

**WAC 246-08-440 Protection of public records.** Access to the record storage areas shall be restricted to insure that essential functions of the agency are carried out and public records are not damaged, altered, disorganized, or lost. Inspection shall be in the presence of an authorized department employee. Inspection shall be denied and the records withdrawn if the individual inspecting the records is doing so in a manner likely to damage, alter, or substantially disorganize them; or attempts to remove them from the prescribed location; or is excessively interfering or will unduly interfere with other essential functions of the department.

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