



**TOWN OF WESTPORT**  
**HIGHWAY DEPARTMENT**  
820 Main Road  
Westport, Massachusetts 02790

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September 26, 2019

To: Snow Plow Contractors

Re: Snow Plow Requirements

The snow season is almost upon us for 2019-2020. Please contact this office if you intend to plow snow for the Town of Westport Highway Department.

The office hours are Monday – Friday 7:30AM – 3:30 PM.

The following requirements must be met before plowing:

- Valid drivers license
- Valid commercial plates for each vehicle
- Certificate of Liability with:
  - Bodily Injury coverage for a minimum of \$100,000/\$300,000.
  - Property Damage coverage of a minimum of \$100,000.

**The Town of Westport must be listed as a Certificate Holder**

- You must fill out a Workers' Comp. Insurance Affidavit (we will provide form)
- You must sign an agreement
- W9 form must be completed

**PLEASE NOTE: Because of the Town's Insurance you must be the driver of your vehicle. No one else can drive your vehicle.**

If you have any questions please call Chris Gonsalves – Highway Surveyor

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Chris Gonsalves", is written over a horizontal line.

Chris Gonsalves  
Highway Surveyor

**\*Please respond by November 1, 2019**

**SNOWPLOW AGREEMENT**  
**TOWN OF WESTPORT HIGHWAY DEPT.**

Should \_\_\_\_\_, hereinafter called the "Contractor" perform snow removal services for the Town of Westport during the 2019-2020, winter season. The Contractor in consideration for the opportunity to perform such services hereby agrees to defend, indemnify and hold harmless the Town, its agents and employees from and against all claims, damages, losses and expenses including attorney's fees arising out of or resulting from the performance of such work, provided that any such claim, damage, loss or expense (1) is attributable to bodily injury, sickness, disease or death, or to injury to or destruction of tangible property including the loss of use resulting there from, and (2) is caused in whole or in part by any act or omission of the Contractor or anyone for whose acts the Contractor may be liable, regardless of whether or not it is caused in part by the party indemnified hereunder.

\_\_\_\_\_ hereby certifies that all equipment listed on the attached schedule of equipment is owned or leased by the Contractor and insured by the Contractor for use during the snow removal operations and that no equipment other than those pieces which appear on the attached schedule shall be used by \_\_\_\_\_ in performance of snow removal work for the Town of Westport without the Town's prior approval.

Pursuant to MGL c. 62C & 49A, the undersigned acting on behalf of the Contractor, certifies under the penalties of perjury that, to the best of the undersigned's knowledge and belief, the Contractor is in compliance with all laws of the Commonwealth relating to taxes, reporting of employees and contractors, and withholding and remitting child support.

The undersigned certifies under penalties of perjury that this bid or proposal has been made and submitted in good faith and without collusion or fraud with any other person. As used in this certificate, the word "person" shall mean any natural person, business, partnership, corporation, union, committee, club or other organization, entity, or group of individuals.

Name \_\_\_\_\_

Date \_\_\_\_\_

# Information and Instructions

Massachusetts General Laws chapter 152 requires all employers to provide workers' compensation for their employees. Pursuant to this statute, an *employee* is defined as "...every person in the service of another under any contract of hire, express or implied, oral or written."

An *employer* is defined as "an individual, partnership, association, corporation or other legal entity, or any two or more of the foregoing engaged in a joint enterprise, and including the legal representatives of a deceased employer, or the receiver or trustee of an individual, partnership, association or other legal entity, employing employees. However, the owner of a dwelling house having not more than three apartments and who resides therein, or the occupant of the dwelling house of another who employs persons to do maintenance, construction or repair work on such dwelling house or on the grounds or building appurtenant thereto shall not because of such employment be deemed to be an employer."

MGL chapter 152, §25C(6) also states that "every state or local licensing agency shall withhold the issuance or renewal of a license or permit to operate a business or to construct buildings in the commonwealth for any applicant who has not produced acceptable evidence of compliance with the insurance coverage required." Additionally, MGL chapter 152, §25C(7) states "Neither the commonwealth nor any of its political subdivisions shall enter into any contract for the performance of public work until acceptable evidence of compliance with the insurance requirements of this chapter have been presented to the contracting authority."

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## Applicants

Please fill out the workers' compensation affidavit completely, by checking the boxes that apply to your situation and, if necessary, supply your insurance company's name, address and phone number along with a certificate of insurance. Limited Liability Companies (LLC) or Limited Liability Partnerships (LLP) with no employees other than the members or partners, are not required to carry workers' compensation insurance. If an LLC or LLP does have employees, a policy is required. Be advised that this affidavit may be submitted to the Department of Industrial Accidents for confirmation of insurance coverage. **Also be sure to sign and date the affidavit.** The affidavit should be returned to the city or town that the application for the permit or license is being requested, **not** the Department of Industrial Accidents. Should you have any questions regarding the law or if you are required to obtain a workers' compensation policy, please call the Department at the number listed below. Self-insured companies should enter their self-insurance license number on the appropriate line.

