

WSR 22-09-003
EMERGENCY RULES
DEPARTMENT OF
LABOR AND INDUSTRIES

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Effective Date of Rule: Immediately upon filing.

Purpose: The department of labor and industries (L&I) continues to respond to 2021 legislation establishing employer requirements during a public health emergency for infectious and contagious diseases. The employer requirements are under SSB 5254, codified as RCW 49.17.485, regarding voluntary use of personal protective equipment (PPE); and ESSB 5115, also known as the Health Emergency Labor Standards Act (HELSA), and codified as RCW 49.17.062 and 49.17.064.

The emergency rule maintains requirements under new sections of chapter 296-62 WAC for when there is a public health emergency for an infectious or contagious disease and, as such, the requirements are applicable to COVID-19. Under the emergency rule:

Employers with more than 50 covered employees at a workplace or worksite are required to report infectious or contagious disease outbreaks to L&I;

Employees are not required to disclose any medical condition or diagnosis to their employer;

Non-healthcare employers are required to notify employees, as well as their union representative (if any), in writing of potential exposures within one business day;

Employees and contractors must be permitted to voluntarily use PPE.

In addition, this emergency rule now applies notification requirements to health care facilities as defined in RCW 9A.50.010.

Employers of health care facilities must notify any employee with known or suspected high-risk exposure to the infectious or contagious disease within 24 hours. With employee authorization, notification must also be sent to the employee's union representative (if any) within 24 hours.

A CR-101 Preproposal statement of inquiry was filed on May 13, 2021 (WSR 21-11-051), and initiated the permanent rule-making process for rules related to infectious diseases, to include when there is an outbreak subject to a public health emergency under a national or state declared state of emergency. This emergency rule supersedes WSR 22-01-047 filed on December 7, 2021.

Citation of Rules Affected by this Order: New WAC 296-62-600, 296-62-60001, 296-62-60002, 296-62-60003, 296-62-60004, 296-62-60005, 296-62-601, 296-62-60101, 296-62-60102, and 296-62-60103.

Statutory Authority for Adoption: RCW 49.17.010, 49.17.040, 49.17.050, and 49.17.[0]60.

Under RCW 34.05.350 the agency for good cause finds that immediate adoption, amendment, or repeal of a rule is necessary for the preservation of the public health, safety, or general welfare, and that observing the time requirements of notice and opportunity to comment upon adoption of a permanent rule would be contrary to the public interest.

Reasons for this Finding: RCW 49.17.485 became effective April 26, 2021, and RCW 49.17.062 and 49.17.064 became effective on May 11, 2021, requiring L&I to take action to implement both bills. On February 29, 2021, Governor Inslee proclaimed a statewide state of emergency to respond to the continuing spread of COVID-19 which resulted in a

global pandemic, Proclamation 20-05. Subsequent proclamations have been issued related to the pandemic response, including those with restrictions on business activities under Proclamation 20-25, et seq., initially entitled "Stay Home, Stay Healthy," and the most recent amendment titled "Washington Ready" under Proclamation 20-25.19. Washington state is still in the midst of a public health state of emergency battling the COVID-19 pandemic. In addition, President Biden continued the national emergency concerning the COVID-19 pandemic with notice published in the Federal Register on February 23, 2022 (87 F.R. 10589).

These emergency rules are necessary to further respond to, and diminish the spread of COVID-19, alert public officials to workers exposure to COVID-19 to allow for adequate responses to outbreaks, and to reduce the number of outbreaks, keeping Washington workers safe.

Number of Sections Adopted in Order to Comply with Federal Statute: New 0, Amended 0, Repealed 0; Federal Rules or Standards: New 0, Amended 0, Repealed 0; or Recently Enacted State Statutes: New 10, Amended 0, Repealed 0.

Number of Sections Adopted at the Request of a Nongovernmental Entity: New 0, Amended 0, Repealed 0.

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Number of Sections Adopted using Negotiated Rule Making: New 0, Amended 0, Repealed 0; Pilot Rule Making: New 0, Amended 0, Repealed 0; or Other Alternative Rule Making: New 10, Amended 0, Repealed 0.

Date Adopted: April 6, 2022.

Joel Sacks
Director

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NEW SECTION

WAC 296-62-600 Public health emergency reporting and notification requirements for infectious and contagious diseases.

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NEW SECTION

WAC 296-62-60001 Purpose and scope. WAC 296-62-600 through 296-62-60005 provides requirements for the reporting of infectious or contagious outbreaks to L&I's division of occupational safety and health (DOSH) and notification to employees of potential exposures to infectious or contagious diseases during a public health emergency as defined in this rule and consistent with the Health Emergency Labor Standards Act; sections 2 and 3, chapter 252, Laws of 2021. These re-

quirements apply to employers in Washington state during a public health emergency.

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NEW SECTION

WAC 296-62-60002 Definitions. Covered employee. Means any employee who the employer is responsible to record their injury and illness on the employer's OSHA 300 log according to WAC 296-27-02103, including employees from a temporary help service, employee-leasing service, a personnel supply service if they supervise these employees on a day-to-day basis under WAC 296-27-02103(2).

Public health emergency. Means a declaration or order concerning any infectious or contagious disease, including a pandemic and is issued as follows:

(a) The President of the United States has declared a national or regional emergency that covers every county in the state of Washington; or

(b) The governor of the state of Washington has declared a state of emergency under RCW 43.06.010(12) in every county in the state.

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NEW SECTION

WAC 296-62-60003 General guidelines. (1) WAC 296-62-600 through 296-62-60005 do not require any employee to disclose any medical condition or diagnosis to their employer(s).

(2) WAC 296-62-600 through 296-62-60005 do not alter or eliminate any other reporting obligations an employer has under state or federal laws.

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NEW SECTION

WAC 296-62-60004 Reporting requirements for outbreaks during a public health emergency. Employers must report outbreaks as follows:

(1) During a public health emergency, employers with more than 50 covered employees at a workplace or worksite, must:

(a) Report to L&I's division of occupational safety and health (DOSH) within 24 hours of being notified of:

(i) Ten or more test-confirmed covered employees at the workplace or worksite where the test was collected during any period of time the Washington state department of health or a local health jurisdiction communicates to the employer that there is a COVID-19 outbreak at their workplace or worksite; or

(ii) Ten or more test-confirmed employees where the test was collected during any period of time between the following start and end points:

Start: When any two or more test confirmed covered employee cases at the workplace or worksite occur within 14 consecutive calendar days of each other.

End: 28 consecutive calendar days have passed since the last positive test result for any covered employee at the workplace or worksite.

(b) Report by calling DOSH 1-800-4BE-SAFE (1-800-423-7233), and using the option to report fatalities, hospitalizations, amputations, or loss of an eye.

Exemptions:

- Employers currently in an outbreak do not need to continue reporting to DOSH until the outbreak has ended.
- Employers in an outbreak who later learn intervening cases were false positives are not required to retroactively reevaluate their outbreak status and report to DOSH. They may continue to act as if they were under the same unbroken outbreak.

(2) For the purposes of this subsection:

(a) "Worksite" or "workplace" means any plant, yard, premises, room, or other place where an employee or employees are employed for the performance of labor or service over which the employer has the right of access or control.

(b) "Test-confirmed" means testing positive for the infectious or contagious disease.

Important: When reporting to DOSH, do not include any employee names or personal identifying information.

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NEW SECTION

WAC 296-62-60005 Notification requirements related to potential exposures. Subsections (1) and (2) of this section apply to employers other than health care facilities as defined in RCW 9A.50.010. Subsections (3) and (4) of this section apply to health care facilities as defined in RCW 9A.50.010. Subsection (4) of this section applies to all employers.

(1) Except for employers that are health care facilities as defined in RCW 9A.50.010, if an employer receives notice of potential exposure, the employer must within one business day of potential exposures:

(a) Provide written notice to all covered employees who were on the premises at the same worksite on the same day(s) as the qualifying individual when the qualifying individual may have been infectious or contagious. The written notice must state that the covered employee may have been exposed to the infectious or contagious disease.

(i) For COVID-19, a qualifying individual is potentially infectious or contagious two days before the qualifying individual felt sick/had symptoms (or, for asymptomatic people, two days before the test specimen collection) until the time the qualifying individual left, and/or was isolated, from the worksite.

(ii) The written notice must be made in a manner the employer normally uses to communicate employment-related information including, but not limited to, personal service, email, or text message if it can reasonably be anticipated to be received by the employee within one business day of sending.

(iii) The written notice must be in both English and the language understood by the majority of the employees.

(b) Provide written notice also to:

(i) The union representative, if any, of any covered employees notified under WAC 296-62-600 through 296-62-60005(1).

(ii) Any temporary help service, employee-leasing service, or personnel supply service employers of a covered employee notified under WAC 296-62-600 through 296-62-60005(1).

(c) The requirements for the manner of written notice and the time for notice in WAC 296-62-600 through 296-62-60005 (1)(a)(iii) apply to notice of union representatives and employers under this subsection.

(2) Any written notice under this section may not include any employee names or personal identifying information.

(3) Employers that are health care facilities as defined in RCW 9A.50.010 must:

(a) Notify any employee with known or suspected high-risk exposure to the infectious or contagious disease within 24 hours.

(b) With employee authorization, notify the union representative, if any, of the employee's known or suspected high-risk exposure to the infectious or contagious disease within 24 hours.

(4) For the purposes of this subsection:

(a) High risk exposure. Means being in any of the following situations without wearing a fit-tested respirator and all other required personal protective equipment:

(i) Within six feet of a qualifying individual for a cumulative total of 15 minutes or more over a 24-hour period during the qualifying individual's potential period of transmission.

(ii) In the same room as a qualifying individual who is undergoing an aerosol-generating procedure. A list of what are considered aerosol-generating procedures is found at <https://www.doh.wa.gov/Portals/1/Documents/1600/coronavirus/COVID19InfectionControlForAerosolGeneratingProcedures.pdf>.

(iii) In the room where a qualifying individual underwent an aerosol-generating procedure, prior to the termination of the clearing time.

Note: For COVID-19 a qualifying individual is potentially infectious or contagious two days before the qualifying individual felt sick/had symptoms (or, for asymptomatic people, two days before the test specimen collection) until the time the qualifying individual left and/or was isolated from the worksite, or until the Center for Disease Control's (CDC's) return-to-work criteria under conventional staffing protocol has passed, whichever is longer (see <https://www.cdc.gov/coronavirus/2019-ncov/hcp/mitigating-staff-shortages.html>; dated December 23, 2021).

Note: Clearing time means the amount of time it takes for an aerosol to be removed from a room based on CDC guidelines for 99.9 percent removal efficiency. (see <https://www.cdc.gov/infectioncontrol/guidelines/environmental/appendix/air.html#table1>). This is no more than three hours following the conclusion of the procedure. One hour is sufficient in clinical spaces constructed under DOH clinical facility requirements (six air exchanges per hour) and 15 minutes is sufficient in an airborne infection isolation room (AIIR).

(b) Notice of potential exposure. Means any of the following:

(i) Notification to the employer from a public health official or licensed medical provider that an employee was exposed to a qualifying individual at the worksite;

(ii) Notification to the employer from an employee, or their emergency contact, that the employee is a qualifying individual; or

(iii) Notification through a testing protocol of the employer that the employee is a qualifying individual.

(c) Qualifying individual. Means any person who has:

(i) A positive laboratory test for the infectious or contagious disease that is the subject of a public health emergency;

(ii) A positive diagnosis of the infectious or contagious disease that is the subject of a public health emergency by a licensed health care provider;

(iii) An order to isolate by a public health official related to the infectious or contagious disease that is the subject of a public health emergency; or

(iv) Died due to the infectious or contagious disease that is the subject of a public health emergency, in the determination of a local health department.

(d) **Worksite.** Means the building, store, facility, agricultural field, or other location where the qualifying individual worked. "Worksite" does not include any buildings, floors, or other locations of the employer that the qualifying individual did not enter.

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NEW SECTION

WAC 296-62-601 Public health emergency voluntary personal protective equipment usage.

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NEW SECTION

WAC 296-62-60101 Purpose and scope. WAC 296-62-601 through 296-62-60103 provides requirements for employee voluntary use of personal protective equipment during a public health emergency, consistent with chapter 146, Laws of 2021 (SB 5254); Concerning the use of protective devices and equipment during a public health emergency, chapter 252, Laws of 2021. These requirements apply to employers in Washington state during a public health emergency.

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NEW SECTION

WAC 296-62-60102 Definitions. Employee. Means any employee that the employer is responsible to record their injury and illness on the employer's OSHA 300 log according to WAC 296-27-02103, including employees from a temporary help service, employee-leasing service, a personnel supply service if they supervise these employees on a day-to-day basis under WAC 296-27-02103(2).

Public health emergency. Means a declaration or order relating to controlling and preventing the spread of any infectious or contagious disease that covers the jurisdiction where the individual or business performs work, and is issued as follows:

(a) The president of the United States has declared a national or regional emergency;

(b) The governor has declared a state of emergency under RCW 43.06.010(12); or

(c) An order has been issued by a local health officer under RCW 70.05.070.

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NEW SECTION

WAC 296-62-60103 Voluntary use of personal protective equipment requirements. (1) Every employer who does not require employees or contractors to wear a specific type of personal protective equipment must accommodate its employee's or contractor's voluntary use of that specific type of protective device or equipment, including gloves, goggles, face shields, and face masks, as the employee or contractor deems necessary.

(2) The provisions of subsection (1) of this section applies only when:

(a) The voluntary use of these protective devices and equipment does not introduce hazards to the work environment and is consistent with the provisions of both this chapter, and related rules established by the department of labor and industries (L&I) division of occupational safety and health (DOSH);

(b) The use of facial coverings does not interfere with an employer's security requirements; and

(c) The voluntary use of these protective devices and equipment does not conflict with standards for that specific type of equipment established by the department of health or DOSH.

(3) An employer may verify that voluntary use of personal protective equipment meets all regulatory requirements for workplace health and safety.

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WSR 22-09-010
EMERGENCY RULES
DEPARTMENT OF
FISH AND WILDLIFE

[Order 22-52—Filed April 8, 2022, 3:35 p.m., effective April 8, 2022, 3:35 p.m.]

Effective Date of Rule: Immediately upon filing.

Purpose: The provisions of this emergency rule:

WAC 220-340-42000G:

(1) Requires all crab harvested to be delivered to an original receiver or recorded on a shellfish transportation ticket within 36 hours of harvest. Requires separate transportation tickets to be completed for each day's harvest not delivered to an original receiver that is stored off the fishing vessel. Implements a 10-day restriction on the length of time that crab may be stored off-vessel before being delivered to an original receiver.

(2) Implements a labeling requirement for crab that are stored off-vessel.

(3) Implements a labeling requirement for crab that are stored off-vessel and not delivered to an original receiver within 36 hours.

WAC 220-340-45500L:

(1) Defines subareas east and west of Marine Fish-Shellfish Catch Reporting Area 23C to align with agreed to boundaries within the Region 3 2021-2022 crab management plan. Closes Region 3-4 effective immediately due to a quota attainment. Maintains closures for Crab Management Regions 1, 2 East, 2 West, 3-1, and 3-2.

(2) Closes Port Angeles Harbor to commercial crab harvest due to public health decrees.

(3) Repeals areas where recreational and tribal harvest has been allowed that state commercial harvest has been historically limited.

WAC 220-340-47000J:

(1) Allows deployment of up to 25 pots per license for the commercial harvest of Dungeness crab in Crab Management Region 3-1.

(2) Allows deployment of up to 60 pots per license for the commercial harvest of Dungeness crab in Crab Management Region 3-3.

(3) Allows deployment of up to 35 pots per license for the commercial harvest of Dungeness crab in Crab Management Region 3-4. Requires undeployed buoy tags to be retained for inspection.

WAC 220-352-34000V:

(1) Clarifies the Puget Sound commercial dealer quick reporting requirements.

(2) Implements a Puget Sound "stored crab" harvest report requirement for crab not delivered to an original receiver with[in] 36 hours of harvest.

(3) Implements a Puget Sound sales report requirement for stored crab that have been reported but not landed.

