

Classification unit description

Excavation, or Private Landfill or Transfer Station Operation Classification Unit: 721031	Sector: Construction
	Sub-sector: General Construction

Introduction to classification units

We group all firms into classification units based on the products produced, the services provided, and the processes, technology, or materials used. The base premium rate reflects the cost of compensation and prevention in the classification unit.

This classification unit description provides an overview of the classification unit for general guidance only. Firms are classified based on this, our classification policies, Rate and Classification List, and other relevant classification unit descriptions. The items listed below are examples only; they are intended to be illustrative (not exhaustive). Every example may not apply to every firm in the classification unit.

Description

This classification unit covers firms that may provide site preparation, excavation work and the deactivation or repair of drainage systems. Also covered are private land developers. Firms that operate transfer stations who collect and sort construction and demolition (C&D) materials are appropriately represented in this classification.

Services

Here are some examples of services that firms in this classification unit provide:

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| Backfilling | Bulldozing |
| Clear land | Clear land of vegetation |
| Clear right-of-ways | Contour golf courses |
| Contour land | Cut & fill work |
| Cut seismic lines | Dewatering |
| Disc trenching | Excavate rocks or boulders |
| Excavation work | Grade land |
| Grading | Grubbing |
| Hydro vac service | Install septic tanks |
| Install utilities | Land development |
| Land reclamation | Level land |
| Make trails | Mechanical site preparation |
| Park reconstruction | Preload |
| Remove tree stumps | Scarification |
| Scrape land of vegetation | Shoring |
| Slashing | Slashing for line cutting |
| Slope grooming | Structural repair of septic tanks |
| Watershed restoration | |

Equipment

Here are some examples of equipment that firms in this classification unit use:

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| Articulated loader | Backhoe |
| Bobcat | Bulldozer |
| Crusher | Dump truck |
| Excavator | Grader |
| Pit Loader | Roll-off truck |
| Scarifier | Scraper |
| Tractor | Weigh scale |

General information

Land developers may engage in the following activities:

- 1) acquisition of raw land;
- 2) create a layout plan for a subdivision;
- 3) obtain rezoning and subdivision approval from appropriate government authorities; and
- 4) arrange for development of land once the approval is obtained.

Firms that operate transfer stations who collect and sort construction and demolition (C&D) materials differ from recycling depots in that they accept municipal solid waste that often requires heavy machinery (e.g. excavator) to process and transport.

When to contact us

Firms in this classification unit may also occasionally engage in other business activities. However, if they have a significant presence in any of the following industries, it may make sense for them to be assigned to another classification unit.

- 1) landscaping (see CU 764060);
- 2) industrial vegetation control for utilities, railroads and rights-of-way (see CU 764060);
- 3) brushing, weeding, tree thinning, or tree spacing (see CU 703002);
- 4) slashing for the forestry industry (see CU 703002);
- 5) local government operating landfill site or recycling depot (see CU 753004);
- 6) operating a recycling depot (see CU 731004);
- 7) construction of residential or commercial buildings (see CU 721027 & CU 721028);
- 8) maintaining sewers, septic tanks or sewage disposal systems (see CU 764048);
- 9) pile driving, vibroflotation densification, or dynamic compaction (see CU 722004); or
- 10) logging road construction or maintenance (see CU 703012).

Please contact us if you have any questions about this or anything else related to this classification unit description.

Base premium rates

- 2017: 2.86% (or \$2.86 per \$100) of assessable payroll
- 2016: 3.34% (or \$3.34 per \$100) of assessable payroll
- 2015: 4.10% (or \$4.10 per \$100) of assessable payroll