



Disadvantaged Business Enterprise (DBE) Certification

Missouri Department
of Transportation



Intent of the DBE Program

- Ensure nondiscrimination
- Create a level playing field for DBEs.
- Narrowly tailored program
- Eligibility standards
- Remove barriers



Eligibility

- For-profit business
- Must be at least 51% owned and controlled by a socially and economically disadvantaged individual(s)
- Personal net worth of less than \$1.32 million
- The owner must be a U.S. citizen or permanent resident
- \$26.29 million in gross annual receipts



Regulations

- MoDOT administers the DBE Program in accordance with 49 CFR Part 26

Social & Economic Disadvantaged



- Women
- Black Americans
- Hispanic Americans
- Native Americans
- Asian-Pacific Americans
- Subcontinent Asian-Americans
- Other groups designated by SBA



Control

- 26.71
 - The firm must be independent – not dependent on its relationship with another firm(s)
 - Not subject to any formal or informal restrictions which limit the customary discretion of the socially and economically disadvantaged owners.
 - The socially and economically disadvantaged owner must possess the power to direct and make day-to-day as well as long term decisions.



How do I become certified?

- <https://www.modot.org/dbe-program>
 - ✓ Moot DBE Application
 - ✓ PNW form
 - ✓ On-site review
 - ✓ Determination



MRCC Partners

- Missouri Department of Transportation
- City of Kansas City, Missouri
- Kansas City Area Transportation Authority
- Mid-America Regional Council
- East-West Gateway Council of Governments
- St. Louis Lambert Airport Authority
- Bi-State Development



MRCC DBE Directory

- <https://www6.modot.mo.gov/MRCC/Home/PublicSearch>



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