

WAHKIAKUM COUNTY DISTRICT COURT

LOCAL GENERAL RULES

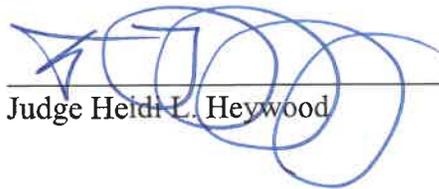
LGR 30

ELECTRONIC FILING AND SERVICE

- (a) Electronic filing (“eFile”) authorization, charges, exceptions, waiver, non-compliance, and time.**
- (1) **Mandatory Electronic Filing.** Effective July 1, 2026, attorneys shall electronically file (eFile) all documents using the court’s designated eFiling service, eFile & Serve, unless this rule provides otherwise. Non-attorneys or pro se parties are not required to eFile but are encouraged to do so.
 - (2) **Documents That Shall Not Be e-Filed.** The following documents may not be eFiled:
 - (a) A criminal case initiation document (e.g., complaint, citation, or notice of infraction) that is not submitted through the Statewide Electronic Collision & Traffic Online Records (SECTOR) application per GR 30(d)(ii);
 - (b) A document that is required by law to be filed in non-electronic format, for example, original wills, certified records of proceedings for purposes of appeal, negotiable instruments, and documents of foreign governments under official seal;
 - (c) Documents incapable of legible conversion to an electronic format by scanning, imaging, or any other means;
 - (d) Documents larger than permitted in the User Agreement.
 - (3) **Working Copies.** Attorneys and other eFilers are not required to provide duplicate paper pleadings as “working copies” for judicial officers.
 - (4) **Waiver of the Requirement to eFile for attorneys.**
 - (a) If an attorney is unable to eFile documents, the attorney may request a waiver from the court. The attorney must make a showing of good cause and explain why paper document(s) must be filed in that particular case. The court will consider each application and provide a written approval or denial to the attorney. Attorneys who receive a waiver shall file a copy of the waiver in each case in which they file documents. Attorneys who receive a waiver shall place the words “Exempt from eFiling per waiver filed on (date)” in the caption of all paper documents filed for the duration of the waiver.
 - (b) Upon a showing of good cause, the court may waive the requirement as to a specific document or documents on a case-by-case basis.

- (5) Non-Compliance with this Rule. If an attorney files a document in paper form and does not have an approved waiver from eFiling, the court may assess a fee against the attorney for each paper document filed.
- (6) Time. Materials must be eFiled no later than 1 day before a scheduled hearing, unless a different period is fixed by these rules, other court rules, or by order of the court. Materials eFiled after the time for filing may not be considered by the court.
- (b) Electronic Service. If a party serves another party electronically or via email, that party must likewise accept service from the other parties electronically or via email.**

ADOPTED this 23rd day of January, 2026.



Judge Heidi L. Heywood