# Delaware Compensation Rating Bureau, Inc.



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#### DCRB CIRCULAR NO. 923

To All Members of the DCRB:

Re: MANUAL HOUSEKEEPING REVISIONS TO SECTIONS 1 AND 2
DCRB FILING NO. 1606
APPROVED EFFECTIVE DECEMBER 1, 2016

The Delaware Insurance Commissioner has approved DCRB's filing regarding Manual housekeeping revisions to Sections 1 and 2. These revisions become effective for policies effective 12:01 a.m., December 1, 2016 or later. The housekeeping revisions are intended to make the Manual language clearer and less ambiguous. This set of revisions clarifies existing classification procedures and updates language defining certain classifications to align verbiage used within other Manual provisions and/or to recognize ongoing technological or industrial changes. These changes will not affect the loss costs for any Delaware employer.

A summary of the revisions included in this filing is provided below:

(1) Manual Language Revisions to Section 1 – Clarification of Rule IV, Paragraph C.8, Rule IV, Paragraph C.10, Rule IX, Paragraph E and Rule XIV

## Rule IV, Paragraph C.8 – Changing Classifications

This change resulted from DCRB's prior revision to the "Appeals From Application of the Rating System Procedure" which was effective for new and renewal policies as of December 1, 2015 and later. That revision removed the sole Manual reference to when an employer will become eligible for an application of the rating system (e.g., classification). With this approval, that provision will be retained in the Manual with additional language to Paragraph C.8. Also updated was the substitution of "DCRB" in place of "Bureau" throughout this Paragraph.

# Rule IV, Paragraph C.10 – Mercantile Businesses/Stores

This Rule currently states that the single applicable store or dealer classification shall be determined separately per location. This revision clarifies the Rule by adding language delineating the methodology used to select that single applicable store or dealer classification. DCRB had previously placed such language in selected mercantile classifications. This change provides the appropriate placement of that language is in Rule IV, Section 1. Concurrent with the changes is deleted language from the selected mercantile classifications.

# Rule IX, Paragraph E – Professional and Semi-Professional Athletes – Class Codes 970 and 991

This change brings the language of Rule IX, Paragraph E into alignment with the scopes of Codes 970, Athletic Team – Contact Sports, and Code 991, Athletic Team: Non-Contact Sports. This is accomplished by changing the title of this Rule from "Professional and Semi-

Professional Athletes – Class Codes 970 and 991" to "Professional or Semi-Professional Athletic Teams – Class Codes 970 and 991" and by adding "sports officials" to Paragraph E.2., which lists the personnel subject to the maximum auditable payroll per policy year.

# Rule XIV, Paragraph D.2 – Maintenance, Repair or Construction Operations

This rule provides guidance on the classification applicable to maintenance, repair or construction operations depending upon who the employer may be. This revision clarifies subparagraph 2.a. by substituting "personal residence" in place of "premises." The change aligns 2.a. more closely with Rule XIV, C - Name of Insured, that specifies only the resident owner, the estate of the owner or of a family member(s) of the same residence may be the named insured. Additionally, subparagraph 2.b is divided into four separate paragraphs to enhance readability.

# (2) Manual Language Revisions to Section 2 – Additions, Revisions and Deletions

# Additions:

Definitions – a definition of the term "Rating System" is added to the Section 2 "Definitions" listing.

Underwriting Guide – Ten Underwriting Guide entries spread over seven classifications are added.

## Revisions:

Definitions – the phrase "Workfare Or" is deleted from the title of the definition of "All Employees Including Office Except Workfare Or Home Health Care Services."

The Section 2 descriptions of twenty two classifications and forty five Underwriting Guide entries spread over fourteen classifications are revised.

# **Deletions:**

Underwriting Guide – Twelve Underwriting Guide entries spread across ten classifications are deleted.

Approved revisions to the Manual language are attached. Specific and further details on these changes are provided via the DCRB filing, provided at: <a href="mailto:DCRB Filing No. 1606 Manual Revisions to Sections 1 & 2">DCRB Filing No. 1606 Manual Revisions to Sections 1 & 2</a>. The Basic Manual will be updated on DCRB's website (<a href="www.dcrb.com">www.dcrb.com</a>) at a later date. Please direct any questions regarding the contents of this circular to David T. Rawson, Technical Director, Classification and Field Operations at (215) 320-4501 or at <a href="mailto:drawson@dcrb.com">drawson@dcrb.com</a>.

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**INFORMATION PAGE** remains unchanged.

**PREFACE** remains unchanged.

**MEMBERSHIP** remains unchanged.

SECTION 1 – Premium Algorithm through SECTION 1 – Appeals Procedure remain unchanged.

# **SECTION 1 – UNDERWRITING RULES**

## **Rule IV – CLASSIFICATIONS**

# C. 8. Changing Classifications

- a. The DCRB is empowered to determine, revise or modify the classification(s) assigned to any individual insured. No written application by the carrier, agent of record or an insured to change an insured's authorized classification(s) shall be considered by the DCRB until the carrier has issued and filed a copy of its policy Information Page written in accordance with an insured's authorized classification(s). The classifications shown in any policy shall be subject to correction or modification, or both if the DCRB finds by survey or otherwise that the classification(s) shown on the policy are inappropriate to the insured. No written application to change the classification(s) for an insured on the grounds that the insured has been improperly classified shall be considered by the DCRB unless such written application is filed directly with the DCRB by the insured, agent of record or the carrier during the policy period with respect to which the application is made, or within 12 months after the termination thereof.
- b. (1) A change in an insured's classification that results from a recent change in the insured's operations (i. e., an operations change that has taken place during the current policy year or the policy year that has just expired) will be applied pro rata as of the date of the change in the insured's operations, regardless of premium impact to the insured. When a DCRB review discloses the insured's recent operations change, the DCRB will make written notice to the carrier-of-record, changing the insured's authorized classification(s) for the current policy year and, if warranted, for the policy year that has just expired. When the carrier becomes aware of such recent operation change, the carrier shall make written application to the DCRB to change the insured's authorized classification(s) during the current policy year and, if warranted, for the policy year that has just expired.
  - (2) A correction of a misclassification......the termination thereof.
  - (3) A correction of a misclassification which results in a premium increase shall be applied effective the employer's first normal policy renewal at least six months subsequent to the date of the DCRB's written misclassification notice concurrent to the carrier of record and the employer.
- c. Any correction of a......with application of this rule.
- d. The reallocation of payroll by a carrier among an insured's authorized classifications or the DCRB requiring a carrier to reallocate payroll among an insured's authorized classifications or to report payroll under an insured's authorized classifications for an insured's current policy or the insured's prior policy with 12 months after the termination thereof does not constitute a class change or correction.
- e. Any reclassification pursuant to a revision in classification procedure that DCRB has filed with and that has been approved by the Insurance Commissioner shall be effective only upon any insured's first policy effective date on or later than the effective date for the revision approved by the Insurance Commissioner.

