he	eld an ownership in your Business	? Yes No
4. Do any of your immediate family	members own or manage another	r business?	☐ Yes ☐ No
If 'Yes', please list:			
Name of Family Member	Relationship	Type of Business	Own or Manage
Do any minority or women owner If 'Yes', please list:	s have an ownership interest in a	ny other business(es)?	Yes No
Name and Address of Business		Name of Owner	Ownership Percentage

SECTION V. OWNERSHIP

Identify all individuals or entities holding an ownership interest in the Business and list their initial investment (cash, property, equipment and other) in the Business.

Owner 1

Name:	Home Telephone Number:	Home Address (Street and House Number):				
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City:	State:	Zip Code:	Number of Years Business			
			Owned:			
Percentage of Business Owned:	U.S. Citizen: Yes No	Lawfully Admitte Permanent Res				
Race/Ethnicity (check all that apply):	•		Sex:			
African American	Asian Pacific American Hispanic Am	nerican	Male			
Subcontinent Asian American	Native American		Female			
Initial investment to acquire ownership into	erest in Business:	l				
Туре	Dollar Value	Date (Month ar	nd Year)			
Cash	\$					
Real Estate	\$					
Equipment	\$					
Other	\$					
If 'Other,' explain in detail:						
Was ownership acquired with joint or marit	al assets? Yes No					

Owner 2 (if applicable)

Name:	Home Telephone	Number:	Home Address (Street and House Number):				
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City:	State:		Zip Code:	Number of Years Business			
				Owned:			
Percentage of Business Owned:	U.S. Citizen:	☐ Yes ☐ No	Lawfully Admitte				
	_		Permanent Resi	dent: Lites Lite			
Race/Ethnicity (check all that apply):				Sex:			
African American	Asian Pacific American	☐ Hispanic Am	erican	Male			
Subcontinent Asian American	☐ Native American	Caucasian		Female			
Initial investment to acquire ownershi	p interest in Business:						
Туре	Dollar Value		Date (Month an	d Year)			
Cash	\$						
Real Estate	\$						
Equipment	\$						
Other	\$						
If 'Other,' explain in detail:							
Was ownership acquired with joint or	marital assets? Yes	☐ No					

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Owner 3 (if applicable)

Name:	Home Telephone	Number:	Home Address (Street and House Number):				
City:	State:		Zip Code:	Number of Years Business			
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Percentage of Business Owned:	U.S. Citizen:	Yes No	Lawfully Admitte Permanent Resi				
Race/Ethnicity (check all that apply):				Sex:			
African American	Asian Pacific American	☐ Hispanic Ame	erican	Male			
Subcontinent Asian American	☐ Native American	☐ Caucasian		Female			
Initial investment to acquire ownership			Data (Manth an	d Vaan			
Type	Dollar Value		Date (Month an	d Year)			
Cash	\$						
Real Estate	\$						
Equipment	\$						
Other	\$						
If 'Other,' explain in detail:							
Was ownership acquired with joint or m	narital assets? Yes	☐ No					
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Owner 4 (if applicable)

Name:	Home Telephone	Number:	Home Address (Street and House Number):				
City:	State:		Zip Code:	Number of Years Business Owned:			
Percentage of Business Owned:	U.S. Citizen:	☐ Yes ☐ No	Lawfully Admitte Permanent Resi				
Race/Ethnicity (check all that apply):				Sex:			
African American	Asian Pacific American	☐ Hispanic Ame	erican	Male			
Subcontinent Asian American	Native American	Caucasian		Female			
Initial investment to acquire ownership i	nterest in Business:						
Туре	Dollar Value		Date (Month an	d Year)			
Cash	\$						
Real Estate	\$						
Equipment	\$						
Other	\$						
If 'Other,' explain in detail:							
Was ownership acquired with joint or ma	arital assets? Yes	No					

SECTION VI. CONTROL

1. Identify the Business's officers and board of directors.

	Name	Title	Race or Ethnicity	Gender	Date Appointed (Month/Year)
Officers	a.				
	b.				
	C.				
	d.				
Board of Directors	a.				
	b.				
	C.				
	d.				

