



INTRODUCTION

Pursuant to RCW 34.05.328, the Employment Security Department (Department) hereby places into the rulemaking file an implementation plan for amended WAC 192-140-090; WAC 192-170-010; and WAC 192-180-005, -010, -040, and -060, which address circumstances when non-union electrical apprentices are required to meet work search requirements.

PLAN TO IMPLEMENT AND ENFORCE THE RULE

The Department is amending its intake procedures to determine if claimants qualify as non-union electrical apprentices. Claimants that indicate participation in a non-union electrical apprenticeship will be verified using the Department of Labor and Industries' database of active apprenticeship program participants. The Department will update its internal policy, training manuals, and computer systems to reflect the rule changes.

PLAN TO INFORM AND EDUCATE AFFECTED PERSONS ABOUT THE RULE

Currently, claimants are informed of work search requirements when filing for benefits. The updated requirements for non-union electrical apprentices will be communicated during the filing process.

PLAN TO PROMOTE AND ASSIST VOLUNTARY COMPLIANCE

The plan to promote and assist voluntary compliance will be identical to the plan to inform and educate affected persons about the rule.

PLAN TO EVALUATE WHETHER THE RULES ACHIEVE THE PURPOSE FOR WHICH THEY WERE ADOPTED

The Department will track the number of claimants that apply for and receive status as a non-union electrical apprentice. The Department will use this information to educate employers and workers on the requirements for electrical apprentices.