



STATE OF WASHINGTON  
DEPARTMENT OF LICENSING  
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**Washington Administrative Code  
Notice of Permanent Rules for  
Hearings Unit, Financial Responsibility**

**Adoption of:** Amend: WAC 308-102-004 (Presiding officer); WAC 308-102-006 (Correspondence address); WAC 308-102-008 (Property damage threshold); WAC 308-102-010 (Order fixing amount of security); WAC 308-102-011 (Amount of security—How determined); WAC 308-102-020 (Notice of intent to suspend); WAC 308-102-085 (Agreements for payment of damages—Effect on administrative proceedings); WAC 308-102-100 (Request for informal settlement—Effect, timeliness); WAC 308-102-140 (Informal settlement—Interview); WAC 308-102-190 (Informal settlement — Interview — Decision); WAC 308-102-200 (Request for adjudicative proceeding — Formal hearing); WAC 308-102-250 (Issues to be determined—Formal hearing); WAC 308-102-255 (Determination of possibility of judgment); WAC 308-102-260 (Presiding officer—Duties); WAC 308-102-265 (Formal hearing—Failure to appear); and, WAC 308-102-290 (Formal hearings—Findings, conclusions and decisions).

**Effective date:** These rule changes will become effective 31 days after filing or on April 13, 2023.

**What are the agency's reasons for adopting this rule?**

The Department sought to update procedures, guidelines, and language of the financial responsibility judgment hearings to align with the intent of 46.29 RCW. The purpose of these WAC amendments is to update and clarify the process of Financial Responsibility hearings, specifically to bring the rules into compliance with the governing authority set forth in the RCWs, clarify portions of the WAC that are harder to read, and bring the WACs more in line with inclusive language.

**Summary of all public comments received on this rule proposal and the agency's response to those comments:**

The Department did not receive any public comments for this proposed rulemaking.

**Changes made to the proposed WAC as a result of public comment:**

No changes were made as a result of public comment.

**Closing:**

The Department would like to thank the people of Washington for collaborating with us throughout this process. If you still have questions related to the rulemaking you can email [rulescoordinator@dol.wa.gov](mailto:rulescoordinator@dol.wa.gov) or call 360-902-3846.

Sincerely,

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