WAC 16-301-295  Annual bluegrass quarantine—Violation procedures.  (1) A person who is alleged to have violated the annual bluegrass quarantine must meet with a representative of the department to determine:

(a) If a violation actually occurred;
(b) How it did occur, and what corrective measures can be taken to avoid reoccurrence;
(c) How much acreage is involved and location of all plantings.

(2) Corrective procedures may be agreed upon, such as roguing, chemical treatment, etc., and the time frame for such work, or agreement for voluntary destruction of all acreage involved.

(3) Treated and rogued acreage is inspected by department of agriculture three times during the seedling stages to assure freedom from annual bluegrass. The violator is assessed an hourly inspection fee and a mileage fee where additional mileage is involved.

(4) Failure to mutually agree, or failure to comply with these procedures, or if it is determined the violation was willful, may be subject to the criminal and/or civil penalties provided in chapters 15.49 and/or 17.24 RCW.

[Statutory Authority: RCW 15.49.005, 15.49.081, 15.49.310, 15.49.370(3) and chapter 17.24 RCW. WSR 00-24-077, § 16-301-295, filed 12/4/00, effective 1/4/01.]