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#### C. 10. Mercantile Business/Stores

1. Where a store or dealer sells several types of merchandise, each of which may be subject to a different classification, such store or dealer shall be assigned on the basis of the principal category of merchandise sold. The term "principal" means more than 50 percent of the gross receipts. For further information please see "Wholesale/Retail Mail Order House Or Internet Sales – Definitions" in the General Auditing & Classification Information section of this Manual. For mercantile businesses, such as stores or dealers, the single applicable store or dealer classification is determined separately for each location.

# Rule IX - SPECIAL CONDITIONS OR OPERATIONS AFFECTING COVERAGE AND PREMIUM

# E. PROFESSIONAL OR SEMIPROFESIONAL ATHLETIC TEAMS – CLASS CODES 970 and 991

No Change to Number 1

2. The entire remuneration of each player, coach, manager or sports official should be included in computing premium subject to a maximum of \$60,000 a year.

No Change to Numbers 3 or 4

# Rule XIV – AGRICULTURAL, DOMESTIC WORKERS - RESIDENCES

## D. CLASSIFICATIONS

No Change to Numbers 1 or 2

# 3. Maintenance, Repair Or Construction Operations

- a. The domestic service classifications (Codes 0913, 0908, 0912 and 0909) include ordinary repair or maintenance of the insured's personal residence or equipment by domestic workers.
- b. Assign Code 971 to payroll developed in the general building maintenance or repair by employees of a commercial building owner, lessee or real estate management firm or a business where the basic and major operations are described by classifications defined as standard exceptions.c. Assign Code 880 to payroll developed in general building maintenance or repair by employees of an apartment house or condominium complex operator.
- d. Assign the employer's applicable field of business classification to payroll developed in general building maintenance or repair by employees of a business assigned to a classification other than the standard exceptions.
- e. Assign the applicable construction or erection classifications to payroll developed in extraordinary repairs, alterations, new construction, erection or demolition of structures.

## SECTION 2 - Rating Values remain unchanged

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# **SECTION 2 - DEFINITIONS**

**RATING SYSTEM:** Includes all workers' compensation pricing programs filed by DCRB with and approved by the Insurance Commissioner. Such include but are not limited to: the assignment by DCRB of an individual business to a particular classification, the continuation or discontinuation of an entity's(ies') previous experience to the experience rating of new ownership, revision of losses used in a business' experience modification or merit rating, an individual business' eligibility for and/or the percentage of credit under the Delaware Construction Classification Premium Adjustment Program, or the discount or surcharge applied to a business eligible for the Merit Rating Plan.

**ALL EMPLOYEES INCLUDING OFFICE EXCEPT HOME HEALTH CARE SERVICES:** This definition is the same as the "all employees including office" definition above except for the designated personnel (e. g., home health), which shall be subject to separate classification as provided for in this Manual.

# **SECTION 2 – CLASSIFICATIONS**

#### 222 PLASTIC Articles MFG., N.O.C.

## **UNDERWRITING GUIDE**

Artificial Marble Products Mfg.
Bag Mfg. - Plastic
Cable Mfg. - Insulated Electrical - Wire Drawing To
Be Separately Rated
Hose Mfg. - Plastic
Marble Products Mfg. - Artificial
Pipe Mfg. - Plastic
Plastic Articles Mfg., N.O.C.

Plastic Bag Mfg.
Plastic Mfg., Sheets And Rods
Plastic, Molded Products Mfg. N.O.C.
Vanity Mfg. - Resin Poured Or Cast Type/Artificial
Marble Product
Wire Insulating - Includes Incidental Wire Stranding Wire Drawing To Be Separately Rated

# 255 PAPER or Pulp MFG. – all kinds

## **UNDERWRITING GUIDE**

Abrasive Paper Or Cloth Preparation Bark Peeling, In Paper Mill Building And Roofing Paper Mfg. Building Paper Mfg. Cardboard Mfg. Emery Cloth Mfg. Fiber (Paper) Products Mfg. Fiber Tube Mfg. Fiberboard Mfg. Paper Coating And Glazing - By Paper Mill Paper Finishing - By Paper Mill Paper Mfg. Paper Mill Particle Board Mfg. Photographic Film And Dry Plate Mfg. Pipe Mfg., Fiber Pulp (Paper) Mfg. Roofing Paper Or Roofing Felt Mfg. Sandpaper Mfg.

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# 454 SHEET METAL PRODUCTS FABRICATION, N.O.C., Shop only

Sheet metal shall be ....... or installation thereof.

## **UNDERWRITING GUIDE**

Agate Or Enamel Ware Mfg.

Aluminum Ware Mfg. - From Sheet Aluminum

Automobile Parts Mfg., Miscellaneous Stamped Parts

Automobile Radiator Mfg.

Automobile Wheel Mfg.

Barrel Or Drum Mfg. - Metal Barrel Or Drum Reconditioning Or Repairing - Metal

Bin Mfg. - Sheet Metal

Brass Products Mfg., N.O.C. - From Sheet Stock Building Mfg., Portable - Metal, No Erection

Can Mfg., Seamed Casing Mfg. - Sheet Metal

Chimney Flashing Mfg., No Installation Work
Cooking Utensil Mfg. - Steel Or Aluminum
Copper Products Mfg. - From Sheet Stock

Coppersmithing - Shop Only Duct Fabrication - No Installation Work

Enamel Ware Mfg.

Flue Mfg., Stove Or Furnace - By Specialist

Contractor

Hood Mfg., Range

Hotel Kitchen Equipment Mfg.

Household Cooking Utensil Mfg.

