

**WAC 296-800-310 Summary.**

**Your responsibility:**

To provide and maintain emergency exit routes and to install and maintain adequate employee alarm systems.

**IMPORTANT:**

An employer who demonstrates compliance with the exit route provisions of NFPA 101-2009, the Life Safety Code, will be in compliance with the corresponding requirements of this section.

You must meet the requirements ...	in this section:
<b>Exit routes</b>	
Provide an adequate number of exit routes	WAC 296-800-31005
Make sure that exit routes are large enough	WAC 296-800-31010
Make sure that exit routes meet their specific design and construction requirements	WAC 296-800-31015
Make sure that each exit route leads outside	WAC 296-800-31020
Provide unobstructed access to exit routes	WAC 296-800-31025
Exit doors must be readily opened from the inside	WAC 296-800-31030
Use side-hinged doors to connect rooms to exit routes	WAC 296-800-31035
Provide outdoor exit routes that meet these requirements	WAC 296-800-31040
Minimize danger to employees while they are using emergency exit routes	WAC 296-800-31045
Mark exits adequately	WAC 296-800-31050
Provide adequate lighting for exit routes and signs	WAC 296-800-31053
Maintain the fire retardant properties of paints or other coatings	WAC 296-800-31055
Maintain emergency safeguards	WAC 296-800-31060
Maintain exit routes during construction and repair	WAC 296-800-31065
Provide doors in freezer or refrigerated rooms that open from the inside	WAC 296-800-31067
Install and maintain an appropriate employee alarm system	WAC 296-800-31070
Establish procedures for sounding emergency alarms	WAC 296-800-31075
Test the employee alarm system	WAC 296-800-31080

**Exemption:** This rule does not apply to vehicles, vessels, or other mobile structures.

**Note:** The introduction has important information about building, electrical and fire codes that may apply to you in addition to WISHA rules. See "How do the WISHA rules relate to building, fire, and electrical codes" in the introduction section of this book.

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