

# Title 304 WAC

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#### 304-12-030

#### **Library council of Washington created—Appointments—Terms—Expenses.**

The library council of Washington shall consist of thirteen members appointed by the ~~commission~~ [Washington State Librarian](#). Members shall be appointed to broadly represent the library community as specifically outlined by the ~~commission~~ [State Librarian](#). A term shall be defined as three years, to begin on January 1 of each year. No person shall be appointed for more than two consecutive terms. An individual completing more than one year of an unexpired term will be considered to have served a full term. Council members shall serve without compensation, but will be reimbursed for subsistence, lodging, and travel expenses for council meetings and approved business of the council, in accordance with the provisions of the Washington state travel regulations.

[Statutory Authority: RCW [27.04.030](#)(1). WSR 00-11-028, § 304-12-030, filed 5/9/00, effective 6/9/00. Statutory Authority: RCW [27.04.030](#). WSR 94-11-023, § 304-12-030, filed 5/6/94, effective 6/6/94; WSR 92-08-023, § 304-12-030, filed 3/23/92, effective 4/23/92. Statutory Authority: RCW [27.04.040](#). WSR 87-20-070 (Order 87-02), § 304-12-030, filed 10/6/87.]

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### 304-12-045

#### ~~Washington state advisory council on libraries~~Library Council of Washington—Duties.

The council shall act as an advisory body to the ~~Washington state library commission~~Secretary of State and ~~staff~~Washington State Librarian on the development and execution of the federally-funded program of library service.

[Statutory Authority: RCW [27.04.030](#) and 27.04.060. WSR 86-12-067 (Order 86-02), § 304-12-045, filed 6/4/86.]

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### 304-12-047

#### Library council of Washington—Mission—Roles.

The mission of the library council of Washington is to promote access to library service and information resources for all people in Washington state. To meet this commitment, the council's membership represents the broadest possible range of library community interests. The roles of the council shall include to:

(1) Serve as a catalyst for developing and implementing statewide library programs that will improve service at all Washington libraries;

(2) Provide a forum for the library community to discuss issues of concern, with individual members keeping their constituents abreast of the council's progress and regularly requesting their input;

(3) Advise the ~~Washington state library commission and state library staff~~Secretary of State and Washington State Librarian on statewide areas of need in library service;

(4) Encourage and support ~~multitype~~ cooperation among and between all types of throughout libraries throughout the state;

(5) Assist in the development, implementation and evaluation of statewide library development plans and long-range library services and technology act (LSTA) plans;

(6) Advise the ~~Washington state library commission~~Secretary of State and Washington State Librarian on the use of federal funds;

(7) Pursue opportunities for collaboration with other agencies and community partners that share similar interests with libraries.

[Statutory Authority: RCW [27.04.030](#)(1). WSR 00-11-028, § 304-12-047, filed 5/9/00, effective 6/9/00.]

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## 304-12-125

### General statement of criteria.<sup>[SR2]</sup>

~~(1) In a free and open society the mission of libraries is to be aware of individuals' need for knowledge and personal growth and to respond to those needs by providing access to the wisdom, experience and imagination of mankind.~~

~~(2) The state agency's criteria for determining the adequacy of library service to the public are:~~

~~(a) That ninety percent of the requests by library users for specific titles is available through their library in a manner that is satisfactory to the users.~~

~~(b) That ninety percent of the requests by library users for works by a particular author or creator is available through their library in a manner that is satisfactory to the users.~~

~~(c) That ninety percent of the requests by library users for materials on a specific subject is available through their library in a manner that is satisfactory to the users.~~

~~(d) That ninety percent of the requests by library users for information is answered through their library in a manner that is satisfactory to the users.~~

~~(e) That ninety percent of the people in a library's service area is aware of the kinds of services provided by their library.~~

~~(f) That the percentage of use by each demographic group as defined in the Library Services and Construction Act regulations is the same, +/- fifteen percent, based on the highest percentage of use.~~

Types of libraries, e.g., academic, public, school, tribal and special libraries, vary in what is important to measure to determine the effectiveness of library service. Libraries should measure the criteria recommended, for example, by their professional associations or as agreed among peers.

Libraries are encouraged to submit data through data collection collaboratives such as the Public Library Survey administered by the Institute of Museum and Library Services or the academic library data collected by the National Center for Education Statistics. The aggregated data is available to the public. Also encouraged is the inclusion of data through ~~The determination of adequacy is made by comparing these criteria with publicly distributed~~ annual reports which by law must be submitted to the state agency by each public library. The Washington State Library annually publishes aggregated Washington public library data.

[Statutory Authority: RCW [27.04.030](#)(1). WSR 00-11-028, § 304-12-125, filed 5/9/00, effective 6/9/00. Statutory Authority: RCW [27.04.060](#). WSR 84-07-020 (Order 84-1), § 304-12-125, filed 3/14/84; Order 1-75, § 304-12-125, filed 7/21/75; Order 3542, § 304-12-125, filed 7/11/72; Order, § 304-12-125, filed 6/22/71.]