**C09D**

COATING COMPOSITIONS, e.g. PAINTS, VARNISHES OR LACQUERS; FILLING PASTES; CHEMICAL PAINT OR INK REMOVERS; INKS; CORRECTING FLUIDS; WOODSTAINS; PASTES OR SOLIDS FOR COLOURING OR PRINTING; USE OF MATERIALS THEREFOR (cosmetics A61K; processes for applying liquids or other fluent materials to surfaces, in general, B05D; staining wood B27K 5/02; glazes or vitreous enamels C03C; organic macromolecular compounds C08; organic dyes or closely-related compounds for producing dyes, mordants or lakes, per se, C09B; treatment of inorganic materials other than fibrous fillers used as pigments or fillers C09C; natural resins, French polish, drying-oils, driers, turpentine, per se, C09F; polishing compositions other than French polish, ski waxes C09G; preparation of glue or gelatine C09H, (C08H 1/06); adhesives or use of materials as adhesives C09J; materials for sealing or packing joints or covers C09K 3/10; materials for stopping leaks C09K 3/12; processes for the electrolytic or electrophoretic production of coatings C25D; textile-treating compositions D06; paper-making D21; conductors, insulators H01B)

**Definition statement**

*This place covers:*

Coating compositions, e.g. paints, varnishes, lacquers. This includes paints, varnishes or lacquers characterized by their physical nature or by the effects produced; examples of these are emulsion paints, powdery paints, thixotropic paints, antifouling or underwater paints, luminous paints, electrically-conductive paints, thermosensitive paints, paints providing wrinkle, crackle, orange-peel or multicolour effects, camouflage paints, radiation-absorbing paints, pearl essence, paints for electrophoretic applications or for flame-spraying, etc..

Coating compositions based on polysaccharides or their derivatives, based on rubbers or their derivatives, based on natural or unspecified macromolecular compounds or their derivatives, or based on organic macromolecular compounds, obtained by (or obtained otherwise than by) reactions only involving carbon-to-carbon unsaturated bonds. Coating compositions based on all synthetic polymers are included.

Coating compositions based on inorganic substances or on organic non-macromolecular compounds having at least one polymerisable carbon-to-carbon unsaturated bond.

Filling pastes.

Chemical paint or ink removers.

Inks, e.g. printing inks or writing inks.

Correcting fluids, e.g. fluid media for correction of typographic errors by coating.

Woodstains.

Pencil-leads, crayon compositions or chalk compositions.

Pastes or solids for colouring or printing, e.g. pigment pastes.

Use of materials for the above-mentioned compositions, including the use of anti-settling or anti-skinning agents or other additives.

Coating composition is a composition of a protective or decorative covering layer.
Relationships with other classification places

Relationship between C08F, C08G, C08L, C09D and C09J

Polymers as such are classified in C08F or C08G. Polymers compositions are classified in C08L. Coating compositions or adhesive compositions are classified in C09D and C09J respectively.

C09D and C09J are seen as "related fields" of C08L - this structure has implications on search and classification.

For classification:
- if the claims only pertain to an "adhesive composition...", only the C09J classification is given
- if the claims pertain to a composition as such and to an adhesive (For example, "composition for use as an adhesive..."), both the C09J classification and the corresponding C08L classification are given.

For searching both groups are to be searched, regardless of the wording of the claims, since in many documents of C08L, a passage relating to the use of the composition for an adhesive can be found.

In cases where a coating composition contains an organic non-macromolecular compound but is not based on that compound, and such a compound is of interest, classification could be made in subclass C08K or as an additive in group C08J 3/00 (e.g. C08J 3/24 for crosslinking agents) or C09D 7/40. This may be in addition to classification in C09D 101/00-C09D 201/00.

References

Limiting references

This place does not cover:

| Cosmetics                                                                 | A61K          |
| Processes for applying liquids or other fluent materials to surfaces, in general | B05D          |
| Staining wood                                                            | B27K 5/02     |
| Glazes or vitreous enamels                                               | C03C          |
| Natural resins, French polish, drying-oils, driers, turpentine, per se   | C09F          |
| Polishing compositions other than French polish, ski waxes               | C09G          |
| Adhesives or use of materials as adhesives                               | C09J          |
| Materials for sealing or packing joints or covers                        | C09K 3/10     |
| Materials for stopping leaks                                             | C09K 3/12     |
| Processes for the electrolytic or electrophoretic production of coatings  | C25D          |

Application-oriented references

Examples of places where the subject matter of this place is covered when specially adapted, used for a particular purpose, or incorporated in a larger system:

| Duplicating or marking methods; sheet materials for use therein           | B41M 5/00     |
| Coating of mortars, concrete, artificial stone or natural stone          | C04B 41/00    |
| Treatment of inorganic materials other than fibrous fillers used as pigments or fillers | C09C          |
| Chemical coating e.g. by solid state diffusion of metallic or non-metallic elements into metallic material surfaces; coating with metallic material characterised only by the composition of the metallic material | C23C 30/00    |
Informative references
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<td>Layered products</td>
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<td>Organic macromolecular compounds</td>
<td>C08</td>
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<tr>
<td>Organic dyes or closely-related compounds for producing dyes, mordants</td>
<td>C09B</td>
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<tr>
<td>or lakes</td>
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<td>Preparation of glue or gelatine</td>
<td>C09H</td>
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<td>Soaps or detergent compositions</td>
<td>C11D</td>
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<td>Paper-making</td>
<td>D21</td>
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<td>Photosensitive materials</td>
<td>G03F 7/004</td>
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<td>Conductors, insulators</td>
<td>H01B</td>
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</table>

Special rules of classification

Coatings of polymers with organic or inorganic additives should be classified in C09D and C08K for the non-macromolecular component.

Example: A coating composition containing polyethylene and amino-propyltrimethoxysilane is classified in groups C09D 123/06 and C08K 5/544 as additional classification.

The film forming compound is a specified organic polymer and the carbon or carbon compound an additive: classification in C09D 101/00-C09D 201/00 and C08K for the non-macromolecular compound.

The film forming compound is a specified inorganic polymer and then carbon or carbon compound an additive: classification in C09D 1/00, C09D 7/40 and C08K (additional symbol)

The film forming compound is an unspecified organic polymer, the carbon or carbon compound an additive and the coating composition is characterised by the physical nature or the effects produced: classification in C09D 5/00, C09D 7/40 and C08K (additional symbol)

Use of C-Sets:

When two or more polymers are present in a coating composition, classification is given in the form of C-sets: the polymer in majority is given a C09D classification (see below), and the minor components are characterised by Indexing Codes. The Indexing Codes are chosen from C08L or C08K and they may be linked or unlinked. The polymer in majority is always first in the C-set.

Therefore at least one Indexing Code must always be present when more than one polymer is mentioned.

This method of classification is applied in groups C09D 101/00, C09D 201/00 and subgroups.

Examples:

a: A coating composition containing 80 parts of polyethene and 20 parts of polyvinylchloride is classified in groups (C09D 123/06, C08L 27/06).
b: A coating composition containing 50 parts of polyethene and 50 parts of polyvinylchloride is classified in (C09D 123/06, C08L 27/06) and in groups (C09D 127/06, C08L 23/06).

c: A coating composition containing 90 parts of polysiloxane (C09D 183/04), further containing a polyester (C08L 67/00) and an alcohol is classified in (C09D 183/04, C08L 67/00, C08K 5/05).

Glossary of terms

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<td>Aliphatic radical</td>
<td>An acyclic or a non-aromatic carbocyclic carbon skeleton which is considered to be terminated by every bond to: an element other than carbon; a carbon atom having a double bond to one atom other than carbon; an aromatic carbocyclic ring or a heterocyclic ring.</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Use of materials for coating compositions</td>
<td>The use of known or new polymers or products.</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Rubber</td>
<td>Amorphous elastic material including: natural or conjugated diene rubbers; or rubber in general (for a specific rubber, other than a natural rubber or a conjugated diene rubber, see the group provided for coating compositions based on such macromolecular compounds.</td>
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<tr>
<td>Filling pastes</td>
<td>Materials used to fill up the holes or cavities of a substrate in order to smooth its surface prior to coating.</td>
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Synonyms and Keywords

In patent documents, the following abbreviations are often used:

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<tr>
<td>ABS</td>
<td>Acrylonitrile-butadiene-styrene copolymer</td>
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<td>AIBN</td>
<td>Azoisobutyronitrile (initiator)</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>AMMA</td>
<td>Acrylonitrile-methyl methacrylate copolymer</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>AMPS</td>
<td>Acrylamidomethylpropanesulfonic acid</td>
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<tr>
<td>BR</td>
<td>Butadiene rubber</td>
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<tr>
<td>CTFE</td>
<td>Chloro-trifluoroethylene</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>DVB</td>
<td>Divinylbenzene</td>
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<tr>
<td>EAA</td>
<td>Ethylene-acrylic acid copolymer</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>EPDM</td>
<td>Ethylene-propylene-diene-monomer</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>EPR</td>
<td>Ethylene-propylene rubber</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>EVA</td>
<td>Ethylene-vinyl acetate</td>
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<tr>
<td>EVOH</td>
<td>Ethylene-vinyl alcohol copolymer</td>
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<tr>
<td>HDPE</td>
<td>High-density polyethylene, d is greater than 0.95, homopolymer</td>
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<tr>
<td>HEMA</td>
<td>Hydroxyethyl methacrylate</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>LLDPE</td>
<td>Linear low-density polyethylene, significant comonomer content</td>
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<tr>
<td>LDPE</td>
<td>Low density polyethylene, prepared by radical process</td>
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<tr>
<td>PAN</td>
<td>Polyacrylonitrile</td>
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<tr>
<td>PEEK</td>
<td>Polyetherether ketone, also named polyetherester ketone</td>
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<tr>
<td>PMMA</td>
<td>Polymethyl methacrylate</td>
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<tr>
<td>PPE</td>
<td>Polyphenylene ether</td>
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<tr>
<td>PPO</td>
<td>Polyphenylene oxide or polypropylene oxide</td>
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<tr>
<td>PPS</td>
<td>Polyphenylene sulphide</td>
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<tr>
<td>PTFE</td>
<td>Polytetrafluoroethylene</td>
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<tr>
<td>PUR</td>
<td>Polyurethane</td>
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<tr>
<td>PVA</td>
<td>Polyvinyl alcohol or polyvinyl acetate</td>
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<tr>
<td>PVAC</td>
<td>Polyvinyl acetate</td>
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<tr>
<td>ULDPE, VLDPE,</td>
<td>Very low density polyethylene, ( d ) is less than 0.89, high comonomer content</td>
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**C09D 1/00**

Coating compositions, e.g. paints, varnishes or lacquers, based on inorganic substances (C04B takes precedence; glazes or vitreous enamels C03C)

**Definition statement**

This place covers:

Coating compositions where the binder or continuous phase is an inorganic compound.

Coating compositions based on inorganic particles, that may be linked through surface modification.

Coating compositions based on alkali metal silicates, cement or lime, where organic additive may be present.

**References**

**Limiting references**

This place does not cover:

- Coating with polysilicates
- Compositions of mortars
- Macromolecular compounds containing organic and inorganic sequences
- Chemical coating by decomposition of liquid compounds
- Chemical coating by decomposition of solid compounds
- Record carrier comprising one or more layers of magnetisable material homogeneously mixed with a bonding agent

**Informative references**

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

- High temperature resistant paints
- Coating of macromolecular substances with compositions not containing macromolecular substances
- Coating starting from inorganic powder
**C09D 4/00**

Coating compositions, e.g. paints, varnishes or lacquers, based on organic non-macromolecular compounds having at least one polymerisable carbon-to-carbon unsaturated bond {; Coating compositions, based on monomers of macromolecular compounds of groups C09D 183/00 - C09D 183/16}

**Definition statement**

This place covers:

Any composition for coatings, paints, varnishes etc and able to be polymerized by means of the known methods and comprising at least one polymerisable ethylenically unsaturated monomer or oligomer

**References**

**Limiting references**

This place does not cover:

Coating compositions based on macromolecular compounds obtained by reactions forming in the main chain of the macromolecule a linkage containing silicon, with or without sulfur, nitrogen, oxygen, or carbon only

**Informative references**

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

Coatings from blends of macromolecular compounds

**Special rules of classification**

C09D 4/06

The polymerisable compositions comprising an organic non-macromolecular compounds having at least one polymerisable carbon-to-carbon unsaturated bond (see ethylenically unsaturated monomers and oligomers) in combination with a macromolecular compound (a polymer) other than an unsaturated polymer of groups C09D 159/00 - C09D 187/00.

**Glossary of terms**

In this place, the following terms or expressions are used with the meaning indicated:

| Ethylenically unsaturated monomer | monomer comprising a carbon-carbon unsaturated bond |

**C09D 5/00**

Coating compositions, e.g. paints, varnishes or lacquers, characterised by their physical nature or the effects produced; Filling pastes {(magnetisable or magnetic paints H01F 1/00; electrically insulating paints H01B 3/00; paints for electrophoretic applications C25D 13/00)}

**Definition statement**

This place covers:

Priming paints
Reflecting or signal paints or anti-reflective coatings
Temporary coatings
Emulsion paints
Powdery paints
Thixotropic paints
Artists’ paints
Anti-corrosive paints
Paints containing biocides, e.g. fungicides, insecticides or pesticides
Antifouling paints or under-water paints
Fireproof paints
Temporary coatings strippable as coherent films
Luminous paints
Magnetisable or magnetic paints or lacquers
Electrically-conducting
Thermosensitive paints
Camouflage paints
Radiation-absorbing
Filling
Pearl essence
Paints containing free metal

**Relationships with other classification places**

Coating compositions that are characterized by the polymeric binder are to be classified in groups [C09D 101/00](#) - [C09D 201/00](#).

**References**

**Limiting references**

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<tr>
<td>Chemical surface treatment of metallic material by reaction of the surface</td>
<td>C23C 22/00</td>
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<td>with a reactive liquid, leaving reaction products of surface material in the</td>
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<tr>
<td>coating, e.g. conversion coatings</td>
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<tr>
<td>Paints based on inorganic materials for electrophoretic applications;</td>
<td>C25D 13/00</td>
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<tr>
<td>Substrates; Pretreatment; Process features</td>
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<tr>
<td>Electrically insulating paints</td>
<td>H01B 3/308</td>
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<tr>
<td>Apparatus or processes specially adapted for applying magnetic films to</td>
<td>H01F 41/16</td>
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<td>substrates, the magnetic material being applied in the form of particles,</td>
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<td>e.g. by serigraphy, i.e. forming thick magnetic films and precursors</td>
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<tr>
<td>therefor, e.g. magnetisable pastes, inks, glass frits</td>
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</table>
Magnetisable or magnetic paint

H01F 41/16

**Application-oriented references**

*Examples of places where the subject matter of this place is covered when specially adapted, used for a particular purpose, or incorporated in a larger system:*

| Wash primer, as a combination of a conversion coating and a polymeric binder | C23C 22/00 |

**Informative references**

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<td>Methods for preventing fouling in general</td>
<td>B08B 17/02</td>
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<tr>
<td>Painting or artistic drawing, not otherwise provided for preserving paintings; Surface treatment to obtainspecial artistic surface effects or finishes</td>
<td>B44D</td>
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<tr>
<td>Preventing hull fouling</td>
<td>B63B 59/04</td>
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<td>Aerosol compositions</td>
<td>C09K 3/30</td>
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<td>Luminescent compositions</td>
<td>C09K 11/00</td>
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<td>Processes using microorganisms</td>
<td>C12R 1/00</td>
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<td>Anti-reflection coating on optical elements</td>
<td>G02B 1/11</td>
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<tr>
<td>Optical systems with means for preventing surface fouling</td>
<td>G02B 27/0006</td>
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<td>Charge control agents for toners</td>
<td>G03G 9/097</td>
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<tr>
<td>Protection against X-, gamma-, or corpuscular radiation</td>
<td>G21F</td>
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<tr>
<td>Conductive materials</td>
<td>H01B 1/00</td>
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<tr>
<td>Screening against electric and magnetic fields</td>
<td>H05K91/00</td>
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**Special rules of classification**

The following IPC groups are not used: C09D 5/23, C09D5/25, C09D5/33 and C09D5/46.

Further subdivisions:

**C09D 5/002**

When the priming paint relates to an anti-corrosive paint on a metallic substrate.

**C09D 5/08** or **C09D 5/10** take precedence over this group.

**C09D 5/008**

These coatings can be easily removed by washing, e.g. with an alkaline composition. When a coating needs to be removed with a stripping composition according to C09D 9/00 classification in C09D 5/008 is not appropriate.

When the temporary coating can be removed as a coherent film.

**C09D 5/20** takes precedence over this group.
Powder slurries are classified in this group and not in C09D 5/03.

Relates to in-can preservation of the (aqueous) emulsion paint.

When powder coatings are characterized by the colouring agent, or the special effect of the produced film.

Thixotropic paints are used on vertical surfaces, where sagging should be avoided. A thixotropic fluid displays a decrease in viscosity over time at a constant shear rate. The thixotropic effect can be obtained by certain clays that also have an anti-settling effect (C09D 7/45).

In contrast a shear thinning or structurally viscous fluids display a decreasing viscosity with increasing shear rate.

The paints provide an anti-microbial effect of the coated film. When the paint prevents the occurrence of contamination visually noticeable on its surface C09D 5/16 takes precedence over this group.

The surface fouling is a visual fouling.

Paints containing hydrolysable groups.

Paints characterised by the film-forming substance.

Pearl essence coatings provide a reflective and interference effect.

Coatings having a metallic effect without colour interference.

The groups C09D 5/4403 - C09D 5/4476 relating to paints based on a specified film-forming polymer or mixture of polymers take precedence over the groups C09D 5/448 - C09D 5/4496 relating to paints characterised by other features.
Glossary of terms

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<td>Thixotropy</td>
<td>A thixotropic fluid displays a decrease in viscosity over time at a constant shear rate.</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Wash primer</td>
<td>A reactive primer for metallic substrates originally based on phosphoric acid, polyvinylbutyral and optionally zinc chromate (DIN 55945: 1999-07).</td>
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C09D 5/16

Antifouling paints; Underwater paints

Glossary of terms

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<td>Antifouling paint</td>
<td>A paint used to prevent barnacles and other marine organisms from growing on the immersed surfaces of man-made structures such as ship hulls, pillars, fishnets, and buoys. The antifouling effect can be obtained by the use of a biocide or a specific binder, or by the application of any other substance such as a non-adherent coating.</td>
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C09D 5/22

Luminous paints {luminescent compositions C09K 11/00}

Definition statement

This place covers:

Paints showing spontaneous emission of radiation originating from an electronically or vibrationally excited species not in thermal equilibrium with its environment.

Relationships with other classification places

Luminescent materials per se are covered by C09K 11/00.

