

**WAC 137-48-060 Mail costs.** (1) Except as otherwise stated in this section, mail costs shall be the responsibility of the individual.

(2) Mail which arrives at the institution with postage due may, at the option of the superintendent, be delivered to the individual. The institution may pay the postage due in accordance with subsection (3) of this section, or hold the mail for a reasonable period of time so as to allow the individual to arrange for payment of the postage due. If such arrangements are not made within the time provided, the package/mail may be donated to charity or discarded.

(3) Indigent individuals shall be authorized to receive postage up to the equivalent to the mailing cost of ten standard first class letters per month. This indigent postage provision shall cover regular letters. Indigent individuals will be allowed additional postage for legal mail as identified by the department.

(4) The department shall recoup any expenditures made by the institution for postage due on incoming mail and/or indigent postage for letters, (as identified in subsection (3) of this section) may be recouped by the institution whenever such indigent individual has more than the dollar amount per the indigency definition in RCW 72.09.015 of disposable income in his/her trust fund account.

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**Reviser's note:** Under RCW 34.05.030 (1)(c), as amended by section 103, chapter 288, Laws of 1988, the above section was not adopted under the Administrative Procedure Act, chapter 34.05 RCW, but was published in the Washington State Register and codified into the Washington Administrative Code exactly as shown by the agency filing with history notes added by the code reviser's office.