2. Indicate each owner's responsibility for the operations and/or activities of the Business in the following areas.

Key: A = Always F = Frequently S = Seldom N = Never	Nan Title Rac	e & Ger	nder:	 		Owner 2 Name: Title: Race & Gender: Percent Owned:						
Set policy for company direction/scope of operations	А		F	S	N	А		F		s		N
Bidding and estimating	А		F	S	N	А		F		S		N
Major purchasing decisions	А		F	S	N	А		F		S		N
Marketing and sales	А		F	S	N	А		F		S		N
Supervise field operations	А		F	S	N	А		F		S		N
Attend bid openings and lettings	А		F	S	N	А		F		S		N
Perform office management (billing, accounts receivable/ payable, etc.)	А		F	S	N	А		F		S		N
Hire and fire management staff	А		F	S	N	А		F		S		N
Hire and fire field staff or crew	А		F	S	N	А		F		S		N

Designate profits, spending or investment	Α	F	S	N	Α	F	S	N
Obligate business by contract/credit/bonding	Α	F	s	N	Α	F	S	Z
Office administration (answer telephones, filing, order supplies, etc.)	Α	F	S	N 🗆	А	F	S	N 🗆
Purchase equipment	Α	F	S	N 🗆	Α	F	S	N
Sign business checks	Α	F	S	N	Α	F	S	N

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Set policy for company direction/scope of operations	Α		F		s		х	А		F		s		z \square
Bidding and estimating	Α		F		S		N	А		F		S		N
Major purchasing decisions	Α		F		S		N	А		F		S		N
Marketing and sales	Α		F		S		N	А		F		S		N
Supervise field operations	Α		F		S		N	А		F		S		N
Attend bid openings and lettings	Α		F		S		N	Α		F		S		х
Perform office management (billing, accounts receivable/ payable, etc.)	Α		F		S		N	А		F		S		N
Hire and fire management staff	Α		F		S		N	А		F		S		z
Hire and fire field staff or crew	Α		F		S		N	Α		F		S		х
Designate profits, spending or investment	Α		F		s		z 🗆	Α		F		s		z □
Obligate business by contract/credit/bonding	Α		F		S		N	А		F		S		N
Office administration (answer telephones, filing, order supplies, etc.)	Α		F		S		и	Α		F		s		N
Purchase equipment	Α		F		s		N	Α		F		S		и
Sign business checks	Α		F		s		и	А		F		s		и П

3. Indicate officers, directors, managers and key employees—who are not also owners—that are responsible for the operations and/or activities of the Business in the following areas.

Key: A = Always F = Frequently S = Seldom N = Never	Nam Title	ne:		 	 nployee	Name Title:	e:	· · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · ·		 nployee
Set policy for company direction/scope of operations	Α		F	S	N	Α		F	s	N
Bidding and estimating	А		F	S	N	Α		F	S	N
Major purchasing decisions	А		F	S	N	Α		F	S	х
Marketing and sales	Α		F	S	N	Α		F	S	z
Supervise field operations	А		F	S	N 🗆	Α		F	S	N 🗆
Attend bid openings and lettings	А		F	S	N 🗆	Α		F	S	N
Perform office management (billing, accounts receivable/ payable, etc.)	А		F	S	N	Α		F	S	N
Hire and fire management staff	Α		F	S	N	Α		F	S	z \square
Hire and fire field staff or crew	Α		F	S	N	Α		F	S	z
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Office administration (answer telephones, filing, order supplies, etc.)	А		F	S	N	Α		F	S	х П
Purchase equipment	А		F	S	N	Α		F	S	N
Sign business checks	А		F	S	N	Α		F	S	N

Do any of the people listed in function for any other Business	n Section VI, ess?	questions 1, 2 and 3 p	perform a management o	r supervisory	Yes	□No	
If 'Yes,' identify:							
Name	Title		Business		Job Function	on	
Does any owner have a currely board members or manager interests, shared office space of 'Yes,' identify: 'Yes,' identify:	ment employe	ees? (Relationships in	clude direct or indirect ov	wnership	☐ Yes	□No	
Name		Business Name		Busine	ess Relationship		
6. Does any principal in your business, or the spouse of any principal, owe any money to the business? Yes No If 'Yes,' explain:					□ No		
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7. Identify persons or business a. Information Technology o	r Computer-	Based Services					
Name of business	Cont	act Name	Address		Telephor	ne Number	
b. Accountancy/Bookkeepir	ng						
Name of business	Cont	act Name	Address		Telephor	ne Number	

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c. Legal				
Name of business	Contact Name	Address		Telephone Number
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d. Principal Suppliers				
Name of business	Contact Name	Address		Talanhana Number
Name of business	Contact Name	Address		Telephone Number
e. Unions, business or prof	essional associations in which	the owner(s) or manageme	ent personne	el have membership
Name of business	Contact Name	Address		Telephone Number
8. Financial Information: a. Banking Information				
Name of bank	Name of Officer	Address of Bank		Telephone Number
b. Bonding Capacity		·		
Name of Broker/Agent	Bonding Limit \$	Address of Agent	or Broker	Telephone Number
c. Source, Amount and Pur	pose of Money Loaned to the B	usiness		
Name of Source	Address of Source	Amount \$	Nam (if o	e of Person Securing the Loan other than the owner)
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	9. List current licenses/permits held b	v anv owner and/or emi	plovee of your Business (e.d	i, contractor, engineer,	architect, etc.).
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Name of License/Permit Holder	Type of License/Permit	Expiration Date	License Number and State