References

Limiting references

This place does not cover:

| Other coatings or paints which are not luminescent | C09D 5/00 |

Informative references

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

| Luminescent materials per se | C09K 11/00 |

Special rules of classification

This group deals with the application of luminescent materials in paints. Usually the respective luminescent material should be classified additionally in C09K 11/00 or in the appropriate subgroup.
**C09D 7/00**

Features of coating compositions, not provided for in group **C09D 5/00** (driers **C09F 9/00**); Processes for incorporating ingredients in coating compositions

**Definition statement**

*This place covers:*

- Diluents or solvents for paints.
- Use of compounds as thickening agents; as gloss-reducing agents
- Use of organic pigments or dyes;
- Paint detackifiers or coagulants, e.g. for the treatment of oversprays in paint spraying installations
- Use of compounds as anti-settling agents; as anti-skinning agents; as levelling agents
- Other non-macromolecular, inorganic or organic additives;
- Macromolecular additives
- Additives characterised by their particle size or by their shape;
- Special processes for incorporating ingredients e.g. incorporating colour pastes in a base paint.

**References**

**Limiting references**

*This place does not cover:*

| Paint driers                      | C09F 9/00 |

**Informative references**

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

| Coating compositions based on graft polymers grafted onto inorganic materials | C09D 151/10 |
| Use of substances as emulsifying, wetting or dispersing agents             | B01F 17/00  |
| Production of microspheres                                                 | B01J 13/00  |
| Surface coated colloidal silica sols                                       | C01B 33/149 |
| Organic dyes                                                               | C07C, C09B, C09D 5/00 |
| Compositions of graft polymers grafted onto inorganic materials            | C08L 51/10  |
| Treatment of inorganic pigments or fillers                                | C09C        |

Further subdivisions:

**C09D 7/42**

The use of gloss reducing or matting agent.

Anti-reflective coatings are classified in **C09D 5/006**.

**C09D 7/41**
The use of organic pigment or dyes.

Inorganic pigments are classified in C09D 7/61.

**Special rules of classification**

C09D 7/43 and C09D 7/40 are combined with ICO-codes C08K and C08L to further specify the "thickening agent" respectively the "other additive" in the coating composition.

**Glossary of terms**

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<td>Anti-floating, anti-flooding agent</td>
<td>Agent that hinders the vertical and horizontal separation of pigments with different densities and surface activities</td>
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<tr>
<td>Anti-settling agent</td>
<td>An agent preventing the particles in a paint composition to coagulate and to form a sediment</td>
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<tr>
<td>Anti-skinning agent</td>
<td>Agent that counteracts the tendency of drier containing paints to form an insoluble surface skin on contact with atmospheric oxygen and promotes uniform drying and hinders wrinkling; Suppresses skin formation on air-drying alkyd paints in the can, particularly after the can has been opened.</td>
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<td>Dispersion agent</td>
<td>Agent that counteracts the settling tendency of pigments, especially those with high densities, also anti-settling agent</td>
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<tr>
<td>Gloss reducing agent</td>
<td>Matting or flattening agent</td>
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<tr>
<td>Levelling agent</td>
<td>Agent that promotes the formation of smooth, uniform coating films from uneven, patterned layers of wet paint</td>
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<tr>
<td>Wetting agent</td>
<td>Agent that promotes the dispersion of the pigments in the binders and counteracts the flocculation tendency of particles that are insufficiently wetted</td>
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**C09D 9/00**

Chemical paint or ink removers (fluid media for correction of typographical errors by coating C09D 10/00)

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<td>Fluid media for correction of typographical errors by coating</td>
<td>C09D 10/00</td>
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</table>

**C09D 10/00**

Correcting fluids, e.g. fluid media for correction of typographical errors by coating {(correcting errors by overprinting B41J 29/36)}

**Definition statement**

*This place covers:*

Correcting fluids, i.e. liquid covering of ink, usually in the same colour as the background.
References

**Limiting references**

*This place does not cover:*

| Devices, non-fluid media or methods for correcting errors by overprinting | B41J 29/36 |

### C09D 11/00

**Inks**

**Definition statement**

*This place covers:*

Inks, i.e. pigmented liquids, e.g. printing inks, writing inks, sympathetic, colour changing or electrically conductive inks

**Relationships with other classification places**

In cases where a coating composition contains an organic non-macromolecular compound but is not based on that compound, and such a compound is of interest, classification could be made in subclass C08K or as an additive in group C08J 3/00, e.g. C08J 3/24 for crosslinking agents, or C09D 7/40.

**References**

**Limiting references**

*This place does not cover:*

Please refer to the References at Subclass level.

| Printing on surfaces and processes for print | B41M 1/00 |
| Printing processes to produce particular kinds of printed work, e.g. Braille printing, security printing | B41M 3/00 |

**Informative references**

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

Please refer to the References at Subclass level.

| Pigment pastes | C09D 17/00 |
| Use of substances as emulsifying, wetting, dispersing or foam-producing agents | B01F 17/00 |

Further subdivisions:

**C09D 11/50**

In this group also fluorescent and phosphorescent inks are classified.

This group is used in combination with C09D 11/30 and C09D 11/02-C09D 11/14.

**C09D 11/36:**

This group takes precedence over C09D 11/30.
Classification in this group is given for all conductive inks. It is additionally given in connection with groups of C09D 11/30-C09D 11/40 and C09D 11/02-C09D 11/20, e.g. for a conductive inkjet ink comprising silver particles the groups C09D 11/52 and C09D 11/322: For silver particle, which are insoluble are therefore regarded as pigment, this symbol is given.

This symbol is given for pigments and dyes.

Printing inks characterized by the chemical nature of the binder.

C09D 11/037

Based on non-aqueous solvents

Glossary of terms

| Based on non-aqueous solvents | The vehicle of the ink contains no water at all or just traces and is based e.g. on hydrocarbon solvents. |

C09D 11/38

characterised by non-macromolecular additives other than solvents, pigments or dyes

Glossary of terms

| Non-macromolecular additive | Any monomer or compound, other than a standard component such as a solvent, pigment, or dye, that is added to ink and that is a characterising feature of the claimed invention. Includes photoinitiators. |

C09D 11/50

Sympathetic, colour changing or similar inks

Glossary of terms

| Sympathetic ink | Ink that changes its spectral properties by heat treatment, chemical treatment, etc. Dyes can change colour during e.g. heat treatment (e.g. leuco dyes or thermochromic colorants) or can turn from invisible to visible. |
C09D 13/00
Pencil-leads; Crayon compositions; Chalk compositions

Definition statement
This place covers:
Graphite writing instrument; coloured wax; soft compact calcite

C09D 15/00
Woodstains

Definition statement
This place covers:
Compositions for staining of wood containing a network forming binder. The compositions are intended to treat the surface and not the entire bulk of the wood.

References
Limiting references
This place does not cover:
Dying or staining of wood into the bulk of the wood by impregnation

C09D 17/00
Pigment pastes, e.g. for mixing in paints (artists' paints C09D 5/06)

Definition statement
This place covers:
Pigment pastes in aqueous or organic medium.

References
Limiting references
This place does not cover:
Artists' paints
Process features in the making of dye stuff preparations

Further subdivisions:

C09D 17/001
In aqueous medium C09D 17/003 or C09D 17/004 take precedence over this group.

C09D 17/002
In organic medium C09D 17/003 or C09D 17/004 take precedence over this group.
Coating compositions based on cellulose, modified cellulose, or cellulose derivatives

Definition statement
This place covers:
Coating compositions based on polysaccharides, polysaccharides with added chains, and by-products of polysaccharides corresponding to the following groups used to classify the polysaccharides themselves:

- C08B 1/00-C08B 1/14
- C08B 5/00-C08B 5/14
- C08B 7/00
- C08B 9/00-C08B 9/06
- C08B 11/00-C08B 11/22
- C08B 13/00-C08B 13/02
- C08B 15/00-C08B 15/10
- C08B 16/00
- C08B 17/00-C08B 17/06

Relationships with other classification places
Covalently or ionically crosslinked gels are classified in C08B as they are considered as polysaccharide derivatives per se.

A composition based on cellulose, modified cellulose or cellulose derivatives is classified in C08L.

Adhesive compositions based on cellulose, modified cellulose or cellulose derivatives are classified in C09J following the same rules as mentioned in the note for C08L.

Multiple classification
Please refer to the comments provided for the CPC Definitions for C08B, as well as for the corresponding C08B main groups.

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Limiting references
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<td>Cellulose or derivatives thereof per se</td>
<td>C08B 1/00- C08B 17/06</td>
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<tr>
<td>Compositions comprising cellulose or cellulose derivative</td>
<td>C08L 1/00- C08L 1/32</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Compositions of cellulose or cellulose derivatives in minority</td>
<td>C08L 1/00- C08L 1/32</td>
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<tr>
<td>Composition based on lignin-containing materials, e.g. lignin, cork,</td>
<td>C08L 97/00</td>
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<tr>
<td>lignocellulose or wood</td>
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<tr>
<td>Composition of natural macromolecular compounds or of derivatives</td>
<td>C08L 99/00</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>thereof not provided for in groups C08L 89/00, C08L 97/00, e.g. flours</td>
<td></td>
</tr>
</tbody>
</table>
Adhesive or binder composition comprising cellulose or cellulose derivative

C09J 101/00 - C09J 101/32

Special rules of classification

- Coating compositions of cellulose or derivatives thereof in solution, together with other macromolecular compounds, or together with an inorganic or non-macromolecular organic additive are considered as a coating composition and are thus classified according to the rules of C09D. They are classified according to the mutual proportions by weight of only the macromolecular constituents, in particular according to the macromolecular constituent present in the highest proportion. If all the constituents are present in equal proportions, the composition is classified according to each of these constituents.

- Coating compositions containing a cellulose and an inorganic or non-macromolecular organic additive as compounding agent are not classified in C08K, but in the C09D subclass together with the corresponding Indexing Code(s) in C08K.

Example 1: A coating composition of cellulose acetate in solution is classified in C09D 101/12.

Example 2: A coating composition consisting of 60 wt% of microcrystalline cellulose and 40 wt.% of maltodextrin is classified in (C09D 101/04, C08L 3/02).

Example 3: A coating composition consisting of carboxymethyl cellulose and glycerol (plasticiser) is classified in C09D 101/286, C08K 5/053 and C08K 5/0016.

- Last place priority rule: Within each group of this subclass, in the absence of an indication to the contrary, classification is made in the last appropriate place.

- The subject-matter disclosed in both the claims and the examples of a patent document is to be classified.

C09D 103/00

Coating compositions based on starch, amylose or amylopectin or on their derivatives or degradation products

Definition statement

This place covers:

Coating compositions comprising starch, amylose or amylopectin or of their derivatives or degradation products corresponding to the following groups used to classify the preparation of starch, amylose, amylopectin or of their derivatives:

C08B 30/00-C08B 30/18
C08B 31/00-C08B 31/185
C08B 33/00-C08B 33/08
C08B 35/00-C08B 35/08

Relationships with other classification places

A composition based on starch or derivatives thereof is classified in C08L.

Covalently or ionically crosslinked gels are classified in C08B as they are considered as polysaccharide derivatives per se.

Adhesive compositions based on such starches are classified in C09J following the same rules as mentioned in the note for C08L.
Multiple classification

Please refer to the comments provided for the CPC Definitions of C08B, as well as for the corresponding C08B main groups.

References

Limiting references

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<th>Starch and derivatives thereof per se</th>
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<td>Composition comprising starch, amylose, amylopectin or their derivatives or degradation products</td>
<td>C08L 3/00 - C08L 3/20</td>
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<td>Compositions of starch, amylose, amylopectin or their derivatives or degradation products in minority</td>
<td>C08L 3/00 - C08L 3/20</td>
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<tr>
<td>Composition of natural macromolecular compounds or of derivatives thereof not provided for in groups C08L 89/00 - C08L 97/00, e.g. flours</td>
<td>C08L 99/00</td>
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<tr>
<td>Adhesive or binder composition comprising cellulose or cellulose derivative starch, amylose, amylopectin or their derivatives or degradation products</td>
<td>C09J 103/00 - C09J 103/20</td>
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Special rules of classification

- A coating composition of starch or derivatives thereof in solution, together with other macromolecular compounds, or together with an inorganic or non-macromolecular organic additive are considered as an adhesive composition and are thus classified according to the rules of C09D. They are classified according to the mutual proportions by weight of only the macromolecular constituents, in particular according to the macromolecular constituent present in the highest proportion. If all the constituents are present in equal proportions, the composition is classified according to each of these constituents.
- "Derivative" or "degradation product" do not include products obtained from starch such as corn syrup, corn sugar, corn-based ethanol or charcoal.
- Coating compositions containing a starch and an inorganic or non-macromolecular organic additive as compounding agent are not classified in C08K, but in the C09D subclass together with the corresponding Indexing Code(s) in C08K.

Example 1: A coating composition of starch acetate in solution is classified in C09D 103/06.

Example 2: A coating composition consisting of 60 wt% of crosslinked starch and 40 wt.% of maltodextrin is classified in (C09D 103/04, C08L 3/02) and C08L 2205/02.

Example 3: A coating composition consisting of carboxymethyl starch and glycerol (plasticiser) is classified in C09D 103/08, C08K 5/053 and C08K 5/0016.

- Last place priority rule: Within each group of this subclass, in the absence of an indication to the contrary, classification is made in the last appropriate place.
- The subject-matter disclosed in both the claims and the examples of a patent document is to be classified.
**C09D 105/00**

Coating compositions based on polysaccharides or on their derivatives, not provided for in groups **C09D 101/00** or **C09D 103/00**

**Definition statement**

This place covers:

Compositions of polysaccharides, other than cellulose and starch, or derivatives thereof corresponding to the following groups:

- C08B 37/00 - C08B 37/0096

**Relationships with other classification places**

Covalently or ionically crosslinked gels are classified in **C08B** as they are considered as polysaccharide derivatives per se.

A composition based on such polysaccharides or derivatives thereof is classified in **C08L**.

Adhesive compositions based on such polysaccharides are classified in **C09J** following the same rules as mentioned in the note for **C08L**.

**Multiple classification**

Please refer to the comments provided for **C08B**, as well as for the corresponding **C08B** main group.

**References**

**Limiting references**

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<th>Polysaccharides per se</th>
<th>C08B 37/00 - C08B 37/0096</th>
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<td>Composition comprising polysaccharide or polysaccharide derivative</td>
<td>C08L 5/00 - C08L 5/16</td>
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<td>Compositions of polysaccharide or polysaccharide derivatives in minority</td>
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<tr>
<td>Adhesive or binder composition comprising polysaccharide or polysaccharide derivative</td>
<td>C09J 105/00 - C09J 105/16</td>
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**Special rules of classification**

- Coating compositions of polysaccharides or derivatives thereof in solution, or together with other macromolecular compounds, or together with an inorganic or non-macromolecular organic additive are considered as a composition and are thus classified according to the rules of **C09D**. They are classified according to the mutual proportions by weight of only the macromolecular constituents, in particular according to the macromolecular constituent present in the highest proportion. If all the constituents are present in equal proportions, the composition is classified according to each of these constituents.

- Compositions containing a polysaccharide and an inorganic or non-macromolecular organic additive as compounding agent are not classified in **C08K**, but in the **C09D** subclass together with the corresponding Indexing Code(s) in **C08K**.

Example 1: A coating composition of ethers of cyclodextrin in solution is classified in **C09D 105/16**.

Example 2: A coating composition consisting of 60 wt% of hyaluronic acid and 40 wt.% of maltodextrin is classified in **(C09D 105/08, C08L 3/02)**.
Example 3: An adhesive composition consisting of carboxymethyl dextran and glycerol (plasticiser) is classified in C09D 105/02, C08K 5/053 and C08K 5/0016.

• Last place priority rule: Within each group of this subclass, in the absence of an indication to the contrary, classification is made in the last appropriate place.
• The subject-matter disclosed in both the claims and the examples of a patent document is to be classified.

C09D 107/00

Coating compositions based on natural rubber

Definition statement

This place covers:
Coating compositions of only natural rubber or natural rubber latex.

Relationships with other classification places

• Compositions comprising diene rubbers or their derivatives are classified in C08L 7/00 - C08L 21/00
• Adhesive compositions comprising diene rubbers or their derivatives are classified in C09J 107/00 - C09J 121/00
• Compositions of diene rubbers or their derivatives in minority are given an Indexing Code-code C08L 7/00 - C08L 21/00
• Polymerisation of diene polymers is classified in C08F 36/00, C08F 136/00 or C08F 236/00.
• Treatment or chemical modification of diene rubber is classified in C08C 1/00 - C08C 19/44.
• Preparation of polymer compositions is classified in C08J 3/20 - C08J 3/22.
• Recycling of polymers is classified in C08J 11/04 - C08J 11/28.

References

Limiting references

This place does not cover:

| Coating compositions of copolymers of ethene-propene or ethene-propene-diene, e.g. EPM or EPDM rubber | C09D 123/16 |
| Coating compositions of copolymers of isobutene with minor part of conjugated dienes monomers, e.g. butyl rubber | C09D 123/22 |
| Coating compositions of polyacrylates | C09D 133/00 |
| Coating compositions of unconjugated dienes | C09D 147/00 |
| Coating compositions of graft copolymers | C09D 151/00 |
| Coating compositions of block copolymers | C09D 153/00 |
| Coating compositions of ABS | C09D 155/02 |
| Adhesive compositions comprising diene rubbers or their derivatives | C09J 107/00 - C09J 121/00 |

Informative references

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

| Chemical compositions of tyres | B60C 1/00 |
| Treatment or chemical modification of rubbers | C08C 1/00 - C08C 19/44 |
Special rules of classification

In the absence of an indication to the contrary, classification is made in the last appropriate place.

Use of C-Sets:

After the notation of C09D 107/00 - C09D 121/02, classification is given in the form of C-sets, as explained in the Rules at subclass level.

Inorganic or non-macromolecular organic materials as compounding agents are classified in C08K; compositions classified in C08K according to note 3 of C08K, are not classified in C08L. However, if a composition contains two polymers and an additive following C08K, classification is made in C08L and an Indexing Code from C08K will be given.

Examples:

a: A coating composition comprising a blend of 60 parts polybutadiene (C09D 109/00) and 40 parts polyamide (C08L 77/00) is classified in (C09D 109/00, C08L 77/00).

b: A coating composition comprising a blend of 50 parts polybutadiene (C09D 109/00) and 50 parts polyamide (C09D 177/00) is classified in (C09D 109/00, C08L 77/00) and (C09D 177/00, C08L 9/00).

c: A coating composition comprising a blend of 60 parts polybutadiene (C09D 109/00), 40 parts natural rubber (C08L 7/00) and 40 parts of silica is classified in (C09D 109/00, C08L 7/00, C08K 3/36).

Compositions are classified according to the mutual proportions by weight of only the macromolecular constituents.

