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

<u>Action</u>	<u>Subclass</u>	Group(s)
DEFINITIONS:		
Definitions New:	F24S	Subclass
	F24S	10/25, 10/95
	F24S	20/67
	F24S	23/00
	F24S	25/00
	F24S	30/00
	F24S	50/20
	F24S	60/00
	F24S	70/20
	F24S	80/20, 80/30, 80/50
	F24S	90/00,90/10
	F24T	10/00, 10/30
	F24V	30/00
	F24V	50/00
	F24V	99/00

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

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

1. CL	ASSIF	FICATION 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. DEI	FINIT	TONS
	\boxtimes	A. New or Modified Definitions (Full definition template)
		B. Modified or Deleted Definitions (Definitions Quick Fix)
3. 🗌	REV	TSION CONCORDANCE LIST(RCL)
4. 🗌	CHA	ANGES TO THE CPC-TO-IPC CONCORDANCE LIST (CICL)
5. 🗌	CHA	ANGES TO THE CROSS-REFERENCE LIST (CRL

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2. A. DEFINITIONS (new)

F24S

References

Limiting references

This place does not cