

WSR 21-16-080

PERMANENT RULES

DEPARTMENT OF LICENSING

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Effective Date of Rule: September 1, 2021.

Purpose: The purpose of this fee increase is to raise fees at a level necessary to defray the costs of administering the real estate program. We anticipate this will be difficult for some individuals and businesses within the real estate industry, however, it is necessary to ensure the department is able to effectively administer the program. The department has raised most of the fees listed in WAC 308-124A-775 and all fees listed in WAC 308-124H-990.

Citation of Rules Affected by this Order: Amending WAC 308-124A-775 Real estate fees and 308-124H-990 Real estate course, school, and instructor approval fees.

Statutory Authority for Adoption: RCW 43.24.086 Fee policy for professions, occupations, and businesses—Determination by rule.

Adopted under notice filed as WSR 21-13-147 on June 22, 2021.

Number of Sections Adopted in Order to Comply with Federal Statute: New 0, Amended 0, Repealed 0; Federal Rules or Standards: New 0, Amended 0, Repealed 0; or Recently Enacted State Statutes: New 0, Amended 0, Repealed 0.

Number of Sections Adopted at the Request of a Nongovernmental Entity: New 0, Amended 0, Repealed 0.

Number of Sections Adopted on the Agency's own Initiative: New 0, Amended 2, Repealed 0.

Number of Sections Adopted in Order to Clarify, Streamline, or Reform Agency Procedures: New 0, Amended 0, Repealed 0.

Number of Sections Adopted using Negotiated Rule Making: New 0, Amended 2, Repealed 0; Pilot Rule Making: New 0, Amended 0, Repealed 0; or Other Alternative Rule Making: New 0, Amended 0, Repealed 0.

Date Adopted: August 2, 2021.

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OTS-2536.3

AMENDATORY SECTION (Amending WSR 16-05-064, filed 2/12/16, effective 3/14/16)

**WAC 308-124A-775 Real estate fees.** These fees are applicable to all original licenses, examination services, and fee generating services issued or performed on or after ((July 1, 2010)) September 1, 2021, and all renewals for existing licenses with expiration date on or after ((July 1, 2010)) September 1, 2021. The fees for an original license and renewal include a ten dollar fee which is assessed for the real estate research center for the real estate broker and the real estate managing broker licenses. The following fees shall be charged by the department of licensing:

Title of Fee	Fee
Real estate broker:	

Title of Fee	Fee
Application/examination	\$((138.25)) <u>210.00</u>
Reexamination	((138.25)) <u>210.00</u>
Original license	((146.25)) <u>223.00</u>
License renewal	((146.25)) <u>223.00</u>
Late renewal with penalty	((172.75)) <u>263.00</u>
<del>((Duplicate))</del> <u>License print fee</u>	((26.50)) <u>5.00</u>
Certification	((26.50)) <u>40.00</u>
Name or address change, transfer or license activation	0.00
Real estate managing broker:	
Application/examination	\$((138.25)) <u>210.00</u>
Reexamination	((138.25)) <u>210.00</u>
Original license	((210.00)) <u>320.00</u>
License renewal	((210.00)) <u>320.00</u>
Late renewal with penalty	((236.50)) <u>360.00</u>
<del>((Duplicate))</del> <u>License print fee</u>	((26.50)) <u>5.00</u>
Certification	((26.50)) <u>40.00</u>
Name or address change, transfer or license activation	0.00
Real estate firm and assumed name license:	
Original license	\$((200.00)) <u>304.00</u>
License renewal	((200.00)) <u>304.00</u>
Late renewal with penalty	((226.50)) <u>345.00</u>
Name or address change	0.00
<del>((Duplicate))</del> <u>License print fee</u>	((26.50)) <u>5.00</u>
Certification	((26.50)) <u>40.00</u>
Real estate branch:	
Original license	\$((189.50)) <u>288.00</u>
License renewal	((189.50)) <u>288.00</u>
Late renewal with penalty	((216.50)) <u>329.00</u>
Certification	((26.50)) <u>40.00</u>

Title of Fee	Fee
<del>((Duplicate))</del> <u>License print fee</u>	<del>((26.50))</del> <u>5.00</u>
Name or address change, transfer or license activation	0.00
Fingerprint processing	per vendor schedule
Subsequent fingerprint processing	per vendor schedule
Fingerprints rejected by the department, Washington state patrol or FBI may necessitate subsequent fingerprint processing fees.	
Fingerprint rolling fee per vendor schedule.	

[Statutory Authority: RCW 18.85.171 and 18.85.041. WSR 16-05-064, § 308-124A-775, filed 2/12/16, effective 3/14/16. Statutory Authority: RCW 18.85.061 and 18.85.451. WSR 10-15-055, § 308-124A-775, filed 7/15/10, effective 8/15/10. Statutory Authority: RCW 18.85.040 and 18.85.041. WSR 10-06-078, § 308-124A-775, filed 3/1/10, effective 7/1/10.]

#### OTS-3118.1

AMENDATORY SECTION (Amending WSR 14-16-054, filed 7/29/14, effective 8/29/14)

**WAC 308-124H-990 Real estate course, school, and instructor approval fees.** (1) The following fees shall be charged for applications for approval of real estate courses, schools, and instructors. An application fee shall accompany each application. Approval for schools and instructors, if granted, shall be two years from the date of approval. Approval for courses, except for the core course, if granted, shall be four years from the date of approval. Applications submitted and disapproved may be resubmitted at no additional fee.

(2) Application for course content approval - A fee of ~~((five dollars))~~ seven dollars and sixty cents per clock hour credit being offered, with a minimum fee of ~~((fifty))~~ seventy-six dollars per core course. A fee of ~~((ten dollars))~~ fifteen dollars and twenty cents per clock hour credit being offered, with a minimum of one hundred fifty-two dollars per course other than the core course. Except, the application fee for approval of the sixty clock hour course in real estate fundamentals shall be ~~((three hundred))~~ four hundred fifty-six dollars.

(3) Application for school approval - A fee of ~~((two hundred fifty))~~ three hundred eighty dollars.

(4) Application for instructor approvals:

(a) Approval to teach a specific course on one occasion - A fee of ~~((fifty))~~ seventy-six dollars;

(b) Approval to teach as many subject areas as requested at time of initial application - A fee of ~~((seventy five))~~ one hundred four-teen dollars. Approval shall be for two years from the approval date;

(c) Approval to teach additional subject area(s) not requested at time of initial application or renewal - A fee of (~~twenty-five~~) thirty-eight dollars for each application to teach additional subject area(s). Approval, if granted, shall be for remainder of two year approval period. Applications submitted under (a), (b) and (c) of this section and disapproved may be resubmitted at no additional fee.

[Statutory Authority: RCW 18.85.041. WSR 14-16-054, § 308-124H-990, filed 7/29/14, effective 8/29/14. Statutory Authority: RCW 18.85.040 and 18.85.041. WSR 10-06-078, § 308-124H-990, filed 3/1/10, effective 7/1/10.]