

Amendments to the Harmonized System Explanatory Notes – HS Committee 69th Session

The following list contains the decisions taken by the Harmonized System Committee (**69th Session – March 2022**) concerning amendments to the Harmonized System Explanatory Notes, applicable as of 1 June 2022. This publication will be updated regularly.

The Harmonized System Explanatory Notes are published by WCO in 5 volumes (**2022 edition**) and reflect the official interpretation of the Harmonized Commodity Description and Coding System. They also contain the text of the Subheading Explanatory Notes indicating the scope and content of certain of the Harmonized System Subheadings. The Explanatory Notes are available in English and French, the two official languages of the WCO, and can be ordered directly (see “Bookshop” on this Web site). They are also available on-line.

The amendments listed below are reproduced in the order of the current pages concerned and will be incorporated into the aforementioned WCO publications in due time by replacing the pages affected by the amendments made.

Advice

Parties seeking to import or export merchandise covered by a decision are advised to verify the implementation of the decision by the importing or exporting country, as the case may be.

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CHAPTER 4.

Page I-4-3. Part (I). Second paragraph.

Delete “Note 4 (b)” and substitute “Note 5 (c)”.

(Doc. NC2930Ec/R)

CHAPTER 15.

Page III-15-4. First paragraph.

Delete “pignolia nuts,” and substitute “pine nuts,”.

(Doc. NC2930Ec/R)

CHAPTER 29.

1. Heading 29.09. Page VI-2909-4. Part (D). Second paragraph.

French text only.

(Doc. NC2930Ec/R)

2. Heading 29.40. Page VI-2940-2. Part (B). Item (7).

Delete “ α -methyl glucoside,”.

(Doc. NC2930Ec/R)

CHAPTER 39.

1. Page VII-39-15. Part (A). Item (2). Second paragraph.

Delete “four”.

(Doc. NC2930Ec/R)

2. Heading 39.12. Page VII-3912-2. Item (2).

(i) First paragraph.

Delete “**celluloid**” and substitute “celluloid”.

(ii) Second paragraph.

Delete “**collodions**” and substitute “collodions”.

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3. Heading 39.22. Page VII-3922-1. Second paragraph.

French text only.

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CHAPTER 40.

Heading 40.08. Page VII-4008-1. Third paragraph.

Delete “Note 4 to Chapter 59.” and substitute “Note 5 to Chapter 59.”.

(Doc. NC2930Ec/R)

CHAPTER 44.

Page IX-4418-3. Subheading Explanatory Note.

Insert the following new Subheading Explanatory Note :

“Subheading 4418.92

Subheading 4418.92 does not include cellular wood panels made of bamboo (**subheading 4418.91**).”.

(Doc. NC2930Ec/P/24)

CHAPTER 47.

Page X-47-2. General. Exclusion (b).

Delete and substitute:

“(b) Synthetic paper pulps consisting of sheets of non-coherent polyethylene or polypropylene fibres (fibrils) (**heading 39.20**).”.

(Doc. NC2930Ec/P/23)

CHAPTER 70.

Heading 70.10.

Page XIII-7010-2. New penultimate paragraph.

Insert new penultimate paragraph :

Heat-resistant glass lids, used to protect the food contained in pans or saucepans etc. from dust and excessive evaporation of moisture but presented separately without any kitchen cookware, are classified in this heading.

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Heading 70.13.

Page XIII-7013-2. Exclusion (b).

Delete and substitute :

- (b) Bottles, flasks, jars and pots of a kind commonly used for the commercial conveyance or packing of goods, preserving jars and kitchen cookware lids presented separately from the cookware (**heading 70.10**).

(Doc. NC2930Ec/P/14)

Heading 70.19.

1. Page XIII-7019-4. Item (8).

French text only.

2. Page XIII-7019-12. Second paragraph.

French text only.

(Doc. NC2930Ec/R)

CHAPTER 74.

Heading 74.10. Page XV-7410-1. First paragraph.

French text only.

(Doc. NC2930Ec/R)

CHAPTER 81.

Heading 81.12. Page XV-8112-4. New Part (L).

Insert the following new Part (L) :

“(L) CADMIUM

Cadmium is largely obtained from residues of the extraction of zinc, copper or lead, usually by distillation or electrolysis.

Cadmium resembles zinc in appearance but is softer.

It is largely used to coat other metals (by spraying or electro deposition), as a de-oxidant in the manufacture of copper, silver, nickel, etc.

Because of its very high rate of absorption of slow neutrons, it is also used for the manufacture of mobile control and monitor rods for nuclear reactors.

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The principal **cadmium alloys** which may fall in the heading in accordance with Note 5 to Section XV are cadmium-zinc alloys used for hot dip anti corrosion coating, as solders and for brazing.

Other alloys containing the same metals (e.g., certain bearing alloys) may, however, be **excluded**.”.

(Doc. NC2930Ec/R)

CHAPTER 84.

Heading 84.19. Page XVI-8419-8. Part (VI). First paragraph.

Add at the end of the first paragraph:

“Low-temperature-steam-formaldehyde (LTSF) sterilisers are also classified in this heading. These sterilisers function by heating a sterilising agent, to produce a gaseous mixture of the sterilising agent and steam, and heating the chamber to keep the sterilising agent in a gaseous state for a sufficient time to kill bacteria, etc.”.

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Heading 84.62.

1. Page XVI-8462-4. Item (4) (a). First paragraph.

French text only.

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2. Page XVI-8462-5. Item (5).

(i) First paragraph.

French text only.

(ii) Second paragraph.

French text only.

(Doc. NC2930Ec/R)

CHAPTER 85.

1. Heading 85.06. Page XVI-8506-2. Exclusion (d).

Delete “(**heading 85.48**)” and substitute “(**heading 85.49**)”.

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2. Heading 85.07. Page XVI-8507-2. Exclusion (b).

Delete “(heading 85.48)” and substitute “(heading 85.49)”.

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3. Heading 85.18. Page XVI-8518-4. Exclusion (c).

Delete and substitute:

“(c) Semiconductor-based transducers (for example micro-electro-mechanical-systems (MEMS) sensors used in silicon microphones) (heading 85.41); electronic integrated circuits, including multi-component integrated circuits (MCOs) (for example, silicon microphones consisting of a MEMS sensor element and an application-specific integrated circuit (ASIC) chip) (heading 85.42).”

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4. Heading 85.41. Page XVI-8541-4. Last paragraph.

Delete “Note 12 (b) (iv) (3)” and substitute “Note 12 (b) (iv)”.

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5. Heading 85.49. Page XVI-8549-2. Subheading Explanatory Notes to subheadings 8549.11 to 8549.19. First paragraph.

French text only.

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CHAPTER 87.

Heading 87.04. Page XVII-8704-3. Subheading Explanatory Notes to subheadings 8704.21, 8704.22, 8704.23, 8704.31 and 8704.32. Title.

Delete “**Subheadings 8704.21, 8704.22, 8704.23, 8704.31 and 8704.32**” and substitute “**Subheadings 8704.21, 8704.22, 8704.23, 8704.31, 8704.32, 8704.41, 8704.42, 8704.43, 8704.51 and 8704.52**”.

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CHAPTER 95.

Heading 95.04. Page XX-9504-1.

1. Item (2). Second paragraph.

Delete “Note 5 (A) to Chapter 84” and substitute “Note 6 (A) to Chapter 84”.

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2. Item (2) (a).

Delete “Note 5 (C) to Chapter 84” and substitute “Note 6 (C) to Chapter 84”.

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