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CPC NOTICE OF CHANGES 468

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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>
<b>SCHEME:</b>		
Titles Changed:	A21D	2/00
	A21D	8/00, 8/02, 8/06
	A21D	15/00
<b>DEFINITIONS:</b>		
Definitions Modified:	A21D	2/00
	A21D	8/00, 8/02, 8/06
	A21D	15/00
	A21D	17/00

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

1. CLASSIFICATION SCHEME CHANGES

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

2. DEFINITIONS

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

3.  REVISION CONCORDANCE LIST (RCL)

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

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

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1. CLASSIFICATION SCHEME CHANGES

A. New, Modified or Deleted Group(s)

**SUBCLASS A21D – TREATMENT, e.g. PRESERVATION, OF FLOUR OR DOUGH, e.g. BY ADDITION OF MATERIALS; BAKING; BAKERY PRODUCTS; PRESERVATION THEREOF**

<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	A21D 2/00	0	Treatment of flour or dough by adding materials thereto before or during baking (batters, dough or mixtures before baking A21D 10/00)	
M	A21D 8/00	0	Methods for preparing or baking dough (treatment of flour or dough by adding materials A21D 2/00)	
M	A21D 8/02	1	Methods for preparing dough; Treating dough prior to baking	
M	A21D 8/06	1	Baking processes	
M	A21D 15/00	0	Preserving finished {, partly finished or par-baked} bakery products; Improving (refreshing A21D 17/00)	

\*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. B. DEFINITIONS QUICK FIX

<u>Symbol</u>	<u>Location of change</u> (e.g., section title)	<u>Existing reference symbol or text</u>	<u>Action; New symbol; New text</u>
A21D	Definition Statement	Doughd or mixtures before baking	<b>Replace</b> term “Doughd” with “Doughs”:
A21D2/00			<b>Add</b> the following new section:  <b>Limiting references</b>  <i>This place does not cover:</i>  Batters, dough, or mixtures before baking A21D10/00
A21D2/00	Special rules of classification	In groups A21D 2/02 - A21D 2/40, in the absence of contrary, a substance is classified in the last appropriate palce.	<b>Replace</b> term “palce” with “place”:
A21D8/00			<b>Add</b> the following new section:  <b>Limiting references</b>  <i>This place does not cover:</i>  Treatment of flour or dough by adding materials A21D2/00
A21D8/02	Limiting references	Machines or equipments; processes with mechanical feature A21C	<b>Delete</b> the entire Limiting references section
A21D8/02			<b>Insert</b> the following new section:  <b>Informative references</b>  <i>Attention is drawn to the following places, which may be of interest for search</i>  Machines or equipments; processes with mechanical feature A21C
A21D8/06	Limiting references	Bakers' ovens A21B  Ovens and baking processes with mechanical features A21C	<b>Delete</b> the entire Limiting references section
A21D8/06			<b>Insert</b> the following new section:  <b>Informative references</b>  <i>Attention is drawn to the following places, which may be of interest for search</i>  Bakers' ovens <span style="float: right;">A21B</span>

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A21D15/00	Limiting references	<p>Treating dough A21D 6/00</p> <p>Refreshing bakery products A21D 17/00</p> <p>Preserving other food products A23L 3/00</p>	<p><b>Replace</b> with the following new row:</p> <p>Refreshing A21D17/00</p>
A21D15/00	Informative references	Packaging or wrapping bakery products B65B, B65D	<p><b>Replace</b> with the following new rows:</p> <p>Treatment of flour or dough before baking, e.g. cooling, heating A21D6/00</p> <p>Preservation of foods or foodstuffs A23L3/00</p> <p>Packaging or wrapping bakery products B65B</p> <p>Packaging biscuits B65B23/10</p> <p>Packaging bread or like bakery products, e.g. unsliced loaves B65B25/16</p>
A21D17/00			<p><b>Add</b> the following new section:</p> <p><b>Informative references</b></p> <p><i>Attention is drawn to the following places, which may be of interest for search</i></p> <p>Improving bakery products A21D15/00</p>

NOTES:

- The table above is used for corrections or modifications to existing definitions, e.g. delete an entire definition or part thereof; propose new wording or modify wording of a section, change the symbol the definition is associated with, change or delete a reference symbol, etc.
- Do not delete (F) symbol definitions.