Machine Guard Mfg. - Sheet Metal

Metal Can Mfg., Seamed

Metal Shipping Barrels, Drums, Kegs Or Pails - Used,

Dealer

Metal Spinnings Mfg.

Metal Stampings Mfg.

Metal, Sheet Goods Mfg., N.O.C.

Perforated Metal Mfg.

Radiator Mfg., Auto Restaurant Kitchen Equipment Mfg.

Sheet Metal Products Fabrication, N.O.C., Shop Only

Sign Mfg. - Metal, Shop Only - No Erection

Silo Building - Metal, Shop Only Steel Barrel Or Drum Mfg.

Steel Drum Or Barrel Dealer, Secondhand

Window Or Window Sash Mfg. - Metal Or Vinyl

Ventilator Mfg. - Sheet Metal Wheelbarrow Mfg. - Metal

# **456 METAL FURNITURE** or Furnishing Goods **MFG.**, N.O.C.

#### **UNDERWRITING GUIDE**

Air Conditioner Mfg. Home Window Unit Air Conditioner Or Air Conditioner Equipment Mfg. -Home Window Unit Or Central Air, Commercial

Or Industrial

Aircraft Subassemblies Mfg. - Metal, By Contractor

(e.g., Cowlings, Wings, Tabs Or Ailerons)

Aluminum Awning Mfg.

Aluminum Venetian Blind Mfg.

Appliance Mfg., Major Household Or For

Commercial Establishments, Kitchen Or Laundry

Awning Mfg. - Metal, No Erection

Bedstead Mfg. - Metal

Bookcase Mfg. - Metal

Brass Bed Mfg. Cabinet Mfg. - Sheet Metal Chair Mfg. - Metal

Clothes Dryer Mfg., Commercial Or Household

Coffin Mfg. - Metal Display Showcase Mfg. - Metal

Door Mfg. - Metal

File Cabinet Mfg.

Fireproof Equipment Mfg. - Metal

Freezer Mfg., Commercial Or Household

Furniture Mfg. - Metal

Garment Rack Mfg. - Metal

Golf Club Mfg. - Metal

Ice Cream Cabinet Mfg. Incubator Mfg. - Metal

Jalousie Or Jalousie Screen Mfg. - Metal Or Glass

Ladder Mfg. - Metal

Locker Mfg. - Metal

Metal Furniture Mfg.

Office Furniture Mfg. - Metal

Oven Mfg. - Metal Industrial Drying Ovens
Panel Or Partition Mfg. - Sheet Metal
Radiator Cabinet Or Shield Mfg. - Metal

Refrigerator Mfg., Commercial Or Household

Sheet Metal Aircraft Parts Mfg.

Shelving Mfg. - Metal Showcase Mfg. - Metal

Ski Mfg. - Metal

Soda Fountain Mfg.

Stove Mfg. - Sheet Metal, Commercial Or

Household

Tennis Racquet Mfg. - Metal

Trash Compactor Mfg.

Venetian Blind Mfg. - Aluminum

Ventilation Equipment Mfg.

Washing Machine Mfg., Commercial Or Household

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#### 461 MACHINE SHOP

Also includes the ......(e. q., hydraulic jacks or lifts).

# **OPERATIONS NOT INCLUDED:**

No Change to Numbers 1 or 2.

Separately rate the installation, service or repair of pumps or other products whose manufacture is contemplated by Code 461 to Code 675 or to an alternate construction classification, if applicable.

#### 464 **MACHINERY Mfg., N.O.C.**

Includes but is not necessarily.....textile or woodworking machinery.

#### **OPERATIONS NOT INCLUDED:**

- 1. Assign Code 415 to a business principally engaged in the manufacture of boilers and/or other fabricated plate products as defined in this Manual's Code 415 class description.
- 2. Separately rate the installation, service or repair of industrial machinery to Code 675.

#### COMMUNICATIONS, SEARCH, DETECTION OR SIGNAL PROCESSING 485 **EQUIPMENT MFG.**

Includes but is not limited to the manufacture of:

(1) Telephone equipment or apparatus

No change to Numbers 2 or 3

# **UNDERWRITING GUIDE**

Aircraft Radio Or Transmitting Equipment Mfg.

Amplifier Mfg.

Antenna Mfg.

Depth Sounding Equipment Mfg. Hearing Aid Mfg.

Infrared Homing Systems Mfg.

Intercommunications Equipment Mfg.

Microphone Mfg.

Microwave Communication Equipment Mfg.

Missile Guidance Equipment Mfg.

Multiplexer Mfg.

Navigational Instruments Mfg.

Radar Devices Mfg.

Radio Or Television Transmitting, Signaling Or

Detection Equipment Or Apparatus Mfg.

Receivers - Radio Communication Mfg.

Recording Devices Mfg.

Sonar Equipment Mfg. Speaker Mfg.

Stereo Equipment Mfg.

Tape Recorder Mfg.

Telemetering Equipment Mfg.

Telephone Equipment Or Apparatus Mfg.

Transponder Mfg.

Video Cassette Recorder Mfg.

#### 608 **FLAT CEMENT WORK**

## **OPERATIONS ALSO INCLUDED:**

No Change to Numbers 1 through 3.

4. The coating of concrete floors (typically with an epoxy resin) by a specialist contractor.

# **OPERATIONS NOT INCLUDED:**

No Change to Numbers 1 through 9.

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#### 651 **CARPENTRY - COMMERCIAL Structures**

## **UNDERWRITING GUIDE**

Aluminum Awning Erection - Commercial Aluminum Siding Installation - Commercial Aluminum Storm Sash Installation - Commercial Boarding Up Of Abandoned Buildings (Including Those Designed For Dwelling Occupancy)

Bridge Building - Wood Carpentry, N.O.C. Excluding Concrete Form Building

Cooling Tower Erection, Prefabricated - Wood Door Installation - Commercial - All Types **Except Overhead Doors** 

Fence Erection - Wood - Commercial Or Residential

General Construction - Commercial

Grandstand Or Bleacher, Erection By Contractor - Portable - Wood

Greenhouse Erection

Interior Stripping/Gutting Of Buildings Jalousie Or Jalousie Screen - Metal Or Glass.

