

## **Hazardous Waste Hazardous Materials Transportation Permit**

### **Program Description**

The Colorado Public Utilities Commission issues annual hazardous materials transportation permits to anyone hauling hazardous materials that require placarding under 49 CFR 172 or 173. The transporter is required to provide proof of liability insurance at the time of application. If transport is infrequent or is time-critical, a single trip permit may be obtained at the nearest Port of Entry weigh station or the Colorado State Patrol. A single trip permit is valid up to a maximum of 72 hours and transporters must have proof of liability insurance. Drivers must also have a hazardous materials endorsement on their Commercial Drivers License (CDL). In Colorado, these can be obtained through the Division of Motor Vehicles.

### **Related Information**

**Hazardous waste** transportation is a subset of **hazardous materials** transportation. In addition to a hazardous materials transportation permit, hazardous waste transporters must obtain an EPA identification number as a hazardous waste transporter. If the transporter has a valid EPA identification number from another state and has no facilities in Colorado, then that number is valid for hazardous waste transportation through Colorado. If the transporter has a facility in Colorado, including a transfer station or office, then the transporter must obtain an EPA identification number from the Colorado Department of Public Health and Environment. An EPA identification number is not a permit – it is an identification number used on shipping manifests to identify the transporter for hazardous waste tracking purposes.

Colorado utilizes the Uniform Hazardous Waste Manifest form and does not require that a copy of the manifest be sent to the State unless you are specifically requested to do so in response to an inspection or other written request.

Hazardous materials transportation routing requirements are handled by the Colorado State Patrol, Hazardous Material Transport Safety and Response. Information on motor vehicle inspections, violations and accident records is also available from the Colorado State Patrol, Motor Carrier Safety Office.

### **Who Must Apply/ Application Process**

Transporters hauling hazardous materials that require placarding under 49 CFR 172 or 173 should obtain a hazardous materials transportation permit by submitting the annual permit application to the Colorado Public Utilities Commission. The permit form and instructions are available at [www.dora.state.co.us/puc/applications/TransportApplications/TransportApplications.htm](http://www.dora.state.co.us/puc/applications/TransportApplications/TransportApplications.htm). A single trip permit may be obtained at the nearest Port of Entry weigh station or from the Colorado State Patrol. Proof of insurance is required for both annual and single trip permits.

Regardless of whether or not the transporter also has to obtain a hazardous materials transportation permit, transporters must obtain an EPA identification number if shipment of hazardous waste requires the use of the hazardous waste manifest system. The transporter should submit a Colorado Hazardous Waste Notification Form to the Department of Public Health and Environment's Hazardous Materials and Waste Management Division. The notification form and instructions are available at [www.cdphe.state.co.us/hm/notification.htm](http://www.cdphe.state.co.us/hm/notification.htm).

### **Duration of Permit**

Hazardous materials transportation permits are valid for twelve (12) months from date of issuance. Single trip permits are valid for a single trip up to a maximum of 72 hours.

An EPA identification number is valid until the Colorado Department of Public Health and Environment is notified that the transporter has moved locations, no longer transports hazardous waste, or is no longer in business. EPA identification numbers are location-specific, so if the transporter moves locations, they must contact the Department of Public Health and Environment to close out the number used at their previous place of business and apply for a number at their new location.

### **Fees**

Fees for hazardous materials transportation permits are specified in 42-20-202 CRS. These fees are currently:

<b>Number of Vehicles</b>	<b>Permit Fee</b>
1-5	\$10
6-10	\$25
11-50	\$125
51-100	\$200
101-300	\$350
301+	\$400

Hazardous waste transporters are subject to the Colorado Solid and Hazardous Waste Commission fee, which is automatically billed once per year. The Commission fees are \$70 per year for hazardous waste transporters. If a transporter has a current hazardous materials transportation permit issued by the Colorado Public Utilities Commission and provides a copy of that permit to the Solid and Hazardous Waste Commission, the transporter's fee for that year will be waived.

There is no fee for obtaining an EPA identification number as a hazardous waste transporter in Colorado.

### **Public Participation**

There are no requirements for public participation.

### **Statutes and Regulations**

- 49 CFR Chapters I, III
- CRS 25-15 Part 3
- CRS 29-22 Part 1
- CRS 42-2-402
- CRS 42-4-235
- CRS 42-20 Parts 1-5
- 6 CCR 1007-3 Part 263
- 8 CCR 1507-1
- 8 CCR 1507-7
- 8 CCR 1507-8

## Contact Information

Hazardous Materials Transportation Permit  
Colorado Department of Regulatory Agencies  
Public Utilities Commission  
Telephone 303-894-2000 x4  
Toll-free 1-800-888-0170  
Web [www.dora.state.co.us/puc/](http://www.dora.state.co.us/puc/)

EPA Identification Number  
Colorado Department of Public Health and Environment  
Hazardous Materials and Waste Management Division  
Notification Coordinator  
Telephone 303-692-3300  
Toll-free 1-888-569-1831  
Fax 303-759-5355  
Email [comments.hmwmd@state.co.us](mailto:comments.hmwmd@state.co.us)  
Web [www.cdphe.state.co.us/hm/notification.htm](http://www.cdphe.state.co.us/hm/notification.htm)

Routing and Motor Vehicle Inspections, Violations and Accidents  
Colorado State Patrol  
Troup 8-C, Hazardous Material Transport Safety and Response  
Telephone 303-273-1900  
Web [www.csp.state.co.us/hazmat.cfm](http://www.csp.state.co.us/hazmat.cfm)

Hazardous Materials Endorsement on Commercial Drivers License (CDL)  
Colorado Department of Revenue  
Division of Motor Vehicles, Commercial Drivers License Section  
Telephone 720-929-8603  
Web [www.revenue.state.co.us/MV\\_dir/wrap.asp?incl=HAZMAT](http://www.revenue.state.co.us/MV_dir/wrap.asp?incl=HAZMAT)  
[www.csp.state.co.us/downloads/mcsap\\_cdlexam06.pdf](http://www.csp.state.co.us/downloads/mcsap_cdlexam06.pdf)