

Washington Administrative Code Notice of Permanent Rules for Public Records Disclosure

This explanatory statement concerns the **Washington State Department of Licensing's** adoption of **WAC 308-10-075 Disclosure of vehicle owner information**.

The Administrative Procedure Act (RCW 34.05.325(6)) requires agencies to complete a concise explanatory statement before filing adopted rules with the Office of the Code Reviser. This statement must be provided to anyone who gave comment about the proposed rule making.

Once persons who gave comment during this rule making have had a chance to receive this document, the Department of Licensing will file the amended rules with the Office of the Code Reviser. These rule changes will become effective 31 days after filing (approximately January 12, 2014).

The Department of Licensing appreciates your involvement in this rule making process. If you have any questions, please contact Damon Monroe, Agency Rules Coordinator, at (360) 902-3843 or e-mail at dmonroe@dol.wa.gov.

What are the agency's reasons for adopting this rule?

The existing statute governing disclosure of the names of vehicle owners requires that when the owner's name or address is requested by an Attorney or by a Private Investigator the owner must be notified of the request and provided with the name and address of the requester. Effective January 1, 2014, owners will continue receiving notice of the request, but will no longer receive the name and address of the requester.

DOL is also recodifying the rule from Ch. 308-56A to Ch. 308-10 to better align Agency WAC sections with our organizational structure.

Summary of all public comments received on this rule proposal and the agency's response to those comments:

Neither written nor oral comments were received. No one appeared at the public hearing on November 26, 2013

WAC Changes:

In addition to the changes presented in WSR 13-21-135 the following change is being made to WAC 308-10-075 (8) (a): "The public disclosure unit of the driver and vehicle services division of the department of licensing; or".