

## Washington

**Standards Schools:** K-12 interpreters (by the 2016 school year must possess): • The Educational Interpreter Performance Assessment (EIPA) with a minimum score of 3.5 AND the EIPA written test with a passing score; OR • National Interpreting Certificate with Registry of Interpreters for the Deaf (RID) AND the EIPA written test with a passing score.

**Courts:** Court Interpreters effective January 14, 2015: Hearing Interpreters: • Specialist certificate: Legal (SC: L) from the Registry of interpreters for the deaf; OR • Registry of interpreters for the deaf (RID) certification and having passed the SC: L written test. • Must undergo a DSHS criminal background check conducted by DSHS back check central unit using DSHS form 09-653 background authorization. \ • Must complete the Washington courts training provided by the AOC. Deaf Interpreters: • Must hold a current certified deaf interpreter (CDI) certification from the registry of interpreters for the deaf; • Must undergo a DSHS criminal background check conducted by DSHS background check central unit using DSHS form 09-653 background authorization; • Must complete the Washington courts training provided by the AOC

**Website(s):** [Source of Interpreters, Qualifications](#) [1]

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[1] <http://apps.leg.wa.gov/rcw/default.aspx?cite=2.42.130>

[2] [http://www.pesb.wa.gov/press\\_release/2013/05-23-13\\_deaf\\_ed](http://www.pesb.wa.gov/press_release/2013/05-23-13_deaf_ed)

[3] <https://www.dshs.wa.gov/sites/default/files/SESA/rpau/documents/103P-15-01-075.pdf>