



The Employment Security Department (ESD) prepares a semi-annual rulemaking agenda in January and July each year to inform the public of expected upcoming rule changes. Pursuant to RCW 34.05.314, the agenda is published in the Washington State Register.

ESD encourages the public to be involved in the rulemaking processes by attending public hearings and submitting comments on rules. To stay informed of our progress and be notified of any changes, please sign up for email notifications: <https://public.govdelivery.com/accounts/WAESD/subscriber/new>. Additional rulemaking information is available on the agency website at <https://esd.wa.gov/newsroom/rulemaking>.

Subject Matter or Division	WAC Chapter or Sections	Purpose and scope of rulemaking	Pre-Proposal Notice Filings (CR101)	Proposed Rule and Public Hearing Filings (CR102 or CR105 expedited)	Permanent Rule Filing (CR103)
Unemployment Insurance Benefits	WAC 192-310-010, 192-310-030, and 192-310-050	Requiring employers to include the Standard Occupational Classification (SOC) code or job title of each worker in their quarterly tax reports (SHB 2308 – 2020).	Filed May 12, 2021 in WSR 21-11-031	CR 102 expected August 2022	Will be completed prior to October 1, 2022.
Unemployment Insurance Benefits	WAC 192-240-025	Updates unemployment insurance qualifications for health care workers (ESSB 5190 – 2021).	Filed May 13, 2021 in WSR 21-11-052	Filed June 28, 2022 in WSR 22-14-049	Expected August 2022
Unemployment Insurance Benefits	To be determined	Updates work search requirements with new flexibility provided to the Department in SHB 1493 (2021).	Filed May 28, 2021 in WSR 21-12-067	To be determined	To be determined
Unemployment Insurance Benefits	WAC 192-110-095, 192-320-078, 192-320-082, 192-140-098, 192-150-055, 192-180-005, 192-	Reviewing phase 1, phase 3, and phase 4 emergency rules adopted as part of the state’s	Filed June 10, 2020 in 20-13-041; March 10, 2021 in	Filed December 20, 2021 in WSR 22-01-191, 22-01-204, and 22-01-192	Filed June 2, 2022 in WSR 22-13-007, WSR 22-13-008, and WSR 22-13-009

	180-025, 192-180-040, 192-270-065, 192-250-020, 192-250-045192-110-015, 192-310-030, 192-140-090, 192-04-210, 192-110-050, 192-320-072, 192-240-070, and192-110-006	COVID-19 pandemic response for permanent adoption.	21-07-035; Dec in 22-01-192		
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Unemployment Insurance Benefits	WAC 192-150-112	Aligns WAC 192-150-112 with new definitions of domestic violence contained in E2SHB 1320 (2021).		CR 105 filed Nov 3, 2021, in WSR 21-22-110	Filed February 15, 2022 in WSR 22-05-077
Unemployment Insurance Benefits	WAC 192-170-015	Defining verification of underlying health conditions.	Filed August 11, 2021, in WSR 21-17-059	Filed November 19, 2021, in WSR 21-24-018	Filed June 2, 2022 in WSR 22-13-010
Unemployment Insurance Benefits	WAC 192-190-020	Repealing lump sum retirement deductions.		CR 105 filed December 13, 2021, in WSR 22-01-125	Filed February 25, 2022 in WSR 22-06-054
Unemployment Insurance Benefits	WAC 192-110-150	Updating a cross-reference regarding benefit certifications.		CR 105 filed November 17, 2021, in WSR 21-23-100	Filed February 7, 2022 in WSR 22-05-029
Unemployment Insurance Benefits	WAC 192-04-145	Adopting Brief Adjudicative Proceedings	Filed June 21, 2022 in WSR 22-16-008	To be determined	To be determined

Unemployment Insurance Benefits	WAC 192-150-180	Updating a cross-reference in RCW 50.20.050, regarding part-time quits.		Filed June 2, 2022	Expected September 2022
Unemployment Insurance Benefits	To be determined	Updating eligibility for unemployment insurance benefit eligibility for claimants on a leave of absence.	Filed July 6, 2022 in WSR 22-15-002	To be determined	To be determined
Paid Family and Medical Leave	WAC 192-500-185; WAC 192-620-035 and 040; and WAC 192-800-125	Updates regarding waiting period requirements, filing petitions for review, and other clarifying guidance.	Filed November 2, 2021 WSR 21-22-106	Filed March 2, 2022 WSR 22-06-093	Filed April 26, 2022 WSR 22-10-031
Paid Family and Medical Leave	WAC 192-520-010; WAC 192-610-025	Implementation of 2SSB 5649 (2022 legislation) regarding parties to collective bargaining agreements, new provisions for leave taken for the postnatal period or death of a child, and documentation requirements.	Filed March 31, 2022 WSR 22-08-049	Filed June 22, 2022 WSR 22-13-176	Expected August 2022
Long-term Services and Supports (WA Cares)	WAC 192-935-005 and 010	The third phase of rulemaking for initial implementation of Title 50B RCW regarding employer audits.	Filed November 2, 2021 WSR 21-22-107	Expected August 2022 – to be combined with WSR 22-08-039	Expected September 2022
Long-term Services and Supports (WA Cares)	WAC 192-905-005, 006, 007, 010; WAC 192-910-015; WAC 192-915-005 and 015	Implementation of SHB 1732 and ESHB 1733 delaying the WA Cares Fund program by eighteen months and adding four new voluntary exemptions.	Filed March 30, 2022 WSR 22-08-039	Expected August 2022 – to be combined with WSR 21-22-107	Expected September 2022
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