

**Chapter 181-02 WAC  
WEST-E ASSESSMENT PROGRAM**

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**WAC 181-02-001 WEST-E time extension.** Candidates who are prepared and/or certified out-of-state applying for a Washington state residency or professional teaching certificate based on WAC 181-79A-257 (1)(b) have up to one calendar year from issuance of the temporary permit to pass the WEST-E subject knowledge test, provided they are eligible for a temporary permit under WAC 181-79A-128.

[Statutory Authority: RCW 28A.410.210. WSR 06-24-084, § 181-02-001, filed 12/5/06, effective 1/5/07.]

**WAC 181-02-002 WEST-E exemptions.** (1) Individuals who hold a certificate through the National Board for Professional Teaching Standards are exempt from the WEST-E requirement if there is a direct equivalency between the endorsement sought and the national board certificate, or the individual has a second tier certificate from a state as approved by the professional educator standards board and published by the superintendent of public instruction. The equivalent National Board for Professional Teaching Standards and Washington endorsement table approved by the professional educator standards board may not be changed without prior professional educator standards board approval.

(2) Candidates applying for a Washington state residency or professional teaching certificate per WAC 181-79A-257 who have taken and passed equivalent content tests from other states as approved and published by the professional educator standards board, are exempt from the WEST-E requirement unless applying for a new endorsement.

[Statutory Authority: RCW 28A.410.210. WSR 17-11-069, § 181-02-002, filed 5/17/17, effective 6/17/17. Statutory Authority: RCW 28A.410.220. WSR 06-11-160, § 181-02-002, filed 5/24/06, effective 6/24/06.]

**WAC 181-02-003 WEST-E transition to other content area tests.** The board will approve other content area tests either as alternatives or replacements. On the scheduled dates of board approval, tests previously approved that were taken before the scheduled changes will be accepted as meeting the requirements, including subsections that substantially meet the content area requirements as published.

[Statutory Authority: RCW 28A.410.210. WSR 14-24-058, § 181-02-003, filed 11/25/14, effective 12/26/14.]