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MEMORANDUM

TO: Alcoholic Beverage Control Board

DATE: October 27, 2026

FROM: Kristina Serezhenkov, Local Government Liaison

RE: Common Carrier Approval Application

Background-review regulations:
This project was initiated as part of the AO-360 directive and is meant to reduce regulatory burden related to a common carrier approval registration application including a possible reduction in the one-time $1,250 fee. The board directed staff to review common carrier approval regulations at 3 AAC 305.140 for reduction or removal because rules for common carrier approvals are mostly laid out already in statue at **AS 04.09.750. Common carrier approval.** Upon review, staff recommend that 3 AAC 305.140 is retained in regulations but amended to remove unnecessary restatements of statute.

The attached initial regulations draft is for board discussion with an ask by staff to insert the reduced approval fee at 3 AAC 305.150(c) or make no change.

Background-review application form:
The board further asked that staff review a requirement for an approval application form to include a premises diagram for every delivery hub/location listed. This was called out during AO-360 discussions as a burdensome requirement, especially for smaller common carriers. Staff reviewed the application form, and there already exists a possibility for a common carrier to 'describe' (provide a written description) their delivery hub rather than provide a premises diagram. (see yellow highlighted section of attached form)

Staff asks that the board approve an update to the common carrier approval application form layout to make it clearer and more apparent that the applicant can choose to provide a written description of their delivery location/hub rather than a premises diagram. We would also like to update the form to include a line to collect the contact information the common carrier would like to have public facing on the Registered Common Carriers list required under AS 04.09.750(f) which is posted on our website.

The common carrier approval form as currently approved by the board is attached for the board's review.

The list of ABCB approved and registered common carriers posted on AMCO's website is also attached for the board's review.

Proposed regulation changes:

3 AAC 305.140. Application for and board consideration of common carrier approval.

3 AAC 305.140(a) is amended to remove restatement of statute but retained to keep the requirement to file an application and pay an approval fee.

3 AAC 305.140(c) is repealed as a restatement of statute It repeats AS 04.09.750(f).

3 AAC 305.150(c). Permits and common carrier approval fees. This is amended to change the one-time approval fee.

After careful review and consideration of the draft, the board may consider its options.

Options for the board:

- Move to approve and send to Law for initial review and (with Law's approval) subsequent public comment
- Move to amend, approve and then send to Law for initial review and (with Law's approval) subsequent public comment
- Move to send back to staff for more work
- Close the regulations project
- Table the project

**Staff may combine one or more approved regulations projects prior to submission to Law for initial review.*

Attachments:

Memo
Draft and Technical Draft
AB-41 Common Carrier Approval Registration Form (Application) as currently approved
List of Approved Registered Common Carriers posted on AMCO's website

(Words in **boldface and underlined** indicate language being added; words [CAPITALIZED AND BRACKETED] indicate language being deleted. Complete new sections are not in boldface or underlined.)

Draft for ease of readability:

Reference to statute AS 04.09.750 found at the end of the technical draft.

3 AAC 305.140(a) is amended to read:

3 AAC 305.140(c) is repealed:

3 AAC 305.140. Application for and board consideration of common carrier approval. (a) An applicant for a common carrier approval to transport and deliver alcoholic beverages to a person in the state must file an application on a form prescribed by the board **along with the approval fee set out at 3 AAC 305.150(c)** . [THE APPLICATION MUST INCLUDE THE INFORMATION AND DOCUMENTATION SET OUT IN THIS SECTION, ALONG WITH THE APPROVAL FEE. A COMMON CARRIER DESCRIBED UNDER THIS SECTION MUST CERTIFY IT WILL MEET THE REQUIREMENTS OF AS 04.09.750(c) AND (d).]

(b) The board will approve a common carrier who meets the definition of common carrier under AS 04.09.750(g) and who provides the certifications required under AS 04.09.750(c) and (d). **Keeping – no change.**

(c) Repealed.~~THE BOARD MAY REMOVE A PREVIOUSLY APPROVED COMMON CARRIER UNDER THIS SECTION FROM THE LIST MAINTAINED BY THE BOARD AS REQUIRED IN AS 04.09.750(e) IF THE COMMON CARRIER TRANSPORTS OR DELIVERS ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGES IN VIOLATION OF AS 04.09.750(c) or (d).~~ **Restates statute.** (Eff. 1/1/2024, Register 248; am ____/____/_____, Register _____)

