

Chapter 390-05 WAC

GENERAL POLICIES AND DEFINITIONS

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**WAC 390-05-400 Changes in dollar amounts.** Pursuant to the authority in RCW 42.17A.125 that the commission may revise the monetary contribution limits and reporting thresholds and code values of the act to reflect changes in economic conditions, the previous and current amounts are:

Code Section	Subject Matter	Value Set in Statute (year last changed)	Previous Adjusted Value (set in 2019)	Current Adjusted Value (set in 2023)
Campaign Finance Reporting -				
.005(15)	Limit for the value of volunteer services excluded from the definition of contribution	\$50 (1989)	n/a	\$144
.005(21)	Reporting threshold for "Electioneering Communication"	\$1,000 (2011)	\$1,000	\$1,449
.005(30)	Reporting threshold for "Independent Expenditure" for political advertising	\$1,000 (2019)	\$950n/a	\$1,000,203
.005(46)(a)	Maximum limit for qualification as a "Remediable Violation" where no contribution limit applies	\$1,000 (2018)	n/a	\$1,237
.255	Reporting threshold for "Independent Expenditure" not otherwise reported		\$100	\$100
.110(8)	Limit on eligibility for reporting exceptions by small campaigns ("mini-	\$5,000 (2010)	n/a	\$7,285

	reporting” pursuant to WAC 390-16-015 et seq.)			
.207(1)(a)(1)	Incidental Committee - Threshold of expenditures for registration	\$25,000 (2018)	n/a	\$30,925
.235(1)	Incidental Committee – threshold for reporting top 10 contributors	\$10,000 (2018)	n/a	\$12,370
.235(3)(b)	Incidental Committee - Threshold for regular monthly reporting of contributions or expenditures	\$200 (2018)	n/a	\$247
.220(4)	Limit for retaining accumulated unidentified contributions	\$300 (1973)	n/a	\$2,478
.225(2)	Regular Monthly Campaign Reports - Threshold for regular monthly reporting of contributions or expenditures – continuing PAC	\$200 (1982)	n/a	\$693
.235(3)(a)	Regular Monthly Campaign Reports - Threshold for regular monthly reporting of contributions or expenditures – PAC	\$200 (1982)	n/a	\$693
.230(2)	Contributions - Fund-Raising - Limit on amounts eligible for special reporting of fundraising activities	\$25 - event \$50 - auction (1989)	n/a	\$72 (event) \$144 (auction)
.230(4)	Contributions Fund-Raising - Threshold for reporting identity of contributions	\$50 (1989)	n/a	\$144
.235(5) & .240(2)	Contributions – Threshold for required reporting identity of contributors	\$25 (1982)	n/a	\$87
.240(2)	Threshold for reporting pledges	\$100 (2019)	n/a	\$120
.240(7)	Threshold for reporting expenditure activity	\$50 (1982)	n/a	\$1734
.240(9)	Threshold for reporting source of debt	\$750 (2018)	n/a	\$928
.250	Out-of-State PAC – Threshold for reporting contributions	\$25 – In-state (1983)	n/a	\$84 – in-state \$3,715 – Out-of-State

		<u>\$2,550 out-of-state (2010)</u>		
<u>.265</u>	<u>"Last-Minute Contribution" – Reporting threshold</u>	<u>\$1,000 (2001)</u>	<u>\$1,500</u>	<u>\$1,812</u>
<u>.255(1)</u>	<u>Independent Expenditure ("not otherwise reported") - Threshold for including incidental volunteer expenses</u>	<u>\$50 (1995)</u>	<u>n/a</u>	<u>\$110</u>
<u>.255</u>	<u>Independent Expenditure ("not otherwise reported") – Threshold for reporting</u>	<u>\$100 (1973)</u>	<u>n/a</u>	<u>\$826</u>
<u>.255</u>	<u>Independent Expenditure ("not otherwise reported") – threshold for reporting itemized expenditure</u>	<u>\$50 (1989)</u>	<u>n/a</u>	<u>\$144</u>
<u>.260</u>	<u>Independent Expenditure (Political Advertising) – threshold for reporting</u>	<u>\$1,000 (2001)</u>	<u>n/a</u>	<u>\$1,812</u>
<u>.305</u>	<u>Independent Expenditure (Electioneering Communication) – Threshold for detailed reporting of expenditure</u>	<u>\$100 (2005)</u>	<u>n/a</u>	<u>\$169</u>
<u>.445(3)</u>	<u>Reimbursement of candidate for loan to own campaign</u>		<u>\$5,500</u>	<u>\$6,000</u>
<u>.630(1)</u>				
	<u>Applicability of provisions to persons who made contributions</u>		<u>\$19,000</u>	<u>\$20,000</u>
	<u>Persons who made independent expenditures</u>		<u>\$950</u>	<u>\$1,000</u>
<u>.405(2)</u>	<u>Campaign Contribution Limits</u>			
<u>.405(2)</u>	<u>Limits on contributions to candidates -</u>			
	<u>Candidates for state leg. office</u>	<u>\$800 (2010)</u>	<u>\$950\$1,000</u>	<u>\$1,000\$1,165</u>
	<u>Candidates for county office</u>	<u>\$800 (2010)</u>	<u>\$950\$1,000</u>	<u>\$1,000\$1,165</u>
	<u>Candidates for other state office</u>	<u>\$1,600 (2010)</u>	<u>\$1,900\$2,000</u>	<u>\$2,000\$2,331</u>

