

WAC 16-171-160 Hemp extract facilities—Basis for enforcement action. (1) The department may issue a notice of correction for:

(a) Hemp extract facilities that score less than 90 points on an inspection; or

(b) Critical violations found during an inspection of a hemp extract facility.

(2) The department may review and consider initiating enforcement action, such as certification suspension, civil penalties, and/or other actions provided in chapter 69.07 or 15.130 RCW when:

(a) Hemp extract facilities score less than 90 points on two separate inspections within a consecutive three-year period; or

(b) Hemp extract facilities fail to correct critical violations during an inspection.

(3) Nothing herein shall prevent the department from:

(a) Choosing not to pursue a case administratively.

(b) Issuing a notice of correction in lieu of pursuing enforcement action.

(c) Negotiating settlement(s) of cases on such terms and for such reasons as it deems appropriate.

[Statutory Authority: RCW 69.07.020 and 69.07.220. WSR 22-13-038, § 16-171-160, filed 6/7/22, effective 7/8/22.]