

Pueblo Department of Public Health and Environment (PDPHE)

Request Procedure for Inspecting and Copying of Records

The Colorado Open Records Act, (CORA) C.R.S. § 24-72-201 to 206, provides that all public records shall be open for inspection by any person at reasonable times, except as provided in part 2 or as otherwise specifically provided by law.

Requests for inspecting and/or copying of documents must be submitted in writing by completing the Request Procedure for Inspection/Copying of Record Form. Completed request forms must be immediately given to the Human Resources Manager.

C.R.S. §24-72-203 requires making the documents available within three working days, or additional working days if extenuating circumstances exist. The statute provides a reasonableness standard for the time necessary to prepare and gather the records in both instances. The three-day period to respond corresponds with the time the request was received if during normal business hours. Otherwise, the time begins at the beginning of the next business day.

If the request exceeds 25 pages, a 25 cent per page fee will be assessed (8.5 x 11) C.R.S. §24-72-205(5)(a). There is also a charge of \$30 per hour associated with staff time when the records request requires more than one hour locating, researching or retrieving records. Costs shall be paid in full before the production of records unless alternative arrangements have been made. A cost estimate will be provided in advance of the gathering of documents. The requesting party will have an opportunity to cancel the request at that time.

Records requested from PDPHE may be reviewed by the Pueblo County Attorney's Office for adherence to the Colorado Open Records Act requirements and will be completed within the required three working day response unless otherwise indicated.

Requestors will be contacted when a request has been completed and is ready to be released. Completed requests will be held for 30 days. If the request is not picked up within 30 days, the records will be destroyed and must be re-ordered. Refunds are not be provided and new fees will apply to all re-ordered records. Contact the Human Resources Manager with any questions at 719-583-4515.

Pueblo Department of Public Health and Environment (PDPHE) Inspection/Copying of Record Request Form

Requestor: *complete the following*

Date Requested: _____

I, _____ request to inspect / copy the document(s) listed below:

Detailed description of document(s) being requested: _____

Company Name: (if applicable) _____

Address: _____

Telephone: _____ Cell Phone: _____ Fax: _____

E-mail: _____

Purpose of request: _____

Requestor Signature: _____ **Date:** _____

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PDPHE to Complete:

Date Received: _____ By (name): _____

Responsible Department: _____

THIS FORM MUST BE IMMEDIATELY FORWARDED TO THE HUMAN RESOURCES MANAGER

Fees: Research _____ hours @ \$30.00 per hour (after first hour) = \$ _____

Pages _____ each @ \$.25 each Page (after 25 pages) = \$ _____

Total Estimated Cost \$ _____

Adjustments for actual research/copying:

_____ \$ _____

Total Cost Due: \$ _____

Requestor: Having received the foregoing cost estimate, I choose to confirm my request for the records described and agree to prepay for the estimated charges. I understand records will not be made available until payment in full is received.

Yes No, please cancel this request

Signature

Date