



RULE-MAKING ORDER

CR-103E (May 2009)
(Implements RCW 34.05.360)

Agency: Washington Department of Fish and Wildlife

Emergency Rule Only

Effective date of rule:

Emergency Rules 10-274

- Immediately upon filing.
- Later (specify) _____

Any other findings required by other provisions of law as precondition to adoption or effectiveness of rule?

- Yes
 - No
- If Yes, explain:

Purpose: Promote public safety by extending the deadline for public-safety cougar-removal applications.

Citation of existing rules affected by this order:

Repealed: WAC 232-12-24300G
 Amended: WAC 232-12-243
 Suspended:

Statutory authority for adoption: RCW 77.12.047 and RCW 77.04.020

Other authority :

EMERGENCY RULE

Under RCW 34.05.350 the agency for good cause finds:

- That immediate adoption, amendment, or repeal of a rule is necessary for the preservation of the public health, safety, or general welfare, and that observing the time requirements of notice and opportunity to comment upon adoption of a permanent rule would be contrary to the public interest.
- That state or federal law or federal rule or a federal deadline for state receipt of federal funds requires immediate adoption of a rule.
- That in order to implement the requirements or reductions in appropriations enacted in any budget for fiscal years 2009, 2010, or 2011, which necessitates the need for the immediate adoption, amendment, or repeal of a rule, and that observing the time requirements of notice and opportunity to comment upon adoption of a permanent rule would be contrary to the fiscal needs or requirements of the agency.

Reasons for this finding: This emergency rule is needed to extend the public-safety cougar-removal application date from October 1, 2010, until October 29, 2010, in order to lengthen the reporting periods for public-safety situations involving cougars. The current application deadline of October 1, 2010, would prevent information that could be gleaned from an extended reporting period from being used to plan and implement the cougar-removal program as required. Cougar-removal programs are critical to preventing cougar populations from growing beyond manageable numbers. There is insufficient time to adopt permanent rules prior to the current deadline.

Date adopted: October 12, 2010

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Director

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**Note: If any category is left blank, it will be calculated as zero.
No descriptive text.**

**Count by whole WAC sections only, from the WAC number through the history note.
A section may be counted in more than one category.**

The number of sections adopted in order to comply with:

Federal statute:	New	_____	Amended	_____	Repealed	_____
Federal rules or standards:	New	_____	Amended	_____	Repealed	_____
Recently enacted state statutes:	New	_____	Amended	_____	Repealed	_____

The number of sections adopted at the request of a nongovernmental entity:

New	_____	Amended	_____	Repealed	_____
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The number of sections adopted in the agency's own initiative:

New	<u>1</u>	Amended	_____	Repealed	<u>1</u>
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The number of sections adopted in order to clarify, streamline, or reform agency procedures:

New	_____	Amended	_____	Repealed	_____
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The number of sections adopted using:

Negotiated rule making:	New	_____	Amended	_____	Repealed	_____
Pilot rule making:	New	_____	Amended	_____	Repealed	_____
Other alternative rule making:	New	_____	Amended	_____	Repealed	_____

NEW SECTION

WAC 232-12-24300G Public safety cougar removals—Application date extension.

Notwithstanding the provisions of WAC 232-12-243, applications for the public safety cougar removal 2010-2011 season will be accepted if postmarked no later than October 29, 2010.

REPEALER

The following section of the Washington Administrative Code is repealed effective October 30, 2010:

WAC 232-12-24300G Public safety cougar removals—Application date extension.