10. List the three (3) largest contracts (by amount) completed by your Business in the past three (3) years.

Name of Owner/Contractor	Name/Location of Project	

11. List three (3) active jobs this Business is currently working on:

Name of Owner/Client/Prime Contractor and Project Number	Location of Project	Date Project Began	Anticipated Completion Date

SECTION VII. AFFIDAVIT OF CERTIFICATION

This form must be signed and notarized for each woman and/or minority owner.

A MATERIAL OR FALSE STATEMENT OR OMISSION MADE IN CONNECTION WITH THIS APPLICATION IS SUFFICIENT CAUSE FOR DENIAL OF CERTIFICATION OR REVOCATION OF A PRIOR APPROVAL.

I,	, swear or affirm under penalty of law that I am
Full Printed Name	Title
of applicant Business	. I have read and understood
	Business Name

all of the questions in this application and that all of the foregoing information and statements submitted in the application, attachments and supporting documents are true and correct to the best of my knowledge. All responses to the questions are full and complete, omitting no material information. The responses include all material information necessary to fully and accurately identify and explain the operations, capabilities and pertinent history of the named business as well as the ownership, control, and affiliations thereof.

I recognize that the information submitted in this application is for the purpose of obtaining certification approval by a government agency. I understand that a government agency may, by means it deems appropriate, determine the accuracy and truth of the statements in the application and I authorize such agency to contact any entity named in the application, and the named Business's bonding companies, banking institutions, credit agencies, contractors, clients, and other certifying agencies for the purpose of verifying the information supplied and determining the named Business's eligibility.

I agree to submit to government audit, examination and review of books, records, documents and files, in whatever form they exist, of the named Business and its affiliates, inspection of its place(s) of business and equipment, and to permit interviews of its principals, agents, and employees. I understand that refusal to permit such inquiries shall be grounds for denial of certification.

I agree to provide written notice to the Finance and Administration Cabinet of any material change in the information contained in the original application within 30 calendar days of such change (e.g., ownership, address, telephone number, etc.).

I understand and agree that my application for certification will not be complete until:

- a. I have answered all questions in the application for certification;
- b. I have submitted all required documents with the application for certification;
- c. I have submitted any additional information, clarification or documents requested by the Finance and Administration Cabinet;

I understand that my completed application will be reviewed and processed in the order of its receipt.

I acknowledge and agree that any misrepresentations in this application will be grounds for denial or revocation of certification. Further, I acknowledge and agree that failure to provide all necessary information and documentation as required shall constitute the basis for denying certification.

I declare under penalty of perjury that the information provided in this application and supporting documents is true and correct.

Signature			Printed Name		
Title			Dete		
Title			Date		
Name of Business					
Physical Address					
Subscribed and sworn to before me by	Affiant			Tille	
	Amant			Title	
of	This	day of		, 20	
Name of Business					
Notary Public				My Commission Expires	
(Notary Seal)					

SECTION VIII. DOCUMENTS CHECKLIST

To complete your application for MWBE certification, you must attach copies of all of the following documents that apply to you and your Business. Please mark N/A for any documents that do not apply to your Business. A brief explanation for any omissions will prevent delays in processing and assist the program in reaching a final determination regarding your eligibility. This list is not all-inclusive and additional documents may be required after the submission of your application. Failure to provide all necessary information and documentation as required shall constitute the basis for denying certification.

A.	Doc	uments that must be submitted with the application:
	ALL	APPLICANTS
		Proof of certification by governmental entities
		Copies of certification denials, decertifications and appeal decisions
		Proof of racial/ethnic minority or female status for each owner claiming racial/ethnic minority or female status
		Proof of U.S. Citizenship or Lawfully Admitted Permanent Resident status for each owner claiming racial/ethnic minority or female status
		Documents indicating business entity status
		Resumes or Curriculum Vitae for each owner claiming female or racial/ethnic minority status
		Proof of contributions used to acquire ownership for each owner claiming female or racial/ethnic minority status
		Compensation Schedule to include: Annual salaries, owner draws, owner distributions, shareholder distributions and bonuses for all owners, controlling members, officers, managers and directors for the previous year
		Proof of any transfers of assets to/from your business and/or to/from any of its owners over the past 3 years
		List of all employees, job titles, and dates of employment
		List of all equipment (including office equipment) and vehicles owned, leased or otherwise made accessible to the business
	OU.	T-OF-STATE APPLICANTS ONLY:
		Contact information for the governmental certifying entity that conducted the onsite review in your home state
В.		uments that must be submitted prior to the Owner Interview (Unless specifically advised by the FAC staff, all uments referenced in this section shall be submitted upon request for FAC staff review):
	1.	ALL APPLICANTS
		All applicants must provide the following documents for review. In some cases, applicants may also be required to provide copies of the documents.
		 Proof of company owned and/or leased real estate (title, warranty deed, tax or mortgage statement and/or signed leases)
		Proof of company owned and/or leased equipment (title, proof of ownership and/or signed leases)
		Titles or registrations to any company owned vehicles