Erection Of - Commercial

Lead Paint Removal (From Any Non-Pipe Surface) - By Contractor

Metal Storm Sash Installation - Commercial Prefabricated Wooden Building And Structural Member Erection

Siding Installation (Aluminum, Vinyl Or Wood) - Commercial Structures

Silo Erection - Wood

Storm Window Or Storm Door, Installation -Wood Or Metal - Commercial

Tank Erection - Wooden

Vinyl Fence Installation - Commercial Or Residential

Window Screen Or Screen Door Installation -Metal Or Wood - Commercial

# **OPERATIONS NOT INCLUDED:**

No Change to Number 1

#### 655 **IRON ERECTION**

## **UNDERWRITING GUIDE**

Bridge Building - Metal Bridge Painting

Cell Tower Erection – Antenna(s) Installation, Service And/Or Repair By Contractor

Cell Tower Erection - Erection Of The Tower By Contractor

Chimney Cleaning - Industrial Smokestacks Concrete, Pre-Stressed, Erection By Contractor Corrosion Proofing Of Chemical Tanks

Fire Escape Installation By Contractor - Outside Gas Holder Erection

Iron Erection

Iron Or Steel Erection, Structural Metal Furring, By Contractor

Oil Field Tank Painting

Painting Of: Bridges, Oil Field Tanks, Steel Structures Or Tanks

Smokestack Or Chimney Lining - Industrial

Steel Erection, N.O.C.

Steel Frame Structure Erection

Steel Structures Painting

Steel Tank Erector

Steel Tower Erection For Cross-Country Electric Or Telephone Lines

Swimming Pool Installation - Iron Or Steel

Tank Erection - Steel

Tank Painting

Water Tank Painting

Welding - Structural Steel

Windmill Erection - Metal

#### 656 **ELECTRIC** or Telephone **LINE CONSTRUCTION** by Contractors

Includes the setting.......stringing of lines.

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## **OPERATIONS NOT INCLUDED:**

No Change to Numbers 1 through 3.

No Change to a.

b. Assign Code 654 to the building the concrete foundation.

No Change to c.

d. Assign Code 660 to running a lateral line connecting the cell tower site to the land-line telephone network and/or installing low voltage wiring to the computer(s) or the fiber optic cable carrying the telephone signal to and from the cell site's base station call switching equipment.

No Change to e.

#### **UNDERWRITING GUIDE**

Electric Line Construction, By Contractor Floodlight Erection - Permanent Installation Of Telephone Or Electric Pole Hardware Installation Of Telephone Or Electric Transformers

Power Line Construction Setting Of Telephone Poles Stringing Of Electric Or Telephone Lines - By Contractor Telephone Line Construction By Contractor

# 660 ALARM OR SOUND SYSTEM - Installation or Repair

#### **UNDERWRITING GUIDE**

Alarm Or Sound System Installation

Audio And Intercommunication System Installation - Within Buildings

Battery Back-Up Power Systems - Service Or Repair By Specialist Contractor

Burglar Alarm System Installation, By Contractor

Closed Circuit Television Systems - Installation Or Repair

Computer Wiring Installation Within Buildings - By Specialist Contractor

Environmental Control Systems Installation, Service Or Repair - By Specialist Contractor

Fire Alarm System Installation

Intercommunication System Installation, Within Buildings

Invisible Fence Installation

Public Address Systems Installation - Including Loudspeakers

Sound System Installation

Telephone Cable Laying With Automatic Equipment - Street to Building - By Specialist Contractor

Telephone Wiring Installation Within Buildings - By Specialist Contractor

## 661 ELECTRICAL WIRING - within BUILDINGS

Includes electric ......service connections.

# **OPERATIONS NOT INCLUDED:**

No Change to Number 1

# **UNDERWRITING GUIDE**

Cable Installation Or Replacement In Existing Conduit - By Specialist Contractor

Electric Cable Laying With Automatic Equipment - Street To Building - By Specialist Contractor

Electric Fixture Installation - By Contractor

**Electrical Contractor** 

Electrical Wiring In Buildings - By Contractor

Electronic Garage Door Opener Installation - By Contractor

Floodlight Erection, Temporary - By Contractor
Meters - Electric, Installing, Repairing And Testing, Including Shop - By Contractor

Service Connections, Electrical Contractor

Solar Electric (Photovoltaic) System Installation

Traffic Light Installation - By Contractor

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#### 666 PLATE and Wire GLASS INSTALLATION

#### **OPERATIONS NOT INCLUDED:**

No change to Number 1

# **UNDERWRITING GUIDE**

Glass Installer, Except Automobile Glazier, Away From Shop Glazing

Mirror Installation Plate Glass Installation Wire Glass Installation

## 675 MACHINERY or EQUIPMENT ERECTION or REPAIR

Applies to the ......or hoisting systems.

## **UNDERWRITING GUIDE**

Acetylene Gas Machine Installation Conveyor Or Conveyor Belt Installation Conveyor Oven Installation, Service Or Repair Crane Or Derrick Installation, Service Or Repair -Permanently Sited

Dismantling, Installation Or Service Or Repair Of Machinery Or Industrial Equipment, By Contractor Door Installation, Overhead

Electrical Apparatus, Machinery Or Motor Installation Or Field Repair

Elevator Erection, Service Or Repair Escalator Installation, Service Or Repair

Gasoline Station Equipment Installation (Including Excavation) Or Repair

Hoist Installation, Service Or Repair - Permanently

Industrial Crane Installation, Service Or Repair -Permanently Sited Installation Of Hod Hoists

Installation Or Dismantling Of Machinery And Industrial Equipment, By Contractor

Laundry Equipment Installation, Service Or Repair -Industrial

Machine Belting Installation Or Repair Machinery Erection, Service Or Repair

Machinery Or Industrial Equipment Installation, Service Or Repair Or Dismantling, By Contractor Millwrighting

Monorail System Installation (Except For Public Transportation)

Oven (Conveyor) Installation, Service Or Repair Overhead Door Installation

Pipefitting, Installation Of Apparatus Or Machinery Outside Of Buildings

Pump Installation, Service Stations

Pump, Air And Gas Compressor, And Pumping Equipment - Installation, Service Or Repair Safe Installation

Scaffold Sale, Rental Or Erection, By Specialist Contractor

Scale Installation Or Adjustment, Platform Or Beam

Tank Installation, Gas Stations

Textile Machinery Installation, Service Or Repair

#### 757 TELECOMMUNICATIONS COMPANY

Applicable to FCC licensed businesses principally engaged in providing telephone services including but not necessarily limited to: wireline, long distance, cellular, radio paging or mobile services to customers for a fee.

