§ 105-449.69. How to apply for a license.

(a) General. – To obtain a license, an applicant must file an application with the Secretary on a form provided by the Secretary. An application must include the applicant's name, address, federal employer identification number, and any other information required by the Secretary.

(b) Most Licenses. – An applicant for a license as a refiner, a supplier, a terminal operator, an importer, a blender, or a distributor must meet the following requirements:

1. If the applicant is a corporation, the applicant must either be incorporated in this State or be authorized to transact business in this State.
2. If the applicant is a limited liability company, the applicant must either be organized in this State or be authorized to transact business in this State.
3. If the applicant is a limited partnership, the applicant must either be formed in this State or be authorized to transact business in this State.
4. If the applicant is an individual or a general partnership, the applicant must designate an agent for service of process and give the agent's name and address.

(c) Federal Certificate. – An applicant for a license as a refiner, a supplier, a terminal operator, or a blender must have a federal Certificate of Registry that is issued under § 4101 of the Code and authorizes the applicant to enter into federal tax-free transactions in taxable motor fuel in the terminal transfer system. An applicant that is required to have a federal Certificate of Registry must include the registration number of the certificate on the application for a license under this section.

An applicant for a license as an importer, an exporter, or a distributor that has a federal Certificate of Registry issued under § 4101 of the Code must include the registration number of the certificate on the application for a license under this section.

(d) Import Activity. – An applicant for a license as an importer or as a distributor must list on the application each state from which the applicant intends to import motor fuel and, if required by a state listed, must be licensed or registered for motor fuel tax purposes in that state. If a state listed requires the applicant to be licensed or registered, the applicant must give the applicant's license or registration number in that state.

(e) Export Activity. – An applicant for a license as an exporter or as a distributor must list on the application each state to which the applicant intends to export motor fuel received in this State by means of a transfer that is outside the terminal transfer system and, if required by a state listed, must be licensed or registered for motor fuel tax purposes in that state. If a state listed requires the applicant to be licensed or registered, the applicant must give the applicant's license or registration number in that state. (1995, c. 390, s. 3; 1995 (Reg. Sess., 1996), c. 647, s. 6; 2003-349, s. 10.5; 2005-435, s. 10; 2008-134, s. 28; 2017-39, s. 14.)