Compositions are classified according to the macromolecular constituent or constituents present in the highest proportion: if all these constituents are present in equal proportions the composition is classified according to each of these constituents.

Glossary of terms

In this place, the following terms or expressions are used with the meaning indicated:

Attention is drawn to the Glossary at subclass level.

Synonyms and Keywords

In patent documents, the following abbreviations are often used:

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<td>NR</td>
<td>Natural rubber</td>
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<tr>
<td>BR</td>
<td>Butadiene rubber</td>
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<td>IR</td>
<td>Isoprene rubber</td>
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<tr>
<td>SBR</td>
<td>Styrene butadiene rubber</td>
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<td>NBR</td>
<td>Acrylonitrile butadiene rubber</td>
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<td>CR</td>
<td>Chloroprene rubber</td>
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<td>IIR</td>
<td>Butyl rubber</td>
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<td>EPM</td>
<td>Ethene propene rubber</td>
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</table>
C09D 109/00  
Coating compositions based on homopolymers or copolymers of conjugated diene hydrocarbons

Definition statement
This place covers:
Coating compositions of homo- or copolymers with acrylonitrile or latex.
Coating compositions of homo- or copolymers with styrene or latex.

Relationships with other classification places
See C09D 107/00.

References

Limiting references
This place does not cover:
See C09D 107/00.

Special rules of classification
See C09D 107/00.

Glossary of terms
In this place, the following terms or expressions are used with the meaning indicated:
Attention is drawn to the Glossary at subclass level.

Synonyms and Keywords
See C09D 107/00.

C09D 111/00
Coating compositions based on homopolymers or copolymers of chloroprene

Definition statement
This place covers:
Coating compositions of homo- or copolymers of chloroprene or latex.

Relationships with other classification places
See C09D 107/00.

<table>
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<tr>
<th>EPDM</th>
<th>Ethene propene diene rubber</th>
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<tr>
<td>SAN</td>
<td>Styrene acrylonitrile copolymer</td>
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<tr>
<td>ABS</td>
<td>Acrylonitrile butadiene styrene</td>
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Coating compositions based on rubbers containing carboxyl groups

Definition statement

This place covers:

- Coating compositions of rubbers containing carboxyl groups containing monomers in minority, e.g. acrylic acid or acrylic acid esters

References

Limiting references

This place does not cover:

See C09D 107/00.

Special rules of classification

See C09D 107/00.

Glossary of terms

In this place, the following terms or expressions are used with the meaning indicated:

Attention is drawn to the Glossary at subclass level.

Synonyms and Keywords

See C09D 107/00.
**C09D 115/00**

Coating compositions based on rubber derivatives (C09D 111/00, C09D 113/00 take precedence)

Definition statement
This place covers:
• Rubber derivate means a rubber treated according to C08C; an Indexing Code C08C may be given for the treatment

Relationships with other classification places
See C09D 107/00.

References
Limiting references
This place does not cover:
See C09D 107/00.

Special rules of classification
See C09D 107/00.

In main group C09D 115/00, C09D 111/00 and C09D 113/00 take precedence over C09D 115/00.

Glossary of terms
In this place, the following terms or expressions are used with the meaning indicated:
Attention is drawn to the Glossary at subclass level.

Synonyms and Keywords
See C09D 107/00.

**C09D 117/00**

Coating compositions based on reclaimed rubber

Definition statement
This place covers:
• Reclaimed rubber, i.e. reuse of unvulcanised or devulcanised rubber.

Relationships with other classification places
See C09D 107/00.

References
Limiting references
This place does not cover:
See C09D 107/00.

Special rules of classification
See C09D 107/00.
Glossary of terms

In this place, the following terms or expressions are used with the meaning indicated:
Attention is drawn to the Glossary at subclass level.

Synonyms and Keywords
See C09D 107/00.

C09D 119/00

Coating compositions based on rubbers, not provided for in groups C09D 107/00 - C09D 117/00

Definition statement

This place covers:
Natural or synthetic elastic material not classifiable in groups C09D 107/00 - C09D 117/00.

• Coating compositions comprising vulcanised or crosslinked rubber are classified in C09D 119/003.
• Coating compositions containing rubbers with functional groups e.g. telechelic diene rubbers, are classified in C09D 119/006.

Relationships with other classification places
See C09D 107/00.

References

Limiting references

This place does not cover:
See C09D 107/00.

Special rules of classification
See C09D 107/00.

Glossary of terms

In this place, the following terms or expressions are used with the meaning indicated:
Attention is drawn to the Glossary at subclass level.

Synonyms and Keywords
See C09D 107/00.

C09D 121/00

Coating compositions based on unspecified rubbers

Definition statement

This place covers:
Coating compositions based on unspecified rubbers or latex.

Relationships with other classification places
See C09D 107/00.
References

Limiting references

This place does not cover:
See C09D 107/00.

Special rules of classification

See C09D 107/00.

Glossary of terms

In this place, the following terms or expressions are used with the meaning indicated:
Attention is drawn to the Glossary at subclass level.

Synonyms and Keywords

See C09D 107/00.

C09D 123/00

Coating compositions based on homopolymers or copolymers of unsaturated aliphatic hydrocarbons having only one carbon-to-carbon double bond; Coating compositions based on derivatives of such polymers

Definition statement

This place covers:
Coating compositions based on homopolymers or copolymers of unsaturated aliphatic hydrocarbons having only one carbon-to-carbon double bond; Coatings based on derivatives of such polymers
Coating compositions based on modified polymers classified as such in C08F 8/00 subgroups.

References

Limiting references

This place does not cover:

| Applications or uses of polymer compositions in films, e.g. a film of polyolefin | C08J, e.g. (C08J 5/18, C08L 23/00) |
| Compositions per se | C08L 23/00 |
| Adhesives or use of materials as adhesives | C09J 123/00 |

Application-oriented references

Examples of places where the subject matter of this place is covered when specially adapted, used for a particular purpose, or incorporated in a larger system:

| Working-up, compounding, after-treatment of macromolecular compounds | C08J 3/00 - C08J 11/28 |
| Use of Inorganic of non-macromolecular organic substances as compounding ingredients | C08K 3/00 - C08K 13/08 |
| Textile-treating compositions, e.g. production of multi-layer textile fabrics | D06M, D06M 17/00 |
Informative references

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

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<td>Electrical cables and wires</td>
<td>H01R</td>
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</table>

Special rules of classification

The main groups of C09D 123/00 should not be used.

Majority rule:

For compositions

If C09D 123/00 relates to a composition and two or more polymers are present, classification is given as follows: the polymer in majority is given a C09D classification (see above), and the minor components are characterised by Indexing Codes in the form in C-Sets. In the case that several polymers can be in majority, several C09D symbols for the polymers which are possibly in majority and the Indexing Codes for all polymers in minority and additives are given.

For Copolymers

Copolymers get the symbol of the major component, except if there is a lower group which specifies the comonomer in minority (see also last place rule), e.g. ethylene butene copolymers (ethylene comonomer in majority) would be classified in C09D 123/0815, and not in C09D 123/20, but ethylene butene copolymers (butene in majority) would be classified in C09D 123/20, not in C09D 123/0815

Last place rule:

If there are several possibilities to classify, the lowest alternative classification (last place) is used.

Use of C-Sets:

Classification is given in the form of C-sets, as explained in the Rules at subclass level.

Remark: Note 2 is not relevant for C09D 123/00. All documents from before 2003 are reclassified.

Examples:

a. A coating of a blend of 60 parts polyethylene (C09D 123/06) and 40 parts polyamide (C08L 77/00) is classified in (C09D 123/06, C08L 77/00).

b. A coating of a blend of 50 parts polyethylene (C09D 123/06) and 50 parts polyamide (C09D 177/00) is classified in (C09D 123/06, C08L 77/00) and (C09D 177/00, C08L 23/06).

c. A coating based on a composition of polyethylene and containing CaCO3 is classified in C09D 123/06 and C08K 3/26. If this composition contains also a polyamide, then the classification will be (C09D 123/06, C08L 77/00, C08K 3/26).

d. A coating based on a composition based on a first polyethylene (C09D 123/06) and containing a second polyethylene, a phenol and silica is classified in (C09D 123/06, C08L 23/06, C08K 5/13, C08K 3/36) and C08L 2205/025.

ea. A coating based on a composition containing a polyamide in majority, a polyester and a polyethylene is classified in (C09D 177/00, C08L 67/00, C08L 23/06) and C08L 2205/03.
f. Coatings of compositions containing two polymers of the same dot group, for example compositions of two ethylene vinylacetate copolymers, are characterised by the Indexing Code C08L 2205/025. The complete classification for such a compositions therefore would be (C09D 123/0853, C08L 23/0853) and C08L 2205/025. The same applies for compositions of two polymers only distinguished by physical properties, e.g. molecular weight or density.

Indexing Codes

All Indexing Codes of C08L (for secondary or polymers in minority, properties, uses, applications) and C08K (for inorganic or organic non-macromolecular additives) are used.

Classification guidance

Documents are preferably classified according to the examples in the documents, not according to general claims, e.g. if the examples only describe coatings based on polyethylene, but subject-matter of the claim is a coating of polyolefin, the document is classified under coatings of polyethylene, e.g. (C09D 123/06, C08L--/--).

In C09D 123/00, coatings which have only one polymeric component are also classified, e.g. C09D 123/0815 is used for a coating of only one ethylene vinylacetate polymer.

Glossary of terms

In this place, the following terms or expressions are used with the meaning indicated:

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<td>Addition polymers</td>
<td>Polymers in which unsaturated monomer molecules join together to form a polymer in which the molecular formula of the repeat unit is identical (except for the double bond) with that of the monomer.</td>
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<td>Aliphatic cyclic olefins</td>
<td>Carbocyclic monomer with an endocyclic double bond</td>
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<td>Block polymers</td>
<td>Polymers formed by polymerization of monomers on to a macromolecule having groups capable of inducing the formation of new polymer chains bound at one or both ends of the starting macromolecule, or by polymerization using successively different catalyst types or successively different monomer systems without deactivating the intermediate polymer.</td>
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<td>Condensation polymers</td>
<td>Polymers in which water or some other simple molecule is eliminated from 2 or more monomer molecules as they combine to form the polymer or crosslinks between polymer chains.</td>
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<td>Copolymer</td>
<td>Usually denotes a polymer of 2 chemically distinct monomers, and sometimes denotes a terpolymer containing more than 2 types of monomer unit.</td>
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<td>EPR or EPDM, elastomeric ethylene propylene (diene) copolymers</td>
<td>Elastomeric copolymer rubbers defined by similar amounts of ethylene and propene, e.g. 30-70wt% ethylene and 70-30wt% propene</td>
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<tr>
<td>Graft polymers</td>
<td>Macromolecular compounds obtained by polymerizing monomers on to preformed polymers or on to inorganic materials. Such preformed polymers could be rubbers, polysaccharides, condensation polymers, homopolymers or copolymers of the addition polymer type.</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Homopolymers</td>
<td>Polymers resulting from the polymerisation of a single monomer or polymer with a single type of repeating unit.</td>
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<td>Ionomer</td>
<td>Polymers containing monomers carrying ionic groups, usually salts of carboxylic acids</td>
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<tr>
<td>Iso-olefin</td>
<td>Non-linear olefinic monomers, e.g. isobutylene, isopentene</td>
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Modified by chemical after treatment | Modification of the polymer after polymerisation, exception: neutralisation of carboxylic acid containing polymers (C08L 23/0884) and saponification of vinylacetate in EVA (C08L 23/0861) are not regarded as after treatments in the sense of C08L 23/00
---|---
Repeat(ing) unit | The unit in an addition polymer which is repeated throughout the molecule; for example in polyethylene the repeat unit is:–CH₂-CH₂–
Rubber | a. Natural or conjugated diene rubbers; b. Rubber in general.
Saponified vinylacetate | Ethylene copolymers with vinyl alcohol

**Synonyms and Keywords**

*In patent documents the following abbreviations are often used:*

Attention is drawn to the table at subclass level.

**C09D 123/02**

*not modified by chemical after-treatment*

**Special rules of classification**

This group should only be used in exceptional cases, e.g. no or too many examples.

**C09D 123/025**

*{Copolymer of an unspecified olefine with a monomer other than an olefine}*

**Special rules of classification**

This group should only be used in exceptional cases, e.g. no or too many examples.

**C09D 123/04**

*Homopolymers or copolymers of ethene*

**Special rules of classification**

This group should only be used if there are examples of both of polymers of C09D 123/06 or C09D 123/0807 and C09D 123/0846.

**C09D 123/06**

*Polyethene*

**Definition statement**

*This place covers:*

Coatings of homopolymers of polyethylene.

**Special rules of classification**

Polymers can be further characterised by Indexing Codes chosen from C08L 2207/062, C08L 2207/066, C08L 2207/068, C08L 2207/07 or C08L 2314/02-C08L 2314/08.
**C09D 123/08**

**Copolymers of ethene (C09D 123/16 takes precedence)**

**Special rules of classification**

This group should only be used if there are examples both of polymers of C09D 123/0807 and C09D 123/0846.

**C09D 123/0807**

{Copolymers of ethene with unsaturated hydrocarbons only containing more than three carbon atoms}

**Special rules of classification**

Polymers can be further characterised by Indexing Codes C08L 2207/062-C08L 2207/07 or C08L 2314/02-C08L 2314/08.

It is preferable to use C09D 123/0815.

**C09D 123/0815**

{Copolymers of ethene with aliphatic 1-olefins}

**Definition statement**

This place covers:

Copolymers of ethene with aliphatic 1-olefins, i.e. ethylene is in majority, e.g. ethylene-butene copolymers are only classified when butene is clearly the minor component.

**References**

**Limiting references**

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**Special rules of classification**

Polymers can be further characterised by Indexing Codes C08L 2207/062-C08L 2207/07 or C08L 2314/02-C08L 2314/08.

**C09D 123/0823**

{Copolymers of ethene with aliphatic cyclic olefins}

**Definition statement**

This place covers:

Coatings of ethylene-norbornene copolymers (TOPAS).

Coatings of copolymer of ethylene, propene and norbornene.
References

Limiting references

This place does not cover:

| Copolymers with majority of norbornene | C09D 145/00 |

Special rules of classification

This group takes precedence over C09D 123/0815.

C09D 123/083

{Copolymers of ethene with aliphatic polyenes, i.e. containing more than one unsaturated bond}

Definition statement

This place covers:

Coatings of copolymer of ethylene, butene (small amount) and norbornene (smaller amount).

Special rules of classification

This group takes precedence over C09D 123/0815.

C09D 123/0838

{Copolymers of ethene with aromatic monomers}

Definition statement

This place covers:

Coatings of copolymer of ethylene, butene (small amount) and styrene (smaller amount)

Special rules of classification

This group takes precedence over C09D 123/0815.

C09D 123/0846

{Copolymers of ethene with unsaturated hydrocarbons containing other atoms than carbon or hydrogen atoms}

Definition statement

This place covers:

Coatings of copolymer of ethylene, butene (small amount) and acrylate (smaller amount)

Special rules of classification

This group takes precedence over C09D 123/0815.
C09D 123/0861
{Saponified vinylacetate}

Definition statement

This place covers:
Coatings of copolymer of ethylene, vinylacetate (small amount) and vinylalcohol (smaller amount, e.g. partially saponified EVA).

Special rules of classification

This group takes precedence over C09D 123/0861.

C09D 123/0869

{Acids or derivatives thereof}

Definition statement

This place covers:
Coatings of ethylene copolymers with vinyl sulfonic acids, acids, anhydrides, esters.

Radicals other than carboxyls are not classified in this group.

Special rules of classification

C09D 123/0892 takes precedence over this group.

C09D 123/0876

{Neutralised polymers, i.e. ionomers}

Definition statement

This place covers:
Ethylene carboxylic acid copolymers where H+ is replaced by M+; M+ is not regarded as "other atom" in the sense of C09D 123/0892.

Special rules of classification

This group takes precedence over C09D 123/0892.

C09D 123/0884

{Epoxide containing esters}

Definition statement

This place covers:
Coatings of ethylene copolymers with glycidyl methacrylate.
C09D 123/0892
{containing monomers with other atoms than carbon, hydrogen or oxygen atoms}

References

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

| Coating compositions with copolymers of ethene with monomers with other atoms than carbon, hydrogen or oxygen atoms when the olefin is in minority | C09D 133/00 - C09D 143/00 |

Special rules of classification
This group takes precedence over C09D 123/0869.

C09D 123/10
Homopolymers or copolymers of propene

Definition statement
This place covers:
Coatings of homopolymers or copolymers of propene

Special rules of classification
This group can be further characterised by Indexing Codes C08L 2207/10 - C08L 2207/14 or C08L 2314/02 - C08L 2314/08.

C09D 123/12
Polypropene

Definition statement
This place covers:
Coating compositions of homopolymers of propene.

Special rules of classification
This group can be further characterised by Indexing Codes C08L 2207/10 - C08L 2207/14 or C08L 2314/02 - C08L 2314/08.

C09D 123/14
Copolymers of propene (C09D 123/16 takes precedence)

Definition statement
This place covers:
Coating compositions of copolymers of propene, when the propene is in majority, e.g. ethylene-propene copolymers when ethylene is clearly the minor component.

Rubbery polymers, e.g. high a-olefin content or atactic, but no propene.
References

Limiting references

This place does not cover:

| Coatings containing EPR | C09D 123/16 |

Special rules of classification

This group can be further characterised by Indexing Codes C08L 2207/10-C08L 2207/14 or C08L 2314/02-C08L 2314/08.

C09D 123/145

{Copolymers of propene with monomers having more than one C=C double bond}

Special rules of classification

This group takes precedence over C09D 123/14 or C09D 123/142 in the case of terpolymers even if the polyene unit is the monomer in the lowest concentration.

C09D 123/147

{Copolymers of propene with monomers containing other atoms than carbon or hydrogen atoms}

Special rules of classification

This group takes preference over C09D 123/14 or C09D 123/142 in the case of terpolymers even if the heteroatom carrying unit is the monomer in the lowest concentration.

C09D 123/16

{Elastomeric} ethene-propene or ethene-propene-diene copolymers, {e.g. EPR and EPDM rubbers}

Definition statement

This place covers:

Coatings containing polymers comprising both ethylene and propylene on about the same amount.

Special rules of classification

This group takes precedence over C09D 123/0815 and C09D 123/14; although these polymers are rubbers or elastomers, C08L 23/00 or subgroups is used if they not in majority.

C09D 123/26

modified by chemical after-treatment

Special rules of classification

C09D 123/0861 takes precedence in the case of saponified EVA.

