

**WAC 296-17A-4812 Classification 4812. 4812-00 Farms: Finfish and shellfish hatcheries**

**Applies to:**

Establishments engaged in hatchery operations for the raising of finfish or shellfish, or their eggs.

**Work in this classification includes**, but is not limited to:

- Spawning of larvae;
- Growing and testing algae (food for shellfish in larvae state);
- Seeding of shells in tanks;
- Loading of seeded shells for shipment or transportation to natural waters;
- Spawning finfish;
- Harvesting;
- Management of water flow temperature and exchange rate;
- Laboratory work when performed by employees of an employer subject to this classification.

**Note:** The term "harvest" includes the sale of seeded shells, larvae, fish eggs, and whole fish.

**What activities are not included in this classification?**

- Placement of seeded shells or larvae into natural waters;
- Harvesting of mature shellfish or the related processing of packaging of shellfish (report in classification 3304 or 4805 as applicable); and
- Contractors hired by farm to install, repair or build any hatchery equipment or structures (report in the classification applicable to the work being performed).

**Special note:** See classification 4805 for related information. The farm labor contractor provision is not applicable to classification 4812.

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