

**WAC 296-200A-040 What can cause the suspension of a contractor's registration?** (1) A contractor's registration will be suspended if the following impairments, cancellations, noncompliance, or errors occur:

(a) A surety bond or other security has an unsatisfied final judgment against it or becomes otherwise impaired.

(b) A surety bond is canceled.

(c) An insurance policy is expired, canceled, revoked or the insurer is withdrawn from the insurance policy.

(d) The contractor has an unsatisfied final judgment against it under chapter 18.27 RCW and this chapter.

(e) The department has notice that the contractor is a sole proprietor or an owner, principal, or officer of a registered contractor that has an unsatisfied final judgment against it for work within the scope of chapter 18.27 RCW and this chapter.

(f) The program has been notified that the contractor has outstanding debt owed to the department for work performed under this chapter, such as industrial insurance premiums owed for workers' hours or penalties for violation of chapter 18.27 RCW and this chapter.

(g) The department is notified that the contractor has been certified by the department of social and health services as a person who is not in compliance with a support order as provided in RCW 74.20A.320.

(h) The department finds that the contractor has provided false or misleading information or has otherwise been registered in error.

(i) The contractor fails to comply with a penalty payment plan agreement.

(j) The contractor has been certified by a lending agency and reported to the department for nonpayment or default on a federally or state-guaranteed educational loan or service conditional scholarship.

(k) The contractor does not maintain an active and valid unified business identifier number with the department of revenue.

(1) The contractor does not provide the department with updated information or forms as necessary to validate their information.

(2) The contractor's registration will be automatically suspended on the effective date of the impairment or cancellation. The department must mail a notice of the suspension to the contractor's last recorded address with the contractor registration program within two days after suspension.

(3) A contractor must not advertise, offer to do work, submit a bid, or perform any work as a contractor while its registration is suspended. To continue to operate as a contractor while its registration is suspended is a violation of chapter 18.27 RCW and subject to infractions.

(4) The department shall not deny an application or suspend a registration because of an unsatisfied final judgment if the applicant's or registrant's unsatisfied final judgment was determined by the director to be the result of the fraud or negligence of another party.

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