

LGBTQ Certification



The Washington State Office of Minority and Women's Business Enterprises (OMWBE), in partnership with the Washington State LGBTQ Commission, proudly introduces a new state-level certification for LGBTQ+ owned businesses. This joint effort expands access to opportunity, fosters economic fairness, and ensures LGBTQ+ entrepreneurs are fully recognized and welcomed in the marketplace.

What is LGBTQ Certification?

This voluntary state certification affirms that a business is at least 51% owned, operated, and controlled by individuals who identify as LGBTQ+. It provides formal recognition from the State of Washington and helps level the playing field in public contracting and procurement.

What Certification Can Do for You:

- Positions your business to bid on Washington State contracts
- Boosts visibility in OMWBE's Certified Business Directory
- Signals legitimacy and eligibility for select private- sector supplier programs
- Connects you to a growing network of business owners and state agency buyers

Who Should Apply:

LGBTQ+ owned businesses based in Washington State looking to expand their opportunities and gain visibility in a statewide business ecosystem

that values access and representation. Whether you're a sole proprietor or a growing corporation, businesses of all sizes may benefit from certification and the connections it creates.

This is a Washington State certification. Businesses may apply for additional State and Federal certifications with OMWBE. Together, we're building a stronger, more representative economy.

APPLY TODAY!



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