

Amendments to the Harmonized System Explanatory Notes – HS Committee 74th Session

The following list contains the decisions taken by the Harmonized System Committee (**74th Session – September 2024**) concerning amendments to the Harmonized System Explanatory Notes, applicable as of 1 January 2025. 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 21.

Heading 21.06. Item (6). Page IV-2106-1.

Delete and substitute:

“(6) Protein hydrolysates consisting mainly of a mixture of amino-acids and sodium chloride, used in food preparations (e.g. for flavouring); protein concentrates used for protein-enrichment of food preparations; soya-bean flour and other protein substances, textured. However, the heading **excludes** non-textured defatted soya-bean flour, whether or not fit for human consumption (**heading 23.04**) and protein isolates (**heading 35.04**).”.

Page IV-2106-3. New Subheading Explanatory Note.

Insert the following new Subheading Explanatory Note:

“Subheading Explanatory Note.

Subheading 2106.10

For the purposes of this subheading, ‘protein concentrates’ refer to non-textured food preparations with a total dry-weight protein content (N x conversion factor) of 65% or more, irrespective of their sources. These preparations of protein concentrates may include some additives such as flavours, stabilizers, preservatives, etc.”.

CHAPTER 29.

1. Page VI-29 – List I-13. II. Psychotropic substances subject to control under the 1971 Convention on Psychotropic Substances (continued). First column. Thirty-sixth line.

Delete “GHB; 4-hydroxybutyric acid *gamma*-Hydroxybutyric acid” and substitute “GHB; 4-Hydroxybutyric acid; *gamma*-Hydroxybutyric acid”.

2. Page VI-29 – List I-17. II. Psychotropic substances subject to control under the 1971 Convention on Psychotropic Substances (continued). First column. Fortieth line.

French text only.

CHAPTER 44. ANNEX.

“1) Page IX-44-Annex-28.

Insert the following information:

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“ Louro vermelho	Sextonia rubra Van der Werff	Baaka (GY) ; Determa (GY) ; Gamela (BR) ; Grignon franc (GF) ; Louro gamela (BR) ; Louro vermelho (BR) ; Red Louro (GY) ; Teteroma (SR) ; Wana (SR) ; Wanu (GY)
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2) Page IX-44-Annex-49.

Insert the following information:

“ Tamboril	Enterolobium contortisiliquum Morong	Camba-Camby (AR) ; Carito (CO) ; Caro-Caro (VE) ; Oreja de negro (AR) ; Orejero (CO) ; Para (AR) ; Tamboril (BR) ; Timbauba (BR) ; Timbó (AR, BR, PY) ; Timbo colorado (AR, PY) ; Timbóuba (BR)
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3) Page IX-44-Annex-52.

Insert the following information:

“ Virola	Otoba spp. (Syn. Dialyanthera spp.) Virola michelii Heckel Virola multicostata Ducke Virola surinamensis Warb. Virola spp.	Baboen (SR) ; Banak (HN) ; Cajuea (TT) ; Camaticaro (VE) ; Chaliviande (EC) ; Cuajo (VE) ; Cumala (PE) ; Dalli (GY) ; Moulomba (GF) ; Nuanamo (CO) ; Otivo (VE) ; Pintri (SR) ; Sangrino (VE) ; Sebo (CO) ; Shempo (EC) ; Ucuuba (BR) ; Virola (BR, VE) ; Yayamadou (GF) ; Yayamadou marécage (GF) ; Yayamadou montagne (GF)
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CHAPTER 49.

Page X-49-2. General. Third paragraph. Fourth line.

Delete “photocopying thermocopying” and substitute “photocopying, thermocopying”.

CHAPTER 84.

Heading 84.11.

Part (C). First paragraph. Page XVI-8411-2.

Delete and substitute:

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“This group includes turbo-shaft engines. It also includes industrial gas-turbine engines that are either specifically designed for industrial use or that are adapted for uses other than providing motive power for aircraft.”.

Part (C). Penultimate paragraph. Page XVI-8411-2.

Delete and substitute:

“These turbo-shaft engines and gas turbines are used for marine craft, helicopters and other aircraft and locomotives, for electrical power generation, and for mechanical drives in the oil and gas, pipeline and petrochemical industry.”.

Heading 84.37. Page XVI-8437-3. Part (III). Second paragraph. Item (5).

Delete “see Part (I) (B) above” and substitute “see Part (II) (B) above”.

CHAPTER 87.

Heading 87.16. Page XVII-8716-4. Under the paragraph titled “PARTS”, item (4).

Delete and substitute :

“(4) Wheels and parts thereof, including wheels fitted with their tyres.”.

CHAPTER 95.

Heading 95.03.

Page XX-9503-3. Part (D). Last paragraph.

Delete and substitute:

“Toys which are the reproduction of articles used by adults (such as electric irons, sewing machines, musical instruments, etc.), are generally distinguishable from the latter by their constituent materials, their more basic construction, their reduced dimensions (adapted to the size of children), and their fairly low performance not allowing their use for normal adult activities.”.