

**Chapter 118-68 WAC**  
**REQUIRED FOR AUTOMATIC LOCATION IDENTIFICATION**

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**WAC 118-68-010 Purpose.** The purpose of chapter 118-68 WAC is to adopt standards for the protection of life through assuring that telephone systems provide adequate location information through 911 emergency communications systems pursuant to RCW 38.52.505.

[Statutory Authority: RCW 38.52.520. WSR 24-13-025, § 118-68-010, filed 6/7/24, effective 7/8/24. Statutory Authority: RCW 38.52.505. WSR 01-09-045, § 118-68-010, filed 4/13/01, effective 5/14/01.]

**WAC 118-68-020 Definitions.** The following definitions shall apply when used in chapter 118-68 WAC:

(1) The "**authority having jurisdiction**" is defined as the fire chief for municipal corporations, or the county fire marshal or designee as appointed by the governing body for unincorporated areas.

(2) "**Building unit identifier**" means room number or equivalent designation of a specific portion of a structure, or an apartment number in multifamily residences.

(3) "**Call back telephone number**" means a phone number which can be called from voice and data networks to be used by the public safety answering point to recontact the location from which the 911 call was placed. The number may or may not be the number of the device used to originate the 911 call.

(4) "**Determination of noncompliance**" means written notification that a system is not in compliance with this regulation. Information contained therein shall include, but not be limited to, system deficiencies requiring correction to bring the system into compliance and a date by which noted corrections shall be made.

(5) "**Dispatchable location**" has the same meaning as defined in WAC 118-67-030.

(6) "**Public safety answering point (PSAP)**" has the same meaning as defined in RCW 38.52.010.

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**WAC 118-68-030 Applicability.** This regulation applies to all facilities for which a "certification of occupancy" is to be or has been approved by the authority having jurisdiction. This regulation provides for the implementation of RCW 38.52.505, 28A.335.320, 43.43.934, 80.36.555, and 80.36.560 pertaining to private telephone systems.

[Statutory Authority: RCW 38.52.505. WSR 01-09-045, § 118-68-030, filed 4/13/01, effective 5/14/01.]

**WAC 118-68-040 Compliance.** All facilities covered by this regulation shall comply with its provisions by May 1, 2001. Additionally, all facilities shall comply with FCC regulation 34 FCC Rcd 6607 (8) by August 1, 2019.

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**WAC 118-68-050 Inspection.** (1) For the purpose of directing emergency response, the authority having jurisdiction is authorized to approve the adequacy of automatic location information displayed on the 911 equipment serving its jurisdiction, when 911 calls are made. Such authority shall issue a determination of noncompliance to the telephone system owner when an automation location information display is not in compliance. For systems which are in compliance the testing authority shall issue a notice of compliance noting the date of inspection and test circumstances.

(2) The authority having jurisdiction shall ensure that the telecommunications system is connected to the public switched network such that calls to 911 result in automatic location information displays as herein defined:

(a) For the 1994 Uniform Building Code Occupancy Group Classification R-1 except congregate residences, hotels, and motels, the minimum information requirements are:

- 2.a.1 Customer name
- 2.a.2 Street address and city
- 2.a.3 Building unit identifier
- 2.a.4 Call back telephone number

(b) For congregate residences, hotels, and motels as defined in the 1994 Uniform Building Code Group Classification R-1 the minimum information requirements as in (a) above or:

- 2.b.1 Customer name
- 2.b.2 Street address and city
- 2.b.3 Building unit identifier, or additional information supplied by automatic simultaneous connection of the caller, the PSAP and a knowledgeable designated individual(s) who will be able to supplement the ALI record with specific location information by effectively communicating with the PSAP

(c) For multiple unaffiliated business users as defined in chapter 80.36 RCW, the minimum information requirements are:

- 2.c.1 Business name
- 2.c.2 Street address and city
- 2.c.3 Building unit identifier (or more specific location information)
- 2.c.4 Call back telephone number

(d) For common and public schools, as defined in RCW 28A.150.010 and 28A.150.020, the minimum information requirements for any school district having a private telecommunications system acquired after January 1, 1997, that allows connection to the public switched network:

- 2.d.1 Individual school name
- 2.d.2 Street address and city
- 2.d.3 Building unit identifier
- 2.d.4 Call back telephone number

(e) For schools with phone systems installed prior to January 1, 1997, at any time the facility is occupied, it shall provide direct access to telephones that are connected to the public switched network, such that calls to 911 result in automatic location information.

(f) For certification of voluntary compliance for uses not defined above, the minimum information requirements are:

2.f.1 Business or agency name

2.f.2 Street address and city

2.f.3 Building unit identifier (or more specific location information)

2.f.4 Call back telephone number

(3) Additionally, the above entities shall comply with FCC rules related to section 506 of the Ray Baum's Act pertaining to dispatchable location regardless of the technological platform used.

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**WAC 118-68-060 Enforcement.** Fines or penalties for noncompliance are within the authority of the local governing body, but are recommended to be one hundred dollars per day per telephone system until compliance is met.

[Statutory Authority: RCW 38.52.505. WSR 01-09-045, § 118-68-060, filed 4/13/01, effective 5/14/01.]

**WAC 118-68-070 Right of review.** (1) The authority having jurisdiction shall promulgate procedures through which a facility may seek review of initial decisions. Such procedures shall conform to the Administrative Procedure Act, chapter 34.05 RCW, to the extent that act is applicable, and shall be pursuant to brief adjudicative procedures, RCW 34.05.482 through 34.05.485.

(2) At a minimum, such procedures shall provide that a facility aggrieved by an initial order of the authority having jurisdiction or their designee may petition for review, in writing, stating why the initial order is in error, to the designated agency head within 10 days of the initial order. If no petition is made within 10 days, the initial order becomes final. In any event, the decision of the designated agency head shall be deemed the final decision of the agency.

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**WAC 118-68-080 Local codes.** The enforcement of local fire and building codes is the responsibility of the chief of a local fire department or a chief fire protection officer or such other person as may be designated by the local governing body having jurisdiction.

[Statutory Authority: RCW 38.52.505. WSR 01-09-045, § 118-68-080, filed 4/13/01, effective 5/14/01.]

**WAC 118-68-090 Severability.** If any provision of this regulation or its application to any person or circumstance is held invalid, the remainder of the regulation or the application of the provision to other persons or circumstances shall not be affected.

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