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## City or Town Officials

Please be sure that the affidavit is complete and printed legibly. The Department has provided a space at the bottom of the affidavit for you to fill out in the event the Office of Investigations has to contact you regarding the applicant. Please be sure to fill in the permit/license number which will be used as a reference number. In addition, an applicant that must submit multiple permit/license applications in any given year, need only submit one affidavit indicating current policy information (if necessary). A copy of the affidavit that has been officially stamped or marked by the city or town may be provided to the applicant as proof that a valid affidavit is on file for future permits or licenses. A new affidavit must be filled out each year. Where a home owner or citizen is obtaining a license or permit not related to any business or commercial venture (i.e. a dog license or permit to burn leaves etc.) said person is NOT required to complete this affidavit.

The Office of Investigations would like to thank you in advance for your cooperation and should you have any questions, please do not hesitate to give us a call.

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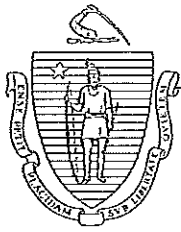
The Department's address, telephone and fax number:

The Commonwealth of Massachusetts  
Department of Industrial Accidents  
**Office of Investigations**  
1 Congress Street, Suite 100  
Boston, MA 02114-2017

Tel. # 617-727-4900 ext 7406 or 1-877-MASSAFE

Fax # 617-727-7749

[www.mass.gov/dia](http://www.mass.gov/dia)



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**Workers' Compensation Insurance Affidavit: General Businesses**

**Applicant Information**

**Please Print Legibly**

Business/Organization Name: \_\_\_\_\_

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

City/State/Zip: \_\_\_\_\_ Phone #: \_\_\_\_\_

**Are you an employer? Check the appropriate box:**

1. ☐ I am a employer with \_\_\_\_\_ employees (full and/ or part-time).\*
2. ☐ I am a sole proprietor or partnership and have no employees working for me in any capacity. [No workers' comp. insurance required]
3. ☐ We are a corporation and its officers have exercised their right of exemption per c. 152, §1(4), and we have no employees. [No workers' comp. insurance required]\*\*
4. ☐ We are a non-profit organization, staffed by volunteers, with no employees. [No workers' comp. insurance req.]

**Business Type (required):**

5. ☐ Retail
6. ☐ Restaurant/Bar/Eating Establishment
7. ☐ Office and/or Sales (incl. real estate, auto, etc.)
8. ☐ Non-profit
9. ☐ Entertainment
10. ☐ Manufacturing
11. ☐ Health Care
12. ☐ Other \_\_\_\_\_

\*Any applicant that checks box #1 must also fill out the section below showing their workers' compensation policy information.

\*\*If the corporate officers have exempted themselves, but the corporation has other employees, a workers' compensation policy is required and such an organization should check box #1.

*I am an employer that is providing workers' compensation insurance for my employees. Below is the policy information.*

Insurance Company Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Insurer's Address: \_\_\_\_\_

City/State/Zip: \_\_\_\_\_

Policy # or Self-ins. Lic. # \_\_\_\_\_ Expiration Date: \_\_\_\_\_

**Attach a copy of the workers' compensation policy declaration page (showing the policy number and expiration date).**

Failure to secure coverage as required under Section 25A of MGL c. 152 can lead to the imposition of criminal penalties of a fine up to \$1,500.00 and/or one-year imprisonment, as well as civil penalties in the form of a STOP WORK ORDER and a fine of up to \$250.00 a day against the violator. Be advised that a copy of this statement may be forwarded to the Office of Investigations of the DIA for insurance coverage verification.

***I do hereby certify, under the pains and penalties of perjury that the information provided above is true and correct.***

Signature: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_

Phone #: \_\_\_\_\_

***Official use only. Do not write in this area, to be completed by city or town official.***

City or Town: \_\_\_\_\_ Permit/License # \_\_\_\_\_

**Issuing Authority (circle one):**

1. Board of Health 2. Building Department 3. City/Town Clerk 4. Licensing Board 5. Selectmen's Office  
6. Other \_\_\_\_\_

Contact Person: \_\_\_\_\_ Phone #: \_\_\_\_\_

INFORMATION

NAME \_\_\_\_\_

ADDRESS \_\_\_\_\_

HOME PHONE # \_\_\_\_\_

CELL PHONE # \_\_\_\_\_

SNOWPLOW EQUIPMENT LIST

VEHICLE #1 \_\_\_\_\_

VEHICLE #2 \_\_\_\_\_

TYPE OF PLOW #1 \_\_\_\_\_

PLOW #2 \_\_\_\_\_

Saved as: contractors information

## Request for Taxpayer Identification Number and Certification

Give Form to the  
requester. Do not  
send to the IRS.

