

How to Access STS Regulations

General Information for STS Providers



The Office of The Revisor serves as the official publisher of Minnesota Statutes, Laws and Rules. This is where you can find STS regulations.

STS applicants must state that each driver complies with MN Rule Chapter 8840, parts 8840.5100 to 8840.6300. After becoming an active provider, you will need to comply with MN Rule Chapter 8840 and other statutes and rules in order to maintain your STS Certificate of Compliance.

The website for Special Transportation Services statutes and rules is <https://www.revisor.mn.gov/rules>

Many of the statutes and rules reference other statutes and rules and contain embedded links. Click on the links to view the references.

How to Find MN Rule Chapter 8840 Transportation for Elderly, Disabled



Type a chapter number in the “Retrieve by number” box. Example: type “8840”. You can also add the part number, for instance “8840.5900”.

Choose “Rules” from the drop down box. Click on the search icon.  If you need to access a Statute, Choose “Statute” from the menu.

Key Parts of MN Rule Chapter 8840

PROVIDER REQUIREMENTS

8840.5640 Initial Provider Education

8840.5650 Annual Evaluation

8840.5700 Inspection and Audit

DRIVER REQUIREMENTS

8840.5900 Driver Qualifications

- Physical qualifications
- Medical waivers, physical ability
- Driver's license
- Age and experience, driving record

8840.5910 Driver Training Requirements

- Training required before driving
- Additional training in the first 45 days
- First aid training
- Passenger assistance training
- Ambulatory passenger assistance
- Abuse prevention training
- Refresher courses, continuing education

VEHICLE REQUIREMENTS

8840.5925 Vehicle Equipment

- Safety equipment
- Seats
- Ramps and wheelchair lifts
- Securement devices

8840.5940 Construction Standards

- Rollover protection
- Remanufactured roof
- Emergency exits
- Holes
- Doors and windows, door heights

8840.5975 Standards for Maintenance

- Vehicle
- Wheelchair

Chapter 8840 Reference Guide

Parts listed in numerical order

- 8840.5100 Definitions
- 8840.5300 Scope
- 8840.5400 Certificate of Compliance, General Requirements
- 8840.5450 Restrictions on Name and Description of Service
- 8840.5500 Certificate of Compliance Application
- 8840.5525 Issuance and Expiration of Certificate
- 8840.5640 Initial STS Provider Education
- 8840.5650 Annual Evaluation
- 8840.5700 Inspection and Audit
- 8840.5800 Enforcement: Violations, Suspensions
- 8840.5900 Driver Qualifications
- 8840.5910 Driver & Attendant Training Requirements
- 8840.5925 Vehicle Equipment
- 8840.5940 Vehicle Construction Standards
- 8840.5950 Standards for Operation of Vehicles
- 8840.5975 Standards for Maintenance
- 8840.6000 Insurance
- 8840.6100 Records
- 8840.6200 Certification of Training Courses and Instructors
- 8840.6250 Audit of Courses
- 8840.6300 Variance
- 8840.6400 Administrative Hearing

Federal Regulations

In addition to the State Statutes and Rules that you need to know, some Federal regulations apply to STS providers. For instance, Chapter 8840, part 5940 Vehicle Construction Standards references a federal law in subpart 5. It reads:

Subp. 5. Door heights. The door height of vehicles must conform to the requirements of Code of Federal Regulations, title 49, section 38.25, paragraph (c) which is incorporated by reference.

To view the federal regulation, you have to go to the Code of Federal Regulations (CFR) website:

<https://www.gpo.gov/fdsys/browse/collectionCfr.action?collectionCode=CFR>

You can also use your internet or web browser to search for the federal regulation named in subpart 5. Simply type "49 CFR 38.25" in your web browser.

This information is intended to provide you with general guidance concerning applicable laws and rules and does not constitute legal advice.

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