WAC 162-16-280 Newspapers and other advertising media. (1) It is an unfair practice for a newspaper or other advertising medium to publish or circulate within the state an employment advertisement under a column heading or designation which segregates or expresses a preference on the basis of protected status. An exception is if a bona fide occupational qualification applies (please see WAC 162-16-240).

(2) It is not an unfair practice for any newspaper or other advertising medium to print, publish, or circulate employment advertisements expressing the wording of the advertisement, or subtly, directly or indirectly a preference, specification or limitation on the basis of protected status, provided the newspaper or other advertising medium furnishes, on request of a duly authorized representative of the commission, the name and address of the person who submitted the advertisement for publication.

(3) The commission encourages advertising media that circulate employment advertisements to:

(a) Maintain lists of discriminatory job titles and terms and suggested substitutes, as compiled by the commission;

(b) Instruct their ad-takers to advise employers and employment agencies of these terms; and

(c) Have copies of this regulation available for distribution to advertisers on request.

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