(4) Implements a registration requirement for commercial license holders to notify the department of their fishing status and which crab management area a license will be fishing in if active.

Citation of Rules Affected by this Order: Repealing WAC 220-340-42000F, 220-340-45500K, 220-340-47000I and 220-352-34000U; and amending WAC 220-340-420, 220-340-455, 220-340-470, and 220-352-340.

Statutory Authority for Adoption: RCW 77.04.012, 77.04.020, 77.12.045, and 77.12.047.

Under RCW 34.05.350 the agency for good cause finds that immediate adoption, amendment, or repeal of a rule is necessary for the preservation of the public health, safety, or general welfare, and that observing the time requirements of notice and opportunity to comment upon adoption of a permanent rule would be contrary to the public interest.

Reasons for this Finding: Commercial crab harvest in Crab Management Region 3-4 will close effective immediately due to quota attainment. Sufficient harvest quota remains available in Region 3-3 to accommodate continued commercial harvest.

Rules are consistent with comanager agreed regional management plans and in accordance with procedures outlined in the shellfish implementation plan for circumstances when agreement to annual regional management plans has not been reached. These management plans are entered into as required by court order. The Washington department of fish and wildlife managed Puget Sound commercial Dungeness crab season is structured to meet harvest allocation objectives negotiated with applicable treaty tribes and outlined in these management plans. Further adjustment of season structure may be made pending updated harvest data.

There is insufficient time to adopt permanent rules.

Number of Sections Adopted in Order to Comply with Federal Statute: New 0, Amended 0, Repealed 0; Federal Rules or Standards: New 0, Amended 0, Repealed 0; or Recently Enacted State Statutes: New 0, Amended 0, Repealed 0.

Number of Sections Adopted at the Request of a Nongovernmental Entity: New 0, Amended 0, Repealed 0.

Number of Sections Adopted on the Agency's own Initiative: New 4, Amended 0, Repealed 4.

Number of Sections Adopted in Order to Clarify, Streamline, or Reform Agency Procedures: New 0, Amended 0, Repealed 0.

Number of Sections Adopted using Negotiated Rule Making: New 0, Amended 0, Repealed 0; Pilot Rule Making: New 0, Amended 0, Repealed 0; or Other Alternative Rule Making: New 0, Amended 0, Repealed 0.

Date Adopted: April 8, 2022.

Kelly Susewind
Director

NEW SECTION

WAC 220-340-42000G Commercial crab fishery—Unlawful acts. Notwithstanding the provisions of WAC 220-340-420:

(1) Crab Management Region 1 includes Marine Fish-Shellfish (MFSF) Catch Reporting Areas 20A, 20B, 21A, 21B, 22A, 22B. Crab Management Region 2E includes MFSF Catch Reporting Areas 24A, 24B, 24C, 24D, and 26A East. Crab Management Region 2W includes MFSF Catch Reporting Areas 25B, 25D, and 26A West. Crab Management Region 3-1 includes MFSF Catch Reporting Areas 23A and 23B. Crab Management Region 3-2 includes MFSF Catch Reporting Areas 25A, 25E, and 23D. Crab Management Region 3-3 includes MFSF Catch Reporting Areas 23C East, and Crab Management Region 3-4 consists of 23C West and 29.

(2) Effective immediately, until further notice, all crab removed from a vessel licensed and fishing in Puget Sound that are not deliv-

ered to an original receiver within 36 hours must be recorded on a commercial fish and shellfish transportation ticket. Separate commercial fish and shellfish transportation tickets must be filled out for each day's harvest retained in this manner. It is illegal to retain and store crab prior to delivery and completion of a fish receiving ticket for more than 10 days.

(3) Effective immediately, until further notice, all crab retained and removed from a vessel licensed and fishing in Puget Sound must be stored in containers based on date retained and labeled with the following:

(a) Date of harvest,

(b) An estimate of pounds of crab in each container, and

(c) Either the MFSF Catch Reporting Area or the Crab Management Region the catch originated from.

(4) Effective immediately, until further notice, all crab retained and removed from a vessel licensed and fishing in Puget Sound that are not delivered to an original receiver within 36 hours must be stored in containers based on date retained and labeled with the following:

(a) Date of harvest,

(b) An estimate of pounds of crab in each container,

(c) Either the MFSF Catch Reporting Area or the Crab Management Region the catch originated from, and

(d) Commercial fish and shellfish transportation ticket number.

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NEW SECTION

WAC 220-340-45500L Commercial crab fishery—Seasons and areas—Puget Sound. Notwithstanding the provisions of WAC 220-340-455:

(1) For the purposes of crab harvest allocation, fishing season, and catch reporting, the following Marine Fish-Shellfish (MFSF) Catch Reporting Areas are modified as follows:

(a) Catch Area 23C East (23C-E) includes those waters of Puget Sound westerly of a line due north from the Ediz Hook light to the international boundary; and easterly of a line projected due north from Low Point.

(b) Catch Area 23C West (23C-W) includes those waters of Puget Sound westerly of a line due north from Low Point to the international boundary; and easterly of a line projected due north from the mouth of the Sekiu River.

(2) Effective immediately, until further notice, the following areas are closed to commercial crab fishing: Crab Management Regions 1, 2E, 2W, 3-1, 3-2, and 3-4.

(3) It is permissible to harvest Dungeness crab for commercial purposes from the following areas, as listed:

(a) Crab Management Region 3-3: effective immediately until further notice or until 1 hour after official sunset on April 15, 2022, whichever comes first.

(4) Public Health Closures: Effective immediately, until further notice, the following areas are closed to commercial crab fishing:

That portion of Marine Fish/Shellfish Catch Area 23D west of a line from the eastern tip of Ediz Hook to the ITT Rayonier Dock.

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NEW SECTION

WAC 220-340-47000J Commercial crab fishery—Gear limits—Puget Sound and Marine Fish-Shellfish Management and Catch Reporting Areas. Notwithstanding the provisions of WAC 220-340-470:

(1) Effective immediately, until further notice or until 1 hour after official sunset on April 15, 2022, whichever comes first, it is unlawful for any person to harvest crabs for commercial purposes with more than 60 pots per license in Crab Management Region 3-3.

(2) All remaining, undeployed buoy tags per license per region must be onboard the designated vessel and available for immediate inspection.

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NEW SECTION

WAC 220-352-34000V Puget Sound crab—Additional reporting requirements. Notwithstanding the provisions of WAC 220-352-340,

(1) Effective immediately, until further notice, it is unlawful for any wholesale dealer acting in the capacity of an original receiver of Dungeness crab landed by WDFW licensed Puget Sound commercial crab harvesters to fail to report to the department the previous day's purchases by 10:00 a.m. the day following the purchase. Reports must be made online at the Puget Sound commercial crab reporting website, by fax to (360) 302-3031, or by e-mail at crab.report@dfw.wa.gov. Reports must include all of the following:

(a) Dealer name,
(b) Dealer license number,
(c) Dealer phone number,
(d) Date of delivery of crab to the original receiver, and
(e) The total number of pounds of crab caught by WDFW licensed commercial fishers by Crab Management Region or Marine Fish-Shellfish Management and Catch Reporting Area.

(2) Effective immediately, until further notice, commercial harvesters of crab in Puget Sound must deliver all crab removed from their vessel to a licensed original receiver within 36 hours or submit a report of crab retained for delivery at a future date to the Department. Reports must be received within 36 hours following an offload. Reports must be made by online on the Puget Sound commercial crab reporting website or by e-mail at crab.report@dfw.wa.gov. Reports must contain all of the following:

(a) Harvester name,
(b) WDFW issued vessel ID,
(c) Puget Sound commercial license number,
(d) Date of harvest,
(e) An estimate of pounds of harvest retained by Crab Management Region or Marine Fish-Shellfish Management and Catch Reporting Area, and

(f) A commercial fish and shellfish transportation ticket number.

(3) Effective immediately, until further notice, commercial harvesters of crab in Puget Sound must report the delivery of all crab to an original receiver that were previously retained off-vessel by 10:00 a.m. the day following delivery to an original receiver. Reports must be made online at the Puget Sound commercial crab reporting website, or by e-mail at crab.report@dfw.wa.gov. Reports must contain all of the following:

(a) Harvester name,

(b) WDFW issued vessel ID,

(c) Puget Sound commercial license number,

(d) Date of sale,

(e) Dealer name,

(f) Commercial shellfish transportation ticket number(s) delivered, and

(g) Fish receiving ticket number(s) corresponding to landing date of delivery.

(4) Effective immediately, until further notice, Puget Sound commercial crab license holders, or their designated alternate operators, must register which Crab Management Region that gear will be deployed in for each license they hold prior to the opening date or if licenses are not being fished. Registrations must be updated when gear moves between areas or fishing activity stops. Registrations can be made by registering on the WDFW Puget Sound commercial crabbing web page or sending an email to crab.report@dfw.wa.gov, detailing the following information:

(a) Vessel Operator Name

(b) Vessel Name and Vessel Registration Number

(c) License Number(s) to be fished

(d) Crab Management Region to be fished or an indication that licenses will remain unfished

(e) Gear Deployment Date

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Reviser's note: The typographical error in the above section occurred in the copy filed by the agency and appears in the Register pursuant to the requirements of RCW 34.08.040.

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REPEALER

The following sections of the Washington Administrative Code are repealed:

WAC 220-340-42000F Commercial crab fishery—Unlawful acts. (22-47)

WAC 220-340-45500K Commercial crab fishery—Seasons and areas—Puget Sound. (22-47)

WAC 220-340-47000I Commercial crab fishery—Gear requirements—Puget Sound. (22-47)

WAC 220-352-34000U Puget Sound crab—Additional reporting requirements. (22-47)

WSR 22-09-011
EMERGENCY RULES
DEPARTMENT OF
FISH AND WILDLIFE

[Order 22-53—Filed April 11, 2022, 7:42 a.m., effective April 16, 2022]

Effective Date of Rule: April 16, 2022.

Purpose: The purpose of this emergency rule is to open recreational razor clam seasons and to increase daily limits to 20 clams during open periods.

Citation of Rules Affected by this Order: Repealing WAC 220-330-16000M and 220-330-01000U; and amending WAC 220-330-160 and 220-330-010.

Statutory Authority for Adoption: RCW 77.04.012, 77.04.020, 77.12.045, and 77.12.047.

Under RCW 34.05.350 the agency for good cause finds that immediate adoption, amendment, or repeal of a rule is necessary for the preservation of the public health, safety, or general welfare, and that observing the time requirements of notice and opportunity to comment upon adoption of a permanent rule would be contrary to the public interest.

Reasons for this Finding: Survey results show that adequate clams are available for harvest in Razor Clam Areas 1, 3, 4, and 5 for recreational harvest. An exceptionally large population of harvestable razor clams in Razor Clam Areas 1, 3, 4, and 5 allow for a temporary increase in the daily limit. Washington department of health has certified clams from these razor clam areas to be safe for human consumption. There is insufficient time to adopt permanent rules.

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Number of Sections Adopted on the Agency's own Initiative: New 2, Amended 0, Repealed 2.

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Date Adopted: April 11, 2022.

Kelly Susewind
Director

NEW SECTION

WAC 220-330-16000M Razor clams—Areas and seasons. Notwithstanding the provisions of WAC 220-330-160, it is unlawful to take, dig for or possess razor clams taken for personal use from any beaches in any razor clam area except as provided for in this section:

(1) Effective 12:01 a.m. April 16 through 11:59 a.m. April 21, 2022, razor clam digging is permissible in Razor Clam Areas defined in WAC 220-330-160 during morning tides on dates and times listed below:

Razor Clam Area	Date	Time
Area 1	April 16 through April 21	From 12:01 a.m. to 11:59 a.m.
Area 2	Closed	Closed
Area 3	April 16 through April 21	From 12:01 a.m. to 11:59 a.m.
Area 4	April 16, 18, and 20	From 12:01 a.m. to 11:59 a.m.
Area 5	April 17, 19, and 21	From 12:01 a.m. to 11:59 a.m.
Area 6	Closed	Closed
Area 7	Closed	Closed

(2) It is unlawful to dig for razor clams at any time in the Long Beach and Copalis Beach Clam sanctuaries defined in WAC 220-320-130.

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NEW SECTION

WAC 220-330-01000U Shellfish—Daily limits, size restrictions, and unlawful acts. Notwithstanding the provisions of WAC 220-330-010 regarding Razor clam daily limits, effective 12:01 a.m. April 16, through 11:59 a.m. April 21, 2022, the daily limit is 20 razor clams for personal use in any one day from Razor Clam Area 1, Razor Clam Area 3, Razor Clam Area 4 and Razor Clam Area 5. All other provisions of WAC 220-330-010 not addressed herein remain in effect unless otherwise amended by emergency rule.

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REPEALER

The following sections of the Washington Administrative Code are repealed effective 12:01 a.m. April 22, 2022:

WAC 220-330-16000M Razor clams—Areas and seasons.

WAC 220-330-01000U Shellfish—Daily limits, size restrictions, and unlawful acts.

WSR 22-09-014
EMERGENCY RULES
DEPARTMENT OF

SOCIAL AND HEALTH SERVICES

[Filed April 11, 2022, 7:59 a.m., effective April 15, 2022]

Effective Date of Rule: April 15, 2022.

Purpose: The department is extending the amendment of the rules listed below to assure [ensure] nursing homes are not significantly impeded from admitting and caring for residents during the COVID-19 outbreak. These amendments will continue to align state nursing home rules with federal rules that are suspended or amended to help facilitate care during the COVID-19 pandemic. The federal rules were amended to delay the requirement by 30 days for a preadmission screening and resident review (PASRR) screening prior to admission to a nursing home. Federal rules also amended requirements that ensure residents can meet in groups. These rules also establish the right of residents to participate in resident groups. The department filed a CR-101 Pre-proposal under WSR 21-11-062 to begin the permanent process. Under the rule development phase of the rule-making process, the department is in discussions about adding language to the rules that explains the circumstances and time periods under which suspension of rules due to COVID[-19] was necessary.

Citation of Rules Affected by this Order: Amending WAC 388-97-0920, 388-97-1915, and 388-97-1975.

Statutory Authority for Adoption: RCW 74.42.620.

Other Authority: Chapter 74.34 RCW.

Under RCW 34.05.350 the agency for good cause finds that immediate adoption, amendment, or repeal of a rule is necessary for the preservation of the public health, safety, or general welfare, and that observing the time requirements of notice and opportunity to comment upon adoption of a permanent rule would be contrary to the public interest.

Reasons for this Finding: The continued threat of COVID-19 to our most vulnerable populations is significant, especially for those receiving long-term care services in their homes and congregate settings, such as long-term care facilities.

PASRR: Current nursing home rules require a PASRR screen, typically performed by hospital staff prior to admission to a nursing home, followed by further evaluation from state agency staff or contractors under certain circumstances. Hospital staff continue to experience an extremely high workload during the pandemic due to the increased number of admissions, coupled with a reduced number of available staff. Additionally, face-to-face evaluation of the transferring resident continues to be restricted in many counties. The PASRR rule will align state nursing home rules with federal rules that were extended to help facilitate care during the COVID-19 outbreak by shortening the transfer time from hospital to nursing home and increasing the flexibility for nursing home staff to be able to prioritize immediate or emergency care needs of incoming residents.

Resident groups: Current rules establish resident rights to participate in resident groups and require the facility to assist with the organization of a group. Extending the amendment of these rules will permit facilities to restrict resident groups and meets the state and federal recommendations for social distancing and limited gatherings. Extending this amendment also aligns state rules with federal

rules that were suspended to accomplish social distancing recommendations.

These emergency rules continue to be needed to align state nursing home requirements with suspended or amended federal requirements. Ongoing conversations with stakeholders also support continuation of these emergency rules until a clear timeline for reimplementation, consistent with federal reimplementation, is established.

Number of Sections Adopted in Order to Comply with Federal Statute: New 0, Amended 0, Repealed 0; Federal Rules or Standards: New 0, Amended 3, Repealed 0; or Recently Enacted State Statutes: New 0, Amended 0, Repealed 0.

