

**Chapter 82-50 WAC**  
**PAY DATES FOR STATE EMPLOYEES**

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82-50-020	Pay dates established. [Statutory Authority: RCW 42.16.017. WSR 82-21-003 (Order 55), § 82-50-020, filed 10/8/82.] Repealed by WSR 83-17-118 (Order 83-59), filed 8/24/83, effective 1/11/84.
82-50-030	Exceptions. [Statutory Authority: RCW 42.16.017. WSR 82-21-003 (Order 55), § 82-50-030, filed 10/8/82.] Repealed by WSR 83-17-118 (Order 83-59), filed 8/24/83, effective 1/11/84.
82-50-040	Effective date. [Statutory Authority: RCW 42.16.017. WSR 82-21-003 (Order 55), § 82-50-040, filed 10/8/82.] Repealed by WSR 83-17-118 (Order 83-59), filed 8/24/83, effective 1/11/84.
82-50-041	Effective date. [Statutory Authority: RCW 42.16.010 and 42.16.017. WSR 83-17-118 (Order 83-59), § 82-50-041, filed 8/24/83.] Repealed by WSR 88-16-027 (Order 88-66), filed 7/27/88. Statutory Authority: RCW 42.16.010(1) and 42.16.017.

**WAC 82-50-011 Purpose.** The purpose of this chapter is to implement RCW 42.16.010(1) which mandates the director of the office of financial management to establish pay dates through the administrative hearing process. The chapter establishes pay dates, exceptions to the mandatory pay dates, and a mechanism whereby exceptions may be terminated.

[Statutory Authority: RCW 42.16.010 and 42.16.017. WSR 83-17-118 (Order 83-59), § 82-50-011, filed 8/24/83.]

**WAC 82-50-021 Official lagged, semimonthly pay dates established.** Unless exempted otherwise under the provisions of WAC 82-50-031, the salaries of all state officers and employees are paid on a lagged, semimonthly basis for the official twice-a-month pay periods established in RCW 42.16.010(1). The following are the official lagged, semimonthly pay dates for calendar years 2024 and 2025:

CALENDAR YEAR 2024	CALENDAR YEAR 2025
Wednesday, January 10, 2024	Friday, January 10, 2025
Thursday, January 25, 2024	Friday, January 24, 2025
Friday, February 9, 2024	Monday, February 10, 2025
Monday, February 26, 2024	Tuesday, February 25, 2025
Monday, March 11, 2024	Monday, March 10, 2025
Monday, March 25, 2024	Tuesday, March 25, 2025
Wednesday, April 10, 2024	Thursday, April 10, 2025
Thursday, April 25, 2024	Friday, April 25, 2025
Friday, May 10, 2024	Friday, May 9, 2025
Friday, May 24, 2024	Friday, May 23, 2025
Monday, June 10, 2024	Tuesday, June 10, 2025
Tuesday, June 25, 2024	Wednesday, June 25, 2025
Wednesday, July 10, 2024	Thursday, July 10, 2025
Thursday, July 25, 2024	Friday, July 25, 2025

Friday, August 9, 2024  
Monday, August 26, 2024  
Tuesday, September 10, 2024  
Wednesday, September 25, 2024  
Thursday, October 10, 2024  
Friday, October 25, 2024  
Friday, November 8, 2024  
Monday, November 25, 2024  
Tuesday, December 10, 2024  
Tuesday, December 24, 2024

Monday, August 11, 2025  
Monday, August 25, 2025  
Wednesday, September 10, 2025  
Thursday, September 25, 2025  
Friday, October 10, 2025  
Friday, October 24, 2025  
Monday, November 10, 2025  
Tuesday, November 25, 2025  
Wednesday, December 10, 2025  
Wednesday, December 24, 2025

