WAC 357-28-100 When must an employer receive director approval to authorize additional pay to support recruitment or retention of an employee or candidate for a position? (1) Director approval is required for employers to authorize:

(a) Premiums exceeding fifteen percent under the provisions of WAC 357-28-095; and

(b) Additional pay to support the recruitment and/or retention of **like positions** at a specific work location.

(2) In advance of authorizing a director approved lump sum recruitment or retention payment, employers must establish express conditions in writing for the payment. The conditions must include a specified period of employment or continued employment. Any lump sum payment under this section must only be made after services have been rendered in accordance with conditions established by the employer and become part of the employee's annual compensation for work performed prior to receipt of any funds.

(3) Additional pay granted under this section is a premium that is not part of base salary. The premium is to be used only as long as the circumstances it is based on are in effect.

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