

# Snohomish County Superior Court

## Local Court Rules - Change

Permanent Rule Effective September 1, 2009

## PART III. CIVIL RULES (SCLCR)

### V. DEPOSITIONS AND DISCOVERY (RULES 26-37)

#### RULE 37. FAILURE TO MAKE DISCOVERY: SANCTIONS

**(f) Conference of Counsel.** The court will not entertain any motion or objection with respect to Rules 26 through 37 of the Rules of Civil Procedure, unless it affirmatively appears that counsel have met personally or by telephone, and conferred with respect thereto. Counsel for the moving or objecting party shall arrange such a conference. If the court finds that counsel for any party, upon whom a motion or objection in respect to matters covered by such rules is served, willfully refuses to meet and confer, or having met, willfully refuses or fails to confer in good faith, the court may take appropriate action to encourage future good faith compliance.

**(g) Certificate of Compliance.** At the time of noting a motion or objection for consideration, counsel for the moving or objecting party shall serve and file a certificate of compliance with this rule and enumerate therein the matters remaining for disposition by the court.

**(h) Completion of Discovery.** Unless otherwise stipulated to by the parties, or ordered by the court upon good cause shown and such terms and conditions as are just, all discovery allowed under CR 26 - 37, including responses and supplementation thereto, must be completed no later than 35 calendar days prior to the date assigned for trial. Nothing herein stated shall modify a party's responsibility to promptly supplement responses to discovery rules or otherwise comply with discovery prior to the 35-day cutoff. In any case brought under Title 26 R.C.W. discovery will be completed no later than the date of confirmation required by Rule 40(d)(1).