



RULE-MAKING ORDER

CR-103P (May 2009)
(Implements RCW 34.05.360)

Agency: Department of Labor and Industries

Permanent Rule Only

Effective date of rule:

Permanent Rules

- 31 days after filing.
- Other (specify) September 1, 2012 (If less than 31 days after filing, a specific finding under RCW 34.05.380(3) is required and should be stated below)

Any other findings required by other provisions of law as precondition to adoption or effectiveness of rule?

- Yes
 - No
- If Yes, explain:

Purpose:

In January of 2011, the Division of Occupational Safety and Health (DOSH) received a letter from the Federal Occupational Safety and Health Administration (OSHA). The letter advised the department that we needed to amend our electrical rules in Chapter 296-24 WAC and Chapter 296-800 WAC in order for them to be as effective as those administered by OSHA. Consequently, the department amended our rules to match those adopted by OSHA, as required by the Washington State Plan. To make the addition of OSHA's requirements easier, the department renumbered the electrical section of Chapter 296-24 WAC.

Citation of existing rules affected by this order: See attachment 1.

Repealed:
Amended:
Suspended:

Statutory authority for adoption: RCW 49.17.010, 49.17.040, 49.17.050, 49.17.060.

Other authority : RCW 49.17

PERMANENT RULE (Including Expedited Rule Making)

Adopted under notice filed as WSR 12-10-063 on May 1, 2012.
Describe any changes other than editing from proposed to adopted version:

If a preliminary cost-benefit analysis was prepared under RCW 34.05.328, a final cost-benefit analysis is available by contacting: N/A

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Date adopted:

July 31, 2012

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Director

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**Note: If any category is left blank, it will be calculated as zero.
No descriptive text.**

**Count by whole WAC sections only, from the WAC number through the history note.
A section may be counted in more than one category.**

The number of sections adopted in order to comply with:

Federal statute:	New	_____	Amended	_____	Repealed	_____
Federal rules or standards:	New	<u>11</u>	Amended	<u>11</u>	Repealed	<u>11</u>
Recently enacted state statutes:	New	_____	Amended	_____	Repealed	_____

The number of sections adopted at the request of a nongovernmental entity:

New	_____	Amended	_____	Repealed	_____
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The number of sections adopted in the agency's own initiative:

New	_____	Amended	_____	Repealed	_____
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The number of sections adopted in order to clarify, streamline, or reform agency procedures:

New	<u>11</u>	Amended	<u>11</u>	Repealed	<u>11</u>
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The number of sections adopted using:

Negotiated rule making:	New	_____	Amended	_____	Repealed	_____
Pilot rule making:	New	_____	Amended	_____	Repealed	_____
Other alternative rule making:	New	<u>11</u>	Amended	<u>11</u>	Repealed	<u>11</u>

Citation of existing rules affected by this order:

AMENDED SECTIONS:

- WAC 296-800-280 Basic electrical rules
- WAC 296-800-28005 Inspect all electrical equipment your employees use to make sure the equipment is safe
- WAC 296-800-28010 Make sure all electrical equipment is used for its approved or listed purpose
- WAC 296-800-28015 Make sure electrical equipment used or located in wet or damp locations is designed for such use
- WAC 296-800-28020 Make sure electrical equipment that is not marked is not used
- WAC 296-800-28022 Identify disconnecting means
- WAC 296-800-28025 Maintain electrical fittings, boxes, cabinets and outlets in good condition
- WAC 296-800-28030 Maintain all flexible cords and cables in good condition and use safely
- WAC 296-800-28035 Guard electrical equipment to prevent your employees from electrical hazards
- WAC 296-800-28040 Make sure electrical equipment is effectively grounded
- WAC 296-800-28045 Make sure electrical equipment has overcurrent protection

NEW SECTIONS:

- WAC 296-24-957 Electrical
- WAC 296-24-95701 Electric utilization systems
- WAC 296-24-95703 General requirements
- WAC 296-24-95705 Wiring design and protection
- WAC 296-24-95707 Wiring methods, components, and equipment for general use
- WAC 296-24-95709 Specific purpose equipment and installations
- WAC 296-24-95711 Hazardous (classified) locations
- WAC 296-24-95713 Special systems
- WAC 296-24-95799 Appendices
- WAC 296-24-990 Definitions
- WAC 296-800-28027 Working space around electrical equipment

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Department of Labor and Industries
Division of Occupational Safety and Health
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Attachment 1
(Citation of Rules)

REPEALED SECTIONS:

- WAC 296-24-956 Electrical
- WAC 296-24-95601 Definitions applicable to WAC 296-24-956 through 296-24-985
- WAC 296-24-95603 Electrical utilization systems
- WAC 296-24-95605 General requirements
- WAC 296-24-95607 Wiring design and protection
- WAC 296-24-95609 Wiring methods, components, and equipment for general use
- WAC 296-24-95611 Specific purpose equipment and installations
- WAC 296-24-95613 Hazardous (classified) locations
- WAC 296-24-95615 Special systems
- WAC 296-24-95617 Reserved
- WAC 296-24-95699 Appendices