# **OPERATIONS ALSO INCLUDED:**

No Change to Number 1

# **OPERATIONS NOT INCLUDED:**

No Change to Numbers 1 or 2

- a. No Change
- b. Assign Code 654 to the building of the concrete foundation.
- c. No Change

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- d. Assign Code 660 to running a lateral line connecting the cell tower site to the land-line telephone network and/or installing low voltage wiring to the computer(s) or the fiber optic cable carrying the telephone signal to and from the cell site's base station call switching equipment.
- e. No Change
- 3. Assign Code 759 to a business principally engaged in providing cable television and Internet services.

#### **UNDERWRITING GUIDE**

Telecommunications Company Telephone Company

801 STABLE, Livestock Commission Merchant or Stockyard not associated with Slaughterhouses

#### **UNDERWRITING GUIDE**

Auctioneer, Livestock
Boarding Stable
Breeding Farm - Horse
Carriage Tours Or Taxis (Horse Driven)
Cattle Auctioneer
Cattle Dealer
Farrier (Horse Shoeing By Specialist Contractor)
Horse Breeding Farm Or Boarding/Training Stable
Horse Driven Carriage Tours Or Taxis
Horse Shoeing By Specialist Contractor

Jockey - Employed By A Horse Breeding Farm Or Boarding/Training Stable Livestock Commission Merchant Livestock Dealer Racing Stable Riding Academy Sales Stable Stable Stockyard Therapeutic Riding Center

# 814 DEALER IN MOBILE, SELF-PROPELLED factory, farm or construction EQUIPMENT

# **OPERATIONS ALSO INCLUDED:**

1. The dealer's parts department

## **OPERATIONS NOT INCLUDED:**

- 1. Assign Code 819 to payroll developed by employees engaged in the sale of mobile, self-propelled factory, farm or equipment.
- 2. Assign Code 855 to a business principally engaged in the rental or sale of construction equipment that is not mobile and self-propelled

# 815 AUTOMOBILE SERVICE CENTER Or Garage – All Employees Including Office

Please see the "Automobile Dismantlers" entry in the General Auditing & Classification Information regarding how to classify a business whose operations include the dismantling of automobiles and/or other types of vehicles to recover useable/saleable used parts.

## **OPERATIONS NOT INCLUDED:**

- 1. Assign Code 225 to tire recapping or retreading when performed by a separate crew of employees in a physically separate work area.
- 2. See the Code 934 Section 2 class description for how to classify a new and/or used auto parts store that also provides automobile repair services.
- Please refer to the "Automobile Service/Gasoline Station" entry in the General Auditing & Classification Information for information on classifying such business enterprise.

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# 855 LUMBER and/or BUILDING MATERIAL DEALER

Applicable to......lumber/building material dealer.

# **OPERATIONS ALSO INCLUDED:**

No Change to Numbers 1 through 2

3. The sale and mounting of door hardware onto a door by a door distributor.

No Change to Number 4

5. A business principally engaged in the rental and/or sale of non-mobile and self-propelled construction equipment (e.g., temporary bridge sections, shoring equipment, air compressors).

## **OPERATIONS NOT INCLUDED:**

No Change to Numbers 1 through 3

# **UNDERWRITING GUIDE**

Asphalt Mixing Plant - Operated By Dealer Building Material Dealer, New Building Materials Dealer, Secondhand Cemetery Monument Or Memorial, Cutting, Engraving And/Or Polishing

Cinder Dealer

Commercial Lumber Yard Concrete Dealer, Ready-Mixed

Concrete Mixing

Concrete Pumping Services - By Independent

Contractor

Cut Stone Or Stone Products Mfg.

Door Or Window Distributor

Dry Ice Dealer

Fence Dealer – All Types Grain Elevator Operation

Heat Treating of Wood Packaging Materials (Including Pallets) - By Specialist Contractor Humus Or Topsoil Dealer - No Excavation

Ice Dealer - No Mfg. Insulation Dealer

Kiln Drying of Lumber - No Sawmill Operations Landscaping Supplies Dealer (e.g., Mulch,

Topsoil Or Stone)

Log Dealer - No Logging or Sawmill Operations Lumber Cutting, Incidental Cutting To Size, By

Lumber Yards Lumber Dealer

Lumber Yard, Secondhand Material

Manure Dealer

Marble Cutting Or Polishing Metal Road Plate Rental

Millwork, Hand Assembling Or Glazing, Not

Performed By A Millwork Plant

Monument Or Memorial (Cemetery) Cutting,

Engraving And/Or Polishing Mortar Mfg., No Construction Work

Mulch Dealer

Non-Mobile & Self-Propelled Construction

Equipment - Rental Or Sale

Paving Mixtures Mfg.

Peat Moss Dealer

Plywood Dealer

Ready-Mixed Concrete Dealer

Rental Or Sale Of Non-Mobile & Self-Propelled

Construction Equipment

Sash, Door Or Finished Millwork Dealer

Sawdust Dealer

Secondhand Building Material Dealer

Soapstone Products Mfg.

Stone Cutting Or Polishing - Not By A Mine Or

**Quarry Operator** 

Topsoil Or Humus Dealer - No Excavation

Vanities Assembly - Marble

Window Or Door Distributor

Wood Dealer, Kindling And Firewood

Wood Preserving

#### 858 FERROUS SCRAP METAL DEALER

Applicable to businesses.....employer's gross receipts.

## **OPERATIONS ALSO INCLUDED:**

1. Businesses principally engaged in collecting and handling ferrous scrap and also performing automobile dismantling to recover saleable used auto parts.

