

STATUTORY REFERENCES
FOR
WASHINGTON COUNTIES

The statutory references listed below refer the code user to state statutes applicable to Washington counties. They are up to date through July, 2008.

General Provisions

Classification of counties
RCW Ch. 36.13

Boundaries
RCW Chs. 36.04, 36.05

County seats
RCW Ch. 36.12

Legislative powers
RCW 36.32.120

Penalties for ordinance violations
RCW 36.32.120(7)

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RCW Ch. 36.63

Joint governmental activities
RCW Ch. 36.64

Administration and Personnel

County organization
State Const. Art. 11

County commissioners
RCW Ch. 36.32

County officers generally
RCW Ch. 36.16

Campaign finances and disclosure

RCW Ch. 42.17

Meetings of legislative body
RCW 36.32.080 and 36.32.090

Open Public Meeting Act
RCW Ch. 42.30

Local government whistleblower protection
RCW Ch. 42.41

Code of ethics for officers
RCW Ch. 42.23

County assessor
RCW Ch. 36.21

County auditor
RCW Ch. 36.22

County clerk
RCW Ch. 36.23

County coroner
RCW Ch. 36.24

Public defender
RCW Ch. 36.26

Prosecuting attorney
RCW Ch. 36.27

County sheriff
RCW Ch. 36.28

County treasurer
RCW Ch. 36.29

Boundary review boards
RCW Ch. 36.93

Salaries of county officers

RCW Ch. 36.17

Fees of county officers

RCW Ch. 36.18

County property

RCW Ch. 36.34

Coordination of administrative programs

RCW Ch. 36.47

Legislative powers

RCW 36.32.120

County central services department

RCW Ch. 36.92

Civil service for sheriff's office

RCW Ch. 41.14

Public employees retirement system

RCW Ch. 41.40

Social security

RCW Ch. 41.48

Industrial insurance

RCW 51.12.050

Revenue and Finance

County funds

RCW Ch. 36.33

Equipment rental and revolving fund

RCW Ch. 36.33A

Purchasing

RCW 36.32.235 et seq.

Tax title lands

RCW Ch. 36.35

Admissions tax
RCW Ch. 36.38

Public assistance and relief
RCW Ch. 36.39 and RCW Title 74

Budget
RCW Ch. 36.40

Retail sales and use taxes
RCW Ch. 36.42

Claims against counties
RCW Ch. 36.45

Depositories
RCW Ch. 36.48

Limitation of indebtedness
RCW Ch. 36.67

Bonds
RCW Chs. 39.40, 39.44, 39.48 and 39.90

Warrants
RCW Ch. 39.56

Property taxes
RCW Title 84

Business Licenses and Regulations

Liquor regulation and enforcement
RCW 66.08.120 and 66.44.010

Gambling
RCW Ch. 9.46, 9.47

Massage practitioners
RCW 36.32.122

Peddlers and hawkers
RCW Ch. 36.71

Animals

Dogs
RCW Ch. 36.49, 16.08, 16.10

Health and Safety

Solid waste disposal
RCW Ch. 36.58

Solid waste collection districts
RCW Ch. 36.58A

Hospitals
RCW Ch. 36.62

Emergency medical services
RCW 36.01.095

Cemeteries and morgues
RCW 68.20.080, 68.52.010--68.52.030

Fireworks
RCW Ch. 70.77

Flood control
RCW Ch. 86.12

Nuisances
RCW 36.32.120(10)

Public Peace, Morals and Welfare

Crimes and punishments
RCW Title 9

Washington criminal code
RCW Title 9A

Probation and parole services
RCW 36.01.070

Drunkenness and alcoholism
RCW 70.96A.190

Discrimination
RCW Ch. 49.60

Juvenile curfew
RCW 36.32.425

Injunctions--Obscene materials
RCW Ch. 7.42

Vehicles and Traffic

Motor vehicles
RCW Title 46

Model traffic ordinances
RCW Ch. 46.90

Abandoned vehicles
RCW Ch. 46.52

Drunk driving penalties
RCW 36.32.127

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Roads and bridges
RCW Chs. 36.75 through 36.87

Road improvement districts
RCW Ch. 36.88

Parks, recreation, open spaces
RCW Ch. 36.89

Parks and recreation facilities
RCW Ch. 36.68

Park and recreation districts
RCW Ch. 36.69

Public Services

Sewerage, water and drainage systems
RCW Ch. 36.94

Solid waste disposal
RCW Ch. 36.58

Ferries
RCW Ch. 36.54

Television reception improvement districts
RCW Ch. 36.95

Franchises
RCW Ch. 36.55

Public transportation
RCW Chs. 36.57, 36.57A

Airports
RCW Chs. 14.07, 14.08

Buildings and Construction

State building code
RCW Ch. 19.27

Energy-related building standards
RCW Ch. 19.27A

Adoption of building codes and fire regulations
RCW Ch. 36.43

Electrical regulations
RCW Chs. 19.28, 19.29

Development impact fees

RCW 82.02.050 et seq.

Subdivisions

Boundaries and plats generally
RCW Title 58

Subdivisions
RCW Ch. 58.17

Short plats and subdivisions
RCW 58.17.060, 58.17.065

Hearing examiner system
RCW 58.17.330

Planning and Zoning

Planning Enabling Act
RCW Ch. 36.70

Planning commissions
RCW 36.70.070 et seq.

Board of adjustment
RCW 36.70.200 et seq. and 36.70.810 et seq.

Comprehensive plans
RCW 36.70.320 et seq.

Growth management
RCW Ch. 36.70A

Judicial review of land use decisions
RCW Ch. 36.70C

Local project review
RCW Ch. 36.70B

