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

<u>Action</u>	<u>Subclass</u>	<u>Group(s)</u>
Title wording change:	A43B	17/00
	A47C	13/00
	A47G	9/02
	A61J	19/00
	A63B	59/00
	A63B	60/06
	B65D	83/14
	B65D	83/20
	B65D	83/38
	B65D	83/60
	B65D	83/68
Modified Definitions:	A47C	13/00
	A47G	9/02
	A61J	19/00
	B65D	83/14

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

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

1. CLASSIFICATION SCHEME CHANGES
 - A. New, Modified or Deleted Group(s)
 - B. New, Modified or Deleted Warning Notice(s)
 - C. New, Modified or Deleted Note(s)
 - D. New, Modified or Deleted Guidance Heading(s)
2. DEFINITIONS (New or Modified)
 - A. DEFINITIONS (Full definition template)
 - B. DEFINITIONS (Definitions Quick Fix)
3. REVISION CONCORDANCE LIST (RCL)
4. CHANGES TO THE CPC-TO-IPC CONCORDANCE LIST (CICL)
5. CROSS-REFERENCE LIST (CRL)

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1. CLASSIFICATION SCHEME CHANGES

A. New, Modified or Deleted Group(s)**SUBCLASS A43B – CHARACTERISTIC FEATURES OF FOOTWEAR; PARTS OF FOOTWEAR**

<u>Type*</u>	<u>Symbol</u>	<u>Indent Level Number of dots (e.g. 0, 1, 2)</u>	<u>Title (new or modified)</u> <u>“CPC only” text should normally be enclosed in {curly brackets}**</u>	<u>Transferred to#</u>
M	A43B17/00	0	Insoles for insertion, e.g. footbeds or inlays, for attachment to the shoe after the upper has been joined (special medical insertions for shoes A61F5/14)	

SUBCLASS A47C – CHAIRS (seats specially adapted for vehicles B60N 2/00; {hunting stands, e.g. hunting seats A01M 31/02; seats adapted for angling, e.g. fisherman's seats A01K 97/22; bath seats A47K 3/12; shower seats A47K 3/282; chairs with toilet means A47K 11/04; seats for surgeons, dentists A61B 19/28; chairs for disabled persons A61G 5/00; operating chairs, dental chairs, physiotherapeutic chairs, gynaecological chairs A61G 15/00; chairs with massage means A61H 2201/0149; ski-lift seats B61B 12/002; rail vehicles seats B61D 33/00; vessel furniture, e.g. boat seats B63B 29/04; aircraft seats B64D 11/06}); **SOFAS; BEDS** (upholstery in general B68G; {beds specially adapted for nursing A61G 7/00; sleeping accommodation for caravans B60P 3/38, sleeping accommodation for rail vehicles B61D 31/00; sleeping accommodation for load-carrying vehicles B62D 33/0612; berths for vessels B63B 29/10})

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M	A47C13/00	0	Convertible chairs, stools or benches (step-stools requiring conversion between the step and seat functions A47C12/02)	

SUBCLASS A47G – HOUSEHOLD OR TABLE EQUIPMENT HOUSEHOLD (book-ends A47B 5/00; knives B26B)

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M	A47G9/02	1	Bed linen; Blankets; Counterpanes	

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SUBCLASS A61J – CONTAINERS SPECIALLY ADAPTED FOR MEDICAL OR PHARMACEUTICAL PURPOSES; DEVICES OR METHODS SPECIALLY ADAPTED FOR BRINGING PHARMACEUTICAL PRODUCTS INTO PARTICULAR PHYSICAL OR ADMINISTERING FORMS; DEVICES FOR ADMINISTERING FOOD OR MEDICINES ORALLY; BABY COMFORTERS; DEVICES FOR RECEIVING SPITTLE

<u>Type*</u>	<u>Symbol</u>	<u>Indent Level Number of dots (e.g. 0, 1, 2)</u>	<u>Title (new or modified)</u> <u>“CPC only” text should normally be enclosed in {curly brackets}**</u>	<u>Transferred to#</u>
M	A61J 19/00	0	Devices for receiving spittle, e.g. spittoons (for dentists A61C17/14)	

SUBCLASS A63B – APPARATUS FOR PHYSICAL TRAINING, GYMNASTICS, SWIMMING, CLIMBING, OR FENCING; BALL GAMES; TRAINING EQUIPMENT (apparatus for passive exercising, massage A61H)

