

**Chapter 200-500 WAC**  
**STATE VEHICLE MARKING REQUIREMENTS AND EXCEPTIONS**

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**WAC 200-500-010 Promulgation.** The purpose of this chapter is to establish procedures for obtaining approval for the use of a distinctive departmental, office, agency, institutional or commission insignia in marking of state-owned or controlled vehicles and for permitting exceptions to the vehicle marking requirements.

[Statutory Authority: 2011 c 43. WSR 11-23-093, recodified as § 200-500-010, filed 11/17/11, effective 11/17/11; Order 75-8, § 236-20-010, filed 11/17/75.]

**WAC 200-500-020 Definitions.** Agencies—As used in this chapter, the word "agencies" includes state departments, offices, agencies, boards, commissions[,] or institutions financed in whole or in part by funds appropriated by the legislature.

[Statutory Authority: 2011 c 43. WSR 11-23-093, recodified as § 200-500-020, filed 11/17/11, effective 11/17/11. Statutory Authority: RCW 46.08.065. WSR 99-18-029, § 236-20-020, filed 8/25/99, effective 9/25/99; Order 75-8, § 236-20-020, filed 11/17/75.]

**Reviser's note:** RCW 34.05.395 requires the use of underlining and deletion marks to indicate amendments to existing rules, and deems ineffectual changes not filed by the agency in this manner. The bracketed material in the above section does not appear to conform to the statutory requirement.

**WAC 200-500-030 Approval of distinctive insignia.** Agencies may request approval of a distinctive insignia for use in lieu of the state seal in marking vehicles. A standard decal must include the words "State of Washington," agency's name and "for official use only." The request for approval shall be sent to the director of enterprise services. A scale drawing in color, or other example, shall accompany the request. The director or designee will approve or deny the request and notify the agency.

[Statutory Authority: RCW 43.19.011, 43.19.620, 43.19.985, 43.19.742, 43.19.769, 39.26.080, 39.26.090, 39.26.251, 39.26.255, and 39.26.271. WSR 15-23-062, § 200-500-030, filed 11/13/15, effective 12/14/15. Statutory Authority: 2011 c 43. WSR 11-23-093, recodified as § 200-500-030, filed 11/17/11, effective 11/17/11. Statutory Authority: RCW 46.08.065. WSR 99-18-029, § 236-20-030, filed 8/25/99, effective 9/25/99; Order 75-8, § 236-20-030, filed 11/17/75.]

**WAC 200-500-040 Exceptions to marking requirements.** (1) Requests for exceptions shall be forwarded to the director of enterprise services by the head of the agency owning or controlling the vehicle. Requests for exceptions normally will not be granted unless the vehicle is used more than 50% of the time for law enforcement, confiden-

tial public health work, public assistance fraud or support investigative purposes.

(2) Vehicles leased or rented on a casual basis for a period less than ninety days and not issued a state exempt license plate need not be marked.

(3) Vehicles issued confidential license plates under the provisions of section 2, chapter 169, Laws of 1975 1st ex. sess. and chapter 46.08 RCW, are exempt from marking requirements.

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