WAC 446-08-560 Hearing officer authority. The hearing officer shall have the authority to:

- (1) Rule on evidentiary matters during the course of the hearing;
- (2) Take official notice of facts pursuant to RCW 34.05.452(5);
- (3) Regulate the course of the hearing and take any appropriate action necessary to maintain order during the hearing;
- (4) Permit or require oral argument or briefs and determine the time limits for submission thereof; and
- (5) Take any other action necessary and authorized by any applicable statute or rule.

[Statutory Authority: RCW 304-05-020 [34.05.020] and chapter 43.43 RCW. WSR 14-03-020, § 446-08-560, filed 1/7/14, effective 2/7/14.]