

If a statute has been amended or renumbered more than once, then the best practice is to include the full subsequent history on the first reference or at least in a footnote (example: cite all amendments, not just the one at issue).

6. Oregon Evidence Code (OEC) (ORS chapter 40)

Always use the abbreviated form (OEC) in both narrative references and citations when referring to or citing a specific rule. Use “Oregon Evidence Code” (not “OEC”) when referring to the code as a whole. Do not cite the ORS number, *e.g.*,

OEC 801(3).

OEC 103 Commentary (1981).

Legislative Commentary to OEC 401, *reprinted in* Laird C. Kirkpatrick, *Oregon Evidence* § 401.02, Art IV-4 (4th ed 2002).

Parts of the Oregon Evidence Code suggest that * * *. (narrative form)

When quoting the Oregon Evidence Code, or when quoting a statute that quotes the Oregon Evidence Code, replace any ORS reference with the corresponding OEC rule number in brackets, *e.g.*,

OEC 405(2)(a) provides:

“In all cases in which character or a trait of character of a person is admissible under [OEC 404(1)], proof may also be made of specific instances of the conduct of the person.”

7. Oregon Rules of Civil Procedure (ORCP)

Always use the abbreviated form (ORCP) in both narrative references and citations when referring to or citing a specific rule. Use “Oregon Rules of Civil Procedure” (not “ORCPs”) when referring to the rules as a whole. Always add a space after the rule number when referring to a section of the rule, *e.g.*,

ORCP 71 B(1)(b)(i). [rule 71][section B][subsection (1)][paragraph (b)][sub-paragraph (i)].

ORCP 7 C(3)(a) to (c). (narrative form, when citing a sequence)

ORCP 7 C(3)(a) - (c). (citation form, when citing a sequence)

ORCP 7 C(3)(a) and (c). (narrative form, when referring to two paragraphs of the same rule)

ORCP 7 C(3)(a), (c). (citation form, when citing two paragraphs of the same rule)

Nothing in the Oregon Rules of Civil Procedure points to a contrary conclusion. (narrative form)

ORCP 71 B(1)(c) or ORCP 71 C (when citing two parts of a rule).

When citing the drafts, comments, and history of the ORCPs, cite the bound volumes, *i.e.*:

Council on Court Procedures, *4 Legislative History Relating to Promulgation of Oregon Rules of Civil Procedure (1/1/78 through 12/31/78)*, June 28, 1978, Draft and Proposed Comment to Rule 6, 33 (1979).

When citing the permanent comments to the enacted ORCPs, cite the Merrill handbook, *i.e.*:

Council on Court Procedures, Staff Comment to Rule 9, *reprinted in* Frederic R. Merrill, *Oregon Rules of Civil Procedure: A Handbook* 28-29 (1981).

8. Oregon Rules of Appellate Procedure (ORAP)

Always use the abbreviated form (ORAP) in both narrative references and citations when referring to or citing a specific rule. Use “Oregon Rules of Appellate Procedure” (not “ORAPs”) when referring to the rules as a whole, *e.g.*,

ORAP 9.15(1).

The Oregon Rules of Appellate Procedure set out a process for initiating a case.

NOTE: Follow the links at www.courts.oregon.gov to find the most current version of the Oregon Rules of Appellate Procedure, which occasionally are temporarily amended by Chief Justice-Chief Judge Order.

9. Oregon Administrative Rules (OAR)

Always use the abbreviated form (OAR) in both narrative references and citations when referring to or citing a specific rule. Use “Oregon Administrative Rules” not “OARs” when referring to the rules as a whole, *e.g.*,

OAR 253-004-0001. (narrative and citation form, when referring to or citing a specific paragraph)

OAR chapter 253, division 4. (narrative form, when referring to an entire division)

OAR chapter 253, division 4, Appendix 3. (narrative form, when referring to an appendix)

OAR ch 253, App 3. (citation form)

OAR 660-022-0077 to 660-022-0080. (narrative form when referring to a series)

OAR 660-022-0077 - 660-022-0080. (citation form when referring to a series)

OAR 435-001-0025 (May 12, 2002). (indicates that a rule has been amended)