



Certification Information

Airport Concessions Disadvantaged Business Enterprise (ACDBE)
 Disadvantaged Business Enterprise (DBE)
 Minority Business Enterprise (MBE) / Women Business Enterprise (WBE)



Certification Criteria:

	ACDBE	DBE	MBE/WBE
Type of Contract:	Concession contracts at airports that are recipients of federal USDOT funds	Federal USDOT funded contracts (e.g., airport, highway, bridge, or other transit construction)	Most City-funded contracts and City incentives
Ownership & Control:	At least 51% owned and controlled by one or more socially and economically disadvantaged individuals**	At least 51% owned and controlled by one or more socially and economically disadvantaged individuals**	At least 51% owned and controlled by one or more minority* individuals or women
Qualifying Owner's Personal Net Worth Limit:	Less than \$1.32 million (excluding equity in primary residence, applicant business)	Less than \$1.32 million (excluding equity in primary residence and applicant business)	Not Applicable
Size Standards: (Avg. of 3 years' gross receipts, including affiliates)	Car Rental firms: \$75.23 M Banks/Fin.: \$1B in assets Auto dealers: 350 employees Pay phones: 1,500 employees All other ACDBEs: \$56.42 M	Small Business Administration Size Standards specific to work type (\$23.98 million USDOT cap)	Not Applicable
Type of Business:	Any for-profit, independent business pursuing a concession contract as prime, joint venture partner, or subtenant or providing goods and/or services to a concession	Any for-profit, independent business pursuing work as a subcontractor or prime	Any local for-profit, independent business pursuing work as a subcontractor or prime
Participation Goals:	ACDBE goal set on a per concession contract basis	DBE goal set on a per contract basis	25% MBE 5% WBE

*Black Americans, Hispanic Americans, Native Americans, Asian-Pacific Americans, or Subcontinent Asian Americans;

**Members of the minority groups listed above and women are presumed to be disadvantaged. Any other individual may be determined to be socially and economically disadvantaged on a case-by-case basis.

Benefits of Certification:

1. Certification can raise a firm's profile in competing against non-certified subcontractors and contractors.
2. Certification provides marketing exposure to prime contractors and government agencies through the City of St. Louis' online Directory of Certified M/WBE Businesses (<http://directory.mwdbe.org/>) and the MRCC's statewide federal DBE/ACDBE database (http://www.modot.org/business/contractor_resources/external_civil_rights/mrcc.htm).
3. DBE and ACDBE certifications are honored by agencies with federal DBE and ACDBE programs throughout Missouri.

(City of St. Louis, City of Kansas City, Bi-State Development | Metro, Missouri Department of Transportation, Kansas City Area Transportation Authority, Mid America Regional Council and East-West Gateway Council of Governments)

4. Certified firms are provided with training seminars to promote the growth & development and assist in firms' potential for successful participation on City contracts.

Roster of Missouri (MRCC)UCP federal DBE Certifying Agencies:

Area	Submit Application Package to:	
St. Louis Area	Bi-State Development Metro 211 North Broadway, Suite 700 St. Louis, Missouri 63102 314-982-1400 ext. 1352 314-335-3430 (fax) www.metrostlouis.org/dbe	City of St. Louis – St. Louis Lambert Airport P. O. Box 10212 St. Louis, Missouri 63145 314-426-8111 314-890-1305 (fax) www.flystl.com/business/bdd
Kansas City Area	City of Kansas City, Missouri Human Relations Dept. & KCI Airport 4th Floor, City Hall 414 East 12 th Street Kansas City, Missouri 64106 816-513-1836 816-513-1805 (fax) www.kcmo.org	Kansas City Area Transportation Authority 1350 E. 17 th Street Kansas City, Missouri 64108 816-346-0224 816-346-0336 (fax) www.kcata.org
Mid-Missouri, Rural Areas, St. Louis Area and Kansas City Area	Missouri Department Of Transportation 1617 Missouri Boulevard P.O. Box 270 Jefferson City, Missouri 65102 573-526-2978 dbe@modot.mo.gov www.modot.mo.gov	
Other Active MRCC Participating Agencies	Mid-America Regional Council (KC) www.marc.org East-West Gateway Council Of Governments (STL) www.ewgateway.org	

Frequently Asked Questions:

1. If I apply for certification today, how long would it take for you to process my application package?

Answer: The standard for completing the federal DBE certification process is 90 days from the time a complete application package and all required submittals is received by the Business Diversity Development office. The standard for completing the City of St. Louis local MBE/WBE certification process is 60 days. The clock does not start until all required documentation has been satisfactorily submitted.

2. My firm is certified by another agency. Do I need to go through the certification process again?

Answer: The City of St. Louis recognizes federal DBE certification from any agency in the Missouri Regional Certification Committee (MRCC) to satisfy only federal DBE participation goals. Firms that want M/WBE certification recognized by the City of St. Louis must apply to and go through the certification process with the City of St. Louis – Lambert Airport Business Diversity Development (BDD) office.

3. What is the cost to apply for certification?

Answer: Free. There is no application fee to apply for certification.

More information and How to apply:

Visit www.flystl.com/business/business-diversity-development for more general information. If you are ready to apply, you can set up your online account at <https://portals.flystl.com/Account/Login>.

Analysts are available to answer questions about the application, supporting documents, and the whole certification process. Visit the website, or call our office at (314) 426-8111 and ask to speak with an analyst about getting certified. You can also send any questions via e-mail to bddcertification@flystl.com.