

**WAC 246-15-030 Procedures for filing, investigation, and resolution of whistleblower complaints.** (1) In filing, investigating, and resolving a whistleblower complaint, the department will protect a whistleblower's identity consistent with WAC 246-15-020.

(2) The regulatory authority will:

(a) Assess complaints based on potential imminent danger to the public and prioritize based on the initial determination;

(b) If authorized, conduct investigations and gather information as appropriate to the allegation;

(c) Review investigative findings to determine whether a violation of any statutes or rules occurred; and

(d) Take appropriate disciplinary action or close the case.

[Statutory Authority: RCW 43.70.075 and 2019 c 62. WSR 22-02-017, § 246-15-030, filed 12/27/21, effective 1/27/22. Statutory Authority: RCW 43.70.075 and 43.70.040. WSR 97-02-013, § 246-15-030, filed 12/20/96, effective 1/20/97.]