

WAC 458-276-010 Authority and purpose of access to public records. (1) The purpose of the Public Records Act, chapter 42.56 RCW, is to provide for the public's access to information concerning the conduct of government. The purpose of these rules in this chapter is to establish the procedures the department of revenue (department) will follow in order to provide this access to nonexempt public records. These rules provide information to persons requesting access to public records of the department and establish processes for both requestors and department staff that are designed to assist members of the public in obtaining access.

(2) In carrying out its responsibilities under the Public Records Act, the department must give due regard to the applicable statutory exemptions or limitations from disclosure described in WAC 458-276-045.

[Statutory Authority: RCW 82.01.060(2) and chapter 42.56 RCW. WSR 15-01-105, § 458-276-010, filed 12/18/14, effective 1/18/15. Statutory Authority: RCW 42.17.250. WSR 78-02-064 (Order GT 78-1), § 458-276-010, filed 1/23/78.]