

**WAC 388-97-4340 License relinquishment.** (1) A nursing home licensee must voluntarily relinquish its license when:

(a) The nursing home ceases to do business as a nursing home; and  
(b) Within twenty-four hours after the last resident is discharged from the facility.

(2) The nursing home may not be required to relinquish its license when residents must be relocated due to emergency closures from natural disasters.

(3) The relinquished license must be returned to the department.

(4) If a nursing home licensee fails to voluntarily relinquish its license when required, the department will revoke the license.

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