

Renewing Your License: Reinstatement Period No Longer Allowed

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The New Year is soon upon us and with the New Year comes changes you need to be aware of. Currently, you can submit a renewal application 14 days after your license expires (WAC 230-04-190(3)). Next year, the 14 day reinstatement period will be going away completely.

Beginning January 1, 2008, you must have your properly completed renewal application and fees to us at least 15 days **before** your license expires. You will no longer have 14 days after your license expires to submit a renewal application and renewal fees. The 15 days gives us time to process your renewal application and for you to receive your new license in the mail.

It is your responsibility to make sure you have a current license in your possession at all times. If your license expires before you receive your new license, you must not operate any gambling activity until a new license is in your possession.

If your license expires, you must submit a **new** application and fees for a new license (rather than a renewal application and renewal fees).

We will continue to mail your renewal application and notice at least 45 days before your license expires. The renewal application will have a due date, which will be 15 days before your license expires. Applications received by this due date will allow us enough time to return your new license to you before it expires.

If you have questions, please contact Licensing Operations in-state toll free at 800.345.2529; or 360.486.3440.

*****NEW RULE*****

Washington Administrative Code (WAC) 230-06-125

(Effective January 1, 2008)

- (1) Licensees must ensure a properly completed renewal application and all applicable fees are received at our headquarters fifteen days before the expiration date on their license.
- (2) If licensees do not submit a properly completed application and all fees, their license expires, and they must immediately stop the gambling activity covered by their license.
- (3) If your license expires, you must submit a new application and you must not operate any gambling activity until a new license is issued.

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