Number of Sections Adopted at the Request of a Nongovernmental Entity: New 0, Amended 0, Repealed 0.

Number of Sections Adopted on the Agency's own Initiative: New 0, Amended 0, Repealed 0.

Number of Sections Adopted in Order to Clarify, Streamline, or Reform Agency Procedures: New 0, Amended 0, Repealed 0.

Number of Sections Adopted using Negotiated Rule Making: New 0, Amended 0, Repealed 0; Pilot Rule Making: New 0, Amended 0, Repealed 0; or Other Alternative Rule Making: New 0, Amended 3, Repealed 0.

Date Adopted: April 11, 2022.

Katherine I. Vasquez
Rules Coordinator

SHS-4799.4

AMENDATORY SECTION (Amending WSR 15-18-026, filed 8/25/15, effective 9/25/15)

WAC 388-97-1915 PASRR requirements (~~(prior to admission of)~~) for new residents. (~~(Prior to every)~~) Within thirty days of admission (~~(of a new resident)~~), the nursing facility must:

(1) Complete a PASRR level I screening, or verify that a PASRR level I screening has been completed(~~(, and deny admission until that screening has been completed)~~).

(2) Require a PASRR level II evaluation, or verify that a PASRR level II evaluation has been (~~(completed)~~) requested when the individual's PASRR level I screening indicates that the individual may have serious mental illness and/or intellectual disability or related condition(~~(, and deny admission until that evaluation has been completed, unless all three of the following criteria apply and are documented in the PASRR level I screening:~~

~~(a) The individual is admitted directly from a hospital after receiving acute inpatient care;~~

~~(b) The individual requires nursing facility services for the condition for which he or she received care in the hospital; and~~

~~(c) The individual's attending physician has certified that the individual is likely to require fewer than thirty days of nursing facility services).~~

(3) (~~(Decline to admit any individual whose PASRR level II evaluation determines that he or she does not require nursing facility~~

~~services or that a nursing facility placement is otherwise inappropriate.~~

~~(4))~~ Coordinate with PASRR evaluators to the maximum extent practicable in order to avoid duplicative assessments and effort, and to ensure continuity of care for nursing facility residents with a serious mental illness and/or an intellectual disability or related condition.

[Statutory Authority: Chapters 18.51 and 74.42 RCW and 42 C.F.R. § 483.100-138. WSR 15-18-026, § 388-97-1915, filed 8/25/15, effective 9/25/15.]

AMENDATORY SECTION (Amending WSR 15-18-026, filed 8/25/15, effective 9/25/15)

WAC 388-97-1975 PASRR requirements after admission of a resident. ~~((Following))~~ After the thirtieth day of a resident's admission, the nursing facility must:

(1) Review all level I screening forms for accuracy. If at any time the facility finds that the previous level I screening was incomplete, erroneous or is no longer accurate, the facility must immediately complete a new screening using the department's standardized level I form, following the directions provided by the department's PASRR program. If the corrected level I screening identifies a possible serious mental illness or intellectual disability or related condition, the facility must notify DDA and/or the mental health PASRR evaluator so a level II evaluation can be conducted.

(2) Record the evidence of the level I screening and level II determinations (and any subsequent changes) in the resident assessment in accordance with the schedule required under WAC 388-97-1000.

(3) Maintain the level I form and the level II evaluation report in the resident's active clinical record.

(4) Immediately complete a level I screening using the department's standardized form if the facility discovers that a resident does not have a level I screening in his or her clinical record, following directions provided by the department's PASRR program. If the level I screening identifies a possible serious mental illness or intellectual disability or related condition, notify the DDA and/or mental health PASRR evaluator so a level II evaluation can be conducted.

~~(5) ((Notify the DDA and/or mental health PASRR evaluator when a resident who was admitted on an exempted hospital discharge appears likely to need nursing facility services for more than thirty days, so a level II evaluation can be performed. This notification must occur as soon as the nursing facility anticipates that the resident may require more than 30 days of nursing facility services, and no later than the twenty-fifth day after admission unless good cause is documented for later notification.~~

~~(6))~~ Notify the DDA and/or mental health PASRR evaluator when a resident who was admitted with an advance categorical determination appears likely to need nursing facility services for longer than the period specified by DDA and/or the mental health PASRR evaluator, so that a full assessment of the individual's need for specialized services can be performed. This notification must occur as soon as the nursing facility anticipates that the resident will require more than the number of days of nursing facility services authorized for the

specific advance categorical determination and no later than five days before expiration of the period (three days for protective services) unless good cause is documented for later notification.

~~((7))~~ (6) Immediately notify the DDA and/or mental health PASRR evaluator for a possible resident review when there has been a significant change in the physical or mental condition, as defined in WAC 388-97-1910, of any resident who has been determined to have a serious mental illness or intellectual disability or related condition. Complete a new level I screening for the significant change.

~~((8))~~ (7) Provide or arrange for the provision of any services recommended by a PASRR level II evaluator that are within the scope of nursing facility services. If the facility believes that the recommended service either cannot or should not be provided, the facility must document the reason(s) for not providing the service and communicate the reason(s) to the level II evaluator.

~~((9))~~ (8) Immediately complete a new level I screening using the department's standardized form if the facility finds that a resident, not previously determined to have a serious mental illness, develops symptoms of a serious mental illness, and refer the resident to the mental health PASRR evaluator for further evaluation.

~~((10))~~ (9) Provide services and interventions that complement, reinforce and are consistent with any specialized services recommended by the level II evaluator. The resident's plan of care must specify how the facility will integrate relevant activities to achieve this consistency and the enhancement of the PASRR goals.

~~((11))~~ (10) Discharge, in accordance with WAC 388-97-0120, any resident with a serious mental illness or intellectual disability or related condition who does not meet nursing facility level of care, unless the resident has continuously resided in the facility for at least thirty months and requires specialized services. The nursing facility must cooperate with DDA and/or mental health PASRR evaluator as it prepares the resident for a safe and orderly discharge.

[Statutory Authority: Chapters 18.51 and 74.42 RCW and 42 C.F.R. § 483.100-138. WSR 15-18-026, § 388-97-1975, filed 8/25/15, effective 9/25/15.]

REPEALER

The following section of the Washington Administrative Code is repealed:

WAC 388-97-0920 Participation in resident and family groups.

WSR 22-09-026
EMERGENCY RULES
DEPARTMENT OF

CHILDREN, YOUTH, AND FAMILIES

[Filed April 11, 2022, 4:26 p.m., effective April 11, 2022, 4:26 p.m.]

Effective Date of Rule: Immediately upon filing.

Purpose: Amend chapter 110-04 WAC to allow the department of children, youth, and families (DCYF) to issue background check clearance authorizations before completing fingerprint-based background checks.

Citation of Rules Affected by this Order: Amending WAC 110-04-0040 and 110-04-0080.

Statutory Authority for Adoption: RCW 43.216.065.

Under RCW 34.05.350 the agency for good cause finds that immediate adoption, amendment, or repeal of a rule is necessary for the preservation of the public health, safety, or general welfare, and that observing the time requirements of notice and opportunity to comment upon adoption of a permanent rule would be contrary to the public interest.

Reasons for this Finding: Proclamation of the Governor 20-05 declared a State of Emergency in all counties in the state of Washington as a result of the outbreak of COVID-19. As of March 11, 2020, the World Health Organization has classified COVID-19 as a pandemic. Proclamation of the Governor 20-31 amends Proclamation 20-05 and waives and suspends fingerprint-based background checks before a person may be approved to have unsupervised access to children during the COVID-19 pandemic due to the potential risk of exposure to COVID-19 resulting from face-to-face contact in submitting fingerprints, limited access to fingerprinting as entities that receive and process fingerprints limit or suspend operations in order to limit exposure to COVID-19, and the unavailability of law enforcement agencies to process fingerprints during the pandemic. The ability to issue background check clearance authorizations before completing fingerprint-based background checks better enables DCYF to ensure the availability of child welfare service providers during the COVID-19 pandemic.

Number of Sections Adopted in Order to Comply with Federal Statute: New 0, Amended 0, Repealed 0; Federal Rules or Standards: New 0, Amended 0, Repealed 0; or Recently Enacted State Statutes: New 0, Amended 0, Repealed 0.

Number of Sections Adopted at the Request of a Nongovernmental Entity: New 0, Amended 0, Repealed 0.

Number of Sections Adopted on the Agency's own Initiative: New 0, Amended 2, Repealed 0.

Number of Sections Adopted in Order to Clarify, Streamline, or Reform Agency Procedures: New 0, Amended 0, Repealed 0.

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Date Adopted: April 11, 2022.

Brenda Villarreal
Rules Coordinator

AMENDATORY SECTION(Amending WSR 20-05-024, filed 2/7/20, effective 3/9/20)

WAC 110-04-0040 Who must have background checks? (1) Under RCW 74.15.030, (~~(prior to authorizing unsupervised access to children,~~) the department requires background checks on all providers who may have unsupervised access to children. This includes licensed, certified, or contracted providers, their current or prospective employees and prospective adoptive parents as defined in RCW 26.33.020.

(2) Under RCW 74.15.030, (~~(prior to authorizing unsupervised access to children,~~) the department also requires background checks on other individuals who may have unsupervised access to children in department licensed or contracted homes, or facilities that provide care. The department requires background checks on all of the following people:

(a) A volunteer or intern with regular or unsupervised access to children.

(b) Any person who regularly has unsupervised access to a child. However, a background check is not required when a caregiver approves the unsupervised access for a normal childhood activity that lasts less than seventy-two hours, as stated in RCW 74.13.710.

(c) A relative other than a parent who may be caring for a child.

(d) A person who is at least sixteen years old and resides in a foster, relative, or other suitable person's home and is not a foster child.

(e) A person who is younger than sixteen years old in situations where it may be warranted to ensure the safety of children in out-of-home care. The department may require a background check for persons younger than sixteen years old in situations where it may be warranted to ensure the safety of children in out-of-home care.

(3) Any person employed at a group care facility, including those not directly working with children.

(4) Under RCW 13.34.138, (~~(prior to returning a dependent child home,~~) the department requires a background check on all adults residing in the home, including the parents.

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AMENDATORY SECTION(Amending WSR 20-05-024, filed 2/7/20, effective 3/9/20)

WAC 110-04-0080 What does the background check cover? (1) The department must review criminal convictions and pending charges based on identifying information provided by you. The background check may include, but is not limited to, the following information sources:

(a) Washington state patrol.

(b) Washington courts.

(c) Department of corrections.

(d) Department of health.

(e) Civil adjudication proceedings.

(f) Applicant's self-disclosure.

(g) Out-of-state law enforcement and court records.

(2) Background checks conducted for DCYF also includes:

(a) A review of child protective services case files information or other applicable information system.

(b) Administrative hearing decisions related to any DSHS or DCYF license that has been revoked, suspended, or denied.

(3) In addition to the requirements in subsections (1) and (2) of this section, background checks conducted by DCYF for placement of a child in out-of-home care, including foster homes, group care facilities, adoptive homes, relative placements, and placement with other suitable persons under chapter 13.34 RCW, include the following for each person over eighteen years of age residing in the home, all staff working in a group care facility, including those not directly working with children, and group care volunteers who provide direct care:

(a) Child abuse and neglect registries in each state a person has lived in, in the five years prior to conducting the background check.

(b) Washington state patrol (WSP) and Federal Bureau of Investigation (FBI) fingerprint name-based background checks regardless of how long you have resided in Washington.

(4) Except as required in subsection (3)(b) of this section, DCYF will conduct a fingerprint-based background check on any individual who has resided in the state less than three consecutive years before application.

(5) Applicants may be approved before the fingerprint-based background check is conducted.

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Reviser's note: The typographical error in the above section occurred in the copy filed by the agency and appears in the Register pursuant to the requirements of RCW 34.08.040.

WSR 22-09-035
EMERGENCY RULES
DEPARTMENT OF
FISH AND WILDLIFE

[Order 22-54—Filed April 13, 2022, 9:20 a.m., effective May 25, 2022]

Effective Date of Rule: May 25, 2022.

Purpose: The purpose of this emergency rule is to open Puget Sound recreational spot shrimp seasons.

Citation of Rules Affected by this Order: Amending WAC 220-330-070 and 220-330-010.

Statutory Authority for Adoption: RCW 77.04.012, 77.04.020, 77.12.045, and 77.12.047.

Under RCW 34.05.350 the agency for good cause finds that immediate adoption, amendment, or repeal of a rule is necessary for the preservation of the public health, safety, or general welfare, and that observing the time requirements of notice and opportunity to comment upon adoption of a permanent rule would be contrary to the public interest.

Reasons for this Finding: This regulation is needed to ensure an orderly fishery, manage the fishery within court-ordered sharing requirements, and meet conservation objectives. Harvestable amounts of spot shrimp are available, but recreational shares will only support a limited number of open days in the marine areas listed in this section. In addition, this emergency regulation opens the seasons in Marine Areas 4 east of the Bonilla-Tatoosh line, 5, 6, and 7, one hour before sunrise to one hour after sunset, which is the default daily start time and end time for those areas. Marine Area 10 Elliott Bay will remain closed this year due to recreational harvest overages in 2021. Marine Area 13 also will remain closed to spot shrimp harvest for conservation reasons. The updated daily bag limit reflects commission adopted rule making which go into effect July 1. There is insufficient time to adopt permanent rules.

Number of Sections Adopted in Order to Comply with Federal Statute: New 0, Amended 0, Repealed 0; Federal Rules or Standards: New 0, Amended 0, Repealed 0; or Recently Enacted State Statutes: New 0, Amended 0, Repealed 0.

Number of Sections Adopted at the Request of a Nongovernmental Entity: New 0, Amended 0, Repealed 0.

Number of Sections Adopted on the Agency's own Initiative: New 2, Amended 0, Repealed 0.

Number of Sections Adopted in Order to Clarify, Streamline, or Reform Agency Procedures: New 0, Amended 0, Repealed 0.

Number of Sections Adopted using Negotiated Rule Making: New 0, Amended 0, Repealed 0; Pilot Rule Making: New 0, Amended 0, Repealed 0; or Other Alternative Rule Making: New 0, Amended 0, Repealed 0.

Date Adopted: April 13, 2022.

Kelly Susewind
Director

NEW SECTION

WAC 220-330-01000V Shellfish—Daily limits, size restrictions, and unlawful acts. Notwithstanding the provisions of WAC 220-330-010,

Effective May 25, 2022, until further notice, the provisions of WAC 220-330-010 shrimp daily limits in Puget Sound shall be modified as follows, all other provisions not addressed herein remain in effect unless otherwise amended by emergency rule:

(1) In Marine Area 4 east of the Bonilla-Tatoosh line and Marine Areas 5, 6, 7, 8-1, 8-2, 9, 10, 11, 12, and 13: Daily limit is 80 spot shrimp; with a total daily weight limit of 10 pounds (whole shrimp) all species combined.

(2) If retaining nonspot shrimp, all shrimp heads (spot and non-spot) must be retained in the field until ashore and finished fishing for the day.

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NEW SECTION

WAC 220-330-07000K Shrimp—Areas and seasons. Notwithstanding the provisions of WAC 220-330-070, effective May 25, 2022, until further notice, it is unlawful to fish for or possess shrimp taken for personal use in all waters of Marine Areas 4 (east of the Bonilla-Tatoosh line), 5, 6, 7, 8-1, 8-2, 9, 10, 11, 12, 13 and the Discovery Bay Shrimp District, except as provided for in this section:

(1) Marine Areas 4 (east of the Bonilla-Tatoosh line) and 5: Open May 25 each day, from 1 hour before official sunrise to 1 hour after official sunset, until further notice for all shrimp species.

(2) Marine Area 6 (excluding the Discovery Bay Shrimp District): Open from 1 hour before official sunrise to 1 hour after official sunset on May 25 through 28, June 9 through 11, June 23 through 25, July 7 through 9, and July 21 through 23 for all shrimp species.

(3) Discovery Bay Shrimp District: Open May 25 from 9:00 a.m. through 1:00 p.m. for all shrimp species.

