

**WAC 173-50-140 Denying accreditation.** (1) The ecology accrediting authority may deny accreditation if the applicant laboratory:

(a) Fails to comply with standards for critical elements of the audit;

(b) Misrepresents itself to the department;

(c) Fails to disclose pertinent information in their environmental laboratory accreditation application;

(d) Falsifies reports of analysis including proficiency testing results;

(e) Engages in unethical or fraudulent practices concerning generation of analytical data;

(f) Is deficient in its ability to provide accurate and defensible analytical data; or

(g) Fails to render applicable fees.

(2) A laboratory may be denied accreditation for a specific parameter for unacceptable proficiency testing results.

(3) Laboratories denied accreditation may appeal under the provisions of WAC 173-50-200. If an appeal does not result in action favorable to the laboratory, and following correction of deficiencies, laboratories denied accreditation may reapply for accreditation to include payment of appropriate fees as determined in WAC 173-50-190.

[Statutory Authority: RCW 43.21A.230. WSR 23-18-059 (Order 22-07), § 173-50-140, filed 9/1/23, effective 10/2/23. Statutory Authority: RCW 43.21A.230, 43.20.050 and 2009 c 564 § 301. WSR 10-17-032 (Order 09-09), § 173-50-140, filed 8/9/10, effective 9/9/10. Statutory Authority: RCW 43.21A.230. WSR 02-20-090 (Order 01-12), § 173-50-140, filed 10/1/02, effective 11/1/02; WSR 90-21-090 (Order 90-21), § 173-50-140, filed 10/19/90, effective 11/19/90; WSR 89-10-001 and 90-07-017 (Order 89-1 and 89-1A), § 173-50-140, filed 4/20/89 and 3/13/90, effective 4/13/90.]