

10-102.

[(a)]The name of each limited partnership as set forth in its certificate:

- (1) Shall contain without abbreviation the words "limited partnership";
- (2) May not contain the name of a limited partner unless:
 - (i) It is also the name of a general partner; or
 - (ii) The business of the limited partnership had been carried on under that name before the admission of that limited partner;
- (3) May not contain any word or phrase which indicates or implies that it is organized for any purpose not stated in its certificate; and
- (4) May not be the same as or misleadingly similar to:
 - (i) The name of any corporation, limited liability company, limited partnership, or limited liability partnership organized under the laws of the State of Maryland;
 - (ii) The name of any foreign corporation, foreign limited liability company, foreign limited partnership, or foreign limited liability partnership registered or qualified to do business in the State of Maryland; or
 - (iii) Any name which is reserved or registered under § 2-107, § 4A-209, § 4A-1002, § 7-101, § 10-103, or § 10-904, or recorded under § 1-406 of this article.

[(b) Every 5 years following the year in which the limited partnership filed its initial certificate, each limited partnership shall file by September 15 a statement on a form provided by the Department affirming that the limited partnership is actively engaged in the business for which it was formed. A failure to file the affirmation on time shall result in forfeiture of the right to use the name set forth in the certificate.]

10-204.

(a) Each certificate required by this subtitle to be filed with the Department shall be executed in the following manner:

- (1) The certificate of limited partnership under § 10-201 must be signed by all general partners;
- (2) A certificate of amendment under § 10-202 must be signed by at least one general partner and by each other general partner designated in the certificate of amendment as a new general partner or a withdrawing general partner; [and]
- (3) A certificate of cancellation under § 10-203 must be signed by all general partners, or, if there is no general partner, by a majority of the limited partners; AND
- (4) A CERTIFICATE OF REINSTATEMENT UNDER § 10-214 MUST BE SIGNED BY ALL GENERAL PARTNERS, OR, IF THERE IS NO GENERAL PARTNER, BY A MAJORITY OF THE LIMITED PARTNERS.