

WAC 391-55-321 Fact-finding prehearing conference. The fact finder may, upon the fact finder's own motion or upon request of a party, convene a prehearing conference.

(1) The purpose of a prehearing conference is to consider any one or more of the following:

(a) Simplification of issues;

(b) Identification of evidence or supporting documentation that either one party or both may be required to bring to the hearing;

(c) Limitations on the number and consolidation of the examination of witnesses;

(d) Procedural matters; and

(e) Any other matters that may aid in the disposition or settlement of the case.

(2) Prehearing conferences may be held by telephone conference call or other electronic means at a time and location specified by the fact finder.

[Statutory Authority: RCW 28B.52.080, 41.56.090, 41.58.050, 41.59.110, 41.76.060, 41.80.080, 47.64.135, and 49.39.060. WSR 22-23-101, § 391-55-321, filed 11/16/22, effective 1/1/23.]