Print or type See Specific Instructions on page 2.	Name (as shown on your income tax return)	
	Business name/disregarded entity name, if different from above	
	Check appropriate box for federal tax classification: <input type="checkbox"/> Individual/sole proprietor <input type="checkbox"/> C Corporation <input type="checkbox"/> S Corporation <input type="checkbox"/> Partnership <input type="checkbox"/> Trust/estate <input type="checkbox"/> Limited liability company. Enter the tax classification (C=C corporation, S=S corporation, P=partnership) ▶ _____ <input type="checkbox"/> Other (see instructions) ▶ _____	Exemptions (see instructions): Exempt payee code (if any) _____ Exemption from FATCA reporting code (if any) _____
	Address (number, street, and apt. or suite no.)	Requester's name and address (optional)
	City, state, and ZIP code	
	List account number(s) here (optional)	

### Part I Taxpayer Identification Number (TIN)

Enter your TIN in the appropriate box. The TIN provided must match the name given on the "Name" line to avoid backup withholding. For individuals, this is your social security number (SSN). However, for a resident alien, sole proprietor, or disregarded entity, see the Part I Instructions on page 3. For other entities, it is your employer identification number (EIN). If you do not have a number, see *How to get a TIN* on page 3.

**Note.** If the account is in more than one name, see the chart on page 4 for guidelines on whose number to enter.

Social security number									
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Employer identification number									
				-					

### Part II Certification

Under penalties of perjury, I certify that:

1. The number shown on this form is my correct taxpayer identification number (or I am waiting for a number to be issued to me), and
2. I am not subject to backup withholding because: (a) I am exempt from backup withholding, or (b) I have not been notified by the Internal Revenue Service (IRS) that I am subject to backup withholding as a result of a failure to report all interest or dividends, or (c) the IRS has notified me that I am no longer subject to backup withholding, and
3. I am a U.S. citizen or other U.S. person (defined below), and
4. The FATCA code(s) entered on this form (if any) indicating that I am exempt from FATCA reporting is correct.

**Certification instructions.** You must cross out item 2 above if you have been notified by the IRS that you are currently subject to backup withholding because you have failed to report all interest and dividends on your tax return. For real estate transactions, item 2 does not apply. For mortgage interest paid, acquisition or abandonment of secured property, cancellation of debt, contributions to an individual retirement arrangement (IRA), and generally, payments other than interest and dividends, you are not required to sign the certification, but you must provide your correct TIN. See the instructions on page 3.

Sign Here	Signature of U.S. person ▶	Date ▶
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### General Instructions

Section references are to the Internal Revenue Code unless otherwise noted.

**Future developments.** The IRS has created a page on IRS.gov for information about Form W-9, at [www.irs.gov/w9](http://www.irs.gov/w9). Information about any future developments affecting Form W-9 (such as legislation enacted after we release it) will be posted on that page.

### Purpose of Form

A person who is required to file an information return with the IRS must obtain your correct taxpayer identification number (TIN) to report, for example, income paid to you, payments made to you in settlement of payment card and third party network transactions, real estate transactions, mortgage interest you paid, acquisition or abandonment of secured property, cancellation of debt, or contributions you made to an IRA.

Use Form W-9 only if you are a U.S. person (including a resident alien), to provide your correct TIN to the person requesting it (the requester) and, when applicable, to:

1. Certify that the TIN you are giving is correct (or you are waiting for a number to be issued),
2. Certify that you are not subject to backup withholding, or
3. Claim exemption from backup withholding if you are a U.S. exempt payee. If applicable, you are also certifying that as a U.S. person, your allocable share of any partnership income from a U.S. trade or business is not subject to the

withholding tax on foreign partners' share of effectively connected income, and

4. Certify that FATCA code(s) entered on this form (if any) indicating that you are exempt from the FATCA reporting, is correct.

**Note.** If you are a U.S. person and a requester gives you a form other than Form W-9 to request your TIN, you must use the requester's form if it is substantially similar to this Form W-9.

**Definition of a U.S. person.** For federal tax purposes, you are considered a U.S. person if you are:

- An individual who is a U.S. citizen or U.S. resident alien,
- A partnership, corporation, company, or association created or organized in the United States or under the laws of the United States,
- An estate (other than a foreign estate), or
- A domestic trust (as defined in Regulations section 301.7701-7).

**Special rules for partnerships.** Partnerships that conduct a trade or business in the United States are generally required to pay a withholding tax under section 1446 on any foreign partners' share of effectively connected taxable income from such business. Further, in certain cases where a Form W-9 has not been received, the rules under section 1446 require a partnership to presume that a partner is a foreign person, and pay the section 1446 withholding tax. Therefore, if you are a U.S. person that is a partner in a partnership conducting a trade or business in the United States, provide Form W-9 to the partnership to establish your U.S. status and avoid section 1446 withholding on your share of partnership income.