

WAC 170-03-0160 Requirements that apply to decisions involving limited-English-speaking parties. (1) When an interpreter is used at a hearing, the administrative law judge (ALJ) must explain that decisions are written in English and that the office of administrative hearings (OAH) will provide an interpreter for an oral translation of the decision at no cost to that party.

(2) OAH must provide the party needing interpretation services information about how to obtain those services. Information about how to access interpretation services must be attached to the decision or order. The individual who provides the interpretation service does not need to be the same individual who provided the interpreter services at the hearing.

(3) OAH or the review judge must send a copy of a decision or order to an interpreter for use in oral interpretation.

[Statutory Authority: RCW 43.215.070 and chapter 43.215 RCW. WSR 15-24-069, § 170-03-0160, filed 11/25/15, effective 12/26/15. Statutory Authority: Chapter 43.215 RCW, RCW 34.05.220, chapter 34.05 RCW, 2006 c 265. WSR 08-06-102, § 170-03-0160, filed 3/5/08, effective 4/5/08.]