

WAC 296-14-6200 What is a residence modification? A residence modification is a permanent change to an existing residence or a repair of a modification previously approved and paid for by the department or self-insured employer, or a modification made when constructing a new residence.

Household appliances such as refrigerators, washers, and dryers, are generally not residence modifications and the department or self-insured employer will approve them only under unique circumstances as approved by the supervisor.

Example: As part of an approved residence modification, the kitchen counters are lowered. To meet the needs of the worker, the department or self-insured employer may approve the purchase of a drop-in range or cooktop.

[Statutory Authority: RCW 51.04.010, 51.04.020, 51.32.240, and 2005 c 411. WSR 06-06-065, § 296-14-6200, filed 2/28/06, effective 4/1/06.]