



Classification Changes Effective 2024

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. The process also ensures that 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 the NCCI's Basic Manual to address issues and concerns specific to Oregon.

Here are the 2024 classification changes resulting from NCCI's and ORAC's work. No classifications are being added or removed, only revisions to existing classifications:

Item 01-OR-2023—Revisions to Basic Manual Classifications Related to Breweries, Distilleries, and Wineries in Oregon

Brewery, distillery, and winery operations continue to evolve from traditional business models to include a variety of other operations, such as microbreweries—breweries with limited production and distribution of specialty beers; brewpubs—restaurants or bars with brewing operations on the premises; tap or tasting rooms—restaurant or bar operations at a brewery, distillery, or winery, and on-site facility tours and retail shopping. NCCI's current classification system did not address many of those other operations.

Effective January 1, 2024, on a new and renewing basis, NCCI is revising the following codes to address the additional operations associated with a brewery, distillery, and winery, such as tours, retail stores, tap or tasting rooms, and restaurants.

Revise the following codes to rate bars, catering, restaurants, and tap or tasting rooms separately to 9079. Operations such as facility tours and retail shopping remain assignable to the principal class.

- Code 2121—Beer or Ale Dealer—Brewery & Drivers
- Code 2130—Distillery—Spirituous Liquor
- Code 2143—Winery & Drivers

Revise the phraseology notes for Code 2121—Beer or Ale Dealer—Brewery & Drivers

- Breweries or microbreweries that brew their own beer or ale and distribute more than 50% of the beer or ale they produce to off-site customers such as restaurants, redistributors, or resellers are assigned to Code 2121, and

- Breweries or microbreweries that brew their own beer or ale and distribute 50% or less of the beer or ale they produce to off-site customers such as restaurants, redistributors, or resellers are assigned to Code 9079.

Revise the phraseology notes for Code 9079- Restaurants & Drivers

- This phraseology applies to restaurants with brewing operations, such as brewpubs, that
 - brew their own beer or ale, and
 - distribute 50% or less of the beer or ale they produce to off-site customers such as restaurants, redistributors, or resellers.
- **Important** Refer to Code 2121 for breweries that distribute more than 50% or more of the beer or ale they produce to off-site customers such as restaurants, redistributors, or resellers.

Revise Code 2143—Winery & Drivers to specify that vineyard operations are to be separately rated to the appropriate farm classification.

Revise Code 0008—Farm—Vineyard—All Operations & Drivers to add a note to indicate that tasting rooms located at the vineyard must be separately rated.

Establish new phraseology:

- Code 2121—Hard Cider Mfg. & Drivers and add a note to indicate that nonalcoholic cider manufacturing must be separately rated
- Code 2121—Sake Mfg. & Drivers
- Code 2130—Ethanol Mfg. and add a note to clarify that ethanol blending, bottling, rectifying, and warehousing are not included in Code 2130
- Code 2143—Nonalcoholic Cider Mfg. & Drivers and add a note to indicate that hard cider manufacturing operations must be separately rated
- Code 2143—Vinegar Mfg. & Drivers and add a note to indicate that distillation operations associated with vinegar manufacturing must be separately rated

Eliminate redundant phraseology to simplify NCCI's Basic Manual for Oregon:

- Code 2130—Spirituous Liquor Distillery
- Code 2121- Brewery & Drivers

A notification letter will be sent to affected SAIF policyholders.