C09D 123/0876 takes precedence in the case of neutralised ethylene carboxylic acid copolymers (iononers).
**C09D 123/28**
by reaction with halogens or compounds containing halogen (C09D 123/32 takes precedence)

**Special rules of classification**
C09D 123/32 takes precedence over this group for chlorosulfonation.

**C09D 123/34**
by chlorosulfonation

**Special rules of classification**
This group takes precedence over C09D 123/28.

**C09D 125/00**
Coating compositions based on homopolymers or copolymers of compounds having one or more unsaturated aliphatic radicals, each having only one carbon-to-carbon double bond, and at least one being terminated by an aromatic carbocyclic ring; Coating compositions based on derivatives of such polymers

**Definition statement**
*This place covers:*
Coatings of
- Homo- and copolymers of styrene,
- General purpose polystyrene (GPS),
- High impact polystyrene (HIPS).

**References**

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<td>Acrylonitrile butadiene styrene ABS</td>
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**Special rules of classification**
Use of general groups should be avoided by classifying the specific examples, whenever practicable.

For example, a document claiming coating compositions of a polymer of an aromatic vinyl monomer, wherein the examples are limited to e.g. polystyrene, should receive the symbol C09D 125/06 and not C09D 125/04, C09D 125/02 or C09D 125/00.

General purpose polystyrene (GPS) is classified in C09D 125/06.
(High) impact polystyrene HIPS is classified in C09D 125/06, unless the rubber or rubber content is of relevance, where it should be classified in C09D 151/04.

**Synonyms and Keywords**

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<td>High impact polystyrene</td>
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<td>SPS</td>
<td>Syndiotactic polystyrene</td>
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<td>SAN</td>
<td>Styrene acrylonitrile copolymer</td>
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**C09D 125/08**

Copolymers of styrene (**C09D 129/08, C09D 135/06, C09D 155/02** take precedence)

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**C09D 125/10**

with conjugated dienes

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C09D 125/12
with unsaturated nitriles

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C09D 125/14
with unsaturated esters

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C09D 127/00
Coating compositions based on homopolymers or copolymers of compounds having one or more unsaturated aliphatic radicals, each having only one carbon-to-carbon double bond, and at least one being terminated by a halogen; Coating compositions based on derivatives of such polymers

Definition statement
This place covers:
Coatings of
homopolymers or copolymers of compounds having one or more unsaturated aliphatic radicals, each having only one carbon-to-carbon double bond, and at least one being terminated by a halogen, modified or not by after-treatments, e.g. vinyl chloride, vinylidene chloride, vinyl fluoride, vinylidene fluoride, tetrafluoroethene or hexafluoropropene.

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<td>(per)Halogenated esters of unsaturated carboxylic acids</td>
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**Special rules of classification**

The use of general groups should be avoided by classifying the specific examples, whenever practicable.

For example, a document claiming coating compositions of a fluorinated polymer, wherein the examples are limited to e.g. poly(tetrafluoroethylene), should be classified in **C09D 127/18** and not in **C09D 127/12**.

**Synonyms and Keywords**

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<td>Hexafluoropropene, hexafluoropropylene</td>
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<td>PTFE</td>
<td>Poly (tetrafluoroethene), Poly (tetrafluoroethylene)</td>
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<td>PVC</td>
<td>Poly (vinyl chloride)</td>
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**C09D 127/12**

**containing fluorine atoms**

**Definition statement**

*This place covers:*

Coating compositions of (co)polymers of fluorine containing unsaturated monomers other than those covered by **C09D 127/14 - C09D 127/20**.

Coating compositions of (co)polymers of fluorine containing unsaturated monomers having additional halogen atom(s) other than fluorine, e.g. (co)polymers of chlorotrifluoroethylene.

**C09D 129/00**

Coating compositions based on homopolymers or copolymers of compounds having one or more unsaturated aliphatic radicals, each having only one carbon-to-carbon double bond, and at least one being terminated by an alcohol, ether, aldehydo, ketonic, acetal, or ketal radical; Coating compositions based on hydrolysed polymers of esters of unsaturated alcohols with saturated carboxylic acids; Coating compositions based on derivatives of such polymers

**Definition statement**

*This place covers:*

Coating compositions based on homopolymers or copolymers
  • of unsaturated alcohols, e.g. polyvinyl alcohol
  • of unsaturated ketones
  • of acetals or ketals obtained by polymerisation of unsaturated acetals or ketals or by after-treatment of polymers of unsaturated alcohols

Coating compositions based on partially hydrolysed homopolymers or copolymers of esters of unsaturated alcohols with saturated carboxylic acids, e.g. copolymers of allyl alcohol.
Special rules of classification

The use of general groups should be avoided by classifying the specific examples, whenever practicable.

For example, a document claiming coating compositions of a polymer of an unsaturated alcohol monomer, wherein the examples are limited to e.g. polyvinyl alcohol, should be classified in C09D 129/04 and not in C09D 129/02 or C09D 129/00.

Synonyms and Keywords

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<th>EVA or E-VA</th>
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<td>Poly (vinyl alcohol)</td>
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C09D 129/04

Polyvinyl alcohol; Partially hydrolysed homopolymers or copolymers of esters of unsaturated alcohols with saturated carboxylic acids

Definition statement

*This place covers:*
- Coatings of homopolymers of vinyl alcohol.
- Coatings of saponified or hydrolysed (co)polymers of vinyl esters of saturated acids, e.g. saponified or hydrolysed (co)polymers of vinyl acetate.

C09D 129/08

with vinyl aromatic monomers

Definition statement

*This place covers:*
- Coatings of copolymers with styrene, even when styrene is in majority.

C09D 129/10

Homopolymers or copolymers of unsaturated ethers (C09D 135/08 takes precedence)

References

Limiting references

*This place does not cover:*

- Copolymers with monomers according to C09D 135/08, e.g. unsaturated dicarboxylic acids, anhydrides or esters, even when these monomers are in minority
C09D 131/00

Coating compositions based on homopolymers or copolymers of compounds having one or more unsaturated aliphatic radicals, each having only one carbon-to-carbon double bond, and at least one being terminated by an acyloxy radical of a saturated carboxylic acid, of carbonic acid, or of a haloformic acid (based on hydrolysed polymers C09D 129/00); Coating compositions based on derivatives of such polymers

References

Limiting references

This place does not cover:

| Coatings of hydrolysed or saponified polymers thereof | C09D 129/00 |

Special rules of classification

The use of general groups should be avoided by classifying the specific examples, whenever practicable

For example, a document claiming coating compositions of a (co)polymer of an unsaturated ester of a saturated carboxylic acid monomer, wherein the examples are limited to e.g. polyvinyl acetate, should receive the symbol C09D 131/04 and not C09D 131/02 or C09D 131/00

Synonyms and Keywords

| EVA or E-VA | Ethylene vinyl acetate copolymer or ethylene vinyl alcohol copolymer |
| PVA | Poly(vinyl acetate) or poly(vinyl alcohol) |
| PVAC or PVAc | Poly (vinyl acetate) |

C09D 133/00

Coating compositions based on homopolymers or copolymers of compounds having one or more unsaturated aliphatic radicals, each having only one carbon-to-carbon double bond, and at least one being terminated by only one carboxyl radical, or of salts, anhydrides, esters, amides, imides, or nitriles thereof; Coating compositions based on derivatives of such polymers

Definition statement

This place covers:

Coating compositions based on homopolymers or copolymers of compounds having one or more unsaturated aliphatic radicals, each having only one carbon-to-carbon double bond, and at least one being terminated by only one carboxyl radical, or of salts, anhydrides, esters, amides, imides, or nitriles thereof, e.g. acrylamide, methacrylamide or acrylic acid esters.
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<td>Applications or uses of polymer compositions in films, e.g. a film of polymethyl methacrylate</td>
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<td>Working-up, compounding, after-treatment of macromolecular compounds</td>
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**Special rules of classification**

This group should not be used.

Majority rule:

For compositions

If **C09D 133/00** relates to composition of two or more polymers, classification is given as follows:

the polymer in majority is given a **C09D** classification (see above), and the minor components are characterised by Indexing Codes in the form in C-Sets. In the case that several polymers can be in majority, several **C09D** symbols for the polymers which are possibly in majority and the Indexing Codes of **C08L** for all polymers in minority and additives are given.

For Copolymers

Copolymers get the classification of the major component, except if there is a lower group which specifies the comonomer in minority. A coating composition based on a copolymer of ethylene and acrylic acid therefore is to be classified in **C09D 123/0869** (ethylene in majority), but in **C09D 133/02** if acrylic acid is in majority. However, a coating based on a copolymer of acrylic ester and acrylonitrile (acrylic ester in majority) would be classified in **C09D 133/18**. The monomer composition of the main polymer component can be characterised by Indexing Codes of **C08F**.

The classification of the main component polymer of the composition should be according to the most specific, or reactive monomer, e.g. glycidyl methacrylate and not methyl methacrylate in a copolymer of glycidyl methacrylate and methyl methacrylate. All comonomers of the main polymeric component should be characterised by their Indexing Codes in **C08F** (C08F 220/32 and C08F 220/14).

Remark: Note 2 is relevant for **C09D 133/00**. Documents from before 2003 are not reclassified.

Examples:
a. A coating composition of 60 parts polymethyl methacrylate (C09D 133/12) and 40 parts polyamide (C08L 77/00) is classified in (C09D 133/12, C08L 77/00).

b. A coating composition of 50 parts polymethyl methacrylate (C09D 133/12) and 50 parts polyamide (C09D 177/00) is classified in (C09D 133/12, C08L 77/00) and (C09D 177/00, C08L 33/12).

c. A coating composition based on polymethyl methacrylate and containing CaCO3 is classified in C09D 133/12 and C08K 3/26. If this composition contains also a polyamide, then the classification will be (C09D 133/12, C08L 77/00, C08K 3/26).

d. A coating composition based on a first polymethyl methacrylate (C09D 133/12) and containing as a second polymer a copolymer of acrylic acid, a phenol and silica is classified in (C09D 133/12, C08L 33/02, C08K 5/13, C08K 3/36) and C08L 2205/02.

e. A composition containing a polyamide in majority, a polyester and a polymethyl methacrylate is classified in (C09D 177/00, C08L 67/00, C08L 33/12) and C08L 2205/03.

f. Coating compositions containing two polymers of the same group, for example compositions of two polymers am hydroxyl containing acrylic ester, are characterised by the Indexing Code C08L 2205/025. The complete classification for such a compositions therefore would be (C09D 133/066, C08L 33/066) and C08L 2205/025. The same applies for compositions of two polymers only distinguished by physical properties, e.g., molecular weight or density.

Indexing Codes

All Indexing Codes of C08L (for secondary or polymers in minority, properties, uses, applications), C08K (for inorganic or organic non-macromolecular additives) and C08F are used.

A coating composition containing next to another addition polymer a main component of a copolymer of acrylic ester, acrylamide and hydroxymethylmethacrylate therefore would be classified in (C09D 133/26, C08L--/--), C08F 220/10 and C08F 220/26, even if less acrylamide monomer is present than acrylic ester and hydroxymethylmethacrylate. If this main component would be in a blend with methylmethacrylate copolymer, an Indexing Code C08L 33/12 would additionally be given and the full classification would be (C09D 133/26, C08L 33/12), C08F 220/10 and C08F 220/26.

Last place rule:

If there are several possibilities to classify, the lowest alternative classification (last place) is used; for example terpolymers of styrene, vinyl acetate and methyl methacrylate in similar proportions would be classified in C09D 133/12 instead of C09D 125/00 or C09D 131/00. However, Indexing Codes of C08F should be given (C08F 212/08 for styrene, C08F 218/08 for vinyl acetate).

Classification guidance:

Documents are preferably classified according to the examples in the documents, not according to general claims, e.g., if the examples only describe compositions of acrylic copolymers, but subject matter of the claim is a composition of acrylamide copolymer, the document is classified as composition of acrylamide copolymers (C09D 133/26, C08L--/--).

Glossary of terms

In this place, the following terms or expressions are used with the meaning indicated:

Attention is drawn to the table after title of C09D 123/00.

Synonyms and Keywords

In patent documents the following abbreviations are often used:

Attention is drawn to the table at subclass level.
C09D 133/02
Homopolymers or copolymers of acids; Metal or ammonium salts thereof

References

Limiting references

This place does not cover:

Coating compositions containing copolymers containing dicarboxylic acids in majority

C09D 135/00

C09D 133/04
Homopolymers or copolymers of esters {C09D 143/04 takes precedence}

Special rules of classification

All of C09D 137/00, C09D 143/04, C09D 133/064-C09D 133/068 and C09D 133/14-C09D 133/26 take precedence even if the corresponding monomers are in minority; these groups should be used if the nature of the acrylic ester polymer is not specified.

C09D 133/06
of esters containing only carbon, hydrogen and oxygen, the oxygen atom being present only as part of the carboxyl radical

Definition statement

This place covers:

Coating compositions containing monomers which are alkyl alkylacrylate.

Special rules of classification

Acrylic acid esters or methacrylic acid esters with alkanols or phenols without having additional functional groups, e.g. methyl ethylacrylate

C09D 133/08 - C09D 133/12

C09D 133/062
{Copolymers with monomers not covered by C09D 133/06}

Definition statement

This place covers:

Coating compositions containing monomers other than alkyl alkylacrylate.

Radicals other than carboxyls are not classified in this group.
References

Limiting references

This place does not cover:

| Coating compositions containing monomers, which do not have OH, glycidyl, anhydride or additional acid groups as in C09D 133/064 - C09D 133/068, and do not have halogen, nitrogen, sulfur, or oxygen as in C09D 133/14 | C09D 133/064 - C09D 133/068 |
| Coating compositions containing monomers which have halogen, nitrogen, sulfur, or oxygen | C09D 133/14 |

C09D 133/064

{containing anhydride, COOH or COOM groups, with M being metal or onium-cation}

Definition statement

This place covers:

Acrylic coatings based on maleic acid or derivative containing polymers having maleic acid in minority.

References

Limiting references

This place does not cover:

| Coatings where the olefin is in majority | C09D 123/0869 |
| Acrylic coatings based on maleic acid or derivative containing polymers having maleic acid in majority | C09D 135/00 |

C09D 133/066

{containing -OH groups}

Definition statement

This place covers:

Coatings of copolymers containing hydroxyethyl methacrylate (HEMA).

C09D 133/068

{containing glycidyl groups}

Definition statement

This place covers:

Coatings of copolymers containing glycidyl methacrylate.
**C09D 133/08**

**Homopolymers or copolymers of acrylic acid esters**

**Definition statement**

*This place covers:*

Coatings of copolymers of esters of acrylic acid.

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**Special rules of classification**

All of **C09D 137/00- C09D 143/04**, **C09D 133/062- C09D 133/068** and **C09D 133/14-C09D 133/26** take precedence over this group even if the corresponding monomers are in minority.

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**C09D 133/10**

**Homopolymers or copolymers of methacrylic acid esters**

**Special rules of classification**

With copolymers of methacrylic acid esters, all of **C09D 137/00- C09D 143/04**, **C09D 133/062-C09D 133/068** and **C09D 133/14-C09D 133/26** take precedence even if the corresponding monomers are in minority.

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**C09D 133/14**

of esters containing halogen, nitrogen, sulfur or oxygen atoms in addition to the carboxy oxygen

**Definition statement**

*This place covers:*

Coatings of esters of acrylic acid with polyethylene ethers or aminomethyl acrylic esters.

**Special rules of classification**

All of **C09D 133/064-C09D 133/068**, **C09D 137/00-C09D 143/04** and **C09D 133/18-C09D 133/26** take precedence.

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**C09D 135/00**

Coating compositions based on homopolymers or copolymers of compounds having one or more unsaturated aliphatic radicals, each having only one carbon-to-carbon double bond, and at least one being terminated by a carboxyl radical, and containing at least another carboxyl radical in the molecule, or of salts, anhydrides, esters, amides, imides or nitriles thereof; Coating compositions based on derivatives of such polymers

**Definition statement**

*This place covers:*

Coating compositions based on homopolymers or copolymers of compounds having one or more unsaturated aliphatic radicals, each having only one carbon-to-carbon double bond, and at least one being terminated by a carboxyl radical, and containing at least another carboxyl radical in the
molecule, or of salts, anhydrides, esters, amides, imides or nitriles thereof; Coating compositions based on derivatives of such polymers.

**Relationships with other classification places**

Attention is drawn to the Relationship at subclass level.

**References**

**Limiting references**

*This place does not cover:*

| Applications or uses of polymer compositions in films, e.g. a film of maleic anhydride copolymer | C08J, e.g. (C08J5/17, C08L 35/00) |
| Polymer compositions | C08L 35/00 |
| Adhesives | C09J 135/00 |

**Application-oriented references**

Examples of places where the subject matter of this place is covered when specially adapted, used for a particular purpose, or incorporated in a larger system:

| Post-polymerisation treatments | C08F 6/00 - C08F 6/28 |
| Working-up, compounding, after-treatment of macromolecular compounds | C08J 3/00 - C08J 11/28 |
| Use of inorganic of non-macromolecular organic substances as compounding ingredients | C08K 3/00 - C08K 13/08 |

**Informative references**

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

| Coatings based on compositions of polymerisable monomers | C09D 4/00 |
| Printing ink | C09D 11/00 |
| Artificial filaments or fibres | D01F |
| Encapsulation of solar cells | H01L |
| Coatings of electrical wires | H01R |

**Special rules of classification**

Majority rule:

For compositions

If C09D 135/00 relates to a compositions and two or more polymers are present, classification is given as follows: the polymer in majority is given a C09D classification (see above), and the minor components are characterised Indexing Codes in the form of C-Sets. In the case that several polymers can be in majority, several C09D symbols for the polymers which are possibly in majority and the Indexing Codes for all polymers in minority and additives are given.

For Copolymers

Copolymers get the symbol of the major component, except if there is a lower group which specifies the comonomer in minority (see also last place rule), i.e. ethylene maleic anhydride copolymers (ethylene in majority) would be classified in C09D 123/0869, and not in C09D 135/00, but ethylene...
maleic anhydride copolymers (maleic anhydride in majority) would be classified in C09D 135/06, not in C09D 123/0869.

Last place rule:

If there are several possibilities to classify, the lowest alternative classification (last place) is used.

Remark: Note 2 is relevant for C09D 135/00. Documents from before 2003 are not reclassified.

