

WAC 296-17A-4103 Classification 4103.

4103-01 Newspaper publishing

Applies to:

Businesses engaged in publishing daily or periodic newspapers.

Work activities include, but are not limited to:

- Printing which usually consists of one of three processes: Off-set lithography, letterpress, or flexography;
- Cutting;
- Folding;
- Stacking either manually or by computer-operated machinery;
- Distribution using door-to-door carriers or independent route delivery drivers;
- General maintenance activities of the newspaper.

Occupations include, but are not limited to:

- Bindery workers;
- Drivers;
- Freight handlers;
- Machine feeders;
- Maintenance workers;
- Press operators;
- Production helpers.

Exclusions:

- Photo composition or prepress work such as photographic or computerized typesetting, layout, paste up, editing, proofreading, camera work, and automated platemaking is classified in 4904;
- Outside reporters, photographers, sales personnel, advertising staff, and circulation solicitors are classified in 6303;
- Businesses engaged in printing operations for newspapers published by other firms are classified in 4101.

Special note: Employees of an employer subject to this classification who have both photographic composition/prepress work duties and duties which are subject to this classification (4103) are classified in 4103 without a division of work hours.

Newspapers without any printing operations are governed by the general reporting rule covering businesses described by a standard exception classification.

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