

WAC 357-58-065 Definitions for WMS. The following definitions apply to chapter 357-58 WAC:

(1) **Break in service.** An employee has a break in continuous state service if the employee is separated, dismissed or resigns from state service. A furlough for the purposes of temporary layoff as provided in WAC 357-58-550 is not considered a break in continuous state service.

(2) **Choice performance confirmation.** Approval granted by the director to an employer allowing the employer to factor in individual employee performance when granting recognition leave.

(3) **Competencies.** Those measurable or observable knowledge, skills, abilities and behaviors critical to success in a key job role or function.

(4) **Director.** State human resources director within the office of financial management.

(5) **Dismissal.** The termination of an individual's employment for disciplinary reasons.

(6) **Employee.** An individual working in the classified service. Employee business unit members are defined in WAC 357-43-001.

(7) **Evaluation points.** The points resulting from an evaluation of a position using the managerial job value assessment chart.

(8) **Layoff unit.** A clearly identified structure within an employer's organization within which layoff options are determined in accordance with the employer's layoff procedure. Layoff units may be a series of progressively larger units within an employer's organization.

(9) **Management bands.** A series of management levels included in the WMS. Placement in a band reflects the nature of management, decision-making environment and policy impact and scope of management accountability and control assigned to the position.

(10) **Premium.** Pay added to an employee's base salary on a contingent basis in recognition of special requirements, conditions or circumstances associated with the job.

(11) **Reassignment.** An employer-initiated movement of:

(a) A WMS employee from one position to a different position within WMS with the same salary standard and/or evaluation points; or

(b) A WMS position and the employee in that position from one section, department or geographical location to another section, department or geographical location.

(12) **Redeployment.** An employer-initiated movement of a WMS employee within or between general government employers to a position in the same or different salary standard and/or evaluation points for a limited duration to support staffing shortages during an emergency or disaster in accordance with WAC 357-04-124.

(13) **Review period.** A period of time that allows the employer an opportunity to ensure the WMS employee meets the requirements and performance standards of the position.

(14) **Salary standard.** Within a management band a salary standard is the maximum dollar amount assigned to a position in those agencies that use a salary standard in addition to, or in place of, evaluation points.

(15) **Separation.** Separation from state employment for nondisciplinary reasons.

(16) **Suspension.** An absence without pay for disciplinary reasons.

(17) **Transfer.** An employee-initiated movement from one position to a different position with the same salary standard and/or same evaluation points.

(18) **Veterans placement program.** A program that is designated to grant transitioning service members and veterans additional support to attain state employment.

(19) **Washington general service (WGS).** The system of personnel administration that applies to classified employees or positions under the jurisdiction of chapter 41.06 RCW which do not meet the definition of manager found in RCW 41.06.022.

(20) **Washington management service (WMS).** The system of personnel administration that applies to classified managerial employees or positions under the jurisdiction of RCW 41.06.022 and 41.06.500.

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