3 AAC 305.150. Permits and common carrier approval fees.

3 AAC 305.150(c) is amended to read:

(c) The fee for a common carrier approval issued under AS 04.09.750 is a one-time fee per business entity of **$ _____** ~~$1,250~~. (Eff. 1/1/2024, Register 248; am ____/____/_____, Register _____) **Amount left blank and is for the board to fill in or make no change.**

Technical Draft:

3 AAC 305.140(a) is amended to read:

(a) An applicant for a common carrier approval to transport and deliver alcoholic beverages to a person in the state must file an application on a form prescribed by the board **along with the approval fee set out at 3 AAC 305.150(c)** . [THE APPLICATION MUST INCLUDE THE INFORMATION AND DOCUMENTATION SET OUT IN THIS SECTION, ALONG WITH THE APPROVAL FEE. A COMMON CARRIER DESCRIBED UNDER THIS SECTION MUST CERTIFY IT WILL MEET THE REQUIREMENTS OF AS 04.09.750(c) AND (d).]

3 AAC 305.140(c) is repealed:

(c) Repealed. (Eff. 1/1/2024, Register 248; am ____/____/_____, Register _____)

Authority: AS 04.06.005 AS 04.06.090 AS 04.06.100

3 AAC 305.150(c) is amended to read:

(c) The fee for a common carrier approval issued under AS 04.09.750 is a one-time fee per business entity of **$?** ~~$1,250~~. (Eff. 1/1/2024, Register 248; am ____/____/_____, Register _____)

Authority: AS 04.06.005 AS 04.06.090 AS 04.06.100

AS 04.09.750 added as a reference.

AS 04.09.750. Common carrier approval.

(a) A common carrier may not transport or deliver alcoholic beverages to a person in the state unless the board has approved the common carrier under (b) of this section.

(b) A common carrier may apply to the board, on a form prescribed by the board, for approval to transport and deliver alcoholic beverages to persons in the state. The board shall approve an application if the common carrier certifies that it will meet the requirements under (c) and (d) of this section.

(c) A common carrier delivering alcoholic beverages to a person in the state shall ensure that the package containing alcoholic beverages is delivered directly to a person who

(1) presents identification and acceptable proof of age under AS 04.21.050 showing that the person is 21 years of age or older; and

(2) provides a signature acknowledging that the person received the package.

(d) A common carrier approved by the board under (b) of this section shall make records of shipments of alcoholic beverages to persons in the state available for inspection and audit by the board. The board may require periodic reporting of approved common carriers on a form prescribed by the board.

(e) The board shall maintain, periodically review, and make available for public inspection a list of approved common carriers for transport and delivery of alcoholic beverages to persons in the state.

(f) The board may remove a previously approved common carrier from the list if the common carrier transports or delivers alcoholic beverages in violation of (c) or (d) of this section.

(g) In this section,

(1) "common carrier" means a motor vehicle, watercraft, aircraft, or railroad car available for public hire to transport freight or passengers;

(2) "transport" has the meaning given in AS 04.11.499(c).

(h) A common carrier that has not been approved by the board to transport and deliver alcoholic beverages and that transports or delivers alcoholic beverages into or within the state commits the offense of unapproved common carrier transport or delivery of alcoholic beverages.

(i) An approved common carrier that violates a provision under (c) or (d) of this section commits the offense of common carrier noncompliance for transport or delivery of alcoholic beverages.

(j) Unapproved common carrier transport or delivery of alcoholic beverages is a violation and is punishable by a fine of $500.

(k) Common carrier noncompliance for transport or delivery of alcoholic beverages is a violation.

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Form AB-41: Common Carrier Approval Registration

Why is this form needed? **Registration Fee:** $1,250

Per AS 04.09.750, a common carrier may not transport or deliver alcoholic beverages to a person in the state unless the ABC board has approved the common carrier.

In section two (2) of this form, a detailed diagram (or description) of the secure storage location where alcohol will be held (both prior to and after transport) is required. Your diagram (or description) must include dimensions and must show all entrances and boundaries of the premises and areas of storage.

In section three (3) of this form, you must describe how the carrier will verify age and obtain a signature of the recipient. You must also state where records of shipments of alcoholic beverages will be held and made available for inspection and audit by AMCO Enforcement.

Per AS 04.09.750(c) delivering alcoholic beverages to a person in the state shall ensure that the package containing alcoholic beverages is delivered directly to a person who:

(1) Presents identification and acceptable proof of age under AS 04.21.050 showing that the person is 21 years of age or older; and

(2) Provides a signature acknowledging that the person received the package.

Per AS 04.09.750(d) an approved common carrier shall make records of shipments of alcoholic beverages to persons in the state available for inspection and audit by the board.

