

WAC 458-20-160 Agricultural commission agents. Any person whose business consists in selling agricultural products both as a dealer and upon a commission-consignment basis is presumed to be conducting business as a seller of tangible personal property either at wholesale or at retail, unless such person segregates upon his books and records between sales of products purchased and sold as a dealer and those handled strictly upon a commission basis.

Business and Occupation Tax

Retailing. Dealers are taxable under the retailing classification upon gross proceeds derived from retail sales. Persons selling upon a commission-consignment basis who do not segregate upon their books and records between sales made as a dealer and those handled upon a commission basis are taxable as sellers upon gross proceeds of all sales.

Wholesaling. Dealers are taxable under the wholesaling classification upon gross proceeds derived from wholesale sales. Persons selling upon a commission-consignment basis who do not segregate upon their books and records between wholesale sales made as a dealer and those handled on a commission basis are taxable as sellers upon gross proceeds of all sales.

Service and other business activities. A person may be classified as engaging in service and other business activities with respect to bona fide commission-consignment sales, even though such consigned sales are credited to the "sales" account, providing he has complied with the Commission Merchants' Law of the state of Washington and has prepared and kept the following records supplementary to the regular books of account:

(1) Lot sheets, cards or similar subsidiary records upon which consigned sales are regularly recorded;

(2) An analysis sheet showing the date, lot number, gross proceeds of sales of consigned goods, remittances to consignor, advances, commissions, other charges and taxable amount with respect to consigned accounts. This sheet shall contain a complete analysis of all consigned sales showing the distribution made from lot sheets, cards or similar subsidiary records. Entries in the consigned sales analysis record shall be made as of the date that final distribution is made on lot sheet, card or similar record;

(3) A detailed record of deductions claimed with respect to sales of products purchased. Such records shall show the date of sale, the lot number and the nature of the deductions claimed.

The subsidiary analysis of consigned accounts and record of deductions shall be kept substantially in the following form:

Principal accounts				
Date	Lot Number	Interstate Sales	Other Deductions	Total Deductions

Commission accounts							
Date	Lot No.	Gross Proceeds of Sales	Remittances	Advances	Commission Charged	Other Charges	Taxable Amount

Commission accounts

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Retail Sales Tax

Persons engaged in the business of selling agricultural products at retail either as dealers or upon a commission-consignment basis are required to collect the retail sales tax upon all retail sales made by them.

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