

## Commonwealth of Virginia Department of Minority Business Enterprise

### 50-State Scan: Certification Programs

As of October 1, 2008

State/District	SBE/WBE/MBE Certification or Other Program(s) Offered	Notes about Participation
Alabama	MBE/WBE/SBE Certification for AL firms	Firm must have physical and legal presence in state
Alaska	None	
Arizona	Arizona Steps Up, equity in procurement program directory of certified minority-owned, women-owned and small businesses; firms included in data base are those certified by Arizona Dept of Transportation (as DBEs), City of Phoenix and City of Tucson	Phoenix and Tucson certification restricted to in state firms
Arkansas	SBE and MBE certification open to in state firms only	10% goal for in-state only
California	Small Business and Micro-business certification and 5% bid preference; 25% goal for contract dollars spent by state	Firms must have principal office in CA and owners/officers must be domiciled in CA
Colorado	Voluntary business to business marketing data base for MBE/WBE Program	Emerging Small Business (ESB) certification/goal for CO DOT's DBE Program
Connecticut	SBE/MBE (minority defined to include women) certification program with 25% set aside goal for small business contracting (including WBE and MBE)	Must have principal place of business in state for at least a year
Delaware	MBE/WBE certification program	Must be certified in home state
Florida	MBE certification (MBE is defined to include women); mentor/protegee programs	Firm must be "domiciled" in FL, i.e., have its principal place of business in FL; must be 51% owned and controlled by minority persons who are permanent residents of FL
Georgia	Vendor registry with self-identification and designation	
Hawaii	None	
Idaho	None	
Illinois	Business Enterprise Program (Minority, Women, Disabled Vets); Small Business Set Aside 19% goal for in-state SBEs only	BEP open to out of state businesses; Small Business Set Aside only for in state firms
Indiana	MBE/WBE certification; 12% goal	
Iowa	Targeted Small Business certification; 10% goal	Limited to IA firms only
Kansas	Online business registry with MBE/WBE status	
Kentucky	None	
Louisiana	Small Entrepreneurship (SE) program; SEBD (Small and Emerging Business Development) for LA firms only	For SE program firm, must be owned by individuals domiciled in LA who maintain the principal business office in LA; for SEBD program, firm must have principal place of business in LA and be owned and controlled by one or more persons who has lived in LA for at least a year

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Maine	None	
Maryland	MBE/WBE certification and Small Business Reserve certification with 10% set-aside goal; MBE goal of 25% (7% AA owned; 10% WBO). Open to VA firms	Must be certified in home state
Massachusetts	MBE/WBE certification; 10% goal	Must be certified in home state
Michigan	Vendor registry with self-identification and designation	
Minnesota	MBE/WBE/SBE certification (Targeted Group/Economic Disadvantage)	Only open to in-state firms
Mississippi	MBE/WBE certification program	Owners must be domiciled in MS; business operations must be physically located in MS
Missouri	MBE/WBE certification; 15% goal; Open to VA firms	Must be certified in home state or by NMSC or Unified Certification Entity and registered to do business in the state
Montana	None	
Nebraska	Vendor registry with self-identification and designation	
Nevada	None	
New Hampshire	Online SBE vendor registry	
New Jersey	Self declaration data base for SWaM vendors; state certification available for MBEs/WBEs; SBE set aside program for in-state firms only	Only SBE Set Aside Program limited to in-state firms
New Mexico	Has a 5% preference for in-state small businesses	Open only to in-state firms
New York	MBE/WBE certification program and listing in Official Directory of Minority and Women Owned Business Enterprises; New York County (Manhattan), Kings County (Queens, Brooklyn), Staten Island and Bronx have in-County preference for in-state MBE/WBE/SBEs	Must be certified in home state and have authority to do business in NY; Firms from counties other than New York County, Kings County, Staten Island and the Bronx can participate
North Carolina	Historically Underutilized Business Program for MBE/WBEs; 15% goal; Open to VA firms	Must be certified in home state
North Dakota	None	
Ohio	MBE and EDGE (SBE) certification and assistance programs open only to OH firms; 15% goal	Open only to firms owned and controlled by OH residents
Oklahoma	WBE program	Must be licensed to do business in OK
Oregon	MBE/WBE certification programs; Emerging SBE program for in-state firms only	MBE/WBE programs are open to Va firms but must have state registration and license; Emerging SBE program restricted to OR firms only

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Pennsylvania	MBE/WBE certification programs; 10% goal	Must be certified in home state
Rhode Island	MBE/WBE certification program; 10% goal	Must be certified in home state
South Carolina	MBE certification but definition of MBE is "socially and economically disadvantaged individual;" 10% goal	Must be licensed to do business in SC
South Dakota	None	
Tennessee	MBE/WBE/SBE certifications	Must be certified in home state
Texas	Historically Underutilized Business Program open to MBEs/WBEs located in TX only	Open only to firms "principally located" or headquartered in TX
Utah	None	
Vermont	Self-certification MBE/WBE/SBE vendor registry	
Virginia	MBE/WBE/SBE certifications are open to out-of-state firms if home state allows VA firms to become certified	
Washington	MBE/WBE certification programs	Must be registered and licensed to do business in WA
Washington DC	In-District Preference for District of Columbia SBEs, MBE/WBE/DBEs; overall 50% goal	Open only to in-state firms
West Virginia	State certification is open only to in-state firms	Open only to in-state firms
Wisconsin	MBE/WBE certification programs	Must have home state certification and "no abundance of in-state firms providing the same service"
Wyoming	None	