

Certificate of Good Standing from the MA Dept. of Revenue

All lead applicants* must submit a Certificate of Good Standing from the Massachusetts Department of Revenue. This should be included in your Qualifications Submission Package and labeled Part 5. ***Please note that community colleges, public vocational technical high schools, and public state universities serving as the lead applicant do not need to submit a Certificate of Good Standing. Organizations in this category should upload a brief document stating this exemption.**

Please follow this guidance when requesting and submitting a Certificate of Good Standing:

- The **Certificate of Good Standing (C.O.G.S.)** is different from and should not be confused with a **Certificate of Incorporation** from the Secretary of State
- C.O.G.S. must be less than six months old
- Please visit the Department of Revenue's website: (<http://www.mass.gov/dor/businesses/programs-and-services/certificate-of-good-standing.html>) for more information about the C.O.G.S. and to complete an online application to obtain a Certificate
- Applications for a C.O.G.S. can take 4-6 weeks to be processed