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	Candidates for special purpose districts	<u>\$1,600</u> (2010)	<u>\$1,900</u> <u>\$2,000</u>	<u>\$2,000</u> <u>\$2,331</u>
	Candidates for city council office	<u>\$800</u> (2010)	<u>\$950</u> <u>\$1,000</u>	<u>\$1,000</u> <u>\$1,165</u>
	Candidates for mayoral office	<u>\$800</u> (2010)	<u>\$950</u> <u>\$1,000</u>	<u>\$1,000</u> <u>\$1,165</u>
	Candidates for school board office	<u>\$800</u> (2010)	<u>\$950</u> <u>\$1,000</u>	<u>\$1,000</u> <u>\$1,165</u>
	Candidates for hospital district	<u>\$800</u> (2010)	<u>\$950</u> <u>\$1,000</u>	<u>\$1,000</u> <u>\$1,165</u>
410(1)	Candidates for judicial office	<u>\$1,600</u> (2010)	<u>\$2,000</u>	<u>\$2,331</u>
405(3)				
	State Legislative Office		<u>\$950</u>	<u>\$1,000</u>
	Other State Office		<u>\$1,900</u>	<u>\$2,000</u>
405(4)	State and Local Party and Caucus Committee limits on contributions to a candidate -			
	State parties and caucus -committees	<u>\$0.80 x per voter</u> (2010)	<u>95</u> <u>\$1.00 per voter</u>	<u>\$1.00</u> <u>\$1.17</u> -per registered voter
	County and leg. district parties	<u>\$0.40 per voter</u> (2010)	<u>50</u> <u>\$ per voter</u>	<u>50</u> <u>\$ .58</u> per registered voter
	Limit on aggregate for of all county and leg. district parties to a candidate	<u>\$0.40 x per voter</u> (2010)	<u>50</u> <u>\$ per voter</u>	<u>50</u> <u>\$0.58</u> per registered voter
405(7)	Limits to political parties and caucus committees -			
	To caucus committee	<u>\$800</u> (2010)	<u>\$1,000</u>	<u>\$1,165</u>
	To political party	<u>\$4,000</u> (2010)	<u>\$5,500</u>	<u>\$5,828</u>
405(3)	Recall – Limits to state or local official or to PAC supporting recall -			
	State Legislative Office and Local Office	<u>\$800</u> (2010)	<u>\$1,000</u>	<u>\$1,165</u>
	Other (Non-Legislative) State Office and Port District	<u>\$1,600</u> (2010)	<u>\$2,000</u>	<u>\$2,331</u>
405(5)	Recall – Limits for political parties and caucus			

	<u>committees to state or local officials or to PACs supporting recall -</u>			
	State parties and caucuses	<u>\$0.80 x per voter (2010)</u>	<del>95</del> <u>\$1.00</u> per voter	<del>\$1.00</del> <u>\$1.17</u> per registered voter
	County and leg. district parties	<u>\$0.40 x per voter (2010)</u>	.50 per voter	<del>50</del> <u>\$0.58</u> per registered voter
	Limit for all county and leg. district parties to state official up for recall or pol. comm. supporting recall	<u>\$0.40 x per voter (2010)</u>	.50 per voter	<del>50</del> <u>\$0.58</u> per registered voter
.405(7)				
	To caucus committee		\$950	\$1,000
	To political party		\$5,000	\$5,500
.410(1)	Candidates for judicial office		\$1,900	\$2,000
.420	Limits on large contributions -			
	Statewide office	<u>\$50,000 - (2010)</u>	n/a	<u>\$72,850</u>
	Other (non-statewide) office	<u>\$5,000 -other (2010)</u>	n/a	<u>\$7,285</u>
.445(3)	Maximum limit for reimbursement of candidate loan to own campaign	<u>\$4,700 (2010)</u>	<u>\$6,000</u>	<u>\$6,848</u>
.475	Contribution must be made by written instrument	<u>\$100 (2019)</u>	<del>95</del> <u>\$100</u>	<del>\$100</del> <u>\$120</u>
.600 - .640	Lobbying disclosure and restrictions – See WAC 390-20-150			
.710	Code values for statement of personal financial affairs - See WAC 390-24-301			