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# 859 NONFERROUS SCRAP METAL DEALER Applicable to businesses ......employer's gross receipts. **OPERATIONS ALSO INCLUDED:** 1. Businesses principally engaged in collecting and handling nonferrous scrap and also performing automobile dismantling to recover saleable used auto parts. **OPERATIONS NOT INCLUDED:** 1. Assign Code 402 to businesses principally engaged in the melting of nonferrous scrap to produce ingots. 907 FRUIT OR VEGETABLE DEALER - Wholesale Applies to dealers......and/or frozen foods. **OPERATIONS NOT INCLUDED:** No change to Numbers 1 or 2 911 **GROCERY STORE** – Wholesale Applies to dealers engaged......herbs, spices or tea. **OPERATIONS NOT INCLUDED:** 1. Assign Code 821 to a wholesale dealer principally engaged in selling beer in bottles, cans, kegs or barrels and/or soft drinks in bottles or cans. 2. Assign Code 907 to a wholesale dealer in fruits or vegetables or to a fruit or vegetable packer unrelated to a cannery. 3. Assign Code 924 to a wholesale dealer principally engaged in candling or distributing eggs. 4. See the "Bakery Products Distribution" entry in the General Auditing & Classification Information for the classification applicable to a business so principally engaged. 917 **GROCERY STORE** – Retail Applicable to businesses.......defined separately below. A supermarket is principally engaged in the retail sale of groceries, fresh fruits, vegetables, dairy products, bakery products, frozen foods and in addition thereto will have a meat department that sells fresh or cured meat, fish and/or poultry. A typical supermarket will also sell other merchandise including but not necessarily limited to: soft drinks, soap and other household cleaning items, paper products and/or cigarettes. A supermarket that is a "super center" may also sell non-grocery merchandise including but not necessarily limited to: cosmetics, toiletries, stationery products, books, greeting cards,

women's hosiery, non-prescription drugs or kitchen supplies (e. g., pots, pans or pot holders).

A convenience grocer......or non-prescription drugs.

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## **OPERATIONS ALSO INCLUDED:**

No Change to Numbers 1 or 2

# **OPERATIONS NOT INCLUDED:**

No Change to Numbers 1 or 2

## 919 FLORIST STORE – Retail or Wholesale

Applies to a business.....interior living, potted plants.

## **OPERATIONS NOT INCLUDED:**

- Assign Code 0011 to a business principally engaged in raising flowers in field or under glass to be marketed on a commercial basis as cut flowers or living plants. Stores operated by such a business at the same or contiguous location may be separately classified to Code 919 provided the employer fulfills the multiple enterprise criteria discussed in Rule IV, C. 3. a. 2. of this Manual. The store must be operated in a physically separate work area with no interchange of labor between the store and the flower raising.
- 2. Assign Code 012 to a business principally engaged as a landscaping contractor or performing lawn care maintenance or other similar services.
- 3. Assign Code 0013 to a business principally engaged in the raising of trees (including Christmas trees), shrubs, hedges and other outdoor living/growing plants.
- 4. Assign Code 917 to a business principally engaged in making and delivering cut fruit or vegetable arrangements.
- 5. A garden supply business principally engaged in the sale of fertilizer, sod, grass seed, flower pots, birdbaths and statuary with incidental sales of potted plants, trees, shrubs, bulbs or bedding plants shall be assigned to the applicable N.O.C store classification, depending on whether the sales are principally to retail customers (Code 928) or to wholesale customers (Code 924). For further information please see "Wholesale/Retail Mail Order House Or Internet Sales Definitions" in the General Auditing & Classification Information section of this Manual.
- 6. Assign Code 924 to a business principally engaged in the arranging, assembling and/or the wholesale selling of artificial or dried flowers.

## 922 FURNITURE STORE – Retail All Employees Except Office

Applies to retail......not separately classified.

# 923 PACKAGING - CONTRACT - NON-CRATING

Applicable to businesses principally engaged in packaging or repackaging merchandise owned by unrelated customers as a contract service. Such includes but is not necessarily limited to: cosmetics, toiletries, pharmaceuticals, soaps, cleaning agents or hardware.

## **OPERATIONS NOT INCLUDED:**

- Assign Code 305 to a specialist crating contractor or to payroll developed by separate staff in a
  physically separate department of a packaging contractor crating any type of merchandise for
  shipment.
- 2. Assign Code 813 to payroll developed by a contractor engaged in either crating or packaging of any type at customer locations.

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Assign Code 4777 to payroll developed by a contractor packaging or repackaging explosives.

## 925 HARDWARE STORE - Retail

Applies to retail stores principally engaged in selling hardware. The term hardware as used in this classification includes but is not necessarily limited to: nails, screws, bolts, washers, gaskets, brackets, locks, hinges, electrical outlet boxes, switches, fuses, plugs, sockets, hand or portable electric tools, plumbing fixtures, paint, small household electrical appliances, radios, stereo equipment, televisions, video and/or audio equipment, kitchenware, garden tools and equipment such as lawn mowers and snow blowers. Such business may also sell a variety of non-hardware items such as wallpaper and allied supplies, china, glassware, sporting goods or automobile accessories or parts, make keys, sharpen saws or repair storm windows and screens and/or rent floor scraping or polishing machines, rug or upholstery cleaning machines and similar equipment.

## **OPERATIONS ALSO INCLUDED:**

- 1. Bicycle Stores including rental and incidental repair work
- 2. Locksmiths including installation, repair or replacement of locks in existing buildings.
- 3. Lawn mower sales or service (including riding type).

#### **OPERATIONS NOT INCLUDED:**

- 1. Except as provided for above separately staffed service or repair operations shall be separately classified including but not necessarily limited to the examples below:
  - a. Assign Code 662 to the service or repair of major household appliances.
  - b. Assign Code 966 to the service or repair of televisions, video and/or audio equipment.
- Assign Code 855 to a business principally engaged in the retail sale of lumber and/or building materials.
- 3. Assign Code 926 to a business principally engaged in the wholesale sale/distribution of hardware.

# 926 HARDWARE STORE – Wholesale

Applies to dealers .......or electrical supplies.

# **OPERATIONS NOT INCLUDED:**

- 1. Assign Code 855 to a retail and/or wholesale business principally engaged in the retail and/or wholesale sale of building materials (e. g., roofing including shingles, siding, wallboard, bricks and/or lumber).
- 2. Assign Code 857 to a business principally engaged in the wholesale sale of cable or wire rope.
- 3. Assign Code 885 to a business principally engaged in the wholesale sale of plumbing supplies or pipes.
- 4. Assign Code 886 to a business principally engaged in the wholesale sale of electrical supplies (e. g., electric wire, fuses, and/or circuit breakers).

