

# Contractor's Certificate of Workers' Compensation Insurance

(Form 61-A)



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PLEASE COMPLETE FULLY AND LEGIBLY

INSTRUCTIONS ON REVERSE SIDE

File this completed form at the local office  
where your business license is obtained

Locality Issuing License: City <input type="checkbox"/> Town <input type="checkbox"/> County <input type="checkbox"/>	Name of Locality:	Business or Trade Name	Business License Number:
Name of Business Owner/ Contractor Last:	First:	Business Federal Employer ID (FEIN) or Tax ID Number:	
Business Owner / Contractor's Home Mailing Address:		Business Address if different from Business Owner Address:	
City: State: Zip:		City: State: Zip:	
Home Telephone:		Business: Corp. <input type="checkbox"/> L.L.C. <input type="checkbox"/> Sole Prop <input type="checkbox"/> Partnership <input type="checkbox"/> Other <input type="checkbox"/>	

<b>WORKERS' COMPENSATION INSURANCE</b> <i>If you have workers' compensation insurance check type and complete below:</i>		Type of Trade or Industry:	
List <u>ONLY</u> WORKERS' COMPENSATION, <u>not</u> General Liability		Business Telephone:	E-mail Address:
<input type="checkbox"/> Insurance Carrier licensed in Virginia <input type="checkbox"/> Self-insured with certificate of authorization issued by the Virginia Workers' Compensation Commission <input type="checkbox"/> Group Self-Insurance Association (GSIA) licensed by the State Corporation Commission <input type="checkbox"/> A Professional Employer Organization (PEO) registered in Virginia		<b>If you do not list workers' compensation insurance you <u>must</u> answer below:</b>  <b>1. Do you have more than two part-time or full-time employees?</b> (Note: Corporate officers, LLC managers, part-time employees and employees of your subcontractors generally count as your employees for Workers' compensation purposes. Filing of a 1099, payment of cash wages or designating a worker an "Independent Contractor" does not necessarily Eliminate or alter employee status under the Workers' Compensation Act.) <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No  <b>2. Do you hire Independent Contractors or subcontractors with employees to assist you in your work?</b> <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No	
Name of Insurance Carrier, Self-Insured, GSIA or PEO:			
Policy, Master Policy or Certificate Number:			
Policy Effective Date and Policy Period:			
		Failure to insure when required by law shall subject an employer to civil penalties of up to \$250 per day uninsured, subject to a maximum penalty of \$50,000.00 plus costs, pursuant to Virginia Code § 65.2-805	

Under penalty of perjury, the undersigned certifies s/he is duly authorized by the business license applicant to execute this certificate; the information provided herein is correct; and the business is in compliance with Chapter 8 of Title 65.2 of the Virginia Workers' Compensation Act and will remain in compliance with the law during the effective period of the business license.

Signature of Applicant (Contractor or Business Owner)	Date
Print Name of Applicant	

Form 61-A is prepared and distributed by the Virginia Workers' Compensation Commission to local licensing authorities for use in compliance with §58.1-3714, Code of Virginia. Form 61 A is available online at [www.workcomp.virginia.gov](http://www.workcomp.virginia.gov) Return this form to the licensing authority, not to the Virginia WC Commission.

For questions regarding how to complete this form, please contact the Commission toll-free at 1-877-664-2566 or 804 205-3586

*Certificates of Insurance Cannot be accepted In Lieu of a Completed Form*

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## *INSTRUCTIONS FOR COMPLETING THE VWC FORM 61-A*

### **To be completed by the official issuing the business license.**

1. Check one. City, Town or County.  
Provide the name of locality issuing the license.  
Provide business license number including any prefix or suffix.

### **To be completed by the contractor. All information requested is required.**

2. Enter the Business owner / Contractor's name, mailing address and phone number, all information is required.
3. Enter the complete name of business. Additionally list the trade name under which the business operates if a trade name is used.
4. Enter the business address that is used to receive mail by the U.S. Postal Service, if this address is different from the business owner / contractor's address.
5. Provide the Federal Employer Identification Number (FEIN) for the business. If one has not been issued, list the Temporary FEIN issued by the Virginia Tax Dept. If you are a sole proprietor with neither, list your social security number; however it is best to obtain a FEIN, given the restrictions on the use of social security numbers.
6. Check the legal status of the business.
7. Provide the type of trade or industry in which the business is classified.
8. Enter the business phone number if there is one and the business e-mail if there is one.
9. Provide the workers' compensation insurance information if you have coverage. Enter ***only*** workers' compensation insurance. No other form of insurance substitutes. Provide the complete name of the insurance company or other insuring entity providing workers' compensation insurance coverage for the business. Also enter the policy or member number and policy effective dates.  
  
Do not list the name of an insurance agent or agency. If you do not know or recall the name of your insurance company or insuring entity, please contact your agent to obtain this information.
10. **Out of state employers**, please note, Virginia requires valid Virginia workers' compensation coverage for work performed in Virginia. For a business that has a valid policy based outside Virginia, if the business either performs or subcontracts work in Virginia, the business needs valid Virginia coverage and may usually secure valid Virginia coverage with the proper Virginia Amendatory Endorsement, adding Virginia to Item 3A of the policy. An employer from a monopolistic state must usually obtain separate coverage from a Virginia licensed insurance carrier.
11. **If you do not have / list workers' compensation insurance on your form you must answer additional questions**, please answer whether you have more than two employees and whether you hire subcontractors to assist in your work. A response to these questions is required.
12. **Virginia workers' compensation insurance coverage requirements.** Virginia law requires that every employer who regularly employs more than two part-time or full-time employees purchase and maintain workers' compensation insurance. A business that hires subcontractors to assist in the work of the business or fulfill a contract of the business must count the subcontractor's employees when counting employees to determine if / when coverage is required. This is true even if the subcontractor has their own workers' compensation coverage. A contractor should gather proof of coverage from **all** subcontractors hired and should not be charged insurance premium for subcontractors that have their own coverage. Regardless, a contractor that hires subcontractors with employees must count the subcontractor's employees when counting total employees and determining when and whether the contractor is required to carry coverage.
13. Please ensure that the form is signed, the name of the person signing the form is printed on it and the form is properly dated.
14. For workers' compensation insurance questions please contact the Virginia Workers' Compensation Commission at 804 205-3586.
15. **Return your completed form to the licensing authority where your business license was obtained.**

**Note:** The state funds of West Virginia and Maryland are not authorized to write workers' compensation insurance in Virginia.

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<b>DO NOT ATTACH ANY DOCUMENTS TO THE CONTRACTOR'S CERTIFICATE.</b>
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