WAC 284-17-600 Licensing requirements for insurance producers who maintain more than one place of business in the state. (1)(a) If an individual insurance producer transacts the business of insurance out of more than one place of business in this state, in addition to complying with the requirements of RCW 48.17.450, each place of business must be under the charge of an individual properly licensed for the insurance transactions being conducted at the location.

(b) A business entity insurance producer that maintains more than one place of business in this state must have an individual licensed as an insurance producer physically present in the location when the location is open for the transaction of insurance to the same extent as would be expected of an insurance licensee operating at a single location.

(2) Each insurance producer involved in an insurance transaction must have all authority necessary for each insurance transaction, whether by direct appointment from the insurer or by affiliation with a business entity.

(3) If a surplus line broker maintains more than one place of business in this state, transactions in any location which require the services of a surplus line broker must be conducted only by a properly licensed individual.

(4) Each failure to comply with this section is an unfair practice pursuant to RCW 48.30.010.

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