



Dispute Resolution Center Of Yakima and Kittitas Counties

132 N. First Ave. Yakima WA 98902

Procedures:

1. A non-refundable \$25 initial intake fee must be paid by both parties before mediation can be scheduled.
2. Mediation fees are charged on a per session basis. Sessions are two to three hours in length, generally with two mediators. Participating parties usually pay an equal share of the fees, unless otherwise agreed upon or stated differently in a contract, parenting plan, or court order.
3. Fees may be adjusted if household income is below \$50,000. Income verification is required. Each party should contact our office **within one week of your mediation session date being confirmed** if you think you may be eligible for a fee reduction.
4. Payment plans are available upon request. All fees must be paid in full 10 business days prior to your scheduled mediation session. If not paid in full, your session will be cancelled. Please contact our office for payment arrangements.
5. Cancellations with less than 10 business days' notice will not be eligible for a refund. However, a portion of the payment may be applied to future sessions up to one year. Cancellations with more than ten days' notice, may receive a partial refund. Exceptions are considered on a case by case basis.
6. If mediation sessions are cancelled by an attorney's office with less than 3 business days' notice (72 hours) to the DRC staff, the attorney's office will be charged \$200. This fee must be paid within 30 days. If it is not paid within 30 days, the DRC reserves the right to decline to schedule additional sessions for any of that attorney's clients.

Fees:

1. Initial intake fee (for all mediation parties) \$ 25.00
2. Attorney scheduling fee, payable by all attorneys in attendance \$ 50.00
3. Family Court, Parenting Plans, Divorce, Elder Family Issues, Custody/Visitation \$250.00 per session (\$125 per person, unless otherwise instructed by the court)
4. Cancellation/rescheduling fee, payable by cancelling party\$ 25.00 per cancellation
5. Document Fee (for copies of any documents from a closed case) \$ 35.00
6. Parent/Teen, or Teen/Teen \$125.00
7. Neighborhood, Consumer/Merchant, Landlord/Tenant \$100.00
8. Trust and Estate Dispute Resolution Act Mediations \$125 per hour. \$375 minimum for estates over \$30,000 in value. Extreme economic circumstances for estates below this level could result in lower fees. Cost to be borne equally by all parties. (all parties can mutually agree that the fee come out of the estate if this doesn't lead to a delay in the payment).
9. Small Claims, Government/Citizen Disputes No fee.
10. Agency/Business Disputes \$400 up to 2 hour session
\$200 each additional hour
\$100 per hour for advance interviewing, planning, and travel
11. Meeting Facilitations \$200 per hour
\$225 per hour with multiple facilitators and less than 50 people
\$275 per hour with multiple facilitators and more than 50 people
\$100 per hour for advance interviewing, planning, and travel
12. Agency/Business Training \$200 per hour for up to 5 people
\$235 per hour for 6-10 people
\$270 per hour for 11-15 people
\$300 per hour for 16-20 people
For trainings between 1-4 hours a \$15 fee will be assessed per person, above 20 people.
5-8 hours a \$30 fee will be assessed per person, above 20 people
(There is a minimum training fee of \$375.)

Per RCW 7.75 which mandates DRC services be available based on clients' "ability to pay." It is conceivable some people will pay less than the listed fee. Each case will be evaluated on its merits.