

### 314.3.1 WHEN TO INITIATE A PURSUIT

Officers are not authorized to initiate a pursuit unless the following criteria exists (RCW 10.116.060):

- a. When reasonable suspicion exists to believe that a person ~~in the vehicle has committed or is committing:~~
  - ~~1. A violent offense as defined in RCW 9.94A.030.~~
  - ~~2. A sex offense as defined in RCW 9.94A.030.~~
  - ~~3. A vehicular assault offense under RCW 46.61.522.~~
  - ~~4. A first, second, third, or fourth degree assault offense involving domestic violence as defined in RCW 10.99.020.~~
  - ~~5. An escape under Chapter 9A.76 RCW.~~
  - ~~6. An impaired driving offense under RCW 46.61.502.~~

has violated the law.
- b. The pursuit is necessary for the purpose of identifying or apprehending the person.
- c. The person poses a ~~serious risk of harm to~~ threat to the safety of others and the safety risks of failing to apprehend or identify the person are considered to be greater than the safety risks of the vehicle pursuit under the circumstances.