(4) Marine Areas 7 South and 7 East: Open from 1 hour before official sunrise to 1 hour after official sunset on May 25 through 28 and June 9 through 11 for all shrimp species.

(5) Marine Area 7 West: Open from 1 hour before official sunrise to 1 hour after official sunset on May 25 through 28, June 9 through 11, June 23 through 25, and July 7 through 9 for all shrimp species.

(6) Marine Areas 8-1 and 8-2:

(a) Open May 25 and June 9 from 8:00 a.m. through noon for all shrimp species.

(b) Divers may take shrimp by hand or hand-held device from 7:00 p.m. until midnight on May 25 and June 9 in Marine Area 8-2.

(7) Marine Area 9: Open May 25 from 8:00 a.m. through noon for all shrimp species.

(8) Marine Area 10 west of a line from West Point to Alki Point: Open May 25 from 8:00 a.m. through noon for all shrimp species.

(9) Marine Area 11: Open May 25 from 8:00 a.m. through noon for all shrimp species.

(10) Marine Area 12: Open May 25, May 28, June 9, and June 23 from 9:00 a.m. through 1:00 p.m. for all shrimp species.

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WSR 22-09-041

EMERGENCY RULES

DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH

[Filed April 14, 2022, 8:40 a.m., effective April 14, 2022, 8:40 a.m.]

Effective Date of Rule: Immediately upon filing.

Purpose: WAC 246-341-0342 Agency licensure and certification—Off-site locations. The department of health (department) is continuing emergency rule amendments to WAC 246-341-0342 to define a mobile unit for behavioral health agencies in Washington and allow opioid treatment programs (OTPs) to add a mobile unit as an extension of their existing license. This will align existing rule with the federal changes published in Title 21 C.F.R., Parts 1300, 1301, and 1304 (21 C.F.R.). On July 28, 2021, these federal rules were revised to allow OTPs to operate mobile units under their existing federal Drug Enforcement Administration (DEA) license. Although current behavioral health agency (BHA) licensing and certification rules reference 21 C.F.R., these rules went into effect on July 1, 2021, prior to the federal change, and need to be updated to ensure that OTPs in Washington are complying with the current version of the federal rule. The amendments to WAC 246-341-0342 define what a mobile unit is, require OTPs to notify the department in writing prior to operating a mobile unit, and outline requirements for OTPs that operate a mobile narcotic treatment program. These requirements include submitting a copy of the DEA approval for the unit and complying with 21 C.F.R. This emergency rule continues amendments originally filed December 15, 2021, under WSR 22-01-147. The department is considering this amendment for permanent rule making. A Preproposal statement of inquiry (CR-101) was filed as WSR 21-14-010.

Citation of Rules Affected by this Order: Amending WAC 246-341-0342.

Statutory Authority for Adoption: RCW 71.24.037, 71.24.585, and 71.24.595.

Other Authority: Title 21 C.F.R., Parts 1300, 1301, and 1304.

Under RCW 34.05.350 the agency for good cause finds that immediate adoption, amendment, or repeal of a rule is necessary for the preservation of the public health, safety, or general welfare, and that observing the time requirements of notice and opportunity to comment upon adoption of a permanent rule would be contrary to the public interest; and that state or federal law or federal rule or a federal deadline for state receipt of federal funds requires immediate adoption of a rule.

Reasons for this Finding: This emergency rule updates department rules to align with the recently updated federal rules in 21 C.F.R., which allow OTPs to add and operate a mobile unit under their existing DEA license. Without this change, the rules would direct OTPs to comply with an outdated version of federal regulations that did not include the ability to operate a mobile OTP component. Furthermore, this continues to be a public health issue as a result of the ongoing opioid crisis in Washington state, which has been exacerbated by the coronavirus disease 2019 (COVID-19) pandemic. This amendment will allow the department to continue approving mobile units without delay, increasing access to treatment for individuals who suffer from opioid use disorder, while maintaining regulatory oversight to ensure client and public safety.

Number of Sections Adopted in Order to Comply with Federal Statute: New 0, Amended 0, Repealed 0; Federal Rules or Standards: New 0,

Amended 1, Repealed 0; or Recently Enacted State Statutes: New 0, Amended 0, Repealed 0.

Number of Sections Adopted at the Request of a Nongovernmental Entity: New 0, Amended 0, Repealed 0.

Number of Sections Adopted on the Agency's own Initiative: New 0, Amended 0, Repealed 0.

Number of Sections Adopted in Order to Clarify, Streamline, or Reform Agency Procedures: New 0, Amended 0, Repealed 0.

Number of Sections Adopted using Negotiated Rule Making: New 0, Amended 0, Repealed 0; Pilot Rule Making: New 0, Amended 0, Repealed 0; or Other Alternative Rule Making: New 0, Amended 1, Repealed 0.

Date Adopted: April 11, 2022.

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Secretary

OTS-3478.3

AMENDATORY SECTION (Amending WSR 21-12-042, filed 5/25/21, effective 7/1/21)

WAC 246-341-0342 Agency licensure and certification—Off-site locations and mobile units. (1) A behavioral health agency may provide certified services at an off-site location or from a mobile unit under the existing behavioral health agency license.

(2) For the purposes of this section:

(a) "Off-site" means the provision of services by a licensed behavioral health agency at a location where the assessment or treatment is not the primary purpose of the site, such as in schools, hospitals, long-term care facilities, correctional facilities, an individual's residence, the community, or housing provided by or under an agreement with the agency.

(b) "Established off-site location" means a location that is regularly used and set up to provide services rather than a location used on an individual, case-by-case basis.

(c) "Mobile unit" means a vehicle, lawfully used on public streets, roads, or highways with more than three wheels in contact with the ground, from which behavioral health services are provided at a nonpermanent location(s).

(3) A behavioral health agency that provides ((outpatient)) off-site services at an established off-site location(s) shall:

(a) Maintain a list of each established off-site location where services are provided on a regularly scheduled ongoing basis and include, for each established off-site location:

(i) The name and address of the location the services are provided;

(ii) The primary purpose of the off-site location;

(iii) The service(s) provided; and

(iv) The date off-site services began at that location;

(b) Maintain an individual's confidentiality at the off-site location; and

(c) Securely transport confidential information and individual records between the licensed agency and the off-site location, if applicable.

~~((2))~~ (4) In addition to meeting the requirements in subsection ~~((1))~~ (3) of this section, an agency providing services to an individual in their place of residence or services in a public setting that is not an established off-site location where services are provided on a regularly scheduled ongoing basis must:

(a) Implement and maintain a written protocol of how services will be offered in a manner that promotes individual, staff member, and community safety; and

(b) For the purpose of emergency communication and as required by RCW 71.05.710, provide access to a wireless telephone or comparable device to any employee, contractor, student, or volunteer when making home visits to individuals.

~~((3) For the purposes of this section:~~

~~(a) "Off-site" means the provision of services by a licensed behavioral health agency at a location where the assessment or treatment is not the primary purpose of the site, such as in schools, hospitals, long-term care facilities, correctional facilities, an individual's residence, the community, or housing provided by or under an agreement with the agency.~~

~~(b) "Established off-site location" means a location that is regularly used and set up to provide services rather than a location used on an individual, case-by-case basis.)~~ (5) Before operating a mobile unit, agencies providing behavioral health services from a mobile unit must notify the department in writing in a manner outlined by the department. The notification must include that a mobile unit is being added under the agency license and indicate what services will be provided from the mobile unit, including whether it is operating as a mobile narcotic treatment program as defined in 21 C.F.R. Part 1300.01.

(6) An opioid treatment program operating a mobile narcotic treatment program must:

(a) Submit a copy of the Drug Enforcement Administration (DEA) approval for the mobile narcotic treatment program; and

(b) Comply with 21 C.F.R. Parts 1300, 1301 and 1304.

[Statutory Authority: RCW 71.24.037, 71.05.560, 71.34.380, 18.205.160, 71.24.037 and chapters 71.05, 71.24, and 71.34 RCW. WSR 21-12-042, § 246-341-0342, filed 5/25/21, effective 7/1/21. Statutory Authority: 2018 c 201 and 2018 c 291. WSR 19-09-062, § 246-341-0342, filed 4/16/19, effective 5/17/19.]

WSR 22-09-047
EMERGENCY RULES
DEPARTMENT OF
FISH AND WILDLIFE

[Order 22-55—Filed April 14, 2022, 2:53 p.m., effective April 16, 2022]

Effective Date of Rule: April 16, 2022.

Purpose: Amends freshwater recreational rules for Langlois Lake.

Citation of Rules Affected by this Order: Repealing WAC 220-312-04000Z; and amending WAC 220-312-040.

Statutory Authority for Adoption: Statutory authority for adoption: RCW 77.04.012, 77.04.020, 77.12.045, and 77.12.047.

Under RCW 34.05.350 the agency for good cause finds that immediate adoption, amendment, or repeal of a rule is necessary for the preservation of the public health, safety, or general welfare, and that observing the time requirements of notice and opportunity to comment upon adoption of a permanent rule would be contrary to the public interest.

Reasons for this Finding: This emergency rule is needed to allow angling on Langlois Lake, April 16, 2022, for veterans registered as part of the project healing waters event. This event is intended to support physical and emotional rehabilitation of disabled active military service personnel and disabled veterans through fishing. There is insufficient time to adopt permanent rules.

Number of Sections Adopted in Order to Comply with Federal Statute: New 0, Amended 0, Repealed 0; Federal Rules or Standards: New 0, Amended 0, Repealed 0; or Recently Enacted State Statutes: New 0, Amended 0, Repealed 0.

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Number of Sections Adopted on the Agency's own Initiative: New 1, Amended 0, Repealed 1.

Number of Sections Adopted in Order to Clarify, Streamline, or Reform Agency Procedures: New 0, Amended 0, Repealed 0.

Number of Sections Adopted using Negotiated Rule Making: New 0, Amended 0, Repealed 0; Pilot Rule Making: New 0, Amended 0, Repealed 0; or Other Alternative Rule Making: New 0, Amended 0, Repealed 0.

Date Adopted: April 14, 2022.

Kelly Susewind
Director

NEW SECTION

WAC 220-312-04000Z Freshwater exceptions to statewide rules—Langlois Lake. Notwithstanding the provisions of WAC 220-312-040, effective 5:30 A.M. until 8:00 P.M., April 16, 2022, it is permissible for anglers pre-registered with and participating in the Project Healing Waters fishing event to fish in the waters of Langlois Lake. Statewide size and daily limits apply.

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REPEALER

The following section of the Washington Administrative Code is repealed effective April 17, 2022:

WAC 220-312-04000Z Freshwater exceptions to statewide rules—Langlois Lake.

WSR 22-09-048
EMERGENCY RULES
DEPARTMENT OF
FISH AND WILDLIFE

[Order 22-56—Filed April 14, 2022, 2:55 p.m., effective May 3, 2022]

Effective Date of Rule: May 3, 2022.

Purpose: The purpose of this emergency rule is to open spring Chinook seasons for the Snake River.

Citation of Rules Affected by this Order: Amending WAC 220-312-050.

Statutory Authority for Adoption: RCW 77.04.012, 77.04.020, 77.12.045, and 77.12.047.

Under RCW 34.05.350 the agency for good cause finds that immediate adoption, amendment, or repeal of a rule is necessary for the preservation of the public health, safety, or general welfare, and that observing the time requirements of notice and opportunity to comment upon adoption of a permanent rule would be contrary to the public interest.

Reasons for this Finding: The 2022 Columbia River forecasted return of upriver spring Chinook salmon is sufficiently abundant to allow for harvest opportunity on the Snake River based on Washington department of fish and wildlife (WDFW) Commission Policy C-3620. The *U.S. v. Oregon* (2018-2027) Management Agreement provides Endangered Species Act (ESA) coverage for this fishery.

Current allocation based on the preseason forecast and prior to a run update is 542 fish for recreational fisheries in the Snake River (harvest plus release mortalities).

WDFW will monitor spring Chinook returns throughout the season and may close the fishery at any time due to harvest levels, ESA impacts, in-season run adjustments, or a combination thereof.

There is insufficient time to adopt permanent rules.

Number of Sections Adopted in Order to Comply with Federal Statute: New 0, Amended 0, Repealed 0; Federal Rules or Standards: New 0, Amended 0, Repealed 0; or Recently Enacted State Statutes: New 0, Amended 0, Repealed 0.

Number of Sections Adopted at the Request of a Nongovernmental Entity: New 0, Amended 0, Repealed 0.

Number of Sections Adopted on the Agency's own Initiative: New 1, Amended 0, Repealed 0.

Number of Sections Adopted in Order to Clarify, Streamline, or Reform Agency Procedures: New 0, Amended 0, Repealed 0.

Number of Sections Adopted using Negotiated Rule Making: New 0, Amended 0, Repealed 0; Pilot Rule Making: New 0, Amended 0, Repealed 0; or Other Alternative Rule Making: New 0, Amended 0, Repealed 0.

Date Adopted: April 14, 2022.

Kelly Susewind
Director

NEW SECTION

WAC 220-312-05000H Freshwater exceptions to statewide rules—Eastside. Effective May 3, 2022, until further notice, the following provisions of WAC 220-312-050, regarding salmon seasons in the Snake

River shall be open as follows. All other provisions of WAC 220-312-050 remain in effect unless modified by emergency rule:

(1) **Snake River (Franklin/Walla Wall Counties): From Texas Rapids boat launch (south side of the river upstream of the mouth of Tucannon River) to the fishing restriction boundary below Little Goose Dam and including the rock and concrete area between the juvenile bypass re-turn pipe and Little Goose Dam along the shoreline of the facility:**

Salmon:

(a) Effective May 3, 2022, until further notice: Open Tuesdays and Fridays only; closed Mondays, Wednesdays, Thursdays, Saturdays, and Sundays.

(b) Daily limit 4, of which up to 1 adult may be retained. Release all salmon other than hatchery Chinook.

(c) Night Closure.

(d) Barbless hooks required.

(e) Salmon may not be removed from the water unless retained as part of the daily limit.

(2) **Snake River (Franklin/Walla Wall Counties): the South Bound Highway 12 Bridge near Pasco upstream about 7 miles to the fishing restriction boundary below Ice Harbor Dam:** Salmon:

(a) Effective May 4, 2022, until further notice: Open Wednesdays and Thursdays only; closed Mondays, Tuesdays, Fridays, Saturdays, and Sundays.

(b) Daily limit 4, of which up to 1 adult may be retained. Release all salmon other than hatchery Chinook.

(c) Night Closure.

(d) Barbless hooks required.

(e) Salmon may not be removed from the water unless retained as part of the daily limit.

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Reviser's note: The typographical errors in the above section occurred in the copy filed by the agency and appear in the Register pursuant to the requirements of RCW 34.08.040.

WSR 22-09-049
EMERGENCY RULES
PIERCE COLLEGE

[Filed April 14, 2022, 6:06 p.m., effective April 14, 2022, 6:06 p.m.]

Effective Date of Rule: Immediately upon filing.

Purpose: Pierce College is utilizing WAC emergency rule to update the student conduct code, chapter 132K-135 WAC, in order to be in compliance with the United States Department of Education (DOE) federal rules regarding Title IX.

Citation of Rules Affected by this Order: Amending WAC 132K-135-360 and 132K-135-380.

Statutory Authority for Adoption: RCW 34.05.350.

Under RCW 34.05.350 the agency for good cause finds that state or federal law or federal rule or a federal deadline for state receipt of federal funds requires immediate adoption of a rule.

Reasons for this Finding: DOE requires institutions of higher education to be in compliance with Title IX and make appropriate policy and procedure changes.

Number of Sections Adopted in Order to Comply with Federal Statute: New 0, Amended 0, Repealed 0; Federal Rules or Standards: New 0, Amended 2, Repealed 0; or Recently Enacted State Statutes: New 0, Amended 0, Repealed 0.

Number of Sections Adopted at the Request of a Nongovernmental Entity: New 0, Amended 0, Repealed 0.

Number of Sections Adopted on the Agency's own Initiative: New 0, Amended 0, Repealed 0.

Number of Sections Adopted in Order to Clarify, Streamline, or Reform Agency Procedures: New 0, Amended 0, Repealed 0.

