

**WAC 388-818-530 What are the requirements for certified court sign language interpreters?** Certified court sign language interpreters are presumed to be the most qualified to interpret in court hearings because of their training, skills, and experience. To qualify as a certified court sign language interpreter, you must complete the following requirements:

- (1) The applicant must hold a current certification, either:
  - (a) Specialist certificate: Legal (SC: L) from the Registry of interpreters for the deaf; or
  - (b) Registry of interpreters for the deaf (RID) certification and having passed the SC: L written test.
- (2) You must undergo a DSHS criminal background check conducted by DSHS back check central unit using DSHS form 09-653 background authorization.
- (3) You must complete the Washington courts training provided by the AOC.
- (4) You must take an oath of interpreter, as administered by the Washington courts.
- (5) You must submit a renewal registration form with ODHH annually by July 1.

[Statutory Authority: Chapter 2.42 RCW, RCW 2.42.130, and 2.42.170. WSR 15-01-075, § 388-818-530, filed 12/12/14, effective 1/12/15.]