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Aircraft Parts And Accessories Dealer Agricultural Implement Dealer - Other Than Farm Machinery

Appliance Parts Dealer

Audio/Video Equipment Dealer - Wholesale

Cabinet Dealer - Wholesale

Ceramic Tile Dealer - Wholesale

Cutlery Dealer

Electrical Appliance Dealer - Small Appliances - Wholesale

Electrical Machinery Or Equipment Dealer - Wholesale

Fire Extinguisher - Sales And/Or Service - Wholesale

Glass Dealer - No Mfg., Glass Bending, Beveling, Grinding, Silvering Or Installation

Hardware Store - Wholesale

Hot Tub Or Spa Dealer - Wholesale

Household Appliances Dealer, Small - Wholesale

Household Vacuum Cleaner Dealer - Wholesale Janitorial Supply Dealer - Wholesale

Oil Well Equipment Dealer

Paint Dealer - Wholesale

Radio, Television, Stereophonic Or High Fidelity Equipment, Parts Or Accessories Dealer -Wholesale

Sewing Machine Dealer - Wholesale

Ship Chandler

Stereophonic Or High Fidelity Equipment Dealer - Wholesale

Television, Radio, Stereophonic Or High Fidelity Equipment Dealer – Wholesale

Tile Dealer – Ceramic - Wholesale

Vacuum Cleaner Dealer - Wholesale

Video/Audio Equipment Dealer - Wholesale

Welding Equipment Or Supply Dealer

# 934 AUTOMOBILE PARTS AND ACCESSORY STORE – Retail and/or Wholesale

An auto parts store that also provides automobile repair services shall have payroll divided with Code 815 provided the following conditions are fulfilled: the new and/or used auto parts sales and the automobile repair services are conducted in physically separate work areas by separate employee crews and the majority of the new and/or used auto parts/accessories sold must be sold to others and are neither installed nor used by the insured for repair services. If both operations are conducted and these conditions are not met, then payroll developed in both the new and/or used auto parts and accessories sales and auto repair services shall be assigned to Code 815.

Please refer to the "Automobile Dismantlers" entry in the General Auditing and Classification Information for direction in classifying any business whose operations include the dismantling of automobiles or other types of vehicles to recover useable/saleable used parts.

#### **OPERATIONS NOT INCLUDED:**

1. Assign Code 461 to the machining of brake drums and other auto parts conducted in a physically separate work area and staffed by a separate employee crew.

# **UNDERWRITING GUIDE**

Auto Parts Dealer - Wholesale Automobile Accessory Store Automobile Body Accessories Dealer Automobile Paint Dealer Automobile Parts Store Motor Vehicle Parts And Accessory Dealer Tire Dealer - Wholesale

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# 952 OFFICE MACHINE SERVICE or Repair

Includes shop....... to Code 811.

#### **UNDERWRITING GUIDE**

Adding Machine Repair - Shop Or Field Answering Machine (Telephone) Repair Cell Tower Erection – Programming And/Or Service of Computerized Call Switching Equipment By Contractor

Computer Or Computer System - Service Or Repair - Shop Or Field

Data Processing Systems - Service Or Repair - Shop Or Field

Dictating Machine Repair - Shop Or Field

Instrument - Professional Or Scientific - Service Or Repair - Shop Or Field

Meat Slicers Or Grinders - Counter Type - Service Or Repair

Office Machine Repair - Shop Or Field Organ Tuning - Away From Shop

Photocopy Machines - Service Or Repair - Shop
Or Field

Piano Tuning

Scale Adjustment, Service Or Repair, Counter Type Soap Dispenser Installation And/Or Servicing – Rest Rooms, By Specialist Contractor

Rooms, By Specialist Contractor
Telephone (Private Branch Exchange) Apparatus
Programming, Service Or Repair, By Contractor
Telephone Service Or Repair By Specialist Crew Of

A Contractor Or Other Than By
Telecommunications Company

Time Clocks, Recording Employee Time - Service Or Repair

Typewriter Repair - Shop Or Field Voting Machine - Service Or Repair

Word Processor - Service Or Repair - Shop Or Field

X-Ray Equipment Repair Or Service

# 953 Clerical OFFICE Employees

#### **OPERATIONS NOT INCLUDED:**

No Change to items 1 through 4

#### **UNDERWRITING GUIDE**

Advisory Rating Organization - Clerical Office Boy Or Girl Scout Council - Clerical - Except At Camp Locations Clerical Office Employees Computer Programmer Mailing Lists - Compiling/Selling - Risk's Only Operation Race Track, Pari-Mutuel Clerks Real Estate Agency - Clerical Workers In Office Telephone Operator

**955 ENGINEERING CONSULTING FIRM,** mechanical, civil, electrical or mining engineering consulting firms - all employees including office.

# **OPERATIONS ALSO INCLUDED:**

No Change to Number 1

# **OPERATIONS NOT INCLUDED:**

No Change to Numbers 1 through 4

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#### **UNDERWRITING GUIDE**

Air Conditioning: Non-Portable, Air Flow Testing And Balancing - By Specialist Contractor Analytical Chemical Independent Laboratory Art Conservation, Preservation Or Restoration -By Specialist Contractor Assaying - By Specialist Contractor Civil Consulting Engineering Firm Consulting Engineering Firm - All Types Dermatological Lab - Testing Cosmetics - By Specialist Contractor Document Conservation - Paper - By Specialist

Contractor **Electrical Consulting Engineering Firm** Engineering Consulting Firm - All Types Of Engineering

Geophysical Exploration Mechanical Consulting Engineering Firm Mining Consulting Engineering Firm Museum Display Creation - By Independent Contractor Non-Destructive Testing - All Kinds - By Specialist Contractor Paper Document Conservation - By Specialist Contractor Research And Development (Including

Prototypes) - By Specialist Contractor Land Surveying - By Specialist Contractor Testing - Non-Destructive - All Kinds - By Specialist Contractor

959 VETERINARIAN, including employers raising and caring for non-farm domestic animals.

#### **UNDERWRITING GUIDE**

Animal Raising - Non-Farm Domestic Animals Artificial Insemination Of Animals Bee Raising Breeding Of Animals, Non-Farm Domestic Dog Kennel Dog Obedience Classes Dog Walking And/Or Pet Sitting Service(s) - By Contractor

Hospital, Veterinary Laboratory Animal Breeding Or Raising (Rats. Mice, Guinea Pigs, Rabbits, Etc.)