Section 1 – Carrier Information

Name of carrier:			
Address:			
Address where shipment records will be available:			
Contact Name:		**Contact Email:**	
Contact Phone:			
Mode of carrier transportation:	☐ Motor Vehicle ☐ Aircraft	☐ Watercraft ☐ Railroad Car	

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Section 2 – Listed Areas of Operation and Detailed Diagram

Each hub (or location) where alcoholic beverages will be transported to or from is required to be listed. Use additional sheets if necessary.

Name of location/ Hub:	
Physical Address:	
Diagram of location: *Include:* *Entrances/exits* *Secured areas* *Walls*	

Each hub or location where alcoholic beverages will be transported to or from is required to be listed. Use additional sheets if necessary.

Name of location/ Hub:	
Physical Address:	
Diagram of location: *Include:* *Entrances/exits* *Secured areas* *Walls*	

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Section 2 continued – Listed of Areas of Operation and Detailed Diagram

Each hub (or location) where alcoholic beverages will be transported to or from is required to be listed. Use additional sheets if necessary.

Name of location/ Hub:	
Physical Address:	
Diagram of location: *Include:* *Entrances/exits* *Secured areas* *Walls*	

Each hub or location where alcoholic beverages will be transported to or from is required to be listed. Use additional sheets if necessary.

Name of location/ Hub:	
Physical Address:	
Diagram of location: *Include:* *Entrances/exits* *Secured areas* *Walls*	

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Section 3 – Description of Control Measures

Carrier must clearly indicate how the provisions of AS 04.09.750 (c)(1) and (2) will be met

Accepting ID: AS 04.09.750(c)(1)		**Obtaining signature:** AS 04.09.750(c)(2)	

I declare that all the information contained in this application, and evidence or other documents submitted are true and correct to the best of my knowledge. I understand that any falsification or misrepresentation of any item or response in this application, or any attachment, or documents to support this application, is sufficient grounds for denying this request for common carrier registration approval. I further understand that it is a Class A misdemeanor under Alaska Statute 11.56.210 to falsify an application and commit the crime of unsworn falsification.

SIGNATURE:_____ **DATE:**_____

Board/ Director Review: Approved ☐ Denied ☐

Board/Director Comments:

_____ _____

Signature of AMCO reviewer Date

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Kevin Richard, Director
907-269-0350

Registered Common Carriers under AS 04.09.750

Holders of a Manufacturer Direct Shipment License or a Package Store License with a Package Store Shipping Endorsement shall use only approved common carriers to transport alcoholic beverages.

Not all Alaska communities allow for the importation of alcoholic beverages, please check the updated local option list here: https://www.commerce.alaska.gov/web/amco/AlcoholLocalOption.aspx Only a Package Store License with a Package Store Shipping Endorsement may ship to a local option community that allows importation. The holder of a Manufacturer Direct Shipment License may not ship to any local option community.

Delivery by motor vehicle covers transport from an approved community/hub to the delivery address and includes addresses accessible on the road system from that community/hub. For example, a motor vehicle with a community/hub of Anchorage may deliver via motor vehicle to Homer, Palmer or Talkeetna.

Carrier	Effective Date	Method	Communities/Hub	Contact Information
DHL Express (USA), Inc.	4/15/2024	Motor Vehicle	Anchorage	https://www.dhl.com
Smokey Bay Air, Inc.	12/27/2023	Aircraft	Homer, Seldovia, Port Graham, Nanwalek	https://smokeybayair.com/index.html
Alaska Airlines, Inc.	12/27/2023	Aircraft	Adak, Anchorage, Barrow/Utqiagvik, Bethel. Cordova, Dillingham. Fairbanks, Gustavus, Juneau, Ketchikan, King Salmon, Kodiak, Kotzebue, Nome, Petersburg, Deadhorse, Sitka, Unalakleet, Wrangell, Yakutat	https://www.alaskaair.com/
Federal Express Corporation	12/27/2023	Motor Vehicle; Aircraft	Anchorage, Kenai, Fairbanks, Kodiak, Homer, Juneau, Wasilla, Valdez, Sitka	https://www.fedex.com/en-us/home.html
Northern Air Cargo	1/5/2024	Aircraft	Anchorage, Deadhorse/ Prudhoe Bay, Aniak, Bethel, Utqiagvik, Dillingham, King Salmon, Kotzebue, Nome, Unalakleet	https://www.nac.aero/
Everts Air Cargo	1/9/2024	Aircraft	Anchorage, Nome, King Salmon, Kotzebue, Aniak, Unalakleet, Bethel, Dillingham, Galena, Fairbanks, Fort Yukon, Venetie, Arctic Village, Barter Island (Kaktovik), Eagle, Huslia, Ruby	https://evertsair.com/
Island Air Service	1/11/2024	Aircraft	Kodiak, Ouzinkie, Old Harbor, Karluk, Larsen Bay, Ahkiok, Port Lions	https://www.flyadq.com/

