

Hints for Completing SF 1444 - Request for Additional Classification and Rate

One copy is sufficient. The DOL no longer requires 4 copies.

Block 1. Already completed

Block 2. We will fill in

Block 3. Prime Contractor's name

Block 4. Current Date

Block 5. Contract number DACx-xx-x-xxxx

Block 6. Bid opening date (from prime contractor)

Block 7. Date of award (date awarded to prime)

Block 8. Start date of Prime's contract

Block 9. N/A

Block 10. Subcontractor's name

Block 11. Description of total project

Block 12. Location of project

Block 13. Wage Decision number WA020001/12 and date

a. proposed classification (painter--specify if it's a special type such as roller, spray, etc. For a power equipment operator, show type of equipment, horsepower, size of bucket, etc.)

b. proposed wage rate

c. proposed fringe benefit rate

Block 14. Subcontractor's signature

Block 15. Prime contractor's signature

Block 16. Signature of **employee** or representative of work in proposed classification and title and whether this employee agrees or disagrees. Check one box. Line 16 goes across the page.

The Department of Labor generally will not approve requests for apprentices, trainees, and foreman. Apprentices or trainees (by whatever name) are permitted to work at a rate less than that specified in the wage decision only when they are employed pursuant to and individually registered in a program approved by the appropriate federal or state agency. Employees not so registered must be paid no less than the applicable wage rate on the wage decision for the classification of work actually performed. Foremen need to be paid at least the rate of the classification of work actually performed. For example, if you want the rate for a painter foreman and painter is not in the wage determination, request a rate for painter, and make sure the foreman is paid at least this rate. The wage determination lists minimum rates. You can always pay employees, especially foreman, more than the minimum rate for the classification of work they are performing. If the rate you are requesting is lower than the lowest skilled rate in the wage determination, you should provide evidence proving the rate you are requesting is prevailing in the area.

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