Number of Sections Adopted using Negotiated Rule Making: New 0, Amended 0, Repealed 0; Pilot Rule Making: New 0, Amended 0, Repealed 0; or Other Alternative Rule Making: New 0, Amended 0, Repealed 0.

Date Adopted: April 14, 2022.

Michele Johnson
Chancellor

OTS-3738.1

AMENDATORY SECTION (Amending WSR 21-11-045, filed 5/13/21, effective 6/13/21)

WAC 132K-135-360 Evidence. The introduction and consideration of evidence during the hearing is subject to the following procedures and restrictions:

(1) Relevance: The committee chair shall review all questions for relevance and shall explain on the record their reasons for excluding any question based on lack of relevance.

(2) Relevance means that information elicited by the question makes facts in dispute more or less likely to be true.

(3) Questions or evidence about a complainant's sexual predisposition or prior sexual behavior are not relevant and must be excluded, unless such question or evidence:

(a) Is asked or offered to prove someone other than the respondent committed the alleged misconduct; or

(b) Concerns specific incidents of prior sexual behavior between the complainant and the respondent, which are asked or offered on the issue of consent.

~~(4) ((Cross-examination required: If a party or witness does not submit to cross-examination during the live hearing, the committee must not rely on any statement by that party or witness in reaching a determination of responsibility.~~

~~(5))~~ No negative inference: The committee may not make an inference regarding responsibility solely on a witness's or party's absence from the hearing or refusal to answer questions.

~~((6))~~ (5) Privileged evidence: The committee shall not consider legally privileged information unless the holder has effectively waived the privilege. Privileged information includes, but is not limited to, information protected by the following:

(a) Spousal/domestic partner privilege;

(b) Attorney-client and attorney work product privileges;

(c) Privileges applicable to members of the clergy and priests;

(d) Privileges applicable to medical providers, mental health therapists, and counselors;

(e) Privileges applicable to sexual assault and domestic violence advocates; and

(f) Other legal privileges identified in RCW 5.60.060.

[Statutory Authority: RCW 28B.50.140(13). WSR 21-11-045, § 132K-135-360, filed 5/13/21, effective 6/13/21.]

AMENDATORY SECTION (Amending WSR 21-11-045, filed 5/13/21, effective 6/13/21)

WAC 132K-135-380 Appeals. ~~((1) The parties shall have the right to appeal from the initial order's determination of responsibility and/or dismissal of an allegation(s) of sexual harassment in a formal complaint. The right to appeal will be subject to the same procedures and time frames set forth in WAC 132K-135-180.~~

~~(2) The president or their delegate will determine whether the grounds for appeal have merit, provide the rationale for this conclusion, and state whether the disciplinary sanction and condition(s) imposed in the initial order are affirmed, vacated, or amended, and, if amended, set forth any new disciplinary sanction and/or condition(s).~~

~~(3) President's office shall serve the final decision on the parties simultaneously.)~~

(1) All parties, including the student conduct officer in their capacity as a representative of the college, have the right to appeal from the determination of responsibility and/or from a dismissal, in whole or in part, of a formal complaint during the investigative or hearing process. Appeals must be in writing and filed with the president's office within 21 days of service of the initial order or notice of dismissal. Appeals must identify the specific findings of fact and/or conclusions of law in the initial order or dismissal that the appealing party is challenging and must contain argument as to why the appeal should be granted. Failure to file a timely appeal constitutes a waiver of the right to appeal and the initial order or dismissal shall be deemed final.

(2) Upon receiving a timely appeal, the president's office will serve a copy of the appeal on all parties, who will have 10 days from the date of service to submit written responses to the president's office addressing issues raised in the appeal. Failure to file a timely response constitutes a waiver of the right to participate in the appeal. Upon receipt of written responses, the president's office shall serve copies of the responses to the other parties.

(3) Parties receiving a copy of the responses shall have five days in which to submit a written reply addressing issues raised in the responses to the president's office.

(4) The president or their delegate, based on their review of parties' submissions and the hearing or investigative record, will determine whether the grounds for appeal have merit, provide the rationale for this conclusion, and state whether a dismissal if affirmed or denied, or if the disciplinary sanctions and conditions imposed in the initial order are affirmed, vacated, or amended, and, if amended, set forth the new disciplinary sanctions and conditions.

(5) The president's office shall serve the final decision on the parties simultaneously.

(6) All administrative decisions reached through this process are and may be judicially appealed pursuant to applicable provisions of chapter 34.05 RCW including, but not limited to, the timelines set forth in RCW 34.05.542. No decisions or recommendations arising from this disciplinary procedure will be subject to grievance pursuant to any collective bargaining agreement.

[Statutory Authority: RCW 28B.50.140(13). WSR 21-11-045, § 132K-135-380, filed 5/13/21, effective 6/13/21.]

WSR 22-09-060

EMERGENCY RULES

DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH

[Filed April 18, 2022, 4:20 p.m., effective April 18, 2022, 4:20 p.m.]

Effective Date of Rule: Immediately upon filing.

Purpose: WAC 246-72-020 Certificate Requirements, and 246-72-080 Renewals and updating license information. Current certificate requirements for medical marijuana certified consultants (MMCC) under WAC 246-72-020 require an initial applicant to obtain a cardiopulmonary resuscitation (CPR) card from a training course that includes both a written examination and skills demonstration test in order to receive a MMCC credential from the department of health (department). Under the coronavirus 2019 (COVID-19) pandemic restrictions, in-person CPR training programs were suspended. Access to in-person trainings is still difficult to obtain. The department is amending this section of rule to temporarily suspend the skills demonstration portion of the CPR requirement to allow initial applicants to move forward in the department's application process. WAC 246-72-080 does not specify CPR requirements include a skills demonstration test for renewal of a MMCC credential, however the department interprets this requirement to be the same as defined in WAC 246-72-020. Therefore, the department is also revising WAC 246-72-080 in this rule making to clarify that the in-person CPR requirement suspension applies to renewing applicants as well as initial applications. This is the sixth filing of these emergency rules and will replace the previous emergency rules filed on December 17, 2021, under WSR 22-01-169.

Citation of Rules Affected by this Order: Amending WAC 246-72-020 and 246-72-080.

Statutory Authority for Adoption: RCW 69.51A.290.

Under RCW 34.05.350 the agency for good cause finds that immediate adoption, amendment, or repeal of a rule is necessary for the preservation of the public health, safety, or general welfare, and that observing the time requirements of notice and opportunity to comment upon adoption of a permanent rule would be contrary to the public interest.

Reasons for this Finding: RCW 69.51A.290 provides the department authority to adopt rules and requirements for licensing and regulating the MMCC. Under the COVID-19 pandemic restrictions, in-person CPR training programs were suspended. Access to in-person trainings is still difficult, making it difficult for some current and new applicants to obtain licensure and continue providing services allowed under WAC 246-72-030 to patients in Washington. The skills demonstration portion of the CPR requirement was adopted in rule in 2017 to address patient concerns relating to certified consultant trainings. A consultant's role includes spending a significant amount of time assisting patients (some with acute or chronic health conditions) with getting registered and product selection.

Continuation of the amendments of these existing rules is necessary for the preservation of public health, safety, and general welfare. Licensees have shared that they are struggling to meet the CPR requirements to gain or maintain their MMCC. Furthermore, retailers are required to have an MMCC on staff in order to serve patients from the medical marijuana community. If licensees are not able to gain or renew their certification, not only will the MMCC be unable to provide care, but the retail store itself may no longer be able to provide services to medical patients, making it very difficult or impossible

for patients to access their medication. By temporarily suspending the skills demonstration portion of the CPR training requirement under WAC 246-72-020 and 246-72-080, both new and renewing applicants will be able to continue with certification and provide the necessary health care services to patients in need. Observing the time requirements of notice and opportunity to comment upon adoption of a permanent rule would be contrary to the public interest.

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Number of Sections Adopted on the Agency's own Initiative: New 0, Amended 2, Repealed 0.

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Date Adopted: April 18, 2022.

Kristin Peterson, JD
Deputy Secretary
Policy and Planning
for Umair A. Shah, MD, MPH
Secretary

OTS-2302.1

AMENDATORY SECTION (Amending WSR 18-07-030, filed 3/12/18, effective 4/12/18)

WAC 246-72-020 Certificate requirements. An applicant for a medical marijuana consultant certificate must submit to the department:

- (1) A completed initial application on forms provided by the department;
- (2) Fees required under WAC 246-72-110;
- (3) Certificate of successful completion from an approved training program;
- (4) Proof of being age twenty-one or older. Acceptable forms of proof are a copy of the applicant's valid driver's license or other government-issued identification card, United States passport, or certified birth certificate;
- (5) Proof of current CPR certification from a course requiring completion of ~~((both))~~ a written ~~((and skills demonstration))~~ test; and
- (6) Any other documentation required by the secretary.

[Statutory Authority: RCW 69.51A.230. WSR 18-07-030, § 246-72-020, filed 3/12/18, effective 4/12/18. Statutory Authority: RCW 69.51A.290. WSR 16-07-086, § 246-72-020, filed 3/17/16, effective 3/18/16.]

OTS-2528.1

AMENDATORY SECTION (Amending WSR 18-07-030, filed 3/12/18, effective 4/12/18)

WAC 246-72-080 Renewals and updating license information. (1)

Certificates must be renewed every year on the certificate holder's birthday. Initial certificates issued within ninety days of the certificate holder's birthday do not expire until the person's next birthday.

(2) Renewals:

(a) Prior to the certificate expiration date, courtesy renewal notices are mailed to the address on file. Certificate holders must return the renewal notice when renewing their credential. Failure to receive a courtesy renewal notice does not relieve or exempt the renewal requirement.

(b) The certificate holder must attest to completion of annual certification requirements, including current CPR certification as outlined in WAC 246-72-020.

(c) Renewal fees are accepted by the department no sooner than ninety days prior to the expiration date.

(3) Duplicate certificate: A certificate holder may obtain a duplicate certificate by submitting a written request to the department and paying the fee as required in WAC 246-72-990.

(4) Name changes: It is the responsibility of each certificate holder to maintain his or her correct name on file with the department. Requests for name changes must be submitted in writing to the department along with documentation showing the name was legally changed.

(5) Address changes: It is the responsibility of each certificate holder to maintain his or her current address on file with the department. Requests for address changes must be made in writing. The mailing address on file with the department will be used for mailing of all official matters to the certificate holder.

[Statutory Authority: RCW 69.51A.230. WSR 18-07-030, § 246-72-080, filed 3/12/18, effective 4/12/18. Statutory Authority: RCW 69.51A.290. WSR 16-07-086, § 246-72-080, filed 3/17/16, effective 3/18/16.]

WSR 22-09-063
EMERGENCY RULES
DEPARTMENT OF
LABOR AND INDUSTRIES

[Filed April 19, 2022, 9:09 a.m., effective April 19, 2022, 9:09 a.m.]

Effective Date of Rule: Immediately upon filing.

Purpose: This emergency rule allows the factory assembled structure (FAS) program (program) to effectively approve plans for commercial coach trailers, factory-built housing and commercial structures, recreational park trailers (RPTs), recreational vehicles (RVs), and conversion vendor units (food trucks and trailers) as required under RCW 43.22.360 and 43.22.480. The rule language includes changes to chapter 296-150C and 296-150F WAC that clarify plan submission requirements. The rule adds provisions to chapter 296-150P, 296-150R, and 296-150V WAC to allow plans for RPTs, RVs, and conversion vendor units to be reviewed and approved by a licensed professional engineer, architect, or firm as authorized by RCW 43.22.360(3).

This emergency rule is needed to allow more time for the program to address the backlog of 2,085 design plans that still exist and determine the efficacy of the original emergency rule.

Citation of Rules Affected by this Order: New WAC 296-150P-0315, 296-150P-0520, 296-150P-0530, 296-150P-0540, 296-150P-0550, 296-150P-0560, 296-150P-0570, 296-150P-0580, 296-150P-0590, 296-150P-3001, 296-150R-0315, 296-150R-0520, 296-150R-0530, 296-150R-0540, 296-150R-0550, 296-150R-0560, 296-150R-0570, 296-150R-0580, 296-150R-0590, 296-150R-3001, 296-150V-0420, 296-150V-0430, 296-150V-0440, 296-150V-0450, 296-150V-0460, 296-150V-0470, 296-150V-0480, 296-150V-0490 and 296-150V-3001; and amending WAC 296-150C-0310, 296-150C-0420, 296-150C-0430, 296-150C-0460, 296-150C-0480, 296-150F-0310, 296-150F-0420, 296-150F-0430, 296-150F-0460, 296-150F-0480, 296-150P-0020, and 296-150V-0310.

Statutory Authority for Adoption: RCW 43.22.360(3), 43.22.480(3).

Under RCW 34.05.350 the agency for good cause finds that immediate adoption, amendment, or repeal of a rule is necessary for the preservation of the public health, safety, or general welfare, and that observing the time requirements of notice and opportunity to comment upon adoption of a permanent rule would be contrary to the public interest.

Reasons for this Finding: This rule making renews the emergency rule to allow more time for the program to address the backlog of 2,085 design plans that still exist and determine the efficacy of the original emergency rule. The emergency rule required the program to develop a new process for customers to pursue plan approval by licensed professionals for commercial coach trailers, factory-built housing and commercial structures, RPTs, RVs, and conversion vendor units (food trucks and trailers). When the emergency rule went into effect, the program was accountable to address technology upgrades and develop new policies and procedures to address all aspects of the emergency rule. This work has taken time to implement while approving third-party applications.

In February 2020, a state of emergency was declared in Washington state to respond to the COVID-19 virus, which ultimately became a global pandemic. The department of labor and industries (L&I) has been involved in several efforts to respond to the pandemic effects on the economy, employment, and worker safety. As a result of L&I's response,

resources and staffing shortages in the program has [have] developed a backlog of plans for review and approval. This emergency rule is needed to protect the general welfare of Washingtonians, by ensuring plans for commercial coaches, factory-built housing and commercial structures, RPTs, RVs, and conversion vendor units are approved in a timely manner and inspected to the safety standards of chapters 296-150C, 296-150F, 296-150P, 296-150R, and 296-150V WAC. If the emergency rule is not adopted, the backlog of plans needing review by the program will significantly increase and likely cause serious harm to the entire FAS industry by impacting production as well as putting the public at risk of harm due to the lack of safety inspections for these structures prior to them being used by businesses and the public.

As of this filing, the program has 2,000 plans waiting for review by the program's two remaining plan examiners; at full staffing, the program has seven plan examiners. These plans are for all the types of structures identified above and include everything from simple RV trailers to large commercial buildings.

The backlog has also created delays in public safety inspections of factory-built housing and commercial structures and of conversion vendor units (food trucks and trailers), because inspections cannot be performed without approved plans. In addition, lacking plans for some of their designs, the RV and RPT industries face delays in sending their products to Washington as they cannot apply Washington labels to models that have not been reviewed and approved.

These changes and additions made in the emergency rule will help address and reduce the backlog of plan reviews and promote timely public safety inspections, by providing for "licensed professional" plan reviews for the program. This will provide manufacturers with an alternate method to obtain approved plans in a timely manner, thus helping businesses remain in business or continue business operations. The emergency rule and its impact on the backlog of reviews and inspections will support restaurants and other types of businesses [to] comply with COVID-19 requirements by allowing those businesses to serve people outside, and keep workers safely distanced from the public according to state and local social distancing guidelines. In addition, updating the existing rules in chapters 296-150C and 296-150F WAC will make it easier for manufacturers using licensed professional reviews, by simplifying and clarifying our requirements for those types of plans.

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Date Adopted: April 19, 2022.

Joel Sacks
Director

OTS-3538.1

AMENDATORY SECTION (Amending WSR 98-14-078, filed 6/30/98, effective 7/31/98)

WAC 296-150C-0310 Who can approve design plans? (1) Design plans can be approved by us or by a licensed professional or firm authorized by us. (See WAC 296-150C-0420 and 296-150C-0430.)

