

WAC 296-307-32001 What does this section cover? (1) WAC 296-307-320 covers the servicing and maintenance of machines and equipment in which the unexpected start up of the machine or equipment or release of stored energy could cause injury to employees. This standard establishes minimum performance requirements for the control of such hazardous energy.

(2) Normal production operations are not covered by this standard. Servicing and/or maintenance that takes place during normal production operations is covered by this standard only if:

(a) An employee is required to remove or bypass a guard or other safety device; or

(b) An employee is required to place a body part into a point of operation or where an associated danger zone exists during a machine operating cycle.

Exception: Minor servicing activities, that take place during normal production operations, are not covered by this standard if they are routine, repetitive, and integral to the use of the equipment for production, provided that the work is performed using alternative measures that provide effective protection.

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