- WAC 246-320-101 Application for license—Annual update of hospital information—License renewal—Right to contest a license decision. This section identifies the applicant or hospital actions and responsibilities for obtaining a license.
- (1) Initial license. An applicant must submit an application packet and fee to the department at least sixty days before the intended opening date of the new hospital.
- (2) Annual update. Before November 30 of each calendar year, a licensed hospital must submit to the department the hospital update documentation and fee.
- (3) License renewal. Before November 30 of the year the license expires, a licensed hospital must submit to the department the hospital update documentation, fee and the results of the most recent onsite survey conducted by the state fire marshal.
- (4) An applicant or hospital has the right to contest a license decision by:
- (a) Sending a written request for an adjudicative proceeding within twenty-eight days of receipt of the department's licensing decision showing proof of receipt with the office of the Adjudicative Service Unit, Department of Health, P.O. Box 47879, Olympia, WA 98504-7879; and
 - (b) Including as part of the written request:
 - (i) A specific statement of the issues and law involved;
 - (ii) The grounds for contesting the department decision; and
 - (iii) A copy of the contested department decision.
- (c) The adjudicative proceeding is governed by the Administrative Procedure Act chapter 34.05 RCW, this chapter, and chapters 246-08 and 246-10 WAC. If this chapter conflicts with chapter 246-08 or 246-10 WAC, this chapter governs.

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