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CPC NOTICE OF CHANGES 624

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PROJECT MP0364

The following classification changes will be effected by this Notice of Changes:

<u>Action</u>	<u>Subclass</u>	<u>Group(s)</u>
SCHEME:		
Titles Changed:	E02F	3/08
	E02F	7/02
DEFINITIONS:		
Definitions Deleted: (no frozen (F) symbol definitions should be deleted)		
Definitions New:	E02F	3/08
	E02F	7/02

No other subclasses/groups are impacted by this Notice of Changes.

This Notice of Changes includes the following [Check the ones included]:

1. CLASSIFICATION SCHEME CHANGES

- A. New, Modified or Deleted Group(s)
- B. New, Modified or Deleted Warning(s)
- C. New, Modified or Deleted Note(s)
- D. New, Modified or Deleted Guidance Heading(s)

2. DEFINITIONS

- A. New or Modified Definitions (Full definition template)
- B. Modified or Deleted Definitions (Definitions Quick Fix)

3. REVISION CONCORDANCE LIST (RCL)

4. CHANGES TO THE CPC-TO-IPC CONCORDANCE LIST (CICL)

5. CHANGES TO THE CROSS-REFERENCE LIST (CRL)

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1. CLASSIFICATION SCHEME CHANGES

A. New, Modified or Deleted Group(s)

SUBCLASS E02F - DREDGING; SOIL-SHIFTING (winning peat E21C 49/00)

<u>Type*</u>	<u>Symbol</u>	<u>Indent Level Number of dots (e.g. 0, 1, 2)</u>	<u>Title (new or modified)</u> <u>“CPC only” text should normally be enclosed in {curly brackets}**</u>	<u>Transferred to[#]</u>
M	E02F 3/08	2	with digging elements on an endless chain (conveyors B65G)	
M	E02F 7/02	1	Conveying equipment mounted on a dredger (conveyors in general B65G)	

*N = new entries where reclassification into entries is involved; C = entries with modified file scope where reclassification of documents from the entries is involved; Q = new entries which are firstly populated with documents via administrative transfers from deleted (D) entries. Afterwards, the transferred documents into the Q entry will either stay or be moved to more appropriate entries, as determined by intellectual reclassification; E= existing entries with enlarged file scope, which receive documents from C or D entries, e.g. when a limiting reference is removed from the entry title; M = entries with no change to the file scope (no reclassification); D = deleted entries; F = frozen entries will be deleted once reclassification of documents from the entries is completed; U = entries that are unchanged.

NOTES:

- **No {curly brackets} are used for titles in CPC only subclasses, e.g. C12Y, A23Y; 2000 series symbol titles of groups found at the end of schemes (orthogonal codes); or the Y section titles. The {curly brackets} are used for 2000 series symbol titles found interspersed throughout the main trunk schemes (breakdown codes).
- For U groups, the minimum requirement is to include the U group located immediately prior to the N group or N group array, in order to show the N group hierarchy and improve the readability and understanding of the scheme. Always include the symbol, indent level and title of the U group in the table above.
- All entry types should be included in the scheme changes table above for better understanding of the overall scheme change picture. Symbol, indent level, and title are required for all types except “D” which requires only a symbol.
- #“Transferred to” column must be completed for all C, D, F, and Q type entries. F groups will be deleted once reclassification is completed.
- When multiple symbols are included in the “Transferred to” column, avoid using ranges of symbols in order to be as precise as possible.
- For administrative transfer of documents, the following text should be used: “< administrative transfer to XX>” or “<administrative transfer to XX and YY simultaneously>” when administrative transfer of the same documents is to more than one place.
- Administrative transfer to main trunk groups is assumed to be “invention information”, unless otherwise indicated, and to 2000 series groups is assumed to be “additional information”.

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2. A. DEFINITIONS (new)

Insert: The following new definitions:

E02F 3/08

References

Limiting references

This place does not cover:

Conveyors	B65G
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Informative references

Attention is drawn to the following places, which may be of interest for search:

For digging trenches or ditches	E02F 5/06
Cutting machines for mining or quarrying	E21C 25/22

E02F 7/02

References

Informative references

Attention is drawn to the following places, which may be of interest for search:

Conveyors in general	B65G
In combination with digging elements mounted on an endless chain	E02F 3/082, E02F 3/083
In combination with rotating digging wheels	E02F 3/181
In combination with bucket-arms	E02F 3/348
In combination with graders or bulldozers	E02F 3/7695