

**WAC 480-70-181 Public liability and property damage insurance.**

(1) **Insurance coverage.** A company must have public liability and property damage insurance covering each motor vehicle it operates in the state of Washington.

(a) The insurance policy must be written by an insurance company authorized to write insurance in the state of Washington.

(b) The insurance policy must include the Uniform Motor Carrier Bodily Injury and Property Damage Liability Endorsement (Form F).

(c) If a company operates without the required insurance coverage, the commission may take immediate compliance action as described in WAC 480-70-161 and WAC 480-70-166.

(2) **Insurance limits.** The minimum limits of required public liability and property damage insurance for motor vehicles operated by companies are:

<b>Vehicles that:</b>	<b>Must have bodily injury and property damage insurance or bond with the following minimum limits:</b>
Have Gross Vehicle Weight Rating (GVWR) less than 10,000 pounds	\$300,000 combined single limit coverage
Have GVWR 10,000 pounds or more	\$750,000 combined single limit coverage
Transport quantities of biomedical waste not subject to federal regulation	\$1,000,000 combined single limit coverage
Transport quantities of hazardous or biomedical waste that are subject to federal regulation	The federal minimum combined single limit coverage

(3) **Insurance filings.** A company must file and maintain a Uniform Motor Carrier Bodily Injury Property Damage Certificate of Insurance (Form E) as a condition of being issued and maintaining a certificate.

(a) The Form E is a standard motor carrier insurance form recognized by the insurance industry and is normally filed with the commission by an insurance company rather than an insurance agent.

(b) The Form E must be issued in the company name exactly as it appears on the company's certificate or application for certificate.

(c) The Form E filing must remain in effect until canceled by a Notice of Cancellation (Form K). The Form K must be filed with the commission by the insurance company not less than thirty days before the cancellation effective date.

(d) A company may file a Uniform Motor Carrier Bodily Injury and Property Damage Liability Surety Bond (Form G) instead of the Form E.

(4) **Insurance binders.** The commission will accept an insurance certificate or binder for up to sixty days.

(a) An insurance certificate or binder may be canceled by written notice filed with the commission at least ten days before the cancellation effective date.

(b) An insurance certificate or binder must be replaced by a Form E within sixty days of filing, or before the expiration date, whichever occurs first.

(c) Insurance certificates or binders must show:

(i) The commission as the named insurance certificate holder;

- (ii) The company name, exactly as it appears on the company's certificate or application for a certificate, as the insured;
- (iii) The insurance company name;
- (iv) The insurance policy number;
- (v) The insurance policy effective and expiration dates; and
- (vi) The insurance limits of coverage.

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