- Signed loan agreements or promissory notes
- Relevant licenses
- List of active contracts
- Invoices and Purchase Orders

2. SOLE PROPRIETORS

All Sole Proprietors must provide the following documents for review. In some cases, Sole Proprietors may also be required to provide copies of the documents.

- Personal Tax returns and all related schedules for the past three (3) years (Schedule C, Profit or Loss From Business)
- Assumed Name documents
- Bank signature card

3. PARTNERSHIPS

All Partnerships must provide the following documents for review. In some cases, partnerships may also be required to provide copies of the documents.

- Personal tax returns for the past three (3) years for each owner claiming female status
- Personal tax returns for the past three (3) years for each owner claiming minority status
- Partnership tax returns and all related schedules for the past three (3) years
- Partnership agreement including any buy-out rights and profit sharing agreements (original and any amended versions)
- Minutes of company meetings (past 3 years)
- Bank signature card
- Separate employment agreement(s) between the business and any employee
- Separate consultant agreement(s) between the business and any employee
- Separate contract(s) between the business and any employee
- Separate employment agreement(s) between the business and any partner, member or officer
- Separate consultant agreement(s) between the business and any partner, member or officer
- Separate contract(s) between the business and any partner, member or officer

4. CORPORATIONS

All Corporations must provide the following documents for review. In some cases, Corporations may also be required to provide copies of the documents.

- Articles of incorporation (original and any amendments include filing copy with state seal/stamp)
- By-laws (original and any amendments)
- Minutes of stockholders and board meetings (past 3 years)
- Stock certificates (both sides)
- Stock ledger (include names, certificate numbers, dates, transfers, cancellations)
- Corporate bank resolutions and/or bank signature card(s)

- Shareholders' Agreement(s)
- Personal tax returns for the past three (3) years for each owner claiming minority status
- Personal tax returns for the past three (3) years for each owner claiming female status
- Corporate tax returns and all related schedules for the past three (3) years
- Separate employment agreement(s) between the business and any employee
- Separate consultant agreement(s) between the business and any employee
- Separate contract(s) between the business and any employee
- Separate employment agreement(s) between the business and any officer, director or shareholder
- Separate consultant agreement(s) between the business and any officer, director or shareholder
- Separate contract(s) between the business and any officer, director or shareholder

5. LIMITED LIABILITY COMPANIES AND/OR LIMITED LIABILITY ENTERPRISES

All Limited Liability Companies and/or Limited Liability Enterprises must provide the following documents for review. In some cases, Limited Liability Companies and/or Limited Liability Enterprises may also be required to provide copies of the documents.

- Articles of organization (original and any amendments include filing copy with state seal/stamp)
- Operating agreement (original and any amendments)
- Minutes of company meetings (past 3 years)
- Corporate bank resolutions and bank signature card(s)
- Personal tax returns for the past three (3) years for each owner claiming female status
- Personal tax returns for the past three (3) years for each owner claiming minority status
- Corporate tax returns and all related schedules for the past three (3) years
- Separate employment agreement(s) between the business and any employee
- Separate consultant agreement(s) between the business and any employee
- Separate contract(s) between the business and any employee
- Separate employment agreement(s) between the business and any officer or member
- Separate consultant agreement(s) between the business and any officer or member
- Separate contract(s) between the business and any officer or member

6. OPTIONAL DOCUMENTS TO BE PROVIDED UPON REQUEST

If requested, all applicants must provide the following documents for review. In some cases, applicants may also be required to provide copies of the documents.

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- Trust agreements held by any owner claiming minority status
- Trust agreements held by any owner claiming female status
- · Suppliers: List of product lines carried

APPLICATION SUBMISSION:

Return the application and supporting documents in PDF format to Finance.MWBE@ky.gov. Due to email size limitations, please send the application and supporting documents in two separate emails. Include your company's name in the subject line of each message.

If you have any questions please call us at 502-564-8099; for the hearing impaired, please call the Kentucky Relay Service at 800-648-6056 or 711. Email inquiries can be sent to: Finance.MWBE@ky.gov