

WAC 296-150R-0800 What is required for self-certification? If you want to be self-certified, you must:

(1) Send us a written request for self-certification;
(2) Have us approve your self-certification quality control manual;

(3) Have us approve your comprehensive design plans for the current models you sell in Washington state if you do not already have approved design plans;

(4) Initially be audited by us, and then be audited at least every six months by an industry association or independent inspection auditor who conducts quality control audits;

(5) (a) The manufacturer must designate an industry association or other independent auditor to perform audits of the manufacturer at least every six months.

(b) The manufacturer must provide written approval from the auditor designated under (a) of this subsection and provide a copy of such approval to the department. The approval form must allow us to review all documentation and information collected by the auditor during the auditor's periodic audits of the manufacturer. The department shall conduct a performance audit of the industry association or other independent inspection auditor at least once every two years.

(c) If the designated auditor refuses to allow the department to conduct a performance audit, then the department may conduct a performance audit of the manufacturer's quality control program. If both the designated auditor and manufacturer refuse to allow a performance audit, then the department may conduct a comprehensive audit as authorized by RCW 43.22.355(4).

Note: If you do not use an industry association or independent inspection auditor to conduct your quality control audits, you may apply for insignia under the state-plan process for insignia approval.

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