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WSR 24-22-034 PERMANENT RULES

DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE

[Filed October 28, 2024, 7:14 a.m., effective November 28, 2024]

Effective Date of Rule: Thirty-one days after filing. Purpose: This rule-making order amends chapter 16-168 WAC, Approved independent sanitation consultants for food storage warehouses, by clarifying current rule language by replacing all gender-specific pronouns with modern gender-inclusive pronouns.

Citation of Rules Affected by this Order: Amending WAC 16-168-060.

Statutory Authority for Adoption: RCW 15.130.120, 43.01.160. Adopted under notice filed as WSR 24-17-095 on August 19, 2024.

Number of Sections Adopted in Order to Comply with Federal Statute: New 0, Amended 0, Repealed 0; Federal Rules or Standards: New 0, Amended 0, Repealed 0; or Recently Enacted State Statutes: New 0, Amended 0, Repealed 0.

Number of Sections Adopted at the Request of a Nongovernmental Entity: New 0, Amended 1, Repealed 0.

Number of Sections Adopted on the Agency's own Initiative: New 0, Amended 0, Repealed 0.

Number of Sections Adopted in Order to Clarify, Streamline, or Reform Agency Procedures: New 0, Amended 1, Repealed 0.

Number of Sections Adopted using Negotiated Rule Making: New 0, Amended 0, Repealed 0; Pilot Rule Making: New 0, Amended 0, Repealed 0; or Other Alternative Rule Making: New 0, Amended 0, Repealed 0. Date Adopted: October 25, 2024.

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AMENDATORY SECTION (Amending WSR 20-17-020, filed 8/6/20, effective 9/6/20)

WAC 16-168-060 Applying for approval as an independent sanitation consultant. The steps in applying for approval as an independent sanitation consultant are:

- (1) Obtain an application from the department.
- (2) Complete the application, listing your qualifications.
- (3) Each applicant must sign the application and have ((his/her)) their signature notarized.
 - (4) Return the application to the address on the application.