



RULE-MAKING ORDER
(RCW 34.05.360)

CR-103 (7/10/97)

Agency: State Board for Community & Technical Colleges

- Permanent Rule**
- Emergency Rule**
- Expedited Adoption**
- Expedited Repeal**

(1) Date of adoption: June 18, 1998

(2) Purpose:
Certificate of Educational Competence
(Also known as the General Education Development (GED) Test.)

(3) Citation of existing rules affected by this order:
Repealed:
Amended: 4 (WAC 131-48-010; 131-48-040; 131-48-060; 131-48-100)
Suspended:

(4) Statutory authority for adoption: RCW 28B.50
Other authority:

PERMANENT RULE ONLY (Including EXPEDITED ADOPTION)
Adopted under notice filed as WSR 98-10-045 on 4/29/98 (date).
Describe any changes other than editing from proposed to adopted version:
None

EMERGENCY RULE ONLY
Under RCW 34.05.350 the agency for good cause finds:
 (a) That immediate adoption, amendment, or repeal of a rule is necessary for the preservation of the public health, safety, or general welfare, and that observing the time requirements of notice and opportunity to comment upon adoption of a permanent rule would be contrary to the public interest.
 (b) That state or federal law or federal rule or a federal deadline for state receipt of federal funds requires immediate adoption of a rule.

Reasons for this finding:

EXPEDITED REPEAL ONLY
Under Preproposal Statement of Inquiry filed as WSR _____ on _____ (date).

(5.3) Any other findings required by other provisions of law as precondition to adoption or effectiveness of rule?
 Yes No If Yes, explain:

(6) Effective date of rule:

Permanent Rules or Expedited Rule Making	Emergency Rules
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> 31 days after filing	<input type="checkbox"/> Immediately
<input type="checkbox"/> Other (specify) _____*	<input type="checkbox"/> Later (specify) _____

*(If less than 31 days after filing, specific finding in 5.3 under RCW 34.05.380(3) is required)

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**Count by whole WAC sections only, from the WAC number through the history note.
A section may be counted in more than one category.**

The number of sections adopted in order to comply with:

Federal statute:	New _____	Amended _____	Repealed _____
Federal rules or standards:	New _____	Amended _____	Repealed _____
Recently enacted state statutes:	New _____	Amended _____	Repealed _____

The number of sections adopted at the request of a nongovernmental entity:

New _____ Amended _____ Repealed _____

The number of sections adopted on the agency's own initiative:

New _____ Amended 4 Repealed _____

The number of sections adopted in order to clarify, streamline, or reform agency procedures:

New _____ Amended 4 Repealed _____

The number of sections adopted using:

Negotiated rule making:	New _____	Amended _____	Repealed _____
Pilot rule making:	New _____	Amended _____	Repealed _____
Other alternative rule making:	New _____	Amended <u>4</u>	Repealed _____

AMENDATORY SECTION (Amending WSR 93-22-006, filed 10/21/93, effective 11/21/93)

WAC 131-48-010 Authority. The authority for this chapter is RCW ((~~28B.50.915~~) 28B.50.912) which authorizes the state board for community and technical colleges to adopt rules governing the eligibility of persons sixteen years of age or older to take the general educational development (GED) test subject to rules adopted by the state board of education.

AMENDATORY SECTION (Amending WSR 93-22-006, filed 10/21/93, effective 11/21/93)

WAC 131-48-040 General educational development test--Definition. As used in this chapter, the term "general educational development test" means the most recent general educational development test ((~~of the American Council on Education~~)) as determined by the authorizing agency.

AMENDATORY SECTION (Amending WSR 93-22-006, filed 10/21/93, effective 11/21/93)

WAC 131-48-060 Official GED testing center--Definition. As used in this chapter, the term "official GED testing center" means public or private agencies which have agreed to comply with the provisions of this chapter and with policies and regulations of the GED Testing Service, and which have been designated by the state board for community and technical colleges, administrator of the GED testing program to administer the general educational development test. Additional official GED testing centers and local GED examiners shall be approved by the state administrator of the GED testing program at the state board for community and technical colleges when the following have been documented:

- (1) Need for a new testing site in a specific region or location;
- (2) Need for new or replacement examiner at a testing center;
- (3) Commitment of the governing board or, if none, the chief official of the proposed new testing center to meet all testing center requirements described in the *GED Examiner's Manual*

published by the Testing Service of the American Council on Education; and

(4) Availability of testing center personnel who meet the qualifications specified in the *GED Examiner's Manual* published by the GED Testing Service (~~(of the American Council on Education)~~) as determined by the authorizing agency.

AMENDATORY SECTION (Amending WSR 93-22-006, filed 10/21/93, effective 11/21/93)

WAC 131-48-100 Eligibility to take the GED test. The following individuals shall be eligible to take the general educational development test in official GED testing centers, provided that they are not enrolled in ((a)) public, private, or home-based instruction of high school or a high school completion program at the time the test is administered:

(1) Any person age nineteen or over who has not graduated from a public or private high school.

(2) Any person between the ages of sixteen and nineteen who has not graduated from a public or private high school and who has been adjudged by a school district in accordance with rules of the state board of education to have a substantial and warranted reason for leaving the regular high school education program.

(3) Any student age sixteen or over who has completed an education center individual student program in accordance with the provisions of chapter 392-185 WAC.

(4) Any person between the ages of sixteen and nineteen who has not graduated from a public or private high school, and who has completed a program of home-based instruction in compliance with RCW 28A.225.010(4) as certified by the written and notarized statement of the parent(s) or legal guardian(s) who provided the home-based instruction.

(5) Any person who is an active member of the military, national guard, or reserves and has not received a high school diploma.

(6) Adjudicated youth under the director of prisons, jails, detention centers, parole and probation offices, and other corrections facilities while enrolled in school if so ordered by a court or officer of the court.