Examples:

a. A coating of a blend of 60 parts styrene-maleic anhydride copolymer (C09D 135/06) and 40 parts polyamide (C08L 77/00) is classified in (C09D 135/06, C08L 77/00).

b. A coating of a blend of 50 parts styrene-maleic anhydride copolymer (C09D 135/06) and 50 parts polyamide (C09D 177/00) is classified in (C09D 135/06, C08L 77/00) and (C09D 177/00, C08L 35/06).

c. A coating of a composition based on styrene-maleic anhydride copolymer and containing CaCO3 is classified in C09D 135/06 and gets an Indexing Code of C08K, e.g. in C08K 3/26. If this composition contains also a polyamide, then the classification will be (C09D 135/06, C08L 77/00, C08K 3/26).

d. A coating of a composition based on a first styrene-maleic anhydride copolymer (C09D 135/06) and containing a second styrene-maleic anhydride copolymer, a phenol and silica is classified in (C09D 135/06, C08L 35/06, C08K 5/13, C08K 3/36) and C08L 2205/025.

e. A coating of a composition containing a polyamide in majority, a polyester and a styrene-maleic anhydride copolymer is classified in (C08L 77/00, C08L 67/00, C08L 35/06) and C08L 2205/03.

f. A coating of compositions containing two polymers of the same .dot group, for example compositions of two styrene-maleic anhydride copolymer polymers, are characterised by the Indexing Code C08L 2205/025. The complete classification for such compositions therefore would be (C09D 135/06, C08L 35/06) and C08L 2205/025. The same applies for compositions of two polymers only distinguished by physical properties, e.g. molecular weight or density.

Indexing Codes

All Indexing Codes of C08L (for secondary or polymers in minority, properties, uses, applications), C08K (for inorganic or organic non-macromolecular additives) and C08F (for specific monomers) are used.

Indexing Codes of C08F are used for specific monomers, which are part of the copolymer classified in C09D 135/00.

Therefore a terpolymer of styrene, maleic anhydride and acrylic amide should additionally be characterised by an Indexing Code C08F 220/56.

Classification guidance

Documents are preferably classified according to the examples in the documents, not according to general claims, e.g. if the examples only describe coatings of compositions of styrene-maleic anhydride, but subject matter of the claim is a coating of a composition of a vinyl aromatic copolymer, the document is classified as coating composition of styrene maleic anhydride copolymer (C09D 135/06, C08L-/-).

Glossary of terms

In this place, the following terms or expressions are used with the meaning indicated:

Attention is drawn to the table after title of C09D 123/00.
Synonyms and Keywords

In patent documents the following abbreviations are often used:

Attention is drawn to the table at subclass level.

Further subdivisions:

C09D 135/02

Coatings based on copolymers of unsaturated esters, e.g. acrylic ester with a monomer of C09D 135/00, e.g. maleic anhydride which have the ester in majority should be classified in C09D 133/00 and maleic anhydride should be characterised by an Indexing Code of C08F (C08F 222/04).

C09D 135/04

Coatings of copolymers of unsaturated nitriles, e.g. acrylonitrile with a monomer of C09D 135/00, e.g. maleic anhydride which have the nitrile in majority should be classified in C09D 133/00 and maleic anhydride should be characterised by an Indexing Code of C08F (C08F 222/04).

C09D 135/06

Coatings based on copolymers of vinyl aromatic compounds, e.g. styrene with a monomer of C09D 135/00, e.g. maleic anhydride which have the vinyl aromatic compound in majority should be classified in C09D 125/00 and maleic anhydride should be characterised by an Indexing Code of C08F (C08F 222/04).

C09D 135/08

Coatings based on copolymers of vinylethers with a monomer of C09D 135/00, e.g. maleic anhydride which have the vinylether in majority should be classified in C09D 129/10 and maleic anhydride should be characterised by an Indexing Code of C08F (C08F 222/04).

C09D 137/00

Coating compositions based on homopolymers or copolymers of compounds having one or more unsaturated aliphatic radicals, each having only one carbon-to-carbon double bond, and at least one being terminated by a heterocyclic ring containing oxygen (based on polymers of cyclic esters of polyfunctional acids C09D 131/00; based on polymers of cyclic anhydrides of unsaturated acids C09D 135/00); Coating compositions based on derivatives of such polymers

Definition statement

This place covers:

Coating compositions based on homopolymers or copolymers of compounds having one or more unsaturated aliphatic radicals, each having only one carbon-to-carbon double bond, and at least one being terminated by a heterocyclic ring containing oxygen; coating compositions based on derivatives of such polymers

Relationships with other classification places

Attention is drawn to the Relationship at subclass level.
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Special rules of classification

Majority rule:

For compositions

If **C09D 137/00** relates to a composition and two or more polymers are present, classification is given as follows: the polymer in majority is given a **C09D** classification (see above), and the minor components are characterised by Indexing Codes, in the form of C-Sets. In the case that several polymers can be in majority, several **C09D** symbols for the polymers which are possibly in majority and the Indexing Codes for all polymers in minority and additives are given.

For Copolymers

In **C09D 137/00**, coatings do not get the classification of the major component of the monomer of the copolymers. A coating based on a copolymer of diene and vinylfuran, which has only a low content of vinyl furan, would be classified in **C09D 137/00**. Additional classification in **C09D 109/00** should be considered. The comonomer in majority should get an Indexing Code in **C08F** (**C08F 236/00** for dienes).

Last place rule:
If there are several possibilities to classify, the lowest alternative classification (last place) is used.

Use of C-Sets:

To indicate the nature of the second component in a system, C-Sets are used as explained in the Rules at subclass level.

Remark: Note 2 is relevant for C09D 137/00. Documents from before 2003 are not reclassified.

Examples:

a. A coating of a blend of 60 parts diene vinyl furan copolymer (C09D 137/00) and 40 parts polyamide (C08L 77/00) is classified in (C09D 137/00, C08L 77/00).

b. A coating of a blend of 50 parts diene vinyl furan copolymer (C09D 137/00) and 50 parts polyamide (C09D 177/00) is classified in (C09D 137/00, C08L 37/00), and (C09D 177/00, C08L 37/00).

c. A coating of a composition based on diene vinyl furan copolymer and containing CaCO3 is classified in C09D 137/00 and gets an Indexing Code of C08K, e.g. in C08K 3/26. If this composition contains also a polyamide, then the classification will be (C09D 137/00, C08L 77/00, If C08K 3/26).

d. A coating of a composition based on a first diene vinyl furan copolymer (C09D 137/00) and containing a second diene vinyl furan copolymer, a phenol and silica is classified in (C09D 137/00, C08L 37/00, C08K 5/13, C08K 3/36) and C08L 2205/025.

e. A coating of a composition containing a polyamide in majority, a polyester and a diene vinyl furan copolymer is classified in (C08L 77/00, C08L 67/00, C08L 37/00) and C08L 2205/03.

f. A coating of compositions containing two polymers of the same .dot group, for example compositions of two diene vinyl furan copolymer polymers, are characterised by the Indexing Code C08L 2205/025. The complete classification for such compositions therefore would be (C09D 137/00, C08L 37/00) and C08L 2205/025. The same applies for compositions of two polymers only distinguished by physical properties, e.g. molecular weight or density.

Indexing Codes

All Indexing Codes of C08L (for secondary or polymers in minority, properties, uses, applications), C08K (for inorganic or organic non-macromolecular additives) and C08F (for specific monomers) are used.

Indexing Codes of C08F are used for specific monomers, which are part of the copolymer classified in C09D 137/00

Therefore a terpolymer of diene, maleic anhydride and vinyl furan should additionally be characterised by an Indexing Code C08F 220/56 and C08F 222/00.

Classification guidance

Documents are preferably classified according to the examples in the documents, not according to general claims, e.g. if the examples only describe coatings of compositions of diene vinyl furan, but subject matter of the claim is a coating of a composition of a diene copolymers, the document is classified as coating composition of a vinyl furan copolymer (C09D 137/00, C08L --/--).

Glossary of terms

In this place, the following terms or expressions are used with the meaning indicated:

Attention is drawn to the table after title of C09D 123/00.

Synonyms and Keywords

In patent documents the following abbreviations are often used:
Attention is drawn to the table at subclass level.

**C09D 139/00**

Coating compositions based on homopolymers or copolymers of compounds having one or more unsaturated aliphatic radicals, each having only one carbon-to-carbon double bond, and at least one being terminated by a single or double bond to nitrogen or by a heterocyclic ring containing nitrogen; Coating compositions based on derivatives of such polymers

**Definition statement**

This place covers:

Coating compositions based on homopolymers or copolymers of compounds having one or more unsaturated aliphatic radicals, each having only one carbon-to-carbon double bond, and at least one being terminated by a single or double bond to nitrogen or by a heterocyclic ring containing nitrogen; Coating compositions based on derivatives of such polymers

**Relationships with other classification places**

Attention is drawn to the Relationship at subclass level.

**References**

**Limiting references**

This place does not cover:

| Coating compositions based on polymers containing acrylamide or imide | C09D 133/24 - C09D 133/26 |
| Applications or uses of polymer compositions in films, e.g. a film of vinyl pyrrolidone copolymer | C08J, e.g. (C08J 5/18, C08L 39/00) |
| Polymer compositions | C08L 39/00 |
| Adhesives | C09J 139/00 |

**Application-oriented references**

Examples of places where the subject matter of this place is covered when specially adapted, used for a particular purpose, or incorporated in a larger system:

| Post-polymerisation treatments | C08F 6/00 - C08F 6/28 |
| Working-up, compounding, after-treatment of macromolecular compounds | C08J 3/00 - C08J 11/28 |
| Use of Inorganic of non-macromolecular organic substances as compounding ingredients | C08K 3/00 - C08K 13/08 |

**Informative references**

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

| Coatings based on compositions of polymerisable monomers | C09D 4/00 |
| Artificial filaments or fibres | D01F |
| Encapsulation of solar cells | H01L |
| Coatings of electrical wires | H01R |
Special rules of classification

Majority rule:

For compositions

If C09D 139/00 relates to a composition and two or more polymers are present, classification is given as follows: the polymer in majority is given a C09D classification (see above), and the minor components are characterised by Indexing Codes. In the case that several polymers can be in majority, several C09D symbols for the polymers which are possibly in majority and the Indexing Codes for all polymers in minority and additives are given.

For Copolymers

In C09D 139/00, coatings do not get the symbol of the major component of the monomer of the copolymers. A coating based on a copolymer of acrylic ester and vinyl pyridine, which has a lower content of vinyl pyridine than acrylic ester, would also be classified in C09D 139/08. Additional classification in C09D 133/08 should be considered. The comonomer in majority should get an Indexing Code in C08F (C08F 220/10 for acrylic esters).

Last place rule:

If there are several possibilities to classify, the lowest alternative classification (last place) is used.

Use of C-Sets:

To indicate the nature of the second component in a system, C-Sets are used as explained in Rules at subclass level.

Remark: Note 2 is relevant for C09D 139/00. Documents from before 2003 are not reclassified.

Examples:

a. A coating of a blend of 60 parts vinyl pyrrolidone copolymer (C09D 139/06) and 40 parts polyamide (C08L 77/00) is classified in (C09D 139/06, C08L 77/00).

b. A coating of a blend of 50 parts vinyl pyrrolidone copolymer (C09D 139/06) and 50 parts polyamide (C09D 177/00) is classified in (C09D 139/06, C08L 77/00) and (C09D 177/00, C08L 39/06).

c. A coating of a composition based on vinyl pyrrolidone copolymer and containing CaCO3 is classified in C09D 139/06 and gets an Indexing Code of C08K, e.g. in C08K 3/26. If this composition contains also a polyamide, then the classification will be (C09D 139/06, C08L 77/00, C08K 3/26).

d. A coating of a composition based on a first vinyl pyrrolidone copolymer (C09D 139/06) and containing a second vinyl pyrrolidone copolymer, a phenol and silica is classified in (C09D 139/06, C08L 39/06, C08K 5/13, C08K 3/36) and C08L 2205/025.

e. A coating of a composition containing a polyamide in majority, a polyester and a vinyl pyrrolidone copolymer is classified in (C08L 77/00, C08L 67/00, C08L 39/06) and C08L 2205/03.

f. A coating of compositions containing two polymers of the same .dot group, for example compositions of two vinyl pyrrolidone copolymers, are characterised by the Indexing Code C08L 2205/025. The complete classification for such compositions therefore would be (C09D 139/06, C08L 39/06) and C08L 2205/025. The same applies for compositions of two polymers only distinguished by physical properties, e.g. molecular weight or density.

Indexing Codes

All Indexing Codes of C08L (for secondary or polymers in minority, properties, uses, applications), C08K (for inorganic or organic non-macromolecular additives) and C08F (for specific monomers) are used.
Indexing Codes of **C08F** are used for specific monomers, which are part of the copolymer classified in **C09D 139/00**.

A copolymer of acrylic ester, maleic anhydride and vinyl pyrrolidone used in a coating adhesive therefore would be classified in **C09D 139/06, C08F 220/10** and **C08F 222/06**.

**Classification guidance**

Documents are preferably classified according to the examples in the documents, not according to general claims, e.g. if the examples only describe coatings of compositions of acrylic ester vinyl pyrrolidone copolymers, but subject matter of the claim is a coating of a composition of a acrylic ester copolymer, the document is classified as coating composition of vinyl pyrrolidone copolymer (**C09D 139/06, C08L --/--**).

**Glossary of terms**

*In this place, the following terms or expressions are used with the meaning indicated:*

Attention is drawn to the table after title of **C09D 123/00**.

**Synonyms and Keywords**

*In patent documents the following abbreviations are often used:*

Attention is drawn to the table at subclass level.

**Further subdivisions:**

**C09D 139/04**

Polymers containing an acrylamide or acrylimide containing a nitrogen containing substituent would be classified in **C09D33/24**.

**C09D 141/00**

Coating compositions based on homopolymers or copolymers of compounds having one or more unsaturated aliphatic radicals, each having only one carbon-to-carbon double bond, and at least one being terminated by a bond to sulfur or by a heterocyclic ring containing sulfur; Coating compositions based on derivatives of such polymers.

**Definition statement**

*This place covers:*

Coating compositions based on homopolymers or copolymers of compounds having one or more unsaturated aliphatic radicals, each having only one carbon-to-carbon double bond, and at least one being terminated by a bond to sulfur or by a heterocyclic ring containing sulfur; Coating compositions based on derivatives of such polymers.

**Relationships with other classification places**

Attention is drawn to the Relationship at subclass level.

**References**

**Limiting references**

*This place does not cover:*

| Applications or uses of polymer compositions in films, e.g. a film of vinyl thioethanol | **C08J**, e.g. (**C08J 5/18**, **C08L 41/00**) |
Application-oriented references

Examples of places where the subject matter of this place is covered when specially adapted, used for a particular purpose, or incorporated in a larger system:

- Post-polymerisation treatments: C08F 6/00- C08F 6/28
- Working-up, compounding, after-treatment of macromolecular compounds: C08J 3/00- C08J 11/28
- Use of Inorganic of non-macromolecular organic substances as compounding ingredients: C08K 3/00- C08K 13/08

Informative references

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

- Coatings based on compositions of polymerisable monomers: C09D 4/00
- Printing inks: C09D 11/00
- Artificial filaments or fibres: D01F
- Encapsulation of solar cells: H01L
- Coatings of electrical wires: H01R

Special rules of classification

Majority rule:

For compositions

If C09D 141/00 relates to a composition and two or more polymers are present, classification is given as follows: the polymer in majority is given a C09D classification (see above), and the minor components are characterised by Indexing Codes. In the case that several polymers can be in majority, several C09D symbols for the polymers which are possibly in majority and the Indexing Codes for all polymers in minority and additives are given.

For Copolymers

In C09D 141/00, coatings do not get the symbol of the monomer present in majority in the copolymers. A coating based on a copolymer of acrylic ester and vinyl thioethanol which has only a low content of vinyl thioethanol, would be classified in C09D 141/00. Additional classification in C09D 133/08 should be considered. The comonomer in majority should get an Indexing Code in C08F (C08F 220/10 for acrylic ester).

Last place rule:

If there are several possibilities to classify, the lowest alternative classification (last place) is used.

Use of C-Sets:

To indicate the nature of the second component in a system, C-Sets are used as explained in the Rules at subclass level.

Remark: Note 2 is relevant for C09D 141/00. Documents from before 2003 are not reclassified.
Examples:

a. A coating of a blend of 60 parts acrylic ester vinyl thioethanol copolymer (C09D 141/00) and 40 parts polyamide (C08L 77/00) is classified in (C09D 141/00, C08L 77/00).

b. A coating of a blend of 50 parts acrylic ester vinyl thioethanol copolymer (C09D 141/00) and 50 parts polyamide (C09D 177/00) is classified in (C09D 141/00, C08L 77/00) AND (C09D 177/00, C08L 41/00).

c. A coating of a composition based on acrylic ester vinyl thioethanol copolymer and containing CaCO3 is classified in C09D 141/00 and gets an Indexing Code of C08K, e.g. in C08K 3/26. If this composition contains also a polyamide, then the classification will be (C09D 141/00, C08L 77/00, C08K 3/26).

d. A coating of a composition based on a first acrylic ester vinyl thioethanol copolymer (C09D 141/00) and containing a second acrylic ester vinyl thioethanol copolymer, a phenol and silica is classified in (C09D 141/00, C08L 41/00, C08K 5/13, C08K 3/36) and C08L 2205/025.

e. A coating of a composition containing a polyamide in majority, a polyester and a acrylic ester vinyl thioethanol copolymer is classified in (C08L 77/00, C08L 67/00, C08L 41/00) and C08L 2205/03.

f. A coating of compositions containing two polymers of the same dot group, for example compositions of an acrylic ester vinyl thioethanol copolymer polymers with two different polyethylenes, are characterised by the Indexing Code C08L 2205/025. The complete classification for such compositions therefore would be (C09D 141/00, C08L 23/05), C08L 2205/025. The same applies for compositions of two polymers only distinguished by physical properties, e.g. molecular weight or density.

Indexing Codes

All Indexing Codes of C08L (for secondary or polymers in minority, properties, uses, applications), C08K (for inorganic or organic non-macromolecular additives) and C08F (for specific monomers) are used.

Indexing Codes of C08F are used for specific monomers, which are part of the copolymer classified in C09D 141/00

Therefore a terpolymer of acrylic ester, maleic anhydride and vinyl thioethanol should additionally be characterised by an Indexing Code C08F 220/10 and C08F 222/00

Classification guidance

Documents are preferably classified according to the examples in the documents, not according to general claims, e.g. if the examples only describe coatings of compositions of acrylic ester vinyl thioethanol, but subject matter of the claim is a coating of a composition of a acrylic copolymers, the document is classified as coating composition of a vinyl thioethanol copolymer (C09D 141/00, C08L -/-).

Glossary of terms

In this place, the following terms or expressions are used with the meaning indicated:

Attention is drawn to the table after title of C09D 123/00.

Synonyms and Keywords

In patent documents the following abbreviations are often used:

Attention is drawn to the table at subclass level.
C09D 143/00

Coating compositions based on homopolymers or copolymers of compounds having one or more unsaturated aliphatic radicals, each having only one carbon-to-carbon double bond, and containing boron, silicon, phosphorus, selenium, tellurium, or a metal; Coating compositions based on derivatives of such polymers

**Definition statement**

This place covers:

Coating compositions based on homopolymers or copolymers of compounds corresponding to groups C08F 30/00, C08F 130/00 or C08F 230/00.

