

Division of Safety and Health License and Certification Building 12, Room 161A State Office Campus Albany, NY 12240 (518) 457-2735

Instructions for Completing the Blaster Application (SH 810)

Submit the following items to the address above:

- 1. A completed application.
- 2. A check or money order made payable to the Commissioner of Labor for \$150.
- 3. A copy of your ATF Notice of Clearance as a Responsible Person or an Employee Possessor. If you do not have an ATF clearance, explain the status of your application or why you are exempt for the ATF clearance requirements. You are exempt if you are applying for a government agency or as a government employee or you are only purchasing or using:
 - Less than 50 pounds of black powder
 - Smokeless powder or pyrodex
 - Consumer fireworks
- 4. Experience verification (required for all new applicants, not renewal applicants):
 - a. Have your company submit written verification that confirms your experience.
 - b. This verification must be written on company letterhead and include:
 - Dates of employment
 - Your specific duties related to the certification sought
 - Types of explosives used
- 5. Copies of training certifications or training records.
- NYS Department of Motor Vehicle (DMV) ID number:
 If you do not have a NYS DMV driver license or photo ID number as requested on the application, you must complete form ID-5DOL and take it to a NYS DMV office along with the required forms of identification.
 - a. Check with NYS DMV for required and acceptable proofs of identity; requirements are stringent.
 - b. Go to their web site www.nysdmv.com or call the License and Certification Unit if you have any questions.

Do you need to be fingerprinted?

Fingerprints are used to perform a criminal history background check with the New York State Division of Criminal Justice Services (DCJS) and the FBI. Change, Correction, or Updating Procedures for obtaining a change, correction, or updating of an FBI criminal record are set forth at Title 28, Code of Federal Regulations (CFR), Section 16.34.

You **do not** need to be fingerprinted now if you are renewing an application and have:

- Current ATF clearance as a responsible person or employee possessor
- ➤ A New York State Department of Labor Explosives License

You **must** have your fingerprints scanned at a L1 Enrollment Services (aka MorphoTrust USA) location in NYS if you are:

- > A new applicant
- Renewing an application and do not have ATF clearance

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- 1. Scheduling an appointment:
 - Use the website www.L1enrollment.com or call toll free 1-877-472-6915 to schedule an appointment and to find a New York State location near you
 - Provide the following identification number when you schedule: ORI #NY921260Z

2. Fees:

- The total fee includes a fingerprinting fee of \$91.50 plus a vendor fee of approximately \$11.00 to \$12.00 (All fees are subject to change. Check with the vendor for the current charge.)
- You may pay the fee to L1 Enrollment Services either when you schedule online or at the time of the service

3. Identification:

• Take 2 forms of ID to your appointment (One of the ID's must include a photo.)

4. Follow up:

- You will be given a receipt after the fingerprint scan (Keep it for tracking purposes.)
- The service will transmit your prints to the New York State Division of Criminal Justice Services (DCJS) for processing
- DCJS will send the results to the License & Certification Unit at the NYS Department of Labor, using the ORI number listed above

Certificates issued

- Class A The holder may be in charge of any above or below ground blasting operation, included in Class B and C; excluding class D, E & F.
- Class B The holder may be in charge of any above ground blasting operation, e.g. general construction, open surface excavation, quarries, etc; excluding class A, C, D, E & F.
- Class C The holder may be in charge of any below ground blasting operation, e.g. underground mines, tunneling, etc; excluding Class A, B, D, E & F.
- Class D The holder may be in charge of any blasting operation associated with demolition of buildings and/or other structures.
- Class E The holder may be in charge of any blasting operation associated with seismic prospecting.
- Class F The holder may be in charge of any blasting operation associated with special uses where the total weight of explosives do not exceed 50 pounds.

Experience required

- Have 3 years experience in the class requested
- Be at least 21 years of age

Written exam study resources

NYS Code Rule 61 – Occupational Licensing, specifically 61-1 General Provisions and 61-4 Blasters NYS Code Rule 39 – Explosives

You can find both code rules in the blaster section at http://www.labor.ny.gov/formsdocs/wp/shformsandpublications.shtm

OSHA Part 1926 Subpart U - Occupational Safety & Health Administration construction standard for blasting You can find this at www.osha.gov, click on standards, scroll down & click on PART 1926. Scroll down to 1926 Subpart U Blasting all of 1926 900 – 960 is relevant.

MSHA (Mine Safety & Health Administration) www.msha.gov click on 30CFR

The "Blaster Handbook" by ISEE (International Society of Explosives Engineers) To order a copy, call 440-349-4400 or visit their website at www.isee.org