



**Metropolitan  
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System**

### INSURER'S VERIFICATION OF COMPLIANCE

Metropolitan Transit System (MTS), a California Public Agency, requires the following verification of insurance to be submitted along with the Acord Certificate of Liability Insurance.

Insurer must sign below, which warrants the insurance policy provides coverage that meets or exceeds state and local laws and ordinances governing financial responsibility for ownership, use, maintenance, and operation of covered vehicles, specifically:

- **MTS Ordinance No. 11, Section 1.9 – Public Liability**

(a) It shall be unlawful to operate a for-hire vehicle unless the permit holder establishes and maintains in effect one of the forms of financial responsibility specified in this section.

(1) This requirement may be met by maintaining a valid policy of insurance executed and delivered by a company authorized to carry on an insurance business, the financial responsibility of which the company has been approved by the Chief Executive Officer. The terms of the policy shall provide that the insurance company assumes financial responsibility for injuries to persons or property caused by the operation of the for-hire vehicle in an amount determined by the Chief Executive Officer.

(2) The permit holder may also meet this requirement by obtaining a certificate of self-insurance for a specified amount approved by the Board and pursuant to the applicable provisions of the California Vehicle Code.

*"Insurance Requirements"* as listed on the other side of this form.

- **California's *Financial Responsibility Law*, California Vehicle Code Sections 16000 through 16560, inclusive (does not apply to non-motorized vehicles).**

Insurer further warrants that any modification to the policy will not reduce coverage such that it fails to meet the requirements of applicable state and local laws and ordinances.

Insured (MTS vehicle permit holder): \_\_\_\_\_

Vehicles: Refer to the current Acord Certificate of Liability Insurance for a description of the covered automobiles.

Insurer: \_\_\_\_\_

Policy No.: \_\_\_\_\_ Policy Term: \_\_\_\_\_ to \_\_\_\_\_

Limits: \_\_\_\_\_

Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Telephone Number: \_\_\_\_\_

Title: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_  
Signature

\_\_\_\_\_  
Date

**Note: Signature of the agent or broker will not be accepted. Signatory must be a current officer or employee of the insurance company who is duly authorized to sign on its behalf. The signature must be an original. Signature stamps are unacceptable.**

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San Diego Metropolitan Transit System (MTS) is a California public agency comprised of San Diego Transit Corp., San Diego Trolley, Inc. and San Diego and Arizona Eastern Railway Company (nonprofit public benefit corporations). MTS member agencies include the cities of Chula Vista, Coronado, El Cajon, Imperial Beach, La Mesa, Lemon Grove, National City, Poway, San Diego, Santee, and the County of San Diego. MTS is also the For-Hire Vehicle administrator for nine cities.



## MTS FOR-HIRE VEHICLE ADMINISTRATION

### MTS Taxicab and For-Hire Vehicle Insurance Requirements

Metropolitan Transit System (MTS), a California Public Agency, has the following taxicab and for-hire vehicle insurance requirements:

#### 1. MINIMUM REQUIRED PUBLIC LIABILITY INSURANCE LIMITS

|     | Vehicle Seating Capacity<br>(Including Driver) | Combined<br>Single Limit |
|-----|------------------------------------------------|--------------------------|
| 1.1 | 9 passengers or less                           | \$350,000                |
| 1.2 | 10-15 passengers                               | 2,000,000                |
| 1.3 | 16 passengers or more                          | 5,000,000                |

#### 2. SPECIFIC INFORMATION REQUIRED FOR ACORD CERTIFICATE OF LIABILITY INSURANCE (OTHER THAN ASSIGNED RISK)

- 2.1 Full name of insurance company (insurer), which must be pre-approved by MTS For-Hire Vehicle Administration (FHVA) and must meet the minimum standards in Section 4 (see Section 3 for assigned risk requirements).
- 2.2 Name and current address of insured, who must be the permit holder, including company name (DBA) (PO boxes not acceptable).
- 2.3 Insurance policy number with effective and expiration dates.
- 2.4 Type(s) and limit(s) of liability coverage.
- 2.5 Vehicle description (make/year), vehicle identification number (VIN), and medallion number of each insured vehicle.
- 2.6 Certificate issue date and NAIC #.
- 2.7 Statement that insurer shall notify MTS For-Hire Vehicle Administration (FHVA), in writing by registered mail to the address on the letterhead at least 30 days prior to cancellation or termination of coverage. Statements to the effect that issuing company will “*Endeavor to Mail Notice*” or “*Intends to Notify*” are not acceptable.
- 2.8 **Original** (wet) signature of an agent who has been authorized by the insurer.
- 2.9 Certificate of insurance shall name San Diego Metropolitan Transit System (MTS) as certificate holder. Certificate must be an original with no alterations, type-overs, or white-outs.

#### 3. SPECIFIC INFORMATION REQUIRED FOR ASSIGNED RISK INSURANCE (PRE-APPROVAL REQUIRED)

- 3.1 Complete copy of the application for insurance. Must contain the same information as is required by Items 2.2 through 2.9.
- 3.2 Proof of payment by copy of the agent's check, or copy of insured's cashier's check or money order, for a minimum of 25 percent of the annual premium.
- 3.3 Proof of policy issuance from the assigned insurer must be received by MTS For-Hire Vehicle Administration (FHVA) within 30 days from the date on the Assigned Risk application. Evidence of insurance must contain all items listed in Section 2.
- 3.4 Evidence of insurance must be an original with no alterations, typeovers, or whiteouts.

#### 4. INSURANCE COMPANY MINIMUM STANDARDS

Insurer must have a minimum *A.M. Best, or Demotech* rating of B minus (B-) or above, and a financial size category of not less than VII (seven), or a similar *Standard and Poor's* rating. Companies providing Assigned Risk Insurance Policies will be evaluated on an individual basis and may be considered if they have a financial size category of not less than VI (six), or a similar *Standard and Poor's* rating. Contact MTS For-Hire Vehicle Administration (FHVA) for additional information.

#### 5. POLICY PROVISIONS

Policies must comply with MTS Ordinance No. 11, Section 1.9. Unacceptable policy provisions include, but are not limited to, the following:

- 5.1 Self-insured retentions (unless the insured is a state-certified self-insurer under the California Vehicle Code)
- 5.2 Nonstandard deductible endorsements
- 5.3 Territorial restrictions
- 5.4 Named driver/operator policies
- 5.5 Aggregate limits
- 5.6 “*Indemnity only*” contracts