

**WAC 246-71-080 Database access by local, state, tribal, and federal law enforcement and prosecutorial officials.** Officials who are engaged in a bona fide specific investigation of suspected cannabis-related activity that may be illegal under Washington state law may access the database to confirm the validity of the recognition card of a patient or designated provider.

(1) Officials who want access to the database shall register with the department in order to receive credentials for access. The registration process shall be established by the department.

(2) The department or the department's designee shall verify the official's identity and position before providing credentials to access the database.

(3) Officials shall access the database using the credentials issued by the department or the department's designee. If the credentials issued are lost or missing, or the security of the credentials is compromised, the official shall notify the department or its designee by telephone and in writing within one business day.

(4) Officials with an active database account must inform the department and the database vendor in writing immediately when they no longer hold a position as a law enforcement or prosecutorial official.

(5) All requests for, uses of, and disclosures of information from the database by authorized persons must be consistent with chapter 69.51A RCW and this chapter.

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