

WSR 26-05-042

EMERGENCY RULES

DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION

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Effective Date of Rule: February 17, 2026.

Purpose: This emergency rule extends the emergency rule filed under WSR 25-21-075 on October 14, 2025, which went into effect on October 20, 2025. This emergency rule uses the same text, striking one sentence each from WAC 468-305-100 and 468-305-300 to make the rule language accurate. The Washington state department of transportation (WSDOT) has adopted a permanent rule with the same text as in this emergency rule and the WSR 25-21-075 emergency rule. The permanent rule was filed under WSR 26-05-033 on February 11, 2026, and takes effect on March 14, 2026. This emergency rule is intended to remain in place only until the permanent rule takes effect.

Citation of Rules Affected by this Order: Amending WAC 468-305-100 and 468-305-300.

Statutory Authority for Adoption: RCW 46.63.160(5), 47.01.101(5), 47.56.030(1), and 47.56.795.

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 State Route 167 high occupancy toll lanes have been converted to express toll lanes (ETLs). The ETLs include photo tolling and therefore Pay By Mail and Pay By Plate toll payment capabilities. The existing WAC, which took effect on July 1, 2021, state that these toll payment options are not available. This is no longer accurate as of October 20, 2025, when the photo tolling system went live. This emergency rule provides a temporary update to reflect the new photo toll capability until WSDOT's permanent rule goes into effect.

Number of Sections Adopted in Order to Comply with Federal Statute: New 0, Amended 0, Repealed 0; Federal Rules or Standards: New 0, Amended 0, Repealed 0; or Recently Enacted State Statutes: New 0, Amended 0, Repealed 0.

Number of Sections Adopted at the Request of a Nongovernmental Entity: New 0, Amended 0, Repealed 0.

Number of Sections Adopted on the Agency's own Initiative: New 0, Amended 2, Repealed 0.

Number of Sections Adopted in Order to Clarify, Streamline, or Reform Agency Procedures: New 0, Amended 0, Repealed 0.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 0, Repealed 0; Pilot Rule Making: New 0, Amended 0, Repealed 0; or Other Alternative Rule Making: New 0, Amended 0, Repealed 0.

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AMENDATORY SECTION (Amending WSR 19-20-102, 20-01-144, 20-07-042, 20-10-058, 20-13-092, 20-17-062, 20-21-022, 21-04-129, 21-07-121 and 21-11-042, filed 10/1/19, 12/17/19, 3/10/20, 4/30/20, 6/16/20, 8/12/20, 10/9/20, 2/2/21, 3/23/21 and 5/13/21, effective 7/1/21)

**WAC 468-305-100 What toll payment methods are available on WSDOT toll facilities?** The following toll payment methods are available on WSDOT toll facilities:

(1) **Good To Go!™ account:** This tolling option allows customers to open an account linked to their vehicles that gets charged when toll facilities are used. There are several payment methods available for accounts (as described in WAC 468-305-105).

(2) **Pay By Mail:** This tolling option allows the user to be billed by mail for toll transactions. Tolls paid using this tolling option are charged the Pay By Mail toll rate. (~~This payment method is not yet available on the SR 167 HOT lanes.~~)

(3) **Manual payment:** This tolling option is available only on the Tacoma Narrows Bridge. It requires payment at a tollbooth using cash, credit card, or a debit card that can be processed as a credit card (does not require a PIN). This option requires the vehicle to stop at the tollbooth facility to pay. Tolls paid using this tolling option are charged the cash toll rate.

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**WAC 468-305-300 How can I open a Good To Go!™ toll account?** (1) A customer can open a *Good To Go!™* account online, in person, or over the phone. One or more vehicles can be connected or associated with an account. The *Good To Go!™* terms and conditions contains a full explanation of the *Good To Go!™* toll collection program.

(2) With a *Good To Go!™* account, a customer can select from the following payment options:

(a) **Pay As You Go.** This account option allows the customer to be automatically charged at regular intervals after toll facilities are used. This option requires a valid debit or credit card to open.

(b) **Prepaid.** This account option allows the customer to prepay an amount to their account which will be charged as toll facilities are used. This option does not require a valid debit or credit card but requires a minimum prepaid amount to open. A valid debit or credit card or automated clearinghouse (ACH) can be used to automatically add funds to the account when the balance reaches a customer set minimum. Alternatively, a prepaid account can be replenished manually in person, online, or by phone.

(c) **Unregistered account.** This option allows a customer to open an account without any personal or vehicle information. The customer must use a *Good To Go!™* Pass to be identified. Unregistered accounts must manually replenish and cannot use Auto Pay features.

(d) **Invoiced.** This account option is for restricted cases such as government agencies and other limited circumstances.

(e) **Rental vehicle.** This account option is for rental vehicle companies. Rental agencies can use these accounts to transfer liability-

ty to their customers within thirty days of billing, consistent with RCW 46.63.160(10).

(f) **Nonrevenue.** This account option is for entities such as public and private transit, law enforcement, fire departments, and other emergency vehicles that are exempt from tolls according to enacted law. It is the account owner's responsibility to maintain a registry with WSDOT of current fleet vehicles for exemption.

(3) With a *Good To Go!*<sup>TM</sup> account, a customer can select from the following options for vehicle identification:

(a) **Good To Go!**<sup>TM</sup> **Pass.** This vehicle identification option requires a *Good To Go!*<sup>TM</sup> Pass that is installed in a vehicle and is readable by the toll facility's electronic toll system. This vehicle identification method is the lowest cost option for the customer and WSDOT.

(b) **Pay By Plate.** This vehicle identification option allows a vehicle to be identified by its license plate registration through the photo toll system. A Pay By Plate fee is added to each toll. (~~This option is not available on facilities without photo tolling such as the SR 167 HOT lanes.~~) Each license plate can only be associated with one account, although one account can have multiple license plates or vehicles.