

Classification changes effective 2025

NCCI has an ongoing process dedicated to the systematic research, analysis, and maintenance of NCCI's class system. This process ensures that the class system remains healthy, viable, and responsive to the needs of various industry stakeholders. This process also ensures the system reflects the responses that various industries and their operations make to technological, competitive, and regulatory changes. Classifications and industry-grouped classifications are analyzed to determine which, if any, should be considered for modernization, consolidation, discontinuation, or clarification.

In addition, the Oregon Workers Compensation Rating System Review & Advisory Committee (ORAC) may direct NCCI to make various changes to the Oregon Special Classifications section in NCCI's Basic Manual to address issues and concerns specific to Oregon.

Here are the 2025 classification changes resulting from NCCI and ORAC's work. No classifications are being added or removed, only revisions to existing classifications:

 Item 01-OR-2024—Revisions to Basic Manual Rules Related to Interchange of Labor and Classification for Farm-Vineyard-All Operations & Drivers in Oregon

The existing caption for Code 0008 included 'All Operations", which prohibited the addition of a separate basic class unless an exception was noted in the classification wording. In addition, there were no other captions under code 0008 that reflect this classification wording that include 'All Operations'.

Further, vineyard operations have evolved to now include onsite winery operations. Previous versions of the SAIF paragraphs and SCOPEs language included the instruction that winery operations could be separately rated. However, there was no filed language to support separately rating this activity. This change validates that winery operations can be separately rated to code 2143 and aligns the winery caption with other 0008 captions.

Effective January 1, 2025, on a new and renewing basis, NCCI is revising the following codes to address the additional operations associated with vineyard operations:

 Revise Code 0008—Farm—Vineyard & Drivers to remove 'All Operations" from the caption and to add a note that wineries located at the vineyard are to be separately rated to Code 2143.

Please forward any questions or concerns to my attention. Thank you.

A notification letter will be sent to affected SAIF policyholders.