

**WAC 296-800-31005 Provide an adequate number of exit routes.**

(1) You must provide a minimum of two exit routes to provide different ways for employees to leave the workplace safely during an emergency (at least two of the exit routes must be remote from one another so employees can safely exit if one exit route becomes blocked or unavailable).

(2) You must provide an adequate number (at least two) of exit routes, considering the kind, number, location and capacity, appropriate to each building according to the following conditions:

- (a) Number of employees.
- (b) Size of building.
- (c) Arrangement of workplace.
- (d) Building occupancy.

**Note:** A single exit route is permitted where the number of employees, the size of the building, its occupancy, or the arrangement of the workplace indicates that a single exit will allow all employees to exit safely during an emergency. Other means of escape, such as fire exits or accessible windows, should be available where only one exit route is provided.

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