(2) All electrical design plans for new or altered electrical installations for educational institutions, health care facilities, and other buildings required by chapter 296-46 WAC, Safety standards—Installing electric wires and equipment—Administrative rules, must be reviewed and approved by us.

(3) ~~((A professional cannot approve plans submitted under a reciprocal agreement.))~~ All design plans submitted under a reciprocal agreement for multistate approval must be reviewed and approved by us.

[Statutory Authority: Chapter 43.22 RCW. WSR 98-14-078, § 296-150C-0310, filed 6/30/98, effective 7/31/98. Statutory Authority: RCW 43.22.340, [43.22.]355, [43.22.]360, [43.22.]432, [43.22.]440 and [43.22.]480. WSR 96-21-146, § 296-150C-0310, filed 10/23/96, effective 11/25/96.]

AMENDATORY SECTION (Amending WSR 96-21-146, filed 10/23/96, effective 11/25/96)

WAC 296-150C-0420 Who can be authorized to approve design plans?

(1) A professional engineer, architect or firm licensed by the state of Washington according to the Engineers Registration Act, chapter 18.43 RCW and/or the Architects Registration Act, chapter 18.08 RCW; or

(2) A professional engineer, architect or firm licensed in another state that has licensing or certification requirements that meet or exceed Washington requirements.

(3) A professional who designs and certifies that the commercial coach design meets state requirements cannot also approve the design plan in the plan approval process.

(4) A professional cannot approve those electrical designs listed in WAC 296-150C-0310(2).

(5) A professional cannot approve plans submitted under a reciprocal agreement.

[Statutory Authority: RCW 43.22.340, [43.22.]355, [43.22.]360, [43.22.]432, [43.22.]440 and [43.22.]480. WSR 96-21-146, § 296-150C-0420, filed 10/23/96, effective 11/25/96.]

AMENDATORY SECTION (Amending WSR 96-21-146, filed 10/23/96, effective 11/25/96)

WAC 296-150C-0430 What information must a professional or firm provide to be authorized to approve design plans? (1) Name, a copy of

your certificate of registration or authority, and address of the professional engineer ~~((or))~~, architect, or firm; ~~((or))~~ and

~~(2) ((Name, a copy of your certificate of authority, and address of the firm; and~~

~~(3)) A description of the services the professional engineer, architect, or firm will provide in the areas of structural, fire and life safety, energy, mechanical, plumbing, and electrical plan review; and~~

~~((4) A description)) (3) A summary of the professional's ((area(s) of)) or firm's expertise and qualifications ((which include: (a) A summary of the professional's or firm's experience; and (b) Verification of experience in your area of expertise such as structural, mechanical, plumbing, energy, electrical, fire and life safety, and ventilation and indoor air quality)) to review plans in the areas identified by the description of services.~~

[Statutory Authority: RCW 43.22.340, [43.22.]355, [43.22.]360, [43.22.]432, [43.22.]440 and [43.22.]480. WSR 96-21-146, § 296-150C-0430, filed 10/23/96, effective 11/25/96.]

AMENDATORY SECTION (Amending WSR 98-14-078, filed 6/30/98, effective 7/31/98)

WAC 296-150C-0460 What information must a manufacturer ((provide)) send to the department when a professional or firm does the design-plan approval? You must ((provide)) send us the following information ((with)) in your approved design plans:

(1) A completed departmental design-plan approval request form;

~~(2) ((Two or more)) A set((s)) of design plans ((plus elevation)) drawings, specifications, engineering analysis, and test results and procedures necessary for a complete code evaluation of the design. These design plans must ((have an original wet stamp, be signed, and dated)) be sealed by the ((approving)) design professional(s) ((see WAC 296-150C-0340 and 296-150C-0350)) in accordance with chapters 196-23 and 308-12 WAC;~~

(3) A cover sheet on the design plan noting which professional approved each portion of the design plan;

(4) A copy of the authorization letter from us;

(5) The design plan fee for design plans approved by professionals or firms; (see WAC 296-150C-3000.)

~~((6) A professional who designs and certifies that the commercial coach design meets state requirements cannot also approve the design plan in the plan approval process;~~

~~(7) A professional cannot approve those electrical designs listed in WAC 296-150C-0310(2); and~~

~~(8) A professional cannot approve plans submitted under a reciprocal agreement.)~~

[Statutory Authority: Chapter 43.22 RCW. WSR 98-14-078, § 296-150C-0460, filed 6/30/98, effective 7/31/98. Statutory Authority: RCW 43.22.340, [43.22.]355, [43.22.]360, [43.22.]432, [43.22.]440 and [43.22.]480. WSR 96-21-146, § 296-150C-0460, filed 10/23/96, effective 11/25/96.]

AMENDATORY SECTION (Amending WSR 96-21-146, filed 10/23/96, effective 11/25/96)

WAC 296-150C-0480 Do you have a list of professionals or firms that are authorized to approve design plans? Yes. We will maintain a list of the licensed professionals and firms that are authorized to approve design plans for commercial coaches.

[Statutory Authority: RCW 43.22.340, [43.22.]355, [43.22.]360, [43.22.]432, [43.22.]440 and [43.22.]480. WSR 96-21-146, § 296-150C-0480, filed 10/23/96, effective 11/25/96.]

OTS-3539.1

AMENDATORY SECTION (Amending WSR 12-15-061, filed 7/17/12, effective 9/1/12)

WAC 296-150F-0310 Who can approve design plans? (1) Design plans can be approved by us or by a licensed professional or firm authorized by us (see WAC 296-150F-0420 and 296-150F-0430).

(2) All electrical design plans for new or altered electrical installations for educational, institutional, health care facilities, and other buildings (see WAC 296-46B-900) must be reviewed and approved by us.

(3) All design plans submitted under a reciprocal agreement for multistate approval must be reviewed and approved by us.

[Statutory Authority: Chapter 43.22 RCW. WSR 12-15-061, § 296-150F-0310, filed 7/17/12, effective 9/1/12. Statutory Authority: RCW 43.22.340, [43.22.]355, [43.22.]360, [43.22.]432, [43.22.]440 and [43.22.]480. WSR 96-21-146, § 296-150F-0310, filed 10/23/96, effective 11/25/96.]

AMENDATORY SECTION (Amending WSR 96-21-146, filed 10/23/96, effective 11/25/96)

WAC 296-150F-0420 Who can be authorized to approve design plans?

(1) A professional engineer, architect, or firm licensed by the state of Washington according to the Engineers Registration Act, chapter 18.43 RCW and/or the Architects Registration Act, chapter 18.08 RCW; or

(2) A professional engineer, architect or firm licensed in another state that has licensing or certification requirements that meet or exceed Washington requirements.

(3) A professional who designs and certifies that the factory-built home or commercial structure design meets state requirements cannot also approve the design plan in the plan approval process;

(4) A professional cannot approve those electrical designs listed in WAC 296-150F-0310(2); and

(5) A professional cannot approve plans submitted under a reciprocal agreement.

[Statutory Authority: RCW 43.22.340, [43.22.]355, [43.22.]360, [43.22.]432, [43.22.]440 and [43.22.]480. WSR 96-21-146, § 296-150F-0420, filed 10/23/96, effective 11/25/96.]

AMENDATORY SECTION (Amending WSR 96-21-146, filed 10/23/96, effective 11/25/96)

WAC 296-150F-0430 What information must a professional or firm provide to be authorized to approve design plans? (1) Name, a copy of your certificate of registration or authority, and address of the professional engineer ~~((or))~~, architect, or firm; ~~((or))~~ and
 (2) ~~((Name, a copy of your certificate of authority, and address of the firm; and~~
~~(3))~~ A description of the services the professional engineer, architect, or firm will provide in the areas of structural, fire and life safety, energy, mechanical, plumbing, and electrical plan review; and
~~((4) A description))~~ (3) A summary of the professional's ~~((area(s) of))~~ or firm's expertise and qualifications ~~((which include:~~
~~(a) A summary of the professional's or firm's experience; and~~
~~(b) Verification of experience in your area of expertise such as structural, mechanical, plumbing, energy, electrical, fire and life safety, and ventilation and indoor air quality))~~ to review plans in the areas identified by the description of services.

[Statutory Authority: RCW 43.22.340, [43.22.]355, [43.22.]360, [43.22.]432, [43.22.]440 and [43.22.]480. WSR 96-21-146, § 296-150F-0430, filed 10/23/96, effective 11/25/96.]

AMENDATORY SECTION (Amending WSR 98-14-078, filed 6/30/98, effective 7/31/98)

WAC 296-150F-0460 What information must a manufacturer ((provide)) send to the department when a professional or firm does the design plan approval? You must ~~((provide))~~ send us the following information ~~((with))~~ in your approved design plan:
 (1) A completed departmental design plan approval request form;
 (2) ~~((Two or more))~~ A set((s)) of the design plan ~~((s plus elevation))~~ drawings, specifications, engineering analysis, and test results and procedures necessary for a complete code evaluation of the design. These design plans must ~~((have an original wet stamp, be signed, and dated))~~ be sealed by the ~~((approving))~~ design professional(s) ~~((see WAC 296-150F-0340 and 296-150F-0350))~~ in accordance with chapters 196-23 and 308-12 WAC;
 (3) A cover sheet on the design plan noting which professional approved each portion of the design plan;
 (4) A copy of the authorization letter from us; and
 (5) The design plan fee for design plans approved by professionals or firms (see WAC 296-150F-3000) ~~((~~
~~(6) A professional who designs and certifies that the factory-built home or commercial structure design meets state requirements cannot also approve the design plan in the plan approval process;~~

~~(7) A professional cannot approve those electrical designs listed in WAC 296-150F-0310(2); and~~

~~(8) A professional cannot approve plans submitted under a reciprocal agreement).~~

[Statutory Authority: Chapter 43.22 RCW. WSR 98-14-078, § 296-150F-0460, filed 6/30/98, effective 7/31/98. Statutory Authority: RCW 43.22.340, [43.22.]355, [43.22.]360, [43.22.]432, [43.22.]440 and [43.22.]480. WSR 96-21-146, § 296-150F-0460, filed 10/23/96, effective 11/25/96.]

AMENDATORY SECTION (Amending WSR 96-21-146, filed 10/23/96, effective 11/25/96)

WAC 296-150F-0480 Do you have a list of professionals or firms that are authorized to submit design plans? Yes. We will maintain a list of the licensed professionals and firms that are authorized to approve design plans for factory-built housing and commercial structures.

[Statutory Authority: RCW 43.22.340, [43.22.]355, [43.22.]360, [43.22.]432, [43.22.]440 and [43.22.]480. WSR 96-21-146, § 296-150F-0480, filed 10/23/96, effective 11/25/96.]

OTS-3540.2

AMENDATORY SECTION (Amending WSR 12-15-061, filed 7/17/12, effective 9/1/12)

WAC 296-150P-0020 What definitions apply to this chapter? "**Alteration**" is the replacement, addition, modification, or removal of any equipment or material that affects the fire and life safety provisions, structural system, plumbing systems, fuel systems and equipment or electrical systems of a recreational park trailer.

The following changes are not considered alterations for purposes of this chapter:

- Repairs with approved parts;
- Modification of a fuel-burning appliance according to the terms of its listing; and
- Adjustment and maintenance of equipment.

"**Alteration insignia**" is an insignia which indicates a recreational park trailer alteration was approved by the department.

"**ANSI**" is the American National Standards Institute, Inc., and the institute's rules applicable to recreational park trailers. For the purposes of this chapter, references to ANSI mean ANSI A119.5 Recreational Park Trailers, current edition.

"**Approved**" is approved by the department of labor and industries.

"**Audit**" by the department is the department inspection of a manufacturer's quality control procedures, comprehensive plans, and recreational park trailers.

"Comprehensive design plan" consists of the design plans and copies of drawings such as:

- Floor plans relating to fire and life safety, structural, electrical, plumbing, liquefied petroleum (LP) and/or natural gas systems and appliances and air conditioning systems, if applicable to the plan of each recreational park trailer.
- Plumbing line drawings which describe the size, length and location of gas piping lines, liquid and body waste lines, liquid and body waste tanks, and potable water tanks.
- Electrical drawings. (See WAC 296-150P-0330.)

"Consumer" is a person or organization who buys or leases recreational park trailers.

"Dealer" is a person or organization whose business is offering recreational park trailers for sale or lease.

"Department" is the department of labor and industries. The department may be referred to as "we" or "us" in this chapter. Note: You may contact us at: Department of Labor and Industries, Specialty Compliance, P.O. Box 44430, Olympia, WA 98504-4430.

"Equipment" is all material, appliances, fixtures, and accessories used in the manufacture or alteration of recreational park trailers.

"Manual" is a reference containing instructions, procedures, responsibilities and other information used to implement and maintain the quality control program of a recreational park trailer manufacturer.

"National Electrical Code" see Appendix 'C' of ANSI A119.5 for reference to the appropriate edition to use for compliance.

"Recreational park trailer" also known as a "Park Model RV" is a trailer-type unit that is primarily designed to provide temporary living quarters for recreational, camping or seasonal use, that meets the following criteria:

- Built on a single chassis, mounted on wheels;
- Having a gross trailer area not exceeding 400 square feet (37.15 square meters) in the set-up mode; and
- Certified by the manufacturer as complying with ANSI A119.5.

"Quality control" is the plan and method for ensuring that the manufacture, fabrication, assembly, installation, storing, handling, and use of materials complies with this chapter and ANSI.

"State-plan insignia" is an insignia which is obtained under the state design-plan approval process.

"System" is a part of a recreational park trailer that is designed to serve a particular function such as plumbing, electrical, heating, mechanical or structural system.

[Statutory Authority: Chapter 43.22 RCW. WSR 12-15-061, § 296-150P-0020, filed 7/17/12, effective 9/1/12. Statutory Authority: RCW 43.22.340, 43.22.400, 43.22.432, 43.22.433, 43.22.434, 43.22.480, and 43.22.485, 2002 c 268, and chapter 43.22 RCW. WSR 03-12-044, § 296-150P-0020, filed 5/30/03, effective 6/30/03. Statutory Authority: RCW 43.22.340 and 43.22.480. WSR 99-13-010, § 296-150P-0020, filed 6/4/99, effective 7/5/99. Statutory Authority: RCW 43.22.340 and 43.22.420. WSR 97-16-043, § 296-150P-0020, filed 7/31/97, effective 12/1/97.]

NEW SECTION

WAC 296-150P-0315 Who can approve design plans? (1) Comprehensive design plans for recreational park trailers can be approved by us or by a licensed professional or firm authorized by us. (See WAC 296-150P-0520 and 296-150P-0530.)

(2) All design plans for quality control manuals must be reviewed and approved by the department.

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NEW SECTION

WAC 296-150P-0520 Who can be authorized to approve design plans?

(1) A professional engineer, architect, or firm licensed by the state of Washington according to the Engineers Registration Act, chapter 18.43 RCW and/or the Architects Registration Act, chapter 18.08 RCW; or

(2) A professional engineer, architect, or firm licensed in another state that has licensing or certification requirements that meet or exceed Washington requirements.

(3) A professional cannot approve quality control plans.

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NEW SECTION

WAC 296-150P-0530 What information must a professional or firm provide to be authorized to approve design plans? (1) Name, a copy of your certificate of registration or authority, and address of the professional engineer, architect, or firm; and

(2) A description of the services the professional engineer, architect, or firm will provide in the areas of structural, fire and life safety, mechanical, plumbing, and electrical plan review for recreational park trailers; and

(3) A summary of the professional's or firm's expertise and qualifications to review plans in the areas identified by the description of services.

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NEW SECTION

WAC 296-150P-0540 How will I know whether I am authorized to approve design plans? Within 60 days after you submit the information requested in WAC 296-150P-0530, we will send you a letter either approving or denying your authorization request.

(1) If we approve your request, your name is added to the list of licensed professionals and firms authorized to approve design plans.

(a) We will authorize a professional to approve portions of a design plan within his or her area of expertise; and

(b) We will authorize an engineering or architectural firm to approve plans if the firm employs or contracts with professionals within the area of expertise necessary for the design plan.

(2) If we do not approve your request, we will notify you in writing why we are denying your request for authorization. If you disagree with our decision, you can send us a written request for a hearing, stating why you disagree. (See WAC 296-150P-0100.)