[Statutory Authority: RCW 42.16.010(1) and 42.16.017. WSR 24-11-046, § 82-50-021, filed 5/9/24, effective 6/9/24; WSR 23-11-162, § 82-50-021, filed 5/24/23, effective 6/24/23; WSR 22-15-018, § 82-50-021, filed 7/11/22, effective 8/11/22; WSR 21-16-019, § 82-50-021, filed 7/23/21, effective 8/23/21; WSR 20-10-059, § 82-50-021, filed 4/30/20, effective 5/31/20; WSR 19-12-008, § 82-50-021, filed 5/23/19, effective 6/23/19; WSR 18-10-052, § 82-50-021, filed 4/26/18, effective 5/27/18; WSR 17-13-073, § 82-50-021, filed 6/16/17, effective 7/17/17; WSR 16-12-057, § 82-50-021, filed 5/26/16, effective 6/26/16; WSR 15-10-025, § 82-50-021, filed 4/27/15, effective 5/28/15; WSR 14-12-007, § 82-50-021, filed 5/22/14, effective 6/22/14; WSR 13-08-078, § 82-50-021, filed 4/2/13, effective 5/3/13; WSR 12-09-016, § 82-50-021, filed 4/5/12, effective 5/6/12; WSR 11-10-019, § 82-50-021, filed 4/26/11, effective 5/27/11; WSR 10-10-011, § 82-50-021, filed 4/22/10, effective 5/23/10; WSR 09-11-008, § 82-50-021, filed 5/7/09, effective 6/7/09; WSR 08-09-038, § 82-50-021, filed 4/9/08, effective 5/10/08; WSR 07-11-015, § 82-50-021, filed 5/3/07, effective 6/3/07; WSR 06-11-053, § 82-50-021, filed 5/11/06, effective 6/11/06; WSR 05-11-038, § 82-50-021, filed 5/11/05, effective 6/11/05; WSR 04-15-006, § 82-50-021, filed 7/7/04, effective 8/7/04; WSR 03-11-073, § 82-50-021, filed 5/20/03, effective 6/20/03; WSR 02-13-087, § 82-50-021, filed 6/18/02, effective 7/19/02; WSR 01-12-007, § 82-50-021, filed 5/24/01, effective 6/24/01; WSR 00-09-088, § 82-50-021, filed 4/18/00, effective 5/19/00; WSR 99-12-081, § 82-50-021, filed 5/28/99, effective 6/28/99; WSR 98-14-079, § 82-50-021, filed 6/30/98, effective 6/30/98; WSR 97-13-064, § 82-50-021, filed 6/17/97, effective 7/18/97; WSR 96-15-039, § 82-50-021, filed 7/11/96, effective 8/11/96; WSR 95-15-031, § 82-50-021, filed 7/11/95, effective 8/11/95; WSR 94-13-097, § 82-50-021, filed 6/15/94, effective 7/16/94; WSR 93-24-041, § 82-50-021, filed 11/23/93, effective 12/24/93; WSR 92-20-038, § 82-50-021, filed 9/29/92, effective 10/30/92; WSR 91-20-061 (Order 91-73), § 82-50-021, filed 9/24/91, effective 10/25/91; WSR 90-17-017 (Order 90-72), § 82-50-021, filed 8/7/90, effective 9/7/90; WSR 89-17-090 (Order 89-70), § 82-50-021, filed 8/22/89, effective 9/22/89; WSR 89-03-063 (Order 89-67), § 82-50-021, filed 1/18/89; WSR 88-16-027 (Order 88-66), § 82-50-021, filed 7/27/88; WSR 87-16-060 (Order 87-65), § 82-50-021, filed 7/30/87; WSR 86-17-001 (Order 86-63), § 82-50-021, filed 8/8/86; WSR 85-16-014 (Order 85-62), § 82-50-021, filed 7/26/85; WSR 84-14-046 (Order 84-61), § 82-50-021, filed 6/29/84; WSR 83-17-118 (Order 83-59), § 82-50-021, filed 8/24/83.]

**WAC 82-50-031 Exceptions.** The salaries of all state officers and employees shall be paid on a schedule consistent with the provisions of WAC 82-50-021 with the following exceptions:

(1) Schedules for the payment of compensation on dates other than those established in WAC 82-50-021 are authorized for those state officers and employees with written contracts currently in force which explicitly specify payroll dates other than those established in WAC 82-50-021 until the contracts in effect on September 23, 1983, expire or are renegotiated. After that date, no state agency, office, or institution may contract or agree to any payroll dates other than as specified in WAC 82-50-021 and no state agency, office, or institution may agree to any extension of a contract specifying payroll dates other than those set in WAC 82-50-021 without amending the contract to delete any reference to payroll dates other than those established by WAC 82-50-021.

(2) Schedules for the payment of compensation on pay dates other than those established in WAC 82-50-021 may be authorized in writing by the director of the office of financial management, or the director's designee, in the following instances:

(a) For short-term, intermittent, noncareer state employees;

(b) For student employees of institutions of higher education;  
and

(c) For liquor control agency managers who are paid a percentage of monthly liquor sales.

(3) Schedules for the payment of compensation on pay dates other than those established in WAC 82-50-021 may be authorized by the director of the office of financial management, or the director's designee, only upon the written request of the agency head, or the agency head's designee, and only for the purpose of maintaining a lagged, semimonthly pay date schedule of shorter duration than the official lagged, semimonthly pay date schedule established in WAC 82-50-021. However, the official pay periods established by RCW 42.16.010(1) are in effect.

[Statutory Authority: RCW 42.16.010(1) and 42.16.017. WSR 88-16-027 (Order 88-66), § 82-50-031, filed 7/27/88. Statutory Authority: RCW 42.16.010 and 42.16.017. WSR 83-17-118 (Order 83-59), § 82-50-031, filed 8/24/83.]

**WAC 82-50-032 Termination of exceptions.** Pursuant to the approval authority over granting of exceptions provided in RCW 42.16.010(2) and pursuant to the approval authority over all agency and state payroll systems provided in RCW 42.16.017, the director of the office of financial management, or the director's designee, may, terminate any exceptions granted under the provisions of WAC 82-50-031 (2) and (3). The director shall give written notice to the affected agency head by July 1 of the intent to terminate an exception, and the affected agency shall conform to WAC 82-50-021 on January 1 of the following year.

[Statutory Authority: RCW 42.16.010 and 42.16.017. WSR 83-17-118 (Order 83-59), § 82-50-032, filed 8/24/83.]