



STATE OF WASHINGTON
BOARD OF PILOTAGE COMMISSIONERS

STATEMENT OF POLICY

REGARDING: Trips that Qualify for Stipend Credit

All trips or other activities included in a BPC training program, whether it is mandatory or optional, shall qualify for stipend credit.

Any trips or other activities not included in the BPC training program, such as ferry rides or other trips solely for the purpose of completing Federal Pilotage requirements do not qualify for stipend credit.

For reference below is WAC 363-116-078

*10 (b) In the Puget Sound pilotage district a minimum of twelve trips are required each month for eligibility to receive the minimum stipend amount as set by the board, or eighteen trips to receive the maximum stipend amount as set by the board. A trainee may make more than eighteen trips in a calendar month, but no further stipend will be earned for doing so. In the Grays Harbor pilotage district the minimum number of trips each month for eligibility to receive the stipend is seventy percent or such number or percentage of trips that may be set by the board of the total number of vessel movements occurring in this district during that month. **Only trips required by the training program can be used to satisfy these minimums.** Trips will be documented at the end of each month.*

The intent of the TEC and BPC was to restrict the stipend credit to trips approved by the BPC and not provide stipend for additional Federal Pilotage trips beyond the scope of the BPC training program.