Livestock Tattooing, By Contractor Pet Sitting And/Or Dog Walking Service(s) - By Contractor Poultry Vaccination, Debeaking And Sexing, By Contractor Society For Prevention Of Cruelty To Animals Tattooing, Livestock, By Contractor Veterinarian Veterinary Hospital Worm Raising

# 965 COLLEGE OR SCHOOL, N.O.C. – all employees including office

# **OPERATIONS ALSO INCLUDED:**

No Change to Numbers 1 through 4

# **OPERATIONS NOT INCLUDED:**

No Change to Numbers 1 through 5

#### **UNDERWRITING GUIDE**

Academic Tutoring Service By Independent Provider Aircraft Trade School, Except Flying School

**Charter School** 

College Or School, N.O.C. Computer Training School

Cyber School Dance Studio

Early Intervention For Infants And Toddlers - No Residential Affiliation

English As A Second Language Courses By Specialist Contractor

Foreign Language Courses By Specialist Contractor

Music Lessons By Specialist Contractor School District - Public, Private Or Parochial School, Aircraft, All Employees Except Flight

Crew

School, Trade Or Vocational

Trade School

Tutoring Service (Academic Subjects) By Independent Provider

Union Trade School

University

Vocational Educational Institution

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**969 AMUSEMENT, OUTDOOR:** fairs, exhibitions, amusement parks or any outdoor amusement that is permanently sited.

## **OPERATIONS ALSO INCLUDED:**

No Change to Numbers 1 through 2

# **OPERATIONS NOT INCLUDED:**

No Change to Numbers 1 through 6

#### **UNDERWRITING GUIDE**

Amusement Park

Amusements, Outdoor - See Entry By Topical

Arboretum - Open To Public Exhibition

Archery Range - Outdoor Athletic Parks Operation

Ball Or Dart Throwing At Targets

Baseball Batting Range

Botanical Gardens - Open to Public Exhibition

Cave, Exhibition

Club, Swim - Outdoor Club, Tennis - Outdoor

Exhibition - Outdoor

Exhibition Garden

Fair - Permanently Sited Fishing Pond, Public

Garden - Open To Public Exhibition

Golf Course - Miniature

Golf Driving Range

Gun Range - Private Or Public - Outdoor

Horse Show

Jockey - Employed By A Race Track

Kiddie Rides - All Operations - Permanently Sited

Miniature Golf Course

Paintball Game Playing Facilities - Outdoor

Park, N.O.C.

Pitch And Putt Golf Course

Race Track Operation

Recreational Facility Or Amusement Devices,

Outdoor - See Entry By Topical Name

Shooting Range - Private or Public - Outdoor

Skating Rink - Outdoor

Skeet, Sporting Clays, Or Trapshooting Clubs Or

Public Ranges

Stadium Operation - Outdoor - By Contractor Or

Owner

Swim Club - Outdoor

Swimming Pool, Public Or Private - Outdoor

Tennis Club - Outdoor

Tennis Court, Public - Outdoor

Zoo

# 970 ATHLETIC TEAM - CONTACT SPORTS - Professional or Semiprofessional.

Includes all players.....including board and lodging.

# **OPERATIONS ALSO INCLUDED:**

No Change to Number 1

# **OPERATIONS NOT INCLUDED:**

No Change to Numbers 1 through 6

## **UNDERWRITING GUIDE**

Athletic Team: Contact Sports - Professional Or Semiprofessional

Contact Sports Athletic Team, Professional Or Semiprofessional

Football Player, Coach, Manager Or Sports Official - Professional Or Semiprofessional

Hockey Player, Coach, Manager Or Sports Official - Professional Or Semiprofessional Lacrosse Player, Coach, Manager Or Sports Official - Professional Or Semiprofessional

Professional Or Semiprofessional Athletic Team: Contact Sports

Roller Derby Player, Coach, Manager Or Sports Official - Professional Or Semiprofessional

Semiprofessional Or Professional Athletic Team -Contact Sports

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# 971 COMMERCIAL BUILDINGS

Applicable to owners, operators......management firm's staff.

# **OPERATIONS ALSO INCLUDED:**

- 1. No change to Numbers 1 or 2
- 3. If the principal business is described by classifications defined as Standard Exceptions, the payroll of all employees not specifically included in the definition of such Standard Exceptions shall be separately classified to Code 971.

# **OPERTIONS NOT INCLUDED:**

No change to Numbers 1 through 3.

# 991 ATHLETIC TEAM: NON-CONTACT SPORTS - Professional or Semiprofessional.

Includes all players ...... including board and lodging.

#### **OPERATIONS ALSO INCLUDED:**

No Change to Number 1

#### **OPERATIONS NOT INCLUDED:**

No Change to Numbers 1 through 6

#### **UNDERWRITING GUIDE**

Athletic Team - Non-contact Sports Professional Or Semiprofessional
Baseball Player, Coach, Manager Or Sports
Official - Professional Or Semiprofessional
Basketball Player, Coach, Manager Or Sports
Official - Professional Or Semiprofessional
Non-contact Sports Athletic Team, Professional
Or Semiprofessional

Professional Or Semiprofessional Athletic Team: Non-contact Sports Semiprofessional Or Professional Athletic Team: Non-contact Sports Soccer Player, Coach, Manager Or Sports Official - Professional Or Semiprofessional

# 997 UNDERTAKERS

#### **UNDERWRITING GUIDE**

Crematory Operation Funeral Director Pet Cremation Service – No Veterinary Services Undertaker

**7421 AIRCRAFT OPERATION** – transportation of personnel in the business of an employer not otherwise engaged in aircraft operations – all members of the flying crew

Applicable to the payroll......such classification shall apply.

Assign the payroll and losses of employees who are transported as passengers (and who are not members of the flying crew) to their normal applicable classification.

# **OPERATIONS NOT INCLUDED:**

1. Separately rate commercial aircraft operation as provided for in this Manual.

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SECTION 2 - Classifications through SECTION 6 - Merit Rating Plan remain unchanged