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NEW SECTION

WAC 296-150P-0550 How long is a licensed professional or firms authorization effective? Your authorization to approve design plans is effective until your license expires, is revoked, or is suspended.

(1) You must notify us of your license renewal at least 15 days before your license expires, to prevent your name from being removed from our licensed professional and firm list.

(2) You must notify us immediately if your license is revoked or suspended. Your name is then removed from the list of licensed professionals and firms authorized to approve design plans.

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NEW SECTION

WAC 296-150P-0560 What information must a manufacturer send to the department when a professional or firm does the design-plan approval? You must send us the following information in your approved design plans:

(1) A completed departmental design-plan approval request form;

(2) A set of design plan drawings, specifications, engineering analysis, and test results and procedures necessary for a complete code evaluation of the design. When required by chapter 196-23 or 308-12 WAC, design documents prepared by licensed professionals must be sealed;

(3) A cover sheet on the design plan noting which professional approved each portion of the design plan;

(4) A copy of the authorization letter from us;

(5) The design plan fee for design plans approved by professionals or firms. (See WAC 296-150P-3000.)

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NEW SECTION

WAC 296-150P-0570 What happens after we receive the professional or firm approved design plan and information? (1) After we receive your approved design plans and information, we will review the information and assign a plan approval number. We will send a copy of the design plan with the plan approval number to the manufacturer.

(2) We may periodically audit design plans approved by a professional engineer, architect, or firm to ensure compliance with design plan requirements. The department's periodic audit should not be construed as certifying that the plans are safe.

(3) If the audit reveals that the design plans approved by the professionals and firms do not comply with this chapter, you will be notified and required to pay our fees for review and approval of the design plans. (See WAC 296-150P-3000.)

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NEW SECTION

WAC 296-150P-0580 Do you have a list of professionals or firms that are authorized to approve design plans? Yes. We will maintain a list of the licensed professionals and firms that are authorized to approve design plans for conversion vendor units.

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NEW SECTION

WAC 296-150P-0590 Who approves addendums to design plans approved by a professional or firm? (1) You must have the professional or firm approve an addendum to a design plan, if they initially approved your design plan.

(2) If the professional or firm who approved your design plan is no longer on the department list, you may have us approve your addendum.

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NEW SECTION

WAC 296-150P-3001 Recreational park trailer fees for design plans approved by a professional or firm. Design plans approved by a professional or firm under this chapter will be charged a fee of \$30.00.

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OTS-3541.2

NEW SECTION

WAC 296-150R-0315 Who can approve design plans? (1) Comprehensive design plans for recreational vehicles can be approved by us or

by a licensed professional or firm authorized by us. (See WAC 296-150R-0520 and 296-150R-0530.)

(2) All design plans for quality control manuals must be reviewed and approved by the department.

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NEW SECTION

WAC 296-150R-0520 Who can be authorized to approve design plans?

(1) A professional engineer, architect, or firm licensed by the state of Washington according to the Engineers Registration Act, chapter 18.43 RCW and/or the Architects Registration Act, chapter 18.08 RCW; or

(2) A professional engineer, architect, or firm licensed in another state that has licensing or certification requirements that meet or exceed Washington requirements.

(3) A professional cannot approve quality control plans.

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NEW SECTION

WAC 296-150R-0530 What information must a professional or firm provide to be authorized to approve design plans? (1) Name, a copy of your certificate of registration or authority, and address of the professional engineer, architect, or firm; and

(2) A description of the services the professional engineer, architect, or firm will provide in the areas of structural, fire and life safety, mechanical, plumbing, and electrical plan review for recreational vehicles; and

(3) A summary of the professional's or firm's expertise and qualifications to review plans in the areas identified by the description of services.

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NEW SECTION

WAC 296-150R-0540 How will I know whether I am authorized to approve design plans? Within 60 days after you submit the information requested in WAC 296-150R-0530, we will send you a letter either approving or denying your authorization request.

(1) If we approve your request, your name is added to the list of licensed professionals and firms authorized to approve design plans.

(a) We will authorize a professional to approve portions of a design plan within his or her area of expertise; and

(b) We will authorize an engineering or architectural firm to approve plans if the firm employs or contracts with professionals within the area of expertise necessary for the design plan.

(2) If we do not approve your request, we will notify you in writing why we are denying your request for authorization. If you disagree with our decision, you can send us a written request for a hearing, stating why you disagree. (See WAC 296-150R-0100.)

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NEW SECTION

WAC 296-150R-0550 How long is a licensed professional or firms authorization effective? Your authorization to approve design plans is effective until your license expires, is revoked, or is suspended.

(1) You must notify us of your license renewal at least 15 days before your license expires to prevent your name from being removed from our licensed professional and firm list.

(2) You must notify us immediately if your license is revoked or suspended. Your name is then removed from the list of licensed professionals and firms authorized to approve design plans.

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NEW SECTION

WAC 296-150R-0560 What information must a manufacturer send to the department when a professional or firm does the design-plan approval? You must send us the following information in your approved design plans:

(1) A completed departmental design-plan approval request form;

(2) A set of design plan drawings and specifications necessary for a complete code evaluation of the design;

(3) A cover sheet on the design plan noting which professional approved each portion of the design plan;

(4) A copy of the authorization letter from us; and

(5) The design plan fee for design plans approved by professionals or firms. (See WAC 296-150R-3000.)

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NEW SECTION

WAC 296-150R-0570 What happens after we receive the professional or firm approved design plan and information? (1) After we receive your approved design plans and information, we will review the information and assign a plan approval number. We will send a copy of the design plan with the plan approval number to the manufacturer.

(2) We may periodically audit design plans approved by a professional engineer, architect, or firm to ensure compliance with design plan requirements. The department's periodic audit should not be construed as certifying that the plans are safe.

(3) If the audit reveals that the design plans approved by the professionals and firms do not comply with this chapter, you will be

notified and required to pay our fees for review and approval of the design plans. (See WAC 296-150R-3000.)

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NEW SECTION

WAC 296-150R-0580 Do you have a list of professionals or firms that are authorized to approve design plans? Yes. We will maintain a list of the licensed professionals and firms that are authorized to approve design plans for conversion vendor units.

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NEW SECTION

WAC 296-150R-0590 Who approves addendums to design plans approved by a professional or firm? (1) You must have the professional or firm approve an addendum to a design plan, if they initially approved your design plan.

(2) If the professional or firm who approved your design plan is no longer on the department list, you may have us approve your addendum.

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NEW SECTION

WAC 296-150R-3001 Recreational vehicle fees for design plans approved by a professional or firm. Design plans approved by a professional or firm under this chapter will be charged a fee of \$15.00.

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OTS-3542.2

AMENDATORY SECTION (Amending WSR 99-18-069, filed 8/31/99, effective 10/1/99)

WAC 296-150V-0310 Who can approve design plans? (~~Your design plan must be approved by the department.~~) (1) Design plans for conversion vendor units can be approved by us or by a licensed professional or firm authorized by us. (See WAC 296-150V-0420 and 296-150V-0430.)

(2) All design plans for medical units must be reviewed and approved by the department.

[Statutory Authority: Chapter 43.22 RCW. WSR 99-18-069, § 296-150V-0310, filed 8/31/99, effective 10/1/99.]

NEW SECTION

WAC 296-150V-0420 Who can be authorized to approve design plans?

(1) A professional engineer, architect or firm licensed by the state of Washington according to the Engineers Registration Act, chapter 18.43 RCW and/or the Architects Registration Act, chapter 18.08 RCW; or

(2) A professional engineer, architect or firm licensed in another state that has licensing or certification requirements that meet or exceed Washington requirements.

(3) A professional cannot approve medical units.

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NEW SECTION

WAC 296-150V-0430 What information must a professional or firm provide to be authorized to approve design plans? (1) Name, a copy of your certificate of registration or authority, and address of the professional engineer, architect, or firm; and

(2) A description of the services the professional engineer, architect, or firm will provide in the areas of fire and life safety, mechanical, plumbing, and electrical plan review for conversion vendor units; and

(3) A summary of the professional's or firm's expertise and qualifications to review plans in the areas identified by the description of services.

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NEW SECTION

WAC 296-150V-0440 How will I know whether I am authorized to approve design plans? Within 60 days after you submit the information requested in WAC 296-150V-0430, we will send you a letter either approving or denying your authorization request.

(1) If we approve your request, your name is added to the list of licensed professionals and firms authorized to approve design plans.

(a) We will authorize a professional to approve portions of a design plan within his or her area of expertise; and

(b) We will authorize an engineering or architectural firm to approve plans if the firm employs or contracts with professionals within the area of expertise necessary for the design plan.

(2) If we do not approve your request, we will notify you in writing why we are denying your request for authorization. If you disagree with our decision, you can send us a written request for a hearing, stating why you disagree. (See WAC 296-150V-0100.)

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NEW SECTION

WAC 296-150V-0450 How long is a licensed professional or firms authorization effective? Your authorization to approve design plans is effective until your license expires, is revoked, or is suspended.

(1) You must notify us of your license renewal at least 15 days before your license expires, to prevent your name from being removed from our licensed professional and firm list.

(2) You must notify us immediately if your license is revoked or suspended. Your name is then removed from the list of licensed professionals and firms authorized to approve design plans.

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NEW SECTION

WAC 296-150V-0460 What information must a manufacturer send to the department when a professional or firm does the design-plan approval? You must send us the following information in your approved design plans:

(1) A completed departmental design-plan approval request form;

(2) A set of design plan drawings, specifications, engineering analysis, and test results and procedures necessary for a complete code evaluation of the design. When required by chapter 196-23 or 308-12 WAC, design documents prepared by licensed professionals must be sealed;

(3) A cover sheet on the design plan noting which professional approved each portion of the design plan;

(4) A copy of the authorization letter from us; and

(5) The design plan fee for design plans approved by professionals or firms. (See WAC 296-150V-3000.)

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NEW SECTION

WAC 296-150V-0470 What happens after we receive the professional or firm approved design plan and information? (1) After we receive your approved design plans and information, we will review the information and assign a plan approval number. We will send a copy of the design plan with the plan approval number to the manufacturer.

(2) We may periodically audit design plans approved by a professional engineer, architect, or firm to ensure compliance with design plan requirements. The department's periodic audit should not be construed as certifying that the plans are safe.

(3) If the audit reveals that the design plans approved by the professionals and firms do not comply with this chapter, you will be

notified and required to pay our fees for review and approval of the design plans. (See WAC 296-150V-3000.)

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NEW SECTION

WAC 296-150V-0480 Do you have a list of professionals or firms that are authorized to approve design plans? Yes. We will maintain a list of the licensed professionals and firms that are authorized to approve design plans for conversion vendor units.

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NEW SECTION

WAC 296-150V-0490 Who approves addendums to design plans approved by a professional or firm? (1) You must have the professional or firm approve an addendum to a design plan, if they initially approved your design plan.

(2) If the professional or firm who approved your design plan is no longer on the department list, you may have us approve your addendum.

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NEW SECTION

WAC 296-150V-3001 Conversion vendor units and medical units— Fees for design plans approved by a professional or firm. Design plans approved by a professional or firm under this chapter will be charged a fee of \$81.10.

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WSR 22-09-068
EMERGENCY RULES
DEPARTMENT OF
FISH AND WILDLIFE

[Order 22-57—Filed April 19, 2022, 11:27 a.m., effective April 19, 2022, 11:27 a.m.]

Effective Date of Rule: Immediately upon filing.

Purpose: Amends rules for coastal commercial crab fishery for Quileute Special Management Area.

Citation of Rules Affected by this Order: Amending WAC 220-340-420.

Statutory Authority for Adoption: RCW 77.04.012, 77.04.020, 77.12.045, and 77.12.047.

Under RCW 34.05.350 the agency for good cause finds that immediate adoption, amendment, or repeal of a rule is necessary for the preservation of the public health, safety, or general welfare, and that observing the time requirements of notice and opportunity to comment upon adoption of a permanent rule would be contrary to the public interest.

Reasons for this Finding: Provisions of state/tribal agreements have been met, allowing an emergency rule for opening of Quileute Special Management Area with the temporary pot limit. There is insufficient time to adopt permanent rules.

Number of Sections Adopted in Order to Comply with Federal Statute: New 0, Amended 0, Repealed 0; Federal Rules or Standards: New 0, Amended 0, Repealed 0; or Recently Enacted State Statutes: New 0, Amended 0, Repealed 0.

Number of Sections Adopted at the Request of a Nongovernmental Entity: New 0, Amended 0, Repealed 0.

Number of Sections Adopted on the Agency's own Initiative: New 1, Amended 0, Repealed 0.

Number of Sections Adopted in Order to Clarify, Streamline, or Reform Agency Procedures: New 0, Amended 0, Repealed 0.

Number of Sections Adopted using Negotiated Rule Making: New 0, Amended 0, Repealed 0; Pilot Rule Making: New 0, Amended 0, Repealed 0; or Other Alternative Rule Making: New 0, Amended 0, Repealed 0.

Date Adopted: April 19, 2022.

Kelly Susewind
Director

NEW SECTION

WAC 220-340-42000H Commercial crab fishery—Unlawful acts. Notwithstanding the provisions of WAC 220-340-420, effective immediately until further notice:

(1) It unlawful for a vessel to use more than 100 pots in the Quileute SMA area between Cape Johnson (47°58.00') and Destruction Island (47°40.50') shoreward of a line approximating the 30-fathom depth curve, from 8:00 am May 1, 2022, until 8:00 am June 1, 2022. Fishers must pre-register with the Department of Fish and Wildlife 24 hours prior to deploying gear in this area by one of the two following methods:

- E-mail to Jamie Fuller at Jamie.Fuller@dfw.wa.gov; or

- Telephone call to Jamie Fuller at 360-580-0875.

(2) Unless otherwise amended all other provisions of the permanent rule remain in effect.

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Reviser's note: The unnecessary underscoring in the above section occurred in the copy filed by the agency and appears in the Register pursuant to the requirements of RCW 34.08.040.

WSR 22-09-082
EMERGENCY RULES
STATE BOARD OF HEALTH

[Filed April 20, 2022, 10:58 a.m., effective April 20, 2022, 10:58 a.m.]

Effective Date of Rule: Immediately upon filing.

Purpose: WAC 246-101-017 Novel coronavirus (SARS-CoV-2), coronavirus disease 2019 (COVID-19) reporting. The Washington state board of health has adopted a seventh emergency rule to continue to designate COVID-19 as a notifiable condition and establishes reporting requirements for health care providers, health care facilities, laboratories, local health jurisdictions, and the department of agriculture (WSDA) to report certain data with COVID-19 test results, including relevant demographic details (e.g., patient's age, race, ethnicity, sex), and testing information. The rule allows for certain waivers by a local health officer. The rule establishes what testing and demographic data need to be reported as well as the timing and mechanism of reporting in accordance with P.L. 116-136, § 18115(a), the Coronavirus Aid, Relief, and Economic Security (CARES) Act.

Citation of Rules Affected by this Order: New WAC 246-101-017.

Statutory Authority for Adoption: RCW 43.20.050 (2)(f).

Under RCW 34.05.350 the agency for good cause finds that immediate adoption, amendment, or repeal of a rule is necessary for the preservation of the public health, safety, or general welfare, and that observing the time requirements of notice and opportunity to comment upon adoption of a permanent rule would be contrary to the public interest; and that state or federal law or federal rule or a federal deadline for state receipt of federal funds requires immediate adoption of a rule.

Reasons for this Finding: The immediate adoption of a rule to designate COVID-19 as a notifiable condition, and require the reporting of demographic, testing, and other relevant data by health care providers, health care facilities, laboratories, local health jurisdictions, and WSDA for each COVID-19 test is necessary to comply with federal law and related guidance. Immediate adoption of this rule is necessary for the preservation of the public health, safety, and general welfare of the state of Washington during the global COVID-19 pandemic.

