

WAC 139-06-130 Standards for reinstatement of certification.

(1)(a) A peace officer denied certification based upon dismissal or withdrawal from basic law enforcement academy for any reason not also involving discharge for disqualifying misconduct is eligible for readmission and certification upon meeting the requirements set forth in WAC 139-05-242 (Readmission to basic law enforcement academy). The commission may impose a probationary period upon readmission.

(b) A peace officer denied certification based upon dismissal or withdrawal from basic law enforcement academy for disqualifying misconduct is eligible for readmission and certification only upon meeting the requirements of subsection (4) of this section.

(2) A peace officer whose certification is denied or revoked based upon prior administrative error of issuance is eligible for certification or reinstatement of certification upon a determination by the commission that the factors that should have prevented the peace officer from being certified have been remedied and the peace officer is otherwise eligible for certification.

(3) A peace officer whose certification is denied or revoked based upon failure to cooperate, or interference with an investigation, is eligible for certification or reinstatement of certification if the peace officer's conduct did not also involve disqualifying misconduct, or other illegal or unethical conduct, and upon a showing that the peace officer has thereafter fully cooperated and is otherwise eligible for certification. In making its determination, the commission may consider the nature and seriousness of the peace officer's conduct.

(4) A peace officer whose certification is denied or revoked based upon discharge for disqualifying misconduct, but not also based upon a felony criminal conviction, may, five years after revocation or denial, petition the commission for certification or reinstatement of certification. The commission shall hold a hearing on the petition for certification or reinstatement of certification. The commission may allow certification or reinstatement of certification upon finding that the peace officer has engaged in no further disqualifying or similar misconduct, has had no further criminal convictions, has engaged in no other illegal or unethical conduct, and is otherwise eligible for certification.

(5) A peace officer whose certification is denied or revoked based solely upon a criminal conviction may petition the commission for certification or reinstatement of certification immediately upon final judicial reversal of the conviction. The commission shall hold a hearing on the petition for certification or reinstatement of certification. The commission may allow certification or reinstatement of certification upon finding that the peace officer has engaged in no further disqualifying or similar misconduct, has had no further criminal convictions, has engaged in no other illegal or unethical conduct, and is otherwise eligible for certification.

(6) A peace officer whose certification has been denied or revoked, or whose certification has lapsed, due to a break of more than twenty-four consecutive months of law enforcement service as a peace officer, may upon return to service as a law enforcement officer, petition the commission for certification or reinstatement of certification. Upon receipt of a petition for certification or reinstatement of certification, the commission shall determine if the peace officer is eligible for certification or reinstatement of certification. The terms of certification or reinstatement of certification may be subject to the requirement of basic law enforcement academy or the basic

law enforcement equivalency academy in addition to other requirements as imposed by the commission.

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