

WAC 296-17A-2104 Classification 2104.

2104-01 Vegetable packing - Fresh

Applies to:

- Businesses packing fresh vegetables. These operations are usually located in produce growing areas and are generally seasonal.
- Businesses processing seed potatoes.

Work activities include, but are not limited to:

- Picking up the product from local farms or co-op;
- Sorting;
- Grading;
- Cleaning;
- Trimming;
- Packing - By hand for fragile vegetables or by machine for the more sturdy produce;
- Shipping of the vegetables;
- Delivering of packaged product to market;
- Cold storage operations if used solely for the storage of their own produce;
- Processing of seed potatoes - Usually whole potatoes are cleaned, cut into small pieces, and treated with a fumigant powder or other sterilizer.

Note: A farm operation that grows and packs their own fresh vegetables or packs other farms' fresh vegetables in addition to their own is to be assigned this classification (2104) for the packing operation. However, if the farmer only sorts and stores the fresh vegetables, the appropriate agricultural classification is applicable to both the growing and sorting/storage operations.

Exclusions:

- Fresh fruit packing is classified in 2104-02;
- Cannery or freezing operations and/or any processing of the vegetables is classified in 3902;
- Cold storage operations not exclusively part of a packing operation are classified in 4401 or 4404.

2104-02 Fruit packing - Fresh

Applies to:

Businesses packing fresh fruit. These operations are usually located in produce growing areas and generally are seasonal.

Work activities include, but are not limited to:

- Picking up the product from local farms or co-op;
- Sorting;
- Grading;
- Cleaning;
- Trimming;
- Packing - By hand for fragile fruits or by machine for the more sturdy produce;
- Shipping of the fruit;
- Delivering of packaged product to market;
- Cold storage operations if used solely for the storage of their own produce.

Note: A farm operation that grows and packs their own fresh fruit, or packs other farms' fresh fruit in addition to their own, is to be assigned this classification (2104) for the packing operation. However, if the farmer only sorts and stores the fresh fruit the appropriate agricultural classification is applicable to both the growing and sorting/storage operations.

Exclusions:

- Fresh vegetable packing is classified in 2104-01;
- Cannery or freezing operations and/or any processing of the fruit is classified in 3902;

- Cold storage operations not exclusively part of a packing operation are classified in 4401 or 4404.

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