

**WAC 308-93-220 Department may refuse or cancel certificates.**

**(1) Can the department refuse to issue a certificate of ownership or registration?** Yes, if the department determines at any time that an applicant for certificate of ownership or registration for a vessel is not entitled to these certificates, the department may refuse to issue such certificates.

**(2) Can the department cancel a certificate of ownership or registration?** Yes, the department may cancel the certificate of ownership or registration already acquired.

**(3) How will the department notify an applicant if a certificate of ownership or registration has been refused or canceled?** Notice of cancellation may be accomplished by sending a notice by first class mail using the last known address in department records for the legal vessel owner or owners, and recording the transmittal on an affidavit of first class mail.

**(4) May the vessel be operated if the certificate of ownership or registration has been refused or canceled?** No. It is unlawful for any person to operate the vessel until a proper certificate of ownership and registration has been issued. Any person operating a vessel after the refusal or cancellation of the certificates by the department will be guilty of a gross misdemeanor.

[Statutory Authority: RCW 88.02.070 and 88.02.100. WSR 00-23-029, § 308-93-220, filed 11/7/00, effective 12/8/00; WSR 98-21-001, § 308-93-220, filed 10/8/98, effective 11/8/98. Statutory Authority: 1983 c 7 § 20 and 1983 2nd ex.s. c 3 § 46. WSR 83-23-076 (Order 736-DOL), § 308-93-220, filed 11/18/83.]