**Cannabis Classifications**

**Cannabis Cultivation Operations**

* Classification 0035: *Florists – cultivating or gardening*
  + Cannabis buds are in fact flowers
  + Cannabis cultivation can be indoors or outdoors, using conventional or hydroponic methods
  + Includes nursery operations by cannabis farms
  + Classification 0035 was amended effective January 1, 2016 to specifically include the cultivation of marijuana
    - “Marijuana” is proposed to be replaced with “cannabis” effective January 1, 2021
  + Classification 0035: *Hemp Growing*
    - Most California hemp is grown for CBD oil extraction; industrial hemp for fiber is mostly imported
* Classification 0005: *Nurseries – propagation and cultivation of nursery stock*
  + Nurseries that do not grow cannabis for harvest but propagate nursery stock (seedlings or clones) for sale

**Cannabis Processing**

* Classification 0035: *Florists – cultivating or gardening*
  + Includes initial drying, trimming and bulk packaging of the harvested buds
  + Trimming may be done by the grower, or done under contract by a trim specialist
* Classification 4611: *Drug, Medicine or Pharmaceutical Preparations Manufacturing*
  + Includes the production (compounding, blending or packaging) of drugs
  + Packaging buds for individual sale

**Cannabis Products Manufacturing**

* Classification 4611: *Drug, Medicine or Pharmaceutical Preparations Manufacturing*
  + Production of cigarettes (pre-rolls)
  + Manufacture of Cannabidiol (CBD) products and oil extraction (4825)
  + Manufacture of concentrates, tinctures, extracts, hashish, vaporizing products
* Classification 6504: *Food Products Manufacturing or Processing*
  + Manufacture of cannabis-infused food products (“edibles”) that are not baked goods
  + Manufacture of infused candies, infused butter, infused coffee mixes and similar products
* Classification 2003: *Bakeries and Cracker Manufacturing*
  + Manufacture of cannabis-infused baked goods such as cookies or brownies
* Classification 2163: *Bottling – beverages*
  + Manufacturing of cannabis-infused beverages

**Cannabis Sales and Licensing**

* Classification 8017/8045: *Stores – Retail*
  + Retail cannabis dispensaries are classified as 8017(1) – it also applies to marijuana delivery sales companies that may not operate a walk-in retail store
  + Retail outlets may also perform packaging of individual orders, final trimming, cigarette rolling and similar operations to prepare the products for retail sale

**Cannabis Delivery**

* Classification 7198/7380 (1): *Parcel Delivery and Messenger Service Companies*
  + Contract delivery of small parcels
* Classification 7198(2): *Armored Transport Services*
  + Secure transport of cash or other valuables using armored vehicles
  + Includes drivers, money sorters and counters, vault clerks and security guards in connection with transportation services

**Other Cannabis-Related Operations**

* Classification 4511: *Analytical or Testing Laboratories*
  + Independent testing of cannabis and cannabis products for potency and/or purity
* Classification 7720(2): *Security Guard or Patrol Services*
  + Independent security at cannabis growing, processing or sales locations
* Classification 9424(1): *Garbage or Refuse Landfill, Transfer Station and Material Recovery Facility Operations*
  + Specialized disposal of cannabis trimmings and other green waste

**CALIFORNIA CANNABIS CLASSIFICATION –**

In some cases, growers send the product to trimming specialists for processing and packaging. If the buds are only trimmed but not packaged for individual sale, Classification 0035 is assignable. If the trimming specialist also packages the product for individual sale, Classification 4611, *Drug, Medicine, or Pharmaceutical Preparations Mfg. – compounding, blending, or packaging only – not manufacturing ingredients*, is assignable because it includes the production (compounding, blending, or packaging) of drugs.

The production of cannabis cigarettes or pre-rolls, extracts, and concentrates – including but not limited to hashish, hash oil, tinctures, and products for vaporizing – is assigned to Classification 4611.This classification also applies to the manufacture of cannabidiol (CBD) products and oil extraction.

Cannabis trimming operations can generate a large amount of green waste. Employers that specialize in the processing of cannabis trimmings and other green waste are assignable to Classification9424(1), *Garbage or Refuse Landfill, Transfer Station, and Material Recovery Facility Operations*.

To be sold legally in California, all cannabis must be tested for both potency and purity to ensure it does not contain harmful pesticides or contaminates. Laboratories that specialize in the independent testing of cannabis and cannabis products for potency and/or purity are classified as 4511, *Analytical or Testing Laboratories – including outside operations and sample collection*.

The manufacture of cannabis-infused food products (“edibles”) that are not baked goods is classified as 6504, *Food Products Mfg. or Processing*. Examples include infused candies, butter for home baking and coffee mixes. This classification has also been assigned by analogy to the manufacture of flavorings used in vape pen “juice.”

The manufacture of cannabis-infused baked goods such as cookies or brownies is classified as2003, *Bakeries or Cracker Mfg*.

The manufacture of cannabis-infused beverages is classified as 2163, *Bottling – beverages – no spirituous liquors, wine, or beer*.

Retail cannabis dispensaries are classified as 8017(1), *Stores – retail*. This is consistent with other retail pharmacies and drugstores. Retail outlets may also perform packaging of individual orders, final trimming, cigarette rolling and similar operations to prepare the product for retail sale. Many cannabis dispensaries sell a minor amount of marijuana plants or clones in addition to marijuana and cannabis-infused products. Classification 8017(1) also applies to cannabis delivery sales companies that may not operate a walk-in retail store.

Classification 8018, *Stores – wholesale*, applies to the wholesale distribution of purchased and prepackaged cannabis products. Sales are primarily made to cannabis dispensaries or other dealers for resale and not to the general public.

* Classification 0035, *Florists – cultivating or gardening*
* Classification 2003, *Bakeries or Cracker Mfg.*
* Classification 2163, *Bottling – beverages – no spirituous liquors, wine or beer*
* Classification 4511, *Analytical or Testing Laboratories – including outside operations and sample collection – N.O.C.*
* Classification 4611, *Drug, Medicine or Pharmaceutical Preparations Mfg. – compounding, blending or packaging only – not manufacturing ingredients – N.O.C.*
* Classification 6504, *Food Products Mfg. or Processing – N.O.C.*
* Classification 8017(1), *Stores – retail – N.O.C.*
* Classification 8018, *Stores – wholesale – N.O.C.*
* Classification 9424(1), *Garbage or Refuse Landfill, Transfer Station and Material Recovery Facility Operations*