

**RCW 50.20.066 Disqualification from benefits due to misconduct—
Cancellation of hourly wage credits due to gross misconduct.** With
respect to claims that have an effective date on or after January 4,
2004:

(1) An individual shall be disqualified from benefits beginning with the first day of the calendar week in which he or she has been discharged or suspended for misconduct connected with his or her work and thereafter for ten calendar weeks and until he or she has obtained bona fide work in employment covered by this title and earned wages in that employment equal to ten times his or her weekly benefit amount. Alcoholism shall not constitute a defense to disqualification from benefits due to misconduct.

(2) An individual who has been discharged from his or her work because of gross misconduct shall have all hourly wage credits based on that employment or six hundred eighty hours of wage credits, whichever is greater, canceled.

(3) The employer shall notify the department of a felony or gross misdemeanor of which an individual has been convicted, or has admitted committing to a competent authority, not later than six months following the admission or conviction.

(4) The claimant shall disclose any conviction of the claimant of a work-connected felony or gross misdemeanor occurring in the previous two years to the department at the time of application for benefits.

(5) All benefits that are paid in error based on this section are recoverable, notwithstanding RCW 50.20.190 or 50.24.020 or any other provisions of this title. [2006 c 13 s 13. Prior: 2003 2nd sp.s. c 4 s 9.]

Retroactive application—2006 c 13 ss 8-22: See note following RCW 50.04.293.

**Conflict with federal requirements—Part headings not law—
Severability—2006 c 13:** See notes following RCW 50.20.120.

**Conflict with federal requirements—Severability—Effective date—
2003 2nd sp.s. c 4:** See notes following RCW 50.01.010.