



RULE-MAKING ORDER PERMANENT RULE ONLY

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Agency: Washington State Patrol

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Permanent Rules

- 31 days after filing.
 Other (specify) _____ (If less than 31 days after filing, a specific finding under RCW 34.05.380(3) is required and should be stated below)

Any other findings required by other provisions of law as precondition to adoption or effectiveness of rule?

- Yes No If Yes, explain:

Purpose: To correct an administrative oversight in WAC 448-16-060(2) regarding the method for determining agreement between duplicate breath samples obtain during an evidential breath test.

WAC 448-16-060, in its current form, provides a method of determining agreement between duplicate breath samples by rounding the mean of the four results to the fourth decimal place. However, the evidential instrument, known as the Draeger Alcotest 9510, truncates to the fourth decimal place. This rule change is necessary to align the WAC language and the method employed by the Draeger Alcotest 9510.

Citation of rules affected by this order:

New:
Repealed:
Amended: WAC 448-16-060
Suspended:

Statutory authority for adoption: RCW 46.61.506

Other authority:

PERMANENT RULE (Including Expedited Rule Making)

Adopted under notice filed as WSR 22-17-156 on 8/24/2022 (date).
Describe any changes other than editing from proposed to adopted version:

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New	___	Amended	___	Repealed	___
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The number of sections adopted on the agency's own initiative:

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The number of sections adopted in order to clarify, streamline, or reform agency procedures:

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The number of sections adopted using:

Negotiated rule making:	New	___	Amended	___	Repealed	___
Pilot rule making:	New	___	Amended	___	Repealed	___
Other alternative rule making:	New	___	Amended	___	Repealed	___

Date Adopted: 10/3/2022

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WAC 448-16-060 Determining agreement of duplicate breath samples. Pursuant to RCW 46.61.506 the following method is approved for determining whether two breath samples agree to within plus or minus (~~ten~~) 10 percent of their mean.

(1) The breath test results will be reported, truncated to three decimal places.

(2) For the DataMaster instruments, the mean of the two breath test results will be calculated and rounded to four decimal places. For the Drager instrument, the mean of all four results will be calculated and (~~rounded~~) truncated to four decimal places.

(3) The lower acceptable limit will be determined by multiplying the above mean by 0.9, and truncating to three decimal places.

(4) The upper acceptable limit will be determined by multiplying the mean by 1.1 and truncating to three decimal places.

(5) If the individual results fall within and inclusive of the upper and lower acceptable limits, the two breath samples are valid.