

WAC 446-08-430 Prehearing conference rule—Authorized. (1) The hearing officer may direct the parties or their counsel to engage in a prehearing conference(s) to consider the following:

- (a) The simplification of issues;
 - (b) The necessity of amendments to the pleading;
 - (c) The possibility of obtaining stipulations, admissions of facts and admissions of the genuineness of documents that will avoid unnecessary proof;
 - (d) The limitation of the number of expert witnesses;
 - (e) Number of witnesses expected to be called and their names when possible;
 - (f) Approximate time necessary for presentation of the evidence of the respective parties;
 - (g) Whether or when motions may be brought;
 - (h) Exhibits;
 - (i) Such other matters as may aid in the disposition of the proceeding.
- (2) Prehearing conferences may be held by telephone conference or at a time and place specified by the hearing examiner.

[Statutory Authority: RCW 304-05-020 [34.05.020] and chapter 43.43 RCW. WSR 14-03-020, § 446-08-430, filed 1/7/14, effective 2/7/14; Order II, § 446-08-430, filed 11/22/74; Rule .08.430, filed 3/23/60.]