**Relationships with other classification places**

Attention is drawn to the Relationship at subclass level.

**References**

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**Application-oriented references**

Examples of places where the subject matter of this place is covered when specially adapted, used for a particular purpose, or incorporated in a larger system:

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**Informative references**

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

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<td>Encapsulation of solar cells</td>
<td>H01L</td>
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Special rules of classification

Majority rule:

For compositions

If **C09D 143/00** relates to a composition and two or more polymers are present, classification is given as follows: the polymer in majority is given a **C09D** classification (see above), and the minor components are characterised by Indexing Codes. In the case that several polymers can be in majority, several **C09D** symbols for the polymers which are possibly in majority and the Indexing Codes for all polymers in minority and additives are given.

For Copolymers

In **C09D 143/00**, coatings do not get the symbol of the major component of the monomer of the copolymers. A coating based on a copolymer of acrylic ester and vinyl silane, which has a lower content of vinyl silane than acrylic ester, would also be classified in **C09D 143/04**. Additional classification in **C09D 133/08** should be considered. The comonomer in majority should get an Indexing Code in **C08F** (**C08F 220/10** for acrylic esters).

However, coatings based on copolymers where the major comonomer is ethylene or propene, are classified in **C09D 123/0892** or **C09D 123/147**.

Last place rule:

If there are several possibilities to classify, the lowest alternative classification (last place) is used.

Use of C-Sets:

To indicate the nature of the second component in a system, C-Sets are used as explained in the Rules at subclass level.

Remark: Note 2 is relevant for **C09D 143/00**. Documents from before 2003 are not reclassified.

Examples:

a. A coating of a blend of 60 parts vinyl silane copolymer (**C09D 143/04**) and 40 parts polyamide (**C08L 77/00**) is classified in (**C09D 143/04, C08L 77/00**).

b. A coating of a blend of 50 parts vinyl silane copolymer (**C09D 143/04**) and 50 parts polyamide (**C09D 177/00**) is classified in (**C09D 143/04, C08L 77/00** AND **C09D 177/00, C08L 43/04**).

c. A coating of a composition based on vinyl silane copolymer and containing CaCO3 is classified in **C09D 143/04** and gets an Indexing Code of **C08K**, e.g. in **C08K 3/26**. If this composition contains also a polyamide, then the classification will be (**C09D 143/04, C08L 77/00, C08K 3/26**).

d. A coating of a composition based on a first vinyl silane copolymer (**C09D 143/04**) and containing a second vinyl silane copolymer, a phenol and silica is classified in (**C09D 143/04, C08L 43/04, C08K 5/13, C08K 3/36**) and **C08L 2205/025**.

e. A coating of a composition containing a polyamide in majority, a polyester and a vinyl silane copolymer is classified in (**C08L 77/00, C08L 67/00, C08L 43/04**) and **C08L 2205/03**.

f. A coating of compositions containing two polymers of the same .dot group, for example compositions of two vinyl silane copolymer, are characterised by the Indexing Code **C08L 2205/025**. The complete classification for such compositions therefore would be (**C09D 143/04, C08L 43/04**) and **C08L 2205/025**. The same applies for compositions of two polymers only distinguished by physical properties, e.g. molecular weight or density.
Indexing Codes

All Indexing Codes of C08L (for secondary or polymers in minority, properties, uses, applications), C08K (for inorganic or organic non-macromolecular additives) and C08F (for specific monomers) are used.

Indexing Codes of C08F are used for specific monomers, which are part of the copolymer classified in C09D 143/00.

A copolymer of acrylic ester, maleic anhydride and vinyl silane used in a coating adhesive therefore would be classified in C09D 143/04, C08F 220/10 and C08F 222/06.

Classification guidance

Documents are preferably classified according to the examples in the documents, not according to general claims, e.g. if the examples only describe coatings of compositions of acrylic ester vinyl silane copolymers, but subject matter of the claim is a coating of a composition of a acrylic ester copolymer, the document is classified as coating composition of vinyl silane copolymer (C09D 143/04, C08L--/--).

Glossary of terms

In this place, the following terms or expressions are used with the meaning indicated:

Attention is drawn to the table after title of C09D 123/00.

Synonyms and Keywords

In patent documents the following abbreviations are often used:

Attention is drawn to the table at subclass level.

Further subdivisions:

C09D 143/02

Coatings of copolymers of ethylene or propene are not classified here.

C09D 143/04

Coatings of copolymers of ethylene or propene are not classified here.

C09D 145/00

Coating compositions based on homopolymers or copolymers of compounds having no unsaturated aliphatic radicals in a side chain, and having one or more carbon-to-carbon double bonds in a carbocyclic or in a heterocyclic system; Coating compositions based on derivatives of such polymers (based on polymers of cyclic esters of polyfunctional acids C09D 131/00; based on polymers of cyclic anhydrides or imides C09D 135/00)

Definition statement

This place covers:

Coatings of (co)polymers of cyclic olefins, e.g. norbornene or bicyclopentadiene, where the cyclic monomer is the major component in the copolymer.

Coating compositions based on homopolymers or copolymers of compounds corresponding to groups C08F 32/00, C08F 132/00, C08F 232/00 or C08F 244/00.

Further subdivision:
Coatings of copolymers of coumarone-indene polymers.

**Relationships with other classification places**

Attention is drawn to the Relationship at subclass level.

**References**

### Limiting references

This place does not cover:

| Coatings based on polymers of cyclic esters of polyfunctional acids | C09D 131/00 |
| Coatings based on polymers of cyclic anhydrides or imides | C09D 135/00 |
| Coatings based on polymers containing a heterocyclic ring with oxygen | C09D 137/00 |
| Coatings based on copolymers of monomers terminated by a heterocyclic ring containing Nitrogen | C09D 139/00 |
| Applications or uses of polymer compositions in films, e.g. a film of polynorbornene | C08J, e.g. ( C08J 5/18, C08L 45/00) |
| Polymer compositions | C08L 45/00 |
| Adhesives | C09J 145/00 |

### Application-oriented references

Examples of places where the subject matter of this place is covered when specially adapted, used for a particular purpose, or incorporated in a larger system:

| Working-up, compounding, after-treatment of macromolecular compounds | C08J 3/00- C08J 11/28 |
| Use of Inorganic of non-macromolecular organic substances as compounding ingredients | C08K 3/00- C08K 13/08 |

### Informative references

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

| Printing inks | C09D 11/00 |
| Artificial filaments or fibres | D01F |
| Encapsulation of solar cells | H01L |
| Coatings of electrical wires | H01R |

### Special rules of classification

Majority rule:

For compositions

If **C09D 145/00** relates to a compositions and two or more polymers are present, classification is given as follows: the polymer in majority is given a **C09D** classification (see above), and the minor components are characterised by Indexing Codes. In the case that several polymers can be in majority, several **C09D** symbols for the polymers which are possibly in majority and the Indexing Codes for all polymers in minority and additives are given.
For Copolymers

Copolymers get the symbol of the major component, except if there is a lower group which specifies the comonomer in minority (see also last place rule), e.g. ethylene copolymers (ethylene comonomer in majority) would be classified in C09D 123/0807, and not in C09D 145/00, but ethylene norbornene (norbornene in majority) would be classified in C09D 145/00, not in C09D 123/08.

Last place rule:

If there are several possibilities to classify, the lowest alternative classification (last place) is used.

Use of C-Sets:

To indicate the nature of the second component in a system, C-Sets are used as explained in the Rules at subclass level.

Remark: Note 2 is not relevant for C09D 145/00. All documents from before 2003 are reclassified.

Examples:

a. A coating of a blend of 60 parts poly-norbornene (C09D 145/00) and 40 parts polyamide (C08L 77/00) is classified in (C09D 145/00, C08L 77/00).

b. A coating of a blend of 50 parts poly norbornene (C09D 145/00) and 50 parts polyamide (C09D 177/00) is classified in (C09D 145/00, C08L 77/00) and (C09D 177/00, C08L 45/00).

c. A coating based on a composition of polymeric and containing CaCO3 is classified in C09D 145/00 and C08K 3/26. If this composition contains also a polyamide, then the classification will be (C09D 145/00, C08L 77/00, C08K 3/26).

d. A coating based on a composition based on a first polymeric and containing a second polymeric, a phenol and silica is classified in (C09D 145/00, C08L 45/00, C08K 5/13, C08K 3/36) and C08L 2205/025.

e. A coating based on a composition containing a polyamide in majority, a polyester and a polynorbornene is classified in (C09D 177/00, C08L 67/00, C08L 45/00) and C08L 2205/03.

f. Coatings of compositions containing two polymers of the same dot group, for example compositions of two polynorbornenes, are characterised by the Indexing Code C08L 2205/025. The complete classification for such a compositions therefore would be (C09D 145/00, C08L 45/00) and C08L 2205/025. The same applies for compositions of two polymers only distinguished by physical properties (e.g. molecular weight, density etc.)

Indexing Codes

All Indexing Codes of C08L (for secondary or polymers in minority, properties, uses, applications) and C08K (for inorganic or organic non-macromolecular additives) are used.

Specific other monomers can be characterised in C08F

Classification guidance

Documents are preferably classified according to the examples in the documents, not according to general claims, e.g. if the examples only describe coatings based on polynorbornene, but subject matter of the claim is a coating of polyolefin, the document is classified under coatings of polynorbornene (C09D 145/00, C08L --/--).

Glossary of terms

In this place, the following terms or expressions are used with the meaning indicated:

Attention is drawn to the table after title of C09D 123/00.
Synonyms and Keywords

In patent documents the following abbreviations are often used:
Attention is drawn to the table at subclass level.

C09D 147/00

Coating compositions based on homopolymers or copolymers of compounds having one or more unsaturated aliphatic radicals, at least one having two or more carbon-to-carbon double bonds; Coating compositions based on derivatives of such polymers (C09D 145/00 takes precedence; based on conjugated diene rubbers C09D 109/00 - C09D 121/00)

Definition statement

This place covers:
Coating compositions of homopolymers or copolymers of compounds having one or more unsaturated aliphatic radicals, at least one having two or more carbon-to-carbon double bonds, i.e. unconjugated dienes

Coating compositions of derivatives of such polymers.

Relationships with other classification places

Compositions of unconjugated diene polymers or their derivatives are classified in C08L 47/00.

Adhesive compositions comprising the polymers of C08L 47/00 or their derivatives are classified in C09J 147/00.

Coating compositions of conjugated diene rubbers are classified in C09D 107/00 - C09D 121/00.

Coating compositions of coumarone-indene polymers are classified in C09D 145/02.

References

Limiting references

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<td>Compositions of copolymers of isobutene with minor part of conjugated dienes monomers, e.g. butyl rubber</td>
<td>C08L 23/22</td>
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<td>Compositions of coumarone-indene polymers</td>
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Special rules of classification

In main group C09D 147/00, the group C09D 145/00 takes precedence over C09D 147/00.

Use of C-Sets:

To indicate the nature of the second component in a system, C-Sets are used as explained in the Rules at subclass level.

An additive is classified in the last appropriate place in the list as selected for each C08L group.
Inorganic or non-macromolecular organic materials as compounding agents are classified in C08K; Compositions classified in C08K according to note 3 of C08K, are not classified in C08L. However, if a composition contains two polymers and an additive following C08K, classification is made in C08L and an Indexing Code from C08K will be given.

**Synonyms and Keywords**

In patent documents, the following abbreviations are often used:

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<td>Styrene acrylonitrile copolymer</td>
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**C09D 149/00**

Coating compositions based on homopolymers or copolymers of compounds having one or more carbon-to-carbon triple bonds; Coating compositions based on derivatives of such polymers

**Definition statement**

This place covers:

Coating compositions based on homopolymers or copolymers of compounds corresponding to groups C08F 38/00, C08F 138/00 and C08F 238/00.

**Relationships with other classification places**

Attention is drawn to the Relationship at subclass level.

**References**

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**Application-oriented references**

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**Special rules of classification**

Majority rule:

For compositions

If [C09D 149/00](#) relates to a compositions and two or more polymers are present, classification is given as follows: classification is given as follows: the polymer in majority is given a [C09D](#) classification (see above), and the minor components are characterised by Indexing Codes. In the case that several polymers can be in majority, several [C09D](#) symbols for the polymers which are possibly in majority and the Indexing Codes for all polymers in minority and additives are given.

For Copolymers

Copolymers get the symbol of the major component, except if there is a lower group which specifies the comonomer in minority (see also last place rule), e.g. ethylene copolymers (ethylene comonomer in majority) would be classified in [C09D 123/0807](#), and not in [C09D 149/00](#), but ethylene acetylene (acetylene in majority) would be classified in [C09D 149/00](#), not in [C09D 123/08](#).

Last place rule:

If there are several possibilities to classify, the lowest alternative classification (last place) is used.

Use of C-Sets:

To indicate the nature of the second component in a system, C-Sets are used as explained in the Rules at subclass level.

Remark: Note 2 is not relevant for [C09D 149/00](#). All documents from before 2003 are reclassified.

Examples:

- a. A coating of a blend of 60 parts polyacetylene ([C09D 149/00](#)) and 40 parts polyamide ([C08L 77/00](#)) is classified in ([C09D 149/00, C08L 77/00](#)).
- b. A coating of a blend of 50 parts poly acetylene ([C09D 149/00](#)) and 50 parts polyamide ([C09D 177/00](#)) is classified in ([C09D 149/00, C08L 77/00](#)) and ([C09D 177/00, C08L 49/00](#)).
- c. A coating based on a composition of polyacetylene and containing CaCO3 is classified in [C09D 149/00](#) and [C08K 3/26](#). If this composition contains also a polyamide, then the classification will be ([C09D 149/00, C08L 77/00, C08K 3/26](#)).
d. A coating based on a composition based on a first polyacetylene (C09D 149/00) and containing a second polyacetylene, a phenol and silica is classified in (C09D 149/00, C08L 49/00, C08K 5/13, C08K 3/36) and C08L 2205/025.

e. A coating based on a composition containing a polyamide in majority, a polyester and a polyacetylene is classified in (C09D 177/00, C08L 67/00, C08L 49/00) and C08L 2205/03.

f. Coatings of compositions containing two polymers of the same dot group, for example compositions of two polyacetylenes, are characterised by the Indexing Code C08L 2205/025. The complete classification for such a composition therefore would be (C09D 149/00, C08L 49/00) and C08L 2205/025. The same applies for compositions of two polymers only distinguished by physical properties (e.g. molecular weight, density etc.)

Indexing Codes

All Indexing Codes of C08L (for secondary or polymers in minority, properties, uses, applications) and C08K (for inorganic or organic non-macromolecular additives) are used.

Classification guidance

Documents are preferably classified according to the examples in the documents, not according to general claims, e.g. if the examples only describe coatings based on polyacetylene, but subject matter of the claim is a coating of polyolefin, the document is classified under coatings of polyacetylene (C09D 149/00, C08L -/-).

Glossary of terms

In this place, the following terms or expressions are used with the meaning indicated:

Attention is drawn to the table after title of C09D 123/00.

Synonyms and Keywords

In patent documents the following abbreviations are often used:

Attention is drawn to the table at subclass level.

C09D 151/00

Coating compositions based on graft polymers in which the grafted component is obtained by reactions only involving carbon-to-carbon unsaturated bonds (based on ABS polymers C09D 155/02); Coating compositions based on derivatives of such polymers

Definition statement

This place covers:

Coating compositions comprising graft polymers of C08F 251/00-C08F 292/00

Relationships with other classification places

Graft copolymers in which the grafted component is obtained by reactions involving C=C per se are classified in C08F 251/00-C08F 292/00.

Compositions (other than coating or adhesive) comprising a grafted polymer in majority and other polymer(s) are classified in C08L 51/00-C08L 51/10.

Compositions (General, adhesive or coating) comprising graft polymers in which the graft polymer is in minority are classified in C08L 51/00-C08L 51/10.
References

Limiting references

This place does not cover:

| Coating compositions comprising an unsaturated monomer and a polymer (grafting in situ) | C09D 4/06, C09D 159/00 - C09D 187/00 |
| Coating compositions comprising ABS polymers | C09D 155/02 |
| Coating compositions comprising block or graft copolymers containing polysiloxane sequences (not obtained by reaction of C=C monomer(s) onto polysiloxane) | C09D 183/10 |
| Coating compositions comprising graft polymers obtained by interreacting polymers in the absence of monomers (Graft polymer of C08G 81/00-C08G 81/028) | C09D 187/005 |

Special rules of classification

Use of C-Sets:

To indicate the nature of the second component in a system, C-Sets are used as explained in the Rules at subclass level.

For coating compositions comprising grafted rubbers, several symbols are given if the rubber is specific.

Examples:

if the rubber is EPR: C09D 151/04 and C09D 151/06

if the rubber is EPDM, SBR or acrylate rubber: C09D 151/04 and C09D 151/003.

C09D 153/00

Coating compositions based on block copolymers containing at least one sequence of a polymer obtained by reactions only involving carbon-to-carbon unsaturated bonds; Coating compositions based on derivatives of such polymers

Definition statement

This place covers:

Coating compositions of block polymers of groups C08F 293/00-C08F 297/08....

Relationships with other classification places

Block polymers obtained by reactions only involving C=C per se are classified in C08F 293/00-C08F 297/08.

Compositions (general, adhesive or coating) comprising block polymers in which the block polymer is in minority are classified in C08L 53/00-C08L 53/025.
References

Limiting references

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<tr>
<td>Coating compositions comprising block polymers obtained by interreacting polymers in the absence of monomers, i.e. block polymer of C08G 81/00 - C08G 81/028</td>
<td>C09D 187/005</td>
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Special rules of classification

Use of C-Sets:

To indicate the nature of the second component in a system, C-Sets are used as explained in the Rules at subclass level.

C09D 153/005 and C09D 153/025 cover coating compositions comprising modified block polymers. In particular, coating compositions comprising hydrogenated styrene-diene block copolymers are classified in C09D 153/025.

Coating compositions based on homopolymers or copolymers, obtained by polymerisation reactions only involving carbon-to-carbon unsaturated bonds, not provided for in groups C09D 123/00 - C09D 153/00

C09D 155/00

Coating compositions based on homopolymers or copolymers, obtained by polymerisation reactions only involving carbon-to-carbon unsaturated bonds, not provided for in groups C09D 123/00 - C09D 153/00

Definition statement

This place covers:

Coating compositions based on homopolymers or copolymers obtained by polymerisation reactions involving only carbon-to-carbon unsaturated bonds that are not classified in the groups C09D 123/00 - C09D 153/00 and those homopolymers or copolymers being classified as such in C08L 55/00 subgroups.

