

**WAC 25-42-040 Scope and coverage of this chapter.** (1) It is the intent of the department that compliance with this chapter shall constitute complete procedural compliance with SEPA for all actions as defined in WAC 197-11-704.

(2) This chapter applies to all actions as defined in WAC 197-11-704 and applies to all activities of the department. Furthermore, although these guidelines normally do not apply to actions of the department exempted under WAC 197-11-800, the department accepts the responsibility of attempting to follow the intent of SEPA and its decision making process for exempt actions.

(3) To the fullest extent possible, the department shall integrate procedures required by this chapter with existing planning and permitting procedures. These procedures should be initiated early, and undertaken in conjunction with other governmental operations to avoid lengthy time delays and unnecessary duplication of effort.

[Statutory Authority: RCW 27.34.220, 27.53.140, 43.21C.120. WSR 06-06-001, § 25-42-040, filed 2/15/06, effective 3/18/06. Statutory Authority: RCW 27.34.220 and 43.21C.120. WSR 86-13-002 (Order 10), § 25-42-040, filed 6/5/86.]