§1904.2 Partial exemption for establishments in certain industries.

(a) Basic requirement. (1) If your business establishment is classified in a specific low hazard retail, service, finance, insurance or real estate industry listed in appendix A to this subpart B, you do not need to keep OSHA injury and illness records unless the government asks you to keep the records under §1904.41 or §1904.42. However, all employers must report to OSHA any workplace incident that results in a fatality or the hospitalization of three or more employees (see §1904.39).

(2) If one or more of your company’s establishments are classified in a non-exempt industry, you must keep OSHA injury and illness records for all of such establishments unless your company is partially exempted because of size under §1904.41.

(b) Implementation—(1) Does the partial industry classification exemption apply only to business establishments in the retail, service, finance, insurance or real estate industries (SICs 52–89)? Yes, business establishments classified in agriculture; mining; construction; manufacturing; transportation; communication; electric, gas and sanitary services; or wholesale trade are not eligible for the partial industry classification exemption.

(2) Is the partial industry classification exemption based on the industry classification of my entire company or on the classification of individual business establishments operated by my company? The partial industry classification exemption applies to individual business establishments. If a company has several business establishments engaged in different classes of business activities, some of the company’s establishments may be required to keep records, while others may be exempt.

(3) How do I determine the Standard Industrial Classification code for my company or for individual establishments? You determine your Standard Industrial Classification (SIC) code by using the Standard Industrial Classification Manual, Executive Office of the President, Office of Management and Budget. You may contact your nearest OSHA office or State agency for help in determining your SIC.

§1904.3 Keeping records for more than one agency.

If you create records to comply with another government agency’s injury and illness recordkeeping requirements, OSHA will consider those records as meeting OSHA’s part 1904 recordkeeping requirements if OSHA accepts the other agency’s records under a memorandum of understanding with that agency, or if the other agency’s records contain the same information as this part 1904 requires you to record. You may contact your nearest OSHA office or State agency for help in determining whether your records meet OSHA’s requirements.

Non-Mandatory Appendix A to Subpart B of Part 1904—Partially Exempt Industries

Employers are not required to keep OSHA injury and illness records for any establishment classified in the following Standard Industrial Classification (SIC) codes, unless they are asked in writing to do so by OSHA, the Bureau of Labor Statistics (BLS), or a state agency operating under the authority of OSHA or the BLS. All employers, including those partially exempted by reason of company size or industry classification, must report to OSHA any workplace incident that results in a fatality or the hospitalization of three or more employees (see §1904.39).