

WAC 292-130-050 Availability of public records. (1) Public records are available for inspection and copying Monday through Friday, 9:00 a.m. to noon, and 1:00 p.m. to 4:00 p.m., excluding legal holidays and during scheduled board meetings. Records must be inspected at the offices of the executive ethics board. Many public records are also available for inspection and copying on www.ethics.wa.gov at any time, at no cost.

(2) An index of public records is available for use by members of the public, including final orders, stipulations and advisory opinions. The indices for these documents are available upon request.

(3) The executive ethics board will maintain its records in a reasonably organized manner. The executive ethics board will take reasonable actions to protect records from damage and disorganization. A requestor must not take executive ethics board records from executive ethics board offices without the permission of the public records officer or designee. A variety of records is available on the executive ethics board website at www.ethics.wa.gov. Requestors are encouraged to view the documents available on the website prior to submitting a records request.

(4) Any person wishing to inspect or copy public records of the executive ethics board should make the request in writing on the executive ethics board request form or through an online portal, or by letter or email addressed to the public records officer at the email address publicly designated by the executive ethics board, or by submitting the request in person at the executive ethics board office and including the following information:

- (a) Name of requestor;
- (b) Address of requestor;
- (c) Other contact information, including telephone number and email address;
- (d) Identification of the public records adequate for the public records officer or designee to locate the records; and
- (e) The date and time of day of the request.

(5) If the requestor wishes to have copies of the records made instead of simply inspecting them, the requestor should so indicate and make arrangements to pay for copies of the records or a deposit. Pursuant to WAC 292-130-110, charges for copies are provided in a fee schedule available at the executive ethics board office or www.ethics.wa.gov.

(6) A records request form is available for use by requestors at the executive ethics board office and online at www.ethics.wa.gov.

(7) The public records officer or designee may accept requests for public records that contain the above information by telephone or in person. If the public records officer or designee accepts such a request, the public records officer or designee will confirm receipt of the information and the substance of the request in writing.

(8) If requestors refuse to identify themselves or provide sufficient contact information, the agency will respond to the extent feasible and consistent with the law.

[Statutory Authority: RCW 42.52.360. WSR 23-17-038, § 292-130-050, filed 8/9/23, effective 9/9/23; WSR 18-20-107, § 292-130-050, filed 10/2/18, effective 11/2/18; WSR 16-16-075, § 292-130-050, filed 7/29/16, effective 8/29/16. Statutory Authority: RCW 42.52.360 (2)(b). WSR 98-22-072, § 292-130-050, filed 11/3/98, effective 12/4/98.]