

Alberta Small Employer OHS Legislated Requirements

Industry Code: 40604
Mobile Equipment Operation

This document is a guideline only. Employers have a responsibility of assessing all applicable occupational health and safety legislation, for the tasks they are performing.

This industry includes businesses that are engaged to undertake contracts which predominantly require the use of mobile equipment and are not elsewhere classified.

Task description	Type of equipment used and workers employed
Types of construction endeavors can include, but are not limited to: road construction, golf course construction, sewer and water line installation, general excavation, grading, tunneling, land reclamation, land clearing, building demolition, snow clearing, mowing grass along roadways, etc.	<p>Businesses may use any of a wide variety of equipment such as bulldozers, backhoes, graders, forklifts, mobile cranes, etc.</p> <p>Workers will include equipment operators who may be supported by engineers, technical staff, mechanics, laborers, truck drivers, sales/estimators, and office/administrative staff.</p>
The sale of bulk landscape products such as gravel, sand, shale and decorative rock with or without ancillary garden products.	
Sand/gravel pit and gravel crushing operations, including product delivery from the pit.	
Trucks to transport equipment between work sites or haul away material which has been excavated; however, trucking activities are incidental to the operation of the mobile equipment. These businesses may do some infrequent custom equipment hauling for others and would not require a separate classification in such circumstances.	
This industry will cover all the operations of employers who are general contractors in road construction and the development of subdivisions. These may be comprehensive contracts requiring diverse pieces of equipment and construction activities.	
The operation of mobile truck-mounted cranes will be covered in this industry when the contract is to perform onsite loading and unloading, which is not related to the transport of the goods being loaded or unloaded.	
Land or brush clearing, with the use of only chain saws, are included here when the contract is for the clearing of land	
Scarification (the clearing/cleaning of land already logged by using heavy drag equipment) or site preparation is classified in this industry when performed separately from other logging activities.	
The laying of swamp mats (which are usually large rubber mats manufactured from recycled tires), is used for crossing streams, wetlands, mud, sand, pasture, snow, muskeg, peat and any other unstable surfaces which cannot support heavy equipment or loaded truck and trailers passing over them without some type of reinforcement. The placing of these swamp mats typically require the use of a forklift, crane or backhoe which place the mats abutting each other until the unstable surface is covered enough to allow the piece of equipment to get to the other side.	

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