References

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<td>Macromolecular compounds obtained by polymerising monomers on to polymers modified by introduction of aliphatic unsaturated end or side groups</td>
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<td>Polymeric compositions of macromolecular compounds obtained by polymerising monomers on to polymers modified by introduction of aliphatic unsaturated end or side groups</td>
<td>C08L 55/00 - C08L 55/04</td>
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Compositions (general, coating or adhesive) comprising a minor amount of homopolymers or copolymers, obtained by polymerisation reactions only involving carbon-to-carbon unsaturated bonds, not provided for in groups **C08L 23/00 - C08L 53/00**

**Special rules of classification**

Use of C-Sets:

To indicate the nature of the second component in a system, C-Sets are used as explained in the Rules at subclass level.

**C09D 157/00**

Coating compositions based on unspecified polymers obtained by reactions only involving carbon-to-carbon unsaturated bonds

**Definition statement**

This place covers:

Coating compositions of polymers obtained by reactions only involving carbon-to-carbon unsaturated bonds which are not limited to a particular polymer type as defined in groups **C09D 107/00-C09D 155/00**.

Coating compositions of polymers obtained by reactions only involving carbon-to-carbon unsaturated bonds which are not specific enough as to fit in the preceding groups **C09D 107/00-C09D 155/00**.

**References**

**Limiting references**

This place does not cover:

Specific polymer coating compositions **C09D 107/00 - C09D 155/00**

**Special rules of classification**

The use of **C09D 157/00-C09D 157/12** groups should be avoided by classifying the specific examples, whenever practicable, in the corresponding groups of **C09D 107/00-C09D 155/00**.

The use of general groups should be avoided by classifying the specific examples, whenever practicable

**C09D 157/08**

containing halogen atoms

**References**

**Informative references**

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

Coating compositions of (co)polymers of unsaturated halogen containing monomers as defined in **C09D 127/00**
C09D 157/10
containing oxygen atoms

References
Informative references
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<td>Saturated carboxylic acid, carbonic acid or haloformic acid esters of</td>
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<td>Unsaturated carboxylic acids, esters</td>
<td>C09D 133/00</td>
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<td>Unsaturated dicarboxylic acids, esters, anhydrides</td>
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<td>Unsaturated aliphatic radicals, terminated by a heterocyclic ring</td>
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C09D 157/12
containing nitrogen atoms

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<td>C09D 135/00</td>
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<tr>
<td>Unsaturated aliphatic radicals, terminated by a heterocyclic ring</td>
<td>C09D 139/00</td>
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C09D 159/00
Coating compositions based on polyacetals; Coating compositions based on derivatives of polyacetals

Definition statement
This place covers:
These subgroups cover:

Coating composition of polyacetals, which are addition polymers of aldehydes or cyclic oligomers thereof or of ketones and correspond to groups C08G 2/00 or their subgroups.

References
Limiting references
This place does not cover:

Coating of polyvinyl acetals                                           | C09D 129/04 |
Special rules of classification

Attention is drawn to the rules of C-Sets classes which are explained after the C09D title.

When a document specifies coating of polyacetal in general, or both homopolyacetals and copolyacetals, then main group C09D 159/00 is used; only when the document specifically mentions homopolyacetals or copolyacetals, then C09D 159/02 and C09D 159/04 respectively are used.

C09D 161/00

Coating compositions based on condensation polymers of aldehydes or ketones (with polyalcohols C09D 159/00; with polynitriles C09D 177/00); Coating compositions based on derivatives of such polymers

Definition statement

This place covers:

- Coatings compositions based on condensation polymers of aldehydes or ketones with polyalcohols which correspond to C08G 4/00,
- aldehydes or ketones only which correspond to C08G 6/00-C08G 6/02,
- aldehydes or ketones with phenols only which correspond to C08G 8/00-C08G 8/38,
- aldehydes or ketones with aromatic hydrocarbons or halogenated aromatic hydrocarbons only which correspond to C08G 10/00-C08G 10/06,
- aldehydes or ketones with only compounds containing hydrogen attached to nitrogen which correspond to C08G 12/00-C08G 12/46,
- aldehydes or ketones corresponding to C08G 14/00-C08G 16/06.

References

Limiting references

This place does not cover:

Coatings compositions based on condensation polymers of aldehydes or ketones with polyalcohols
Coatings compositions based on condensation polymers of aldehydes or ketones with polynitriles

Informative references

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

- Application in or for layered products B32B
- Peptides C07K
- Compounding ingredients C08K

Special rules of classification

IPC groups C09D161/08 and C09D161/10 are not used and covered by C09D 161/06.

Use of C-Sets:

To indicate the nature of the second component in a system, C-Sets are used as explained in the Rules at subclass level.
C09D 163/00
Coating compositions based on epoxy resins; Coating compositions based on derivatives of epoxy resins

Definition statement
This place covers:
Coating compositions based on polycondensates having more than one epoxy group per molecules, with or without other components.

Relationships with other classification places
Compositions based on epoxy resins are classified in C08L 63/00.
Adhesive compositions based on epoxy resins are classified in C09J 163/00.

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

| Coating compositions, e.g. paints, varnishes or lacquers, characterised by their physical nature or the effects produced or filling pastes | C09D 5/00- C09D 5/44 |
| Features of coating compositions, not provided for in groups C09D 5/00 C09D 7/00, C09D 7/20 - C09D 7/80 |

Special rules of classification
Use of C-Sets:
When two or more polymers are present in a composition, classification is given as explained in the Rules at subclass level.

Examples:

a. A coating composition comprising a blend of 60 parts non-specified epoxy resin (C09D 163/00) and 40 parts polyamide (C08L 77/00) is classified in (C09D 163/00, C08L 77/00).

a': A coating composition comprising a blend of 50 parts non-specified epoxy resin (C09D 163/00) and 50 parts Novolak epoxy resin (C09D 163/04) is classified in (C09D 163/00, C08L 63/04), (C09D 163/04, C08L 63/00) and C08L 2205/02.

b. A coating composition based of a polyepoxide and containing CaCO3 is classified in C09D 163/00 and C08K 3/26. If this composition contains also a polyamide, then the classification will be (C09D 163/00, C08L 77/00, C08K 3/26).

Glossary of terms
In this place, the following terms or expressions are used with the meaning indicated:

| Coating | Paint |
| Lacquer | Varnish |
**Synonyms and Keywords**

<table>
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<tr>
<td>Bisphenol F</td>
<td>2-[(2-Hydroxyphenyl)methyl]phenol</td>
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<td>Bisphenol S</td>
<td>4-(4-Hydroxyphenyl)sulfonylphenol</td>
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<td>DGEBA</td>
<td>Diglycidyl ether of Bisphenol A</td>
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**C09D 163/04**

**Epoxynovolacs**

**Definition statement**

*This place covers:*

Coating compositions comprising aromatic epoxy resins, which are multifunctional (three functions or more per molecule), from the condensation of phenol-formaldehyde resins and epichlorhydrin.

**References**

*Informative references*

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**Special rules of classification**

Attention is drawn to the Rules of C09D 163/00 for mixtures (C-Sets, Indexing Codes).

**Synonyms and Keywords**

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**C09D 163/06**

**Triglycidylisocyanurates**

**Definition statement**

*This place covers:*

Coating compositions comprising cyclic heteroaromatic resin with three glycidyl groups: from the reaction of cyanuric acid with excess epichlorhydrin.

**References**

*Informative references*

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<td>C08G 59/3236</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Compositions of triglycidylisocyanurates</td>
<td>C08L 63/06</td>
</tr>
</tbody>
</table>
Special rules of classification
Attention is drawn to the Rules of C09D 163/00 for mixtures (C-Sets, Indexing Codes).

Synonyms and Keywords

Teroxirone, tris(2,3-epoxypropyl) isocyanurate, TGIC or TEPIC

C09D 163/08
Epoxidised polymerised polyenes

Definition statement
This place covers:
Coating compositions comprising macromolecular unsaturated compounds, which are epoxidised in a further step, e.g. oxidation by H₂O₂, such as fatty acid-based polymers or epoxidized rubbers

References
Informative references
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<td>C08G 59/027</td>
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<td>Compositions of epoxidised polymersied polyenes</td>
<td>C08L 63/08</td>
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C09D 163/10
Epoxy resins modified by unsaturated compounds

Definition statement
This place covers:
coating compositions comprising epoxy resins chemically modified by the reaction of unsaturated compounds

References
Informative references
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<td>with unsaturated monoacids</td>
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<tr>
<td>Epoxy-functional Polycondensates modified by chemical after treatment,</td>
<td>C08G 59/1466</td>
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<tr>
<td>with acrylic or methacrylic acids</td>
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</table>
Epoxy-functional Polycondensates modified by chemical after treatment, with fatty acids

**C09D 165/00**

Coating compositions based on macromolecular compounds obtained by reactions forming a carbon-to-carbon link in the main chain (C09D 107/00 - C09D 157/00, C09D 161/00 take precedence); Coating compositions based on derivatives of such polymers

**Definition statement**

This place covers:

Coating compositions, e.g. paints, varnishes, lacquers based on polymers (I) obtained by reactions forming a carbon-carbon bond in the main chain other than polymers (II) obtained by reactions only involving the polyaddition of carbon-to-carbon unsaturated bonds (wherein in the latter case the reactive carbon-carbon group stays intact without cleavage of fragments). Said polymers (I) are themselves classified in C08G 61/00-C08G 61/128. The coating compositions comprise either other macromolecular compounds and/or other ingredients.

**Relationships with other classification places**

Relationship with other subclasses of classes C08 and C09:

Macromolecular compounds per se obtained by reactions only involving the polyaddition of carbon-to-carbon unsaturated bonds (addition polymers wherein the reactive carbon-carbon group stays intact without cleavage of fragments) are classified in C08F. Compositions based on monomers of such polymers are treated in C08F, as well.

This main group includes metathesis polymerization products, but it does not include common addition polymers such as polymethacrylate.

Macromolecular compounds obtained by reactions forming a carbon-carbon bond in the main chain other than polymers obtained by reactions only involving the polyaddition of carbon-to-carbon unsaturated bonds are classified in C08G 61/00 and subgroups. Compositions based on monomers of such polymers are also put in C08G 61/00 and subgroups.

Use or choice of inorganic or non-macromolecular organic materials as compounding agents are classified in C08K; any macromolecular components are classified in C08L.

Relationship with other main groups of the same subclass C09D:

Coating compositions based on polymers prepared by condensation reactions of aldehydes or ketones with phenols only are classified in groups C09D 161/04 - C09D 161/16, since C09D 161/00-C09D 161/34 takes preference. For the same reasons, coating compositions based on condensation polymers of aldehydes or ketones only are classified in C09D 161/02. Coating compositions of polymers, which may otherwise be formed by carbon-carbon bond formation, but which are prepared by condensation reactions other than those involving the formation of carbon-carbon bonds in the main chain are put in the appropriate groups, e.g. C09D 179/04 for polypyrroles formed from amines and polyketones. Coating compositions based on polyketones are classified in C09D 173/00.

Further aspects:

In cases where a coating composition contains an organic non-macromolecular compound but is not based on that compound, and such a compound is of interest, classification could be made in subclass C08K or as an additive in group C08J 3/00, e.g. C08J 3/24 for crosslinking agents or C09D 7/40. This may be in addition to classification in C09D 101/00-C09D 201/00.
## References

### Limiting references

This place does not cover:

Attention is drawn to the References at subclass level.

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<td>Polycondensates having nitrogen-containing heterocyclic rings in the main chain of the macromolecules obtained by reactions forming a linkage containing nitrogen, including polypyrroles; Compositions or coating compositions comprising such polycondensates</td>
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<td>Conductors characterised by the conductive material: Conductive polymers</td>
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<td>Solid state devices using polymeric materials as the active part, or using a combination of organic materials including organic polymers with other materials as the active part</td>
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<td>Electrode materials selected from organic compounds</td>
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Special rules of classification
See pertinent explanations provided at subclass level, relating to classification rules applying to **C09D** in general. These principles also apply to this main group.

Glossary of terms
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<td>Addition polymers</td>
<td>An addition polymer is a polymer which is formed by an addition reaction, where monomers bond together via rearrangement of bonds without the loss of any atom or molecule. This is in contrast to a condensation polymer which is formed by a condensation reaction where a molecule, such as water, is lost during the formation.</td>
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<tr>
<td>Condensation polymers</td>
<td>A condensation polymer is a polymer in which water or some other simple molecule is eliminated from 2 or more monomer molecules as they combine to form the polymer.</td>
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Synonyms and Keywords
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<td>Ring-opening metathesis polymerisation</td>
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**C09D 167/00**
Coating compositions based on polyesters obtained by reactions forming a carboxylic ester link in the main chain (based on polyester-amides **C09D 177/12**; based on polyester-imides **C09D 179/08**); Coating compositions based on derivatives of such polymers

Definition statement
*This place covers:*
Coating compositions wherein the major component is a polymer of **C08G 63/00**.

References

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Layered products comprising polyesters | B32B 27/36
Coatings on shaped materials of macromolecular compounds | C08J 7/047

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<td>PEA</td>
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C09D 169/00
Coating compositions based on polycarbonates; Coating compositions based on derivatives of polycarbonates

Definition statement
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Coating compositions wherein the major component is a polymer of C08G 64/00.

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<td>Coatings on shaped materials of macromolecular compounds</td>
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<td>Polycarbonate record carriers</td>
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C09D 171/00

Coating compositions based on polyethers obtained by reactions forming an ether link in the main chain (based on polyacetals C09D 159/00; based on epoxy resins C09D 163/00; based on polythioether-ethers C09D 181/02; based on polyethersulfones C09D 181/06); Coating compositions based on derivatives of such polymers

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Special rules of classification

Same rules apply as for C08L 71/00 – C08L 71/14.

C09D 173/00

Coating compositions based on macromolecular compounds obtained by reactions forming a linkage containing oxygen or oxygen and carbon in the main chain, not provided for in groups C09D 159/00 - C09D 171/00; Coating compositions based on derivatives of such polymers

Special rules of classification

Same rules as for C08L 73/00 - C08L 73/02.

C09D 175/00

Coating compositions based on polyureas or polyurethanes; Coating compositions based on derivatives of such polymers

Definition statement

This place covers:

Coating compositions of polymers of C08G 18/00 or C08G 71/00.

References

Limiting references

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<td>Adhesive compositions of polyurethanes or polyureas</td>
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<td>Processes for applying liquid materials to surfaces</td>
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<td>Shaping or joining plastics</td>
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<td>Mould release agents</td>
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<td>Layered products comprising polyurethanes</td>
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<td>Working up of polyurethanes to porous or cellular articles</td>
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<td>Use of inorganic or non-macromolecular organic substances as</td>
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Special rules of classification

Use of C-Sets:

To indicate the nature of the second component in a system, C-Sets are used as explained in the Rules at subclass level.

Synonyms and Keywords

In patent documents, the following abbreviations are often used:

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<tr>
<td>CPP</td>
<td>Copolymer polyol</td>
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<tr>
<td>DABCO</td>
<td>1,4-Diazabicyclo(2.2.2)octane</td>
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<td>DMPA</td>
<td>Dimethylol propionic acid</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>EDA</td>
<td>Ethylene diamine</td>
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<tr>
<td>EO</td>
<td>Ethylene oxide</td>
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<td>H12MDI</td>
<td>Dicyclohexylmethane diisocyanate</td>
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<td>HDI</td>
<td>Hexane diisocyanate</td>
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<td>IEM</td>
<td>Isocyanato ethyl methacrylate</td>
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<td>IPDI</td>
<td>Isophorone diisocyanate</td>
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<td>Jeffamine</td>
<td>Amine capped polyether</td>
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<td>Polymethylene poly(phenylisocyanate)</td>
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<td>PO</td>
<td>Propylene oxide</td>
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<td>PPG</td>
<td>Polypropylene glycol</td>
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<td>PTMO</td>
<td>Polytetramethylene oxide</td>
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<td>TDI</td>
<td>Toluene diisocyanate</td>
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<td>TMP</td>
<td>Trimethylol propane</td>
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<td>TMXDI</td>
<td>Trimethylol propane</td>
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Coating compositions based on polyamides obtained by reactions forming a carboxylic amide link in the main chain (based on polyhydrazides C09D 179/06; based on polyamide-imides C09D 179/08); Coating compositions based on derivatives of such polymers

**Definition statement**

This place covers:

Coatings of compositions based on polyamides derived from
- omega-amino carboxylic acids or from lactams corresponding to C08G 69/02, e.g. nylon 6,
- alpha-amino carboxylic corresponding to C08G 69/10,
- polyanilines and polycarboxylic acids corresponding to C08G 69/26, e.g. nylon 66,
- aromatically bound amino and carboxyl groups of amino-carboxylic acids or of polyanilines and polycarboxylic acids corresponding to C08G 69/32,
- coatings of compositions of polyester-amides corresponding to C08G 69/44.

**References**

**Limiting references**

This place does not cover:

- Coatings of polyhydrazides C09D 179/06
- Coatings of polyamide-imides or polyamide acids C09D 179/08

**Informative references**

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

- Hollow fibres membranes B01D 69/08
- Treatment of rubber C08C
- Processes of polymerisation C08F 2/00
- Post-polymerisation treatments C08F 6/00
- Processes of treating or compounding macromolecular substances C08J 3/00
- Processes of crosslinking C08J 3/24
- Manufacture of articles or shaped materials containing macromolecular substances, e.g. films C08J 5/00, C08J 5/18
- Coating of shaped articles made of macromolecular substances C08J 7/00
- Working-up of macromolecular substances to porous or cellular materials C08J 9/00
- Compounding ingredients C08K
- Tubes F16L
- Optical articles, optical parts, e.g. contact lenses G02B 1/00
- Photosensitive films G03F 3/00
- Printed circuits H05K
Special rules of classification

Use of C-Sets:

To indicate the nature of the second component in a system, C-Sets are used as explained in the Rules at subclass level.

Group C09D 177/10 takes precedence over C09D 177/02, C09D 177/04 and C09D 177/06.

C09D 179/00

Coating compositions based on macromolecular compounds obtained by reactions forming in the main chain of the macromolecule a linkage containing nitrogen, with or without oxygen, or carbon only, not provided for in groups C09D 161/00 - C09D 177/00

Definition statement

This place covers:

Coating compositions of:
- polyamines or polyethyleneimines
- polycondensates having nitrogen-containing heterocyclic rings in the main chain, for e.g. polyhydrazides, polyhydrazides, polytriazoles, polyamino-triazoles, polybenzimidazoles or polyoxadiazoles
- polyimides, polyester-imides, polyamide-imides, polyamide acids, (unsaturated) polyimide precursors.