The CARES Act requires "every laboratory that performs or analyzes a test that is intended to detect SARS-CoV-2 or to diagnose a possible case of COVID-19" to report the results from each such test to the secretary of the United States Department of Health and Human Services (HHS). The act authorizes the HHS secretary to prescribe the form, manner, timing, and frequency of such reporting. The HHS secretary released laboratory data reporting guidance for COVID-19 on June 4, 2020, and later updated the guidance on January 8, 2021, and March 8, 2022. The guidance requires all COVID-19 test results and accompanying data be reported through existing state, territorial, local, and tribal public health data reporting methods. Of these requirements, any person or entity ordering a test, registering an individual to be tested, collecting a specimen, or performing a test should make every reasonable effort to collect complete demographic data of the patient (e.g., ethnicity, race, age, sex). Updated guidance specifies which test results must be reported by entities based on entity and test type, and refines the list of reportable data components that must accompany test results.

In September 2020, the Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services (CMS) published an interim final rule in F.R. 54826, Volume 85, Number 171, to update requirements for reporting SARS-CoV-2 test results by laboratories. The interim final rule states all laboratories conducting SARS-CoV-2 testing and reporting patient-specific results, including hospital laboratories, nursing homes, and other facilities conducting testing for COVID-19, who fail to report information required under the CARES Act will be subject to monetary penalties. The interim final rules became effective September 2, 2020.

Adoption of a seventh emergency rule ensures continued compliance with the CARES Act, including updated HHS guidance, CMS requirements, and to improve the public health response to COVID-19. The board intends to incorporate these provisions into permanent rule, and filed a CR-101 on July 20, 2021, as WSR 21-15-105.

Number of Sections Adopted in Order to Comply with Federal Statute: New 1, Amended 0, Repealed 0; Federal Rules or Standards: New 1, Amended 0, Repealed 0; or Recently Enacted State Statutes: New 0, Amended 0, Repealed 0.

Number of Sections Adopted at the Request of a Nongovernmental Entity: New 1, Amended 0, Repealed 0.

Number of Sections Adopted on the Agency's own Initiative: New 1, Amended 0, Repealed 0.

Number of Sections Adopted in Order to Clarify, Streamline, or Reform Agency Procedures: New 0, Amended 0, Repealed 0.

Number of Sections Adopted using Negotiated Rule Making: New 0, Amended 0, Repealed 0; Pilot Rule Making: New 0, Amended 0, Repealed 0; or Other Alternative Rule Making: New 1, Amended 0, Repealed 0.

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NEW SECTION

WAC 246-101-017 Novel coronavirus (SARS-CoV-2), coronavirus disease 2019 (COVID-19) reporting. (1) Designating coronavirus disease 2019 (COVID-19), and the novel coronavirus (SARS-CoV-2) that causes it, as a notifiable condition, and requiring the reporting of race and ethnicity and other essential data by health care providers, health care facilities, laboratories, and local health departments related to cases of COVID-19 are necessary to ensure that public health agencies receive complete notice of COVID-19 cases and to address racial and ethnic inequities in morbidity and mortality among individuals with the disease. This rule is also necessary to align with the federal Coronavirus Aid, Relief, and Economic Security (CARES) Act and the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services laboratory data reporting requirements for COVID-19 testing, which require reporting of COVID-19 data to the appropriate state or local health department and the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services, and further, that any person or entity ordering a diagnostic or serologic test, collecting a specimen, or performing a test should make every reasonable effort to col-

lect complete demographic information and include such data when ordering a laboratory test to enable the entities performing the test to report these data to state, territorial, local, and tribal public health departments. During this global pandemic, immediate adoption of a rule requiring notice of novel coronavirus (SARS-CoV-2) as a notifiable condition and reporting of race, ethnicity, and other essential data is necessary for the preservation of public health, safety, and general welfare.

(2) For the purpose of this section:

(a) "Animal case" means an animal, alive or dead, with a diagnosis of novel coronavirus (SARS-CoV-2) made by a veterinarian licensed under chapter 18.92 RCW, veterinary medical facility licensed under chapter 18.92 RCW, or veterinary laboratory as defined under chapter 16.70 RCW based on clinical criteria, or laboratory criteria, or both.

(b) "Antigen test" means an immunoassay test that detects the presence or absence of SARS-CoV-2 protein to indicate current SARS-CoV-2 infection.

(c) "Business day" means any day that the department is open for business.

(d) "Health care facility" means:

(i) Any assisted living facility licensed under chapter 18.20 RCW; birthing center licensed under chapter 18.46 RCW; nursing home licensed under chapter 18.51 RCW; hospital licensed under chapter 70.41 RCW; adult family home licensed under chapter 70.128 RCW; ambulatory surgical facility licensed under chapter 70.230 RCW; private establishment licensed under chapter 71.12 RCW; or enhanced service facility licensed under chapter 70.97 RCW; and

(ii) Clinics or other settings where one or more health care providers practice.

(e) "Immediately" means without delay, twenty-four hours a day, seven days a week.

(f) "Nucleic acid amplification test" or "NAAT" means a viral diagnostic test including reverse transcription polymerase chain reaction (RT-PCR), transcription mediated amplification (TMA), loop-mediated isothermal amplification (LAMP), strand displacement amplifications (SDA), and other NAATs authorized for emergency use by the U.S. Food and Drug Administration for the detection for SARS-CoV-2.

(g) "Reference laboratory" means a laboratory licensed inside or outside of Washington state that receives a specimen from another licensed laboratory and performs one or more tests on that specimen.

(h) "Secure electronic data transmission" means electronic communication and accounts developed and maintained to prevent unauthorized access, loss, or compromise of sensitive information including, but not limited to, secure file transfer, secure facsimile, a health information exchange authorized under RCW 41.05.039, and the secure electronic disease surveillance system.

(i) "Secure electronic disease surveillance system" means the secure electronic data transmission system maintained by the department and used by local health departments to submit notifications, investigation reports, and outbreak reports under this chapter.

(j) "Waived test" has the same meaning as WAC 246-338-010

(45) (b).

(k) Patient's ethnicity shall be identified by the patient and reported using one of the following categories:

(i) Hispanic or Latino;

(ii) Non-Hispanic or Latino;

(iii) Unknown; or

(iv) Asked, but unknown.

(1) Patient's race shall be identified by the patient and reported using one or more of the following categories:

(i) American Indian or Alaska Native;

(ii) Asian;

(iii) Black or African American;

(iv) Native Hawaiian or Other Pacific Islander;

(v) White;

(vi) Unknown; or

(vii) Asked, but unknown.

(3) Unless a health care facility has assumed the notification duties of the principal health care provider under subsection (7) of this section, or a laboratory director in a health care facility where laboratory point-of-care testing occurs under a certificate of waiver as described in WAC 246-338-020 has fulfilled the laboratory notification requirements as described in subsection (9) of this section, the principal health care provider shall submit individual case reports of novel coronavirus (SARS-CoV-2) to the local health department via secure electronic data transmission using a file format or template specified by the department:

(a) Within 24 hours of receiving a laboratory confirmed positive test result; and

(b) Following the requirements of this section, WAC 246-101-105, and WAC 246-101-120; excluding the requirements in WAC 246-101-105(10).

(4) The local health officer may waive or partially waive subsection (3) or (5) of this section, or both if the local health officer determines individual case reports of novel coronavirus (SARS-CoV-2) submitted by health care providers or health care facilities are not needed and are not promoting public health for any reason including, but not limited to, the local health department being unable to process the volume of case reports. The local health officer shall notify health care providers and health care facilities upon their determination.

(5) A health care facility shall submit individual case reports of novel coronavirus (SARS-CoV-2) to the local health department via secure electronic data transmission using a file format or template specified by the department:

(a) Within 24 hours of receiving a laboratory confirmed positive test result; and

(b) Following the requirements of this section, WAC 246-101-305, and WAC 246-101-320; excluding the requirement in WAC 246-101-305(4).

(6) Health care providers and health care facilities shall provide the local health department with the information identified in Column A of Table 1 in this section for individual case reports concerning novel coronavirus (SARS-CoV-2).

(7) A health care facility may assume the notification requirements established in this section for a health care provider practicing within the health care facility.

(8) A health care facility shall not assume the notification requirements established in this section for a laboratory that is a component of the health care facility.

(9) A principal health care provider is not required to submit individual case reports of novel coronavirus (SARS-CoV-2) to the local health department when the provider practices in a health care facility where laboratory point-of-care testing occurs under a certificate of waiver as described in WAC 246-338-020 and the laboratory director

has fulfilled the laboratory notification requirements under subsections (12), (13), and (14) of this section.

(10) Health care providers and health care facilities shall provide the laboratory with the information identified in Column A of Table 1 in this section for each test ordered for novel coronavirus (SARS-CoV-2).

(11) For specimens associated with novel coronavirus (SARS-CoV-2) sent to a laboratory outside of Washington state, health care providers, health care facilities, and laboratories shall provide the out-of-state laboratory with a copy of chapter 246-101 WAC if they arrange for the out-of-state laboratory to report the test results consistent with WAC 246-101-105 (5)(a), 246-101-205 (1)(f)(i), or 246-101-305 (1)(e)(i) to the local health department as required under this subsection.

(12) For laboratories licensed to conduct moderate or high complexity testing, the laboratory director shall submit individual laboratory reports of positive, negative, and inconclusive test results from all NAAT and antigen tests performed for novel coronavirus (SARS-CoV-2) to the local health department:

(a) Via secure electronic data transmission using a file format or template specified by the department;

(b) Within 24 hours of results being known or determined; and

(c) Following the requirements of this section, WAC 246-101-205, and WAC 246-101-230; excluding the requirements in WAC 246-101-205(3).

(13) For laboratories licensed to conduct waived tests under a certificate of waiver, a laboratory director shall submit individual laboratory reports of positive test results from all waived tests, excluding antibody testing, for novel coronavirus (SARS-CoV-2) to the local health department:

(a) Via secure electronic data transmission using a file format or template specified by the department;

(b) Within 24 hours of results being known or determined; and

(c) Following the requirements of this section, WAC 246-101-205, and 246-101-230; excluding the requirements in WAC 246-101-205(3).

(14) A laboratory director shall provide the information identified in Column B of Table 1 in this section to the local health department with each novel coronavirus (SARS-CoV-2) laboratory report.

(15) A laboratory director, upon request by the local health department or the department, shall submit novel coronavirus (SARS-CoV-2) presumptive positive isolates or, if no isolate is available, the specimen associated with the presumptive positive result to the Washington state public health laboratories within two business days of request. Specimens shall be sent to:

Washington State Public Health Laboratories
Washington State Department of Health
1610 N.E. 150th Street
Shoreline, WA 98155

(16) If the local health department or the department requests a specimen under subsection (15) of this section, a laboratory director shall provide the Washington state public health laboratories with the information identified in Column C of Table 1 in this section with each specimen submitted.

(17) When referring a specimen to another laboratory for a test for novel coronavirus (SARS-CoV-2), a laboratory director shall provide the reference laboratory with the information identified in Column D of Table 1 in this section for each test referral.

(18) The department of agriculture shall submit individual case reports for each animal case of novel coronavirus (SARS-CoV-2) to the department via secure electronic data transmission using a file format or template specified by the department within twenty-four hours of being notified of the animal case.

(19) The department of agriculture shall call the department and confirm receipt immediately after submitting a case report for each animal case of novel coronavirus (SARS-CoV-2).

(20) When the department of agriculture submits information under subsection (18) of this section, the department shall:

(a) Consult with the department of agriculture on all animal cases; and

(b) Notify the local health department of animal cases submitted to the department.

(21) A local health department shall, using a secure electronic disease surveillance system:

(a) Notify the department within one business day upon receiving a case, laboratory, or animal case report of positive test results, excluding antibody testing, for novel coronavirus (SARS-CoV-2); and

(b) Notify the department within five business days upon receiving a laboratory report of negative or inconclusive test results for novel coronavirus (SARS-CoV-2); and

(c) Submit individual investigation reports of novel coronavirus (SARS-CoV-2) to the department within one business day upon completing the case investigation.

(22) Notifications required under subsection (21)(a) and (b) of this section must include the information identified in Column E of Table 1 in this section.

(23) Investigation reports required under subsection (21)(c) of this section must include the information identified in Column F of Table 1 in this section.

(24) A local health department shall, within one business day, reassign cases to the department upon determining the patient who is the subject of the case:

(a) Is a resident of another local health department; or

(b) Resides outside Washington state.

(25) A local health department, upon consultation with the department, may forward novel coronavirus (SARS-CoV-2) individual laboratory or case reports submitted by laboratories, health care providers, and health care facilities to the department for data entry and processing.

(26) The local health officer or the state health officer may request additional information of epidemiological or public health value when conducting a case investigation or otherwise for prevention and control of a specific notifiable condition.

(27) Health care providers, health care facilities, laboratories, and the department of agriculture may provide, via secure electronic data transmission using a file format or template specified by the department, additional health information, demographic information, or infectious or noninfectious condition information than is required under this section to the department, local health department, or both when it determines that the additional information will aid the public health authority in protecting the public's health and preventing the spread of novel coronavirus (SARS-CoV-2).

Table 1

Required Reporting for Health Care Providers, Health Care Facilities, Laboratories, and Local Health Departments

	Column A: Health care providers and health care facilities shall provide the following information to the local health department with each case report, and to the laboratory with each test ordered:	Column B: Laboratory directors shall provide the local health department with the following information with each laboratory report:	Column C: Laboratory directors shall provide the department with the following information with each specimen submitted:	Column D: Laboratory directors shall provide the following information when referring a specimen to another laboratory:	Column E: Local health department notifications to the department must include:	Column F: Local health department investigation reports to the department must include:
Patient's name (last name, first name, middle initial)	X	X	X	X	X	X
Patient's street address, including residence zip code and county	X	X	X	X	X	X
Patient's telephone number with area code	X	X	X	X	X	X
Patient's age and date of birth	X	X	X	X	X	X
Patient's ethnicity, using the categories described in subsection (2)(k) of this section	X	X	X	X	X	X
Patient's race, using the categories described in subsection (2)(l) of this section	X	X	X	X	X	X
Patient's sex	X	X	X	X	X	X
Test ordered, performed, and resulted, using appropriate LOINC codes as defined by the Laboratory in Vitro Diagnostics (LIVD) Test Code Mapping for SARS-CoV-2 tests provided by the CDC		X	X	X	X*	X*
Test result (values) using appropriate SNOMED-CT codes as defined by the LIVD Test Code Mapping for SARS-CoV-2 tests provided by the CDC		X	X	X	X*	X*

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Test result date (date format)		X	X		X*	X*
Device identifier		X	X		X*	X*
Accession number or specimen ID		X	X		X*	X*
Date of specimen collection (date format)	X	X	X	X	X	X
Specimen source, using appropriate SNOMED-CT, SPM4 codes, or equivalently detailed alternative codes		X	X	X	X*	X*
Ordering organization or health care provider's name	X	X	X	X	X	X
Ordering organization or health care provider's National Provider Identifier (as applicable) and affiliated organization (specific facility)	X	X	X	X	X	X
Ordering organization or health care provider's telephone number	X	X	X	X	X	X
Ordering organization or health care provider's address including zip code	X	X	X	X	X	X
Performing laboratory or facility name and CLIA number		X	X		X*	X*
Performing laboratory or facility address including zip code		X	X		X*	X*
Performing laboratory or facility phone number		X	X		X*	X*

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Reporting entity name and CLIA number (or appropriate ID)		X	X	X	X*	X*
Reporting entity address including zip code		X	X	X	X*	X*
Reporting entity phone number		X	X	X	X*	X*
Name and telephone number of the person providing the report	X					
Patient's notifiable condition	X				X	X
Patient's diagnosis of disease or condition	X					
Date specimen received by reporting laboratory		X	X		X*	X*
Type of specimen tested	X	X	X	X	X*	X*
Pertinent laboratory data	X					
Initial notification source					X	X
Date local health department was notified						X
Condition symptom onset date (preferred), or alternatively, diagnosis date						X
Hospitalization status of the patient						X
Whether the patient died during this illness						X
Source or suspected source						X

* Local health departments are not required to submit this information if the notification came from a health care provider or health care facility. All other information indicated in Columns E and F is still required in these instances.

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