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Lynden Air Cargo	1/12/2024	Aircraft	Anchorage, Bethel, Nome, Kotzebue, St. Mary's Emmonak	https://www.lynden.com/lac/
Alaska Central Express	1/16/2024	Aircraft	Yakutat, King Salmon, Wrangell, Cordova, Illiamna, Dillingham, Kodiak, Dutch Harbor, St. George, Petersburg, Sand Point, Juneau, Ketchikan, Sitka, Chenega, Cold Bay, Tatitlek, St. Paul	https://www.aceaircargo.com/
Ravn Alaska	1/16/2024	Aircraft	Anchorage, Homer, Unalakleet, St. Mary's, Dutch Harbor, St. Paul, Cold Bay, Valdez, Sand Point	https://www.ravnalaska.com/cargo-rates
Coastal Air LLC	1/26/2024	Aircraft	King Salmon, Kokhanok, Iliamna, Nondalton, Igiugig, Levelock, South Naknek, Egegik, Pilot Point, Ugashik, Port Heiden, Chignik Lake, Chignik Lagoon, Chignik Bay, Perryville, King Cove, Cold Bay, Nelson Lagoon, Aleknagik, Ekwok, New Stuyahok, Koliganek	www.akcoastalair.com
Air Excursions LLC	2/9/2024	Aircraft	Juneau, Gustavus	https://airexcursions.com/
Kalinin Aviation dba Alaska Seaplanes	2/9/2024	Aircraft	Juneau, Skagway, Haines, Gustavus, Hoonah, Kake, Sitka, Klawock, Pelican, Tenakee, Angoon, Elfin Cove	https://www.flyalaskaseaplanes.com/
Scott Air LLC dba Island Air Express	2/9/2024	Aircraft	Juneau, Klawock, Ketchikan,	https://islandairx.com/
Dillingham Freight and Fuel LLC	2/9/2024	Motor Vehicle	Dillingham, Aleknagik	(907) 842-2400
King Salmon Ground LLC	2/9/2024	Motor Vehicle	King Salmon, Naknek	(907) 246-3498
Lake and Peninsula Airlines	2/9/2024	Aircraft	Anchorage, Port Alsworth, Iliamna	https://lakeandpenair.com/
Renfro's Alaskan Adventures	2/9/2024	Aircraft	Bethel, Russian Mission, Marshall	https://renfrosalaskanadventures.com/
True North Air LLC	2/9/2024	Aircraft	Anchorage, Seldovia, Nanwalek, Port Graham, Homer, Tyonek	https://truenorthairllc.com/
Ward Air Inc.	2/9/2024	Aircraft	Juneau, Hoonah, Gustavus, Excursion Inlet, Chatham Cannery, Snettisham, Pelican, Elfin Cove, Haines, Skagway, Tenakee, Baranof Warm Springs	https://www.wardair.com/

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Wright Air Service	3/6/2024	Aircraft	Anvik, Arctic Village, Bettles, Coldfoot, Deadhorse, Fort Yukon, Galena, Grayling, Hughes, Huslia, Kaktovik, Kaltag, Koyukuk, Lake Minchumina, McGrath, Nicolai, Nulato, Ruby, Takotna, Tanana, Utqiagvik, Venetie	https://www.wrightairservice.com/
Alaska Air Transit	8/1/2024	Aircraft	Anchorage, McGrath	https://www.flyaat.com/
UPS, Inc	10/1/2024	Motor Vehicle	Anchorage, Fairbanks, Kenai, Homer, Kodiak, Juneau, Ketchikan, Sitka	877-799-7784
Sterling Airways, Dba Aleutian Airways	10/1/2024	Aircraft	Anchorage, Cold Bay, Dutch Harbor, Homer, Sand Point,	907-600-4990 (Anc) cargo@flyaleutian.com
Lee's Sea Air, Inc	6/3/2025	Aircraft	Kotzebue, Kiana	907-475-2101
Alaska Northern Courier LLC	7/31/2025	Motor Vehicle	Anchorage	907-240-1461 844-846-4446
Paklook Air, Inc. dba Yute Commuter Service	11/10/2025	Aircraft	Bethel, Marshall, Russian Mission	1-888-359-9883 https://yutebethel.com/