References

Informative references

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

| Hollow fibres membranes | B01D 69/08 |
| Treatment of rubber     | C08C       |
| Processes of polymerisation | C08F 2/00 |
| Post-polymerisation treatments | C08F 6/00 |
| Processes of treating or compounding macromolecular substances | C08J 3/00 |
| Processes of crosslinking | C08J 3/24 |
| Manufacture of articles or shaped materials containing macromolecular substances, e.g. films | C08J 5/00, C08J 5/18 |

Special rules of classification

Use of C-Sets:

To indicate the nature of the second component in a system, C-Sets are used as explained in the Rules at subclass level.
C09D 181/00

Coating compositions based on macromolecular compounds obtained by reactions forming in the main chain of the macromolecule a linkage containing sulfur, with or without nitrogen, oxygen, or carbon only; Coating compositions based on polysulfones; Coating compositions based on derivatives of such polymers

Special rules of classification

Same rules as for C08L 81/00-C08L 81/10.

C09D 183/00

Coating compositions based on macromolecular compounds obtained by reactions forming in the main chain of the macromolecule a linkage containing silicon, with or without sulfur, nitrogen, oxygen, or carbon only; Coating compositions based on derivatives of such polymers

Definition statement

This place covers:

Coating compositions of macromolecular compounds obtained by reactions forming in the main chain of the macromolecule a linkage containing silicon with or without sulfur, nitrogen, oxygen or carbon only, e.g.

- polysilicates (corresponding to group C08G 77/02),
- polysiloxanes (corresponding to group C08G 77/04),
- block- or graft-copolymers containing polysiloxane sequences (corresponding to group C08G 77/42) or
- polymers in which at least two but not all the silicon atoms are connected by linkages other than oxygen atoms (corresponding to group C08G 77/48);

Coating compositions of derivatives of such polymers.

These polymers are referred to with the MDTQ nomenclature.

Coating compositions made from mixtures of different reactive silanes (sol-gel compositions) are classified in the respective subclass of C09D 183/00. It is assumed that in such mixtures there has always been formed a siloxane polymer via hydrolysis/condensation.

Relationships with other classification places

The groups for coating compositions are structured in analogy to the adhesive compositions C09J 183/00. All notes in C09J 183/00 apply for C09D 183/00.

C09D 183/04

Polysiloxanes

References

Informative references

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

| Application of siloxanes as pressure sensitive coatings (PSAs) | C09J 7/38 |
| Release coating composition on which the PSA is applied        | C09J 7/40, C09D 183/04 |
Special rules of classification
From 01.09.2010 onwards, a coating composition containing two or more siloxanes is (searched and) classified in (C09D 183/04, C08L 83/00) and then given additional Indexing Codes for the respective siloxanes, e.g. C08G 77/12 for Si-H siloxane and C08G 77/20 for vinyl-siloxane.

C09D 183/10
Block or graft copolymers containing polysiloxane sequences (obtained by polymerising a compound having a carbon-to-carbon double bond on to a polysiloxane C09D 151/08, C09D 153/00)

References
Limiting references
This place does not cover:

| Coating compositions obtained by polymerising a compound having a carbon-to-carbon double bond on to a polysiloxane | C09D 151/08, C09D 153/00 |

Special rules of classification
Attention is drawn to the CPC Definitions of C08G 77/42.

C09D 183/12
containing polyether sequences

Special rules of classification
Attention is drawn to the CPC Definitions of the respective C08G 77/00 groups.

C09D 183/14
in which at least two but not all the silicon atoms are connected by linkages other than oxygen atoms (C09D 183/10 takes precedence)

Special rules of classification
Attention is drawn to the CPC Definitions of the respective C08G 77/00 groups.

C09D 183/10 takes precedence over this group.

C09D 185/00
Coating compositions based on macromolecular compounds obtained by reactions forming in the main chain of the macromolecule a linkage containing atoms other than silicon, sulfur, nitrogen, oxygen, and carbon; Coating compositions based on derivatives of such polymers

Special rules of classification
Same rules apply as for C08L 85/00-C08L 85/04.
**C09D 187/00**

Coating compositions based on unspecified macromolecular compounds, obtained otherwise than by polymerisation reactions only involving unsaturated carbon-to-carbon bonds

**Definition statement**

*This place covers:*

Coating compositions of unspecific macromolecular compounds, obtained by step polymerisation reactions and addition polymerization reactions.

**Special rules of classification**

Use of C-Sets:

To indicate the nature of the second component in a system, C-Sets are used as explained in the Rules at subclass level.

**C09D 187/005**

{Block or graft polymers not provided for in groups C09D 101/00 - C09D 185/04}

**Definition statement**

*This place covers:*

Coating compositions of block or graft polymers obtained by step polymerisation reactions and addition polymerization reactions.

**References**

*Informative references*

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

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<th>C09D 151/08</th>
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<td>Coating compositions based on block copolymers containing at least one sequence of a polymer obtained by reactions only involving carbon-to-carbon unsaturated bonds; Coating compositions based on derivatives of such polymers</td>
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**Special rules of classification**

Use of C-Sets:

To indicate the nature of the second component in a system, C-Sets are used as explained in the Rules at subclass level.
C09D 189/00

Coating compositions based on proteins; Coating compositions based on derivatives thereof (foodstuff preparations A23J 3/00)

Definition statement

This place covers:

Coating compositions of proteins or derivatives thereof, i.e. of complex organic macromolecules that containing carbon, hydrogen, oxygen, nitrogen and usually sulfur and are composed of one or more chains or amino acids parts and that correspond to the following groups for the macromolecular products derived form proteins as such: C08H 1/00-C08H 1/06

Relationships with other classification places

Multiple classification

Please refer to the corresponding part in C08H.

References

Limiting references

This place does not cover:

| Composition comprising proteins or protein derivatives | C08L 89/00- C08L 89/06 |
| Compositions of proteins or protein derivatives in minority | C08L 89/00- C08L 89/06 |
| Adhesive composition comprising proteins or protein derivatives | C09J 189/00- C09J 189/06 |

Special rules of classification

- Proteins or derivatives thereof in solution, or together with other macromolecular compounds, or together with an inorganic or non-macromolecular organic additive are considered as a composition and are thus classified according to the rules of C08L. They are classified according to the mutual proportions by weight of only the macromolecular constituents, in particular according to the macromolecular constituent present in the highest proportion. If all the constituents are present in equal proportions, the composition is classified according to each of these constituents.
- Compositions containing a proteins or derivatives thereof and an inorganic or non-macromolecular organic additive as compounding agent are not classified in C08K as indicated in the rules for C08L, but in the corresponding C08L subclass together with the corresponding Indexing Code(s) in C08K.
- Last place priority rule: Within each sub group of this group, in the absence of an indication to the contrary, classification is made in the last appropriate place.
- The subject-matter disclosed in both the claims and the examples of a patent document is to be classified.

C09D 189/04

Products derived from waste materials, e.g. horn, hoof or hair

Definition statement

This place covers:

Products derived from waste animal materials.
C09D 191/00
Coating compositions based on oils, fats or waxes; Coating compositions based on derivatives thereof (polishing compositions, ski waxes C09G; soaps, detergent compositions C11D)

Definition statement
This place covers:
Coating compositions of oils, fats and waxes, e.g. factice, linoxyn or (mineral) waxes.

Relationships with other classification places
Multiple classification
The use of oils, fats and waxes in cosmetics and other toilet preparations is further classified in one of A61Q together with A61K 8/92.
Galenical compositions comprising natural resins are classified in A61K 9/00.
The use of oils, fats and waxes as carriers in medicinal preparations is classified in A61K 47/44.
The use of oils, fats and waxes in lubricants is classified in C10M.

References
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<td>Vulcanised oils, e.g. factice</td>
<td>C08H 3/00</td>
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<tr>
<td>Compositions of oils, fats and waxes in minority</td>
<td>C08L 91/00 - C08L 91/08</td>
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<tr>
<td>Adhesive composition comprising oils, fats and waxes</td>
<td>C09J 191/00 - C09J 191/08</td>
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Special rules of classification

• Oils, fats and waxes in solution, or together with other macromolecular compounds, or together with an inorganic or non-macromolecular organic additive are considered as a composition and are thus classified according to the rules of C08L. They are classified according to the mutual proportions by weight of only the macromolecular constituents, in particular according to the macromolecular constituent present in the highest proportion. If all the constituents are present in equal proportions, the composition is classified according to each of these constituents.
• Compositions containing oils, fats and waxes and an inorganic or non-macromolecular organic additive as compounding agent are not classified in C08K as indicated in the rules for C08L, but in the corresponding C08L subclass together with the corresponding Indexing Code(s) in C08K.

Ex.: A coating composition consisting of mineral wax and glass fibres (filler) is classified in C09D 191/08 and C08K 7/14

• Last place priority rule: Within each sub group of this group, in the absence of an indication to the contrary, classification is made in the last appropriate place.
• The subject-matter disclosed in both the claims and the examples of a patent document is to be classified.
C09D 193/00

Coating compositions based on natural resins; Coating compositions based on derivatives thereof (polishing compositions C09G)

Definition statement

This place covers:
Compositions of natural resins and their derivatives corresponding to the following group: C09F 1/00
Coatings compositions of resins obtained directly from the plant in its natural state, Plant exudate, e.g. colophony.
Coating compositions obtained by extrusion of plant material, e.g. through an extruder, i.e. submitted to high shear and high temperatures are not classified in this group.

Relationships with other classification places

Multiple classification
Grafted natural resins obtained by reaction of an unsaturated monomer onto a natural resin are classified in C08F 253/00.
Galenical compositions comprising natural resins are classified in A61K 9/00.
Please refer also to the corresponding part in C09F 1/00.

References

Limiting references
This place does not cover:

| Composition comprising natural resins | C08L 93/00- C08L 93/04 |
| Compositions of natural resins in minority | C08L 93/00- C08L 93/04 |
| Purification or chemical modification of natural resins | C09F 1/00 |
| Adhesive composition comprising natural resins | C09J 193/00 - C09J 193/04 |

Special rules of classification

• Natural resins in solution, or together with other macromolecular compounds, or together with an inorganic or non-macromolecular organic additive are considered as a composition and are thus classified according to the rules of C08L. They are classified according to the mutual proportions by weight of only the macromolecular constituents, in particular according to the macromolecular constituent present in the highest proportion. If all the constituents are present in equal proportions, the composition is classified according to each of these constituents.
• Compositions containing a natural resin and an inorganic or non-macromolecular organic additive as compounding agent are not classified in C08K as indicated in the rules for C08L, but in the corresponding C08L subclass together with the corresponding Indexing Code(s) in C08K.

Ex.: A coating composition consisting of shellac and glass fibres (filler) is classified in C09D 193/02 and C08K 7/14.
• Last place priority rule: Within each sub group of this group, in the absence of an indication to the contrary, classification is made in the last appropriate place.
• The subject-matter disclosed in both the claims and the examples of a patent document is to be classified.
**C09D 195/00**

Coating compositions based on bituminous materials, e.g. asphalt, tar, pitch

**Definition statement**

*This place covers:*

1. Coating compositions of bitumen or asphalt used for coating applications other than coating aggregate.

2. Aqueous compositions of bitumen or asphalt, e.g. emulsions, used for coating applications other than coating aggregate.

**Relationships with other classification places**

Relationship with other subclasses of C08 and C09

Attention is drawn to the general rules of classification which are explained after the C08L and the C09D titles. These rules should be followed for reasons of general consistency, nevertheless, additional multiple classification might be mandatory

Relationship with the main group C08L 95/00

Since the main group C09D 195/00 is seen as a “related field” of C08L 95/00, explicit reference is made to all references, definitions, terms and rules explained in said main group C08L 95/00

**References**

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<td>C09J 195/00 - C09J 195/005</td>
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**Informative references**

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

| Sealing materials | C09K 3/00, C09K 3/12, C09K 3/18 |

**Special rules of classification**

The subgroup C09D 195/00 or C09D 195/005 should be used only if the claims of the application explicitly encompass a bituminous coating as such.

In addition a C08L 95/00 code in combination with the relevant Indexing Code(s) (C08L 2555/00 M08L205/40 - C08L 2555/86) characterising essential features should also be given if the coating composition is mainly characterised by the bituminous composition, either by its constituents and/or by its parameters.

Examples:

- A coating composition for coating a metal substrate comprising bitumen is classified in C09D 195/00
- A coating composition for coating aggregate comprising bitumen is classified in C08L 95/00
• A coating composition comprising bitumen for adhering an element to a substrate is classified in C09J 195/00
• A coating composition comprising a mixture of bitumen and bees wax is classified in C09D 195/00 and C08L 95/00 and C08L 2555/64

Glossary of terms
In this place, the following terms or expressions are used with the meaning indicated:
In this group, several terms (or expressions) are used having the meaning as indicated in the group C08L 95/00

Synonyms and Keywords
In this group, several synonyms and keywords are used as indicated in the group C08L 95/00

C09D 197/00
Coating compositions based on lignin-containing materials

Definition statement
This place covers:
Coating compositions of lignin-containing materials corresponding to the following groups:
C08H 6/00 and C08H 8/00, e.g. cork, lignocellulosic materials like wood

Relationships with other classification places
Multiple classification
Please refer to the corresponding part in C08H.

References
Limiting references
This place does not cover:

| Coating composition of natural macromolecule compounds or of derivatives not provided for in groups C08L 89/00 - C08L 97/00, e.g. flours | C09D 199/00 |
| Macromolecular compounds derived from lignin | C08H 6/00 |
| Macromolecular compounds derived from lignocellulosic materials | C08H 8/00 |
| Composition comprising lignin-containing materials | C08L 97/00 - C08L 97/02 |
| Compositions of lignin-containing materials in minority | C08L 97/00 - C08L 97/02 |
| Adhesive composition comprising lignin-containing materials | C09J 197/00 - C09J 197/02 |

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

| Composition of natural macromolecular compounds or of derivatives thereof not provided for in groups C08L 89/00 - C08L 97/00, e.g. flours | C08L 99/00 |
Special rules of classification

• Lignin-containing materials in solution, or together with other macromolecular compounds, or together with an inorganic or non-macromolecular organic additive are considered as a composition and are thus classified according to the rules of C08L. They are classified according to the mutual proportions by weight of only the macromolecular constituents, in particular according to the macromolecular constituent present in the highest proportion. If all the constituents are present in equal proportions, the composition is classified according to each of these constituents.

• Compositions containing a lignin-containing material and an inorganic or non-macromolecular organic additive as compounding agent are not classified in C08K as indicated in the rules for C08L, but in the corresponding C08L subclass together with the corresponding Indexing Code(s) in C08K.

Ex.: A coating composition consisting of lignocellulose and glass fibres (filler) is classified in C09D 197/02 and C08K 7/14.

• Last place priority rule: Within each sub group of this group, in the absence of an indication to the contrary, classification is made in the last appropriate place.

• The subject-matter disclosed in both the claims and the examples of a patent document is to be classified.

C09D 199/00

Coating compositions based on natural macromolecular compounds or on derivatives thereof, not provided for in groups C09D 189/00 - C09D 197/00

Definition statement

This place covers:

Coating compositions of natural macromolecular compounds or derivatives thereof not provided for in groups C08L 89/00 - C08L 97/00 corresponding to the following groups: C08H 99/00

Relationships with other classification places

Multiple classification

Please refer to the corresponding part in C08H.

References

Limiting references

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<tr>
<th>Coating composition of starch or derivatives thereof</th>
<th>C09D 103/00</th>
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<tr>
<td>Coating composition of lignin-containing materials, e.g. lignin, cork, lignocellulose or wood</td>
<td>C09D 197/00</td>
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<tr>
<td>Natural macromolecular compounds or derivatives thereof</td>
<td>C08H 99/00</td>
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<td>Composition comprising natural macromolecular compounds</td>
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<td>Adhesive composition comprising natural macromolecular compounds</td>
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Special rules of classification

• Natural macromolecular materials in solution, or together with other macromolecular compounds, or together with an inorganic or non-macromolecular organic additive are considered as a composition and are thus classified according to the rules of C08L. They are classified
according to the mutual proportions by weight of only the macromolecular constituents, in particular according to the macromolecular constituent present in the highest proportion. If all the constituents are present in equal proportions, the composition is classified according to each of these constituents.

• Compositions containing a natural macromolecular material and an inorganic or non-macromolecular organic additive as compounding agent are not classified in C08K as indicated in the rules for C08L, but in the corresponding C08L subclass together with the corresponding Indexing Code(s) in C08K.

Ex.: A composition consisting of flour and glass fibres (filler) is classified in C09D 199/00 and C08K 7/14.

• Last place priority rule: Within each sub group of this group, in the absence of an indication to the contrary, classification is made in the last appropriate place.

• The subject-matter disclosed in both the claims and the examples of a patent document is to be classified.

C09D 201/00

Coating compositions based on unspecified macromolecular compounds

Definition statement

This place covers:

coating compositions based on unspecified polymers not covered by C09D 101/00-C09D 199/00.

Special rules of classification

Use of C-Sets:

To indicate the nature of the second component in a system, C-Sets are used as explained in the Rules at subclass level.

Examples:

A coating composition containing 80 parts of unspecified polymer and 20 parts of polyvinylchloride is classified in groups (C09D 201/00, C08L 27/06).

A coating composition containing 90% of unspecified polymer and 10% of polyester (C08L 67/00) is classified in (C09D 201/00, C08L 67/00).

The following Indexing Codes can be used:

C08L 2205/00 - C08L 2205/242

C09D 201/005

{Dendritic macromolecules}

Definition statement

This place covers:

Coating compositions in which the polymer in majority is unspecified and the polymer in minority is a dendritic polymer.
References

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Special rules of classification

Please see the Rules under C09D 201/00.

C09D 201/02

characterised by the presence of specified groups {, e.g. terminal or pendant functional groups}

Definition statement

This place covers:

coating compositions characterised by the presence of specified groups; e.g. terminal or pendant functional groups

Special rules of classification

Please see the Rules under C09D 201/00.

C09D 201/025

{containing nitrogen atoms}

Definition statement

This place covers:

coating compositions in which the unspecified polymer is characterised by the presence of functional groups containing nitrogen, e.g. carbamates.

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Special rules of classification

Please see the Rules under C09D 201/00.
**C09D 201/04**

**containing halogen atoms**

**Definition statement**

*This place covers:*

coating compositions in which the unspecified polymer is characterised by the presence of halogen atoms.

**Special rules of classification**

Please see the Rules under **C09D 201/00**.

**C09D 201/06**

**containing oxygen atoms** {{**C09D 201/025** takes precedence}}

**Definition statement**

*This place covers:*

coating compositions in which the unspecified polymer is characterised by the presence of functional groups containing oxygen, e.g. hydroxyl, carboxyl groups, and the like.

**Special rules of classification**

Please see the Rules under **C09D 201/00**.

**C09D 201/08**

Carboxyl groups

**Definition statement**

*This place covers:*

coating compositions in which the unspecified polymer is characterised by the presence of carboxyl groups.

**Special rules of classification**

Please see the Rules under **C09D 201/00**.

**C09D 201/10**

**containing hydrolysable silane groups**

**Definition statement**

*This place covers:*

coating compositions in which the unspecified polymer is characterised by the presence of functional groups containing silicone, e.g. silanes, silanol groups and the like.

**References**

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