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WAC 284-30A-020 Scope of applicability. (1) This chapter applies to policies renewed on or after June 1, 2024.

(2) This chapter applies to authorized insurers with the following types of personal insurance policies:

(a) Private passenger automobile coverage; and

(b) Homeowner's coverage, including mobile homeowners, manufactured homeowners, condominium owners, and renter's coverage.

(3) This chapter applies to renewals of policies and will not apply to the purchase of new policies or new insurance applications.

(4) Exemptions:

(a) This chapter does not apply to personal insurance policies for coverage of boats, motorcycles, off-road vehicles, recreational vehicles, antique or collector vehicles, classic vehicles, and specialty vehicles.

(b) Insurers of health, disability, life, and long-term care are exempt from compliance with this chapter. Health care services contractors and health maintenance organizations are also exempt from compliance with this chapter.

(c) Nothing in this chapter requires insurers to disclose the contents of credit-based insurance scoring models, company placement criteria or eligibility rules, and strictly confidential insurance company trade secrets, as defined by chapter 19.108 RCW (Uniform Trade Secrets Act). However, insurers may need to provide information specific to the policyholder that has been produced through or resulting from these sources to comply with this chapter.

(d) Information in a filing on "usage-based insurance" and about the usage-based component of the rate is confidential and exempt from this chapter, pursuant to RCW 48.19.040.

(e) This chapter does not apply to policyholder-initiated changes to insurance coverages, policies, or premiums.

(f) This chapter does not apply to personal umbrella policies.

(5) This chapter is not intended to contradict or conflict with the Fair Credit Reporting Act (15 U.S.C. Sec. 1681).

(6) This chapter, and the associated premium change transparency requirements, are in addition to and separate from the disclosure requirements contained in chapter 284-24A WAC.

(7) Violation of this regulation is not a violation for purposes of RCW 48.30.015(5).

[Statutory Authority: RCW 48.02.060, 48.01.030, 48.18.180, 48.18.2901, 48.18.292, 48.18.480, 48.18.545, 48.19.020, 48.19.035, and 48.30.010. WSR 23-13-114, § 284-30A-020, filed 6/21/23, effective 6/1/24.]