

**HAZARDOUS MATERIALS TRANSPORTATION ACT (EXCERPT)**  
**Act 138 of 1998**

**29.479 Suspension or revocation of registration or permit; denial of application for registration or permit; conditions; actions of department; notice to motor carrier; written request for contested case hearing; reinstatement; issuance.**

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(1) The department shall immediately suspend or revoke a registration or permit, or deny an application for a registration or permit, upon determination of any of the following conditions:

- (a) The motor carrier made a materially false or misleading statement in an application.
- (b) The motor carrier's operation consists of 1 or more serious or repeated violations of the laws of this state.
- (c) The motor carrier has been issued an unsatisfactory rating under the motor carrier rating system developed by the United States department of transportation.

(d) The motor carrier is under a current out of service order issued pursuant to the motor carrier safety act of 1963, 1963 PA 181, MCL 480.11 to 480.22, or an out of service order issued by the United States department of transportation.

(e) The motor carrier does not maintain the appropriate level of financial liability coverage mandated by the laws of this state.

(2) If the department determines that any of the conditions of subsection (1)(a) through (e) exist, the department shall do 1 of the following, as appropriate:

- (a) Suspend or revoke a notice of registration or permit previously issued under this act.
- (b) Suspend or revoke the hazardous materials transportation operations in this state by a motor carrier operating under a registration or permit issued by another participating state.
- (c) Deny an application for registration or permit by a motor carrier.

(3) Upon revocation, suspension, or application denial, the department shall notify the motor carrier, in writing, by certified mail, of the reasons for suspension, revocation, or application denial, and indicate the steps necessary for reinstatement. In the case of a suspension, the department shall also indicate the date by which compliance is required prior to a revocation being issued. The department shall also indicate the steps provided for appeal of the suspension, revocation, or application denial.

(4) Upon notification of suspension, revocation, or application denial, a motor carrier may submit a written request for a contested case hearing pursuant to the administrative procedures act of 1969, 1969 PA 306, MCL 24.201 to 24.328, with the department, by certified mail, within 10 days of receipt of the notice of suspension, revocation, or application denial. A contested case hearing shall be scheduled within 30 days of the receipt of the request for a contested case hearing, and shall be held in the city of Lansing.

(5) The department may reinstate a notice of registration form or permit that was suspended pursuant to this section if the department is satisfied that the violations causing the suspension have been corrected and the motor carrier's operations have changed sufficiently to prevent further occurrences of the violations.

(6) The department may issue a notice of registration form or permit that was previously denied to a motor carrier if the department is satisfied that the violations causing the denial have been corrected and the motor carrier's operations have changed sufficiently to prevent further occurrences of the violations.

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