WAC 284-03-005 Authority and purpose. (1) The purpose of these rules is to establish the procedures the office of the insurance commissioner (OIC) will follow in order to provide full access to public records. These rules provide information to persons wishing to request access to public records of the OIC and establish processes for both requestors and OIC staff that are designed to best assist members of the public in obtaining such access.

(2) The purpose of the act is to provide the public full access to information concerning the conduct of government, mindful of persons' privacy rights and the desirability of the efficient administration of government. The act and these rules will be interpreted in favor of disclosure. In carrying out its responsibilities under the act, the OIC will be guided by the provisions of the act describing its purposes and interpretation.

[Statutory Authority: RCW 48.02.060 and 42.56.040. WSR 12-03-087 (Matter No. R 2011-15), § 284-03-005, filed 1/15/12, effective 2/15/12. Statutory Authority: RCW 48.02.060, 48.17.250, 48.17.300, 70.02.050 and 42.17.250. WSR 04-15-157 (Matter No. R 2003-10), § 284-03-005, filed 7/21/04, effective 8/21/04.]