WAC 182-51-1600 Process to appeal determination of a violation and assessed fines. (1) Each reporting entity to whom the authority issues a preliminary notice of a violation and fine(s) may request and informal dispute resolution conference under WAC 182-51-1700.

(2) If the reporting entity requests an informal dispute resolution conference under WAC 182-51-1700, the reporting entity must complete the informal dispute resolution process before requesting an administrative hearing.

(3) In lieu of an informal dispute resolution conference, the reporting entity may request a formal appeal under WAC 182-51-1800 in writing, in a manner that provides proof of receipt, within twentyeight calendar days after receipt of the preliminary notice of violation and fine(s). Upon receipt for the reporting entity's request, the authority issues a final notice of violation and fine(s) with an explanation of the reporting entity's administrative hearing rights under WAC 182-51-1800.

(4) If the reporting entity does not request an informal dispute resolution conference or formal appeal within twenty-eight calendar days after receipt of the preliminary notice of violation and fine(s), the authority issues a final notice of violation with an explanation of the reporting entity's administrative hearing rights under WAC 182-51-1800.

[Statutory Authority: RCW 41.05.021, 41.05.160 and 2019 c 334. WSR 20-19-079, § 182-51-1600, filed 9/15/20, effective 10/16/20.]