

WAC 204-50-040 Ignition interlock device certification. (1) An application must be approved and letter of certification issued by the chief or designee before a manufacturer's ignition interlock device is authorized for installation pursuant to this chapter.

(2) Application for letter of certification for an ignition interlock device.

(a) A manufacturer must submit an application to the impaired driving section for a letter of certification for its ignition interlock device and pay all applicable fees.

(b) In order to have an ignition interlock device certified, the applicant(s) must:

(i) Complete the application form provided by the impaired driving section.

(ii) Provide written verification that the ignition interlock device complies with all applicable standards set under RCW 43.43.395 and chapter 204-50 WAC, including written documentation from an International Organization for Standardization (ISO) certified testing laboratory that two samples of the manufacturer's ignition interlock device meets or exceeds the minimum test standards in sections one and two of the model specifications for breath alcohol ignition interlock devices (BAIID) as published in the Federal Register, Volume 57, Number 67, Tuesday, April 7, 1992, on pages 11774 - 11787, or as rules are adopted. Only a notarized statement as outlined in RCW 43.43.395 (3)(c)(i), from a laboratory that is certified by the International Organization for Standardization and is capable of performing the tests specified will be accepted as proof of meeting or exceeding the standards.

(iii) Provide two ignition interlock devices for field and laboratory testing.

(iv) Attach to the application a declaration on the form provided by the impaired driving section that:

(A) The manufacturer, and its employees will cooperate with the impaired driving section at all times, including its inspection of the manufacturer's installation, service, repair, calibration, use, removal, or performance of ignition interlock device.

(B) The manufacturer agrees to collect and pay all applicable fees, provide all downloaded ignition interlock device data, reports and information related to the ignition interlock device to the impaired driving section in an impaired driving section approved electronic format.

(C) The manufacturer, vendor, and/or ignition interlock technician agrees to provide testimony relating to any aspect of the installation, service, repair, calibration, use, removal or performance of the ignition interlock at no cost on behalf of the state of Washington or any other political subdivision.

(v) Provide the alcohol reference value and type of calibration device used to check the ignition interlock device.

(vi) Provide the Washington state software ignition interlock device configuration profile.

(vii) Provide the impaired driving section, a letter size map of the state of Washington showing the area covered by each certified fixed site and/or mobile service center, areas and the name, address, certification number and telephone number of each service center.

(3) Issuance of a letter of certification for an ignition interlock device or renewal of letter of certification for an ignition interlock device.

(a) The chief or designee will have the authority to issue a letter of certification for a device if all the requirements have been met by the applicant.

(b) Upon receipt of an application for letter of certification, the chief or designee will:

(i) Approve an application under this section if all requirements of this section have been met; or

(ii) Deny the application if all requirements of this chapter have not been met by the applicant. If an applicant is denied, the applicant must wait ninety days before the applicant may resubmit its application for letter of certification for an ignition interlock device.

(c) The chief or designee will notify the applicant in writing if an application for a letter of certification has been denied. The notice of denial will be sent to the applicant via certified mail, return receipt requested.

(d) A letter of certification for an ignition interlock device will be effective the date stated on the letter.

(e) A letter of certification for an ignition interlock device will be valid for three years or until it is surrendered, suspended, or revoked.

(f) A letter of certification for an ignition interlock device will be subject to annual review by the impaired driving section and at its discretion during the course of the certification period.

(4) Renewal of a letter of certification for an ignition interlock device.

(a) A manufacturer must submit an application to the impaired driving section requesting a renewal of a letter of certification for an ignition interlock device and pay all applicable fees. The renewal request may be submitted ninety days prior to the expiration of a letter of certification, but a renewal request must be submitted within thirty days prior to the expiration of a letter of certification.

(b) For a manufacturer to have its letter of certification for an ignition interlock device renewed, it must submit:

(i) A written request for renewal of a letter of certification for an ignition interlock device.

(ii) Written verification that the ignition interlock device complies with all applicable standards set in RCW 43.43.395 and chapter 204-50 WAC, including a current report from an ISO certified testing laboratory that two samples of the manufacturer's ignition interlock device meets or exceeds the minimum test standards in sections one and two of the model specifications for breath alcohol ignition interlock devices (BAIID) as published in the Federal Register, Volume 57, Number 67, Tuesday, April 7, 1992, on pages 11774 - 11787, or as rules are adopted. Only a notarized statement as outlined in RCW 43.43.395 (3)(c)(i), from a laboratory that is certified by the International Organization for Standardization and is capable of performing the tests specified will be accepted as proof of meeting or exceeding the standards.

(iii) The ignition interlock device for field testing to be completed by the impaired driving section.

(c) The chief or designee will notify the manufacturer in writing if renewal of a letter of certification has been denied. The notice of nonrenewal will be sent to the certified holder via certified mail, return receipt requested.

(5) Revocation of a letter of certification for an ignition interlock device.

(a) The chief or designee may revoke a letter of certification for an ignition interlock device for a manufacturer's, vendor's, service center's or ignition interlock technician's violation of any of the laws or regulations related to the installation, servicing, monitoring, removal and calibration of ignition interlock devices, including but not limited to, "additional requirements" listed in WAC 204-50-120.

(b) A copy of a notice of revocation for a certification for an ignition interlock device will be provided to the DOL and to the OAC for the state of Washington.

(c) Upon revocation of a letter of certification for an ignition interlock device, the manufacturer's ignition interlock device(s) will be removed from the list of certified ignition interlock devices on the patrol's web site.

(d) If a manufacturer holding a letter of certification for an ignition interlock device is no longer in business, it shall immediately send written notification to the impaired driving section informing it that the manufacturer is no longer in business, and the impaired driving section will revoke its letter of certification.

(e) If a manufacturer holding a letter of certification wishes to voluntarily relinquish its letter of certification, the manufacturer shall send written notice to the impaired driving section advising it that the manufacturer is relinquishing its letter of certification for an ignition interlock device.

(f) Upon voluntary surrender or revocation of a letter of certification for a manufacturer's ignition interlock device, the impaired driving section shall notify all vendors and/or service centers that all of a manufacturer's uncertified ignition interlock devices must be removed and replaced by a certified ignition interlock device within sixty-five days of the effective date of such surrender or revocation. The service center will notify all affected lessees of the revocation of the manufacturer's certification and requirement that a certified service center install and/or replace the ignition interlock device.

(g) The impaired driving section will maintain a file of all current, revoked, and voluntarily surrendered letters of certification for the time period required by the patrol records retention schedule.

(h) The chief or designee will notify the manufacturer in writing if a letter of certification has been revoked. The notice of revocation will be sent to the certificate holder via certified mail, return receipt requested.

(6) All ignition interlock devices must employ fuel cell technology on or before June 10, 2015. An ignition interlock device that does not employ fuel cell technology after June 10, 2015, will not be an approved device in Washington state and will have its letter of certification denied or revoked.

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