<u>Type*</u>	<u>Symbol</u>	<u>Indent Level Number of dots (e.g. 0, 1, 2)</u>	<u>Title (new or modified)</u> <u>“CPC only” text should normally be enclosed in {curly brackets}**</u>	<u>Transferred to#</u>
M	A63B59/00	0	Bats, rackets or the like, not covered by groups A63B49/00 - A63B57/00 {(details A63B60/00)}	
M	A63B60/06	1	Handles {(structurally associated with frames of stringed rackets A63B49/08)}	

SUBCLASS B65D – CONTAINERS FOR STORAGE OR TRANSPORT OF ARTICLES OR MATERIALS, e.g. BAGS, BARRELS, BOTTLES, BOXES, CANS, CARTONS, CRATES, DRUMS, JARS, TANKS, HOPPERS, FORWARDING CONTAINERS; ACCESSORIES, CLOSURES, OR FITTINGS THEREFOR; PACKAGING ELEMENTS; PACKAGES

<u>Type*</u>	<u>Symbol</u>	<u>Indent Level Number of dots (e.g. 0, 1, 2)</u>	<u>Title (new or modified)</u> <u>“CPC only” text should normally be enclosed in {curly brackets}**</u>	<u>Transferred to#</u>
M	B65D83/14	1	for delivery of liquid or semi-liquid contents by internal gaseous pressure, i.e. aerosol containers comprising propellant {for a product delivered by a propellant (spraying devices for the destruction of noxious animals or plants A01M7/00, for therapeutic purposes A61M11/00; vessels for containing or storing compressed, liquefied, or solidified gases F17C)}	
M	B65D83/20	3	{operated by manual action, e.g. button-type actuator or} actuator caps {(actuators formed as a rigid elongate spout B65D83/306)}	
M	B65D83/38	2	Details of the container body (pressure relief devices B65D83/70)	

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M	B65D83/60	2	Contents and propellant separated {(portable fire extinguishers wherein extinguishing material and pressure gas are stored in separate containers A62C13/66)}	
M	B65D83/68	2	Dispensing two or more contents {, e.g. sequential dispensing or simultaneous dispensing of two or more products without mixing them}	

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

NOTES:

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

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2. A. DEFINITIONS (i.e. new or modified)**A47C13/00****References relevant to classification in this group***This group does not cover:*

BEFORE the existing References relevant table, **INSERT** the following new table as well as the preamble which follows the new table:

Step-stool requiring conversion between the step and seat function	A47C12/02
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Examples of places where the subject matter of this class is covered when specially adapted, used for a particular purpose, or incorporated in a larger system:

In the existing References relevant table, DELETE the following row:

Step-stool requiring conversion between the step and seat function	A47C12/02
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In the existing References relevant table, DELETE the following row:

Stretchers, convertible into chairs	A61G1/017
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REPLACE the last deleted row with the following new row:

Stretchers, for patients or disabled persons, convertible into chairs	A61G1/017
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A47G9/02

DELETE the entire Informative References section.

INSERT the following section.

References relevant to classification in this group

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

Sheets specially adapted for use as or with stretchers for patients or disabled persons	A61G1/01
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A61J19/00

DELETE the entire References relevant section.

INSERT the following new References relevant section.

References relevant to classification in this group

This group does not cover:

Devices for receiving spittle for dentistry	A61C17/04
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Examples of places where the subject matter of this class is covered when specially adapted, used for a particular purpose, or incorporated in a larger system:

Receptacles for taking saliva or sputum samples	A61B10/0051
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INSERT the following **new** Informative references section.**Informative references***Attention is drawn to the following places, which may be of interest for search:*

Suction or pumping devices for medical purposes	A61M1/00
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B65D83/14**DELETE** the table in the **existing** References relevant section, and **REPLACE** the deleted table with the following **new** table.

Spraying devices for the destruction of noxious animals or plants	A01M7/00
Spraying devices for therapeutic purposes	A61M11/00
Vessels for containing or storing compressed, liquefied, or solidified gases	F17C

INSERT the following **new** Informative references section.**Informative references***Attention is drawn to the following places, which may be of interest for search:*

Spraying or atomizing apparatus in general	B05B
Removing gases or liquids enclosed in discarded aerosol cans	B09B3/0058
Aerosol compositions, e.g. propellants	C09K3/30
Pumping of fluid by direct contact of another fluid, e.g. siphons	F04F
Fluid-delivery valves in general	F16K21/00
Discharge nozzles in general	F16K31/58