

WAC 388-406-0035 How long does the department have to process my application? (1) We must process your application as quickly as possible. We must respond promptly to your application and to any information you give us. We cannot delay processing your request by using the time limits stated in this section as a waiting period for determining eligibility.

(2) Unless your eligibility determination is delayed for good cause under WAC 388-406-0040, we process your application for benefits within thirty calendar days, except:

(a) If you are applying for aged, blind, or disabled (ABD) cash assistance, or a referral to the housing and essential needs (HEN) program, we must process your application within forty-five calendar days unless there is good cause as described in WAC 388-406-0045.

(3) For calculating time limits, "day one" is the date following the date:

(a) The department received your application for benefits under WAC 388-406-0010;

(b) Social Security gets a request for food benefits from a Basic Food assistance unit in which all members either get or are applying for supplemental security income (SSI);

(c) You are released from an institution if you get or are authorized to get SSI and request Basic Food through Social Security prior to your release.

[Statutory Authority: RCW 74.04.005, 74.04.050, 74.04.055, 74.04.057, 74.08.090, 74.08A.100, 74.04.770, 74.62.030, 41.05.021, 74.09.035, 74.09.530, and 2011 1st sp.s. c 15, 2013 2nd sp.s. c 10, and the 2013 biennial budget. WSR 15-02-006, § 388-406-0035, filed 12/26/14, effective 1/26/15. Statutory Authority: RCW 74.04.005, 74.04.050, 74.04.055, 74.04.057, 74.04.510, 74.08.090, 74.08A.100, 74.04.770, 74.04.0052, 74.04.655, 74.08.043, 74.08.335 and 2011 1st sp.s. c 36. WSR 12-06-070, § 388-406-0035, filed 3/6/12, effective 4/6/12. Statutory Authority: RCW 74.08.060, 74.04.050, 74.04.057, 74.08.090, and 2009 c 198. WSR 09-19-129, § 388-406-0035, filed 9/22/09, effective 11/1/09. Statutory Authority: RCW 74.04.050, 74.04.055, 74.04.057, 74.04.510. WSR 03-22-039, § 388-406-0035, filed 10/28/03, effective 12/1/03. Statutory Authority: RCW 74.04.050, 74.04.055, 74.04.057, 74.04.510, and 74.08.090. WSR 02-11-137, § 388-406-0035, filed 5/21/02, effective 7/1/02. Statutory Authority: RCW 74.08.090 and 74.04.510. WSR 99-16-024, § 388-406-0035, filed 7/26/99, effective 9/1/99. Statutory Authority: RCW 74.04.050, 74.04.055, 74.04.057 and 74.08.090. WSR 98-16-044, § 388-406-0035, filed 7/31/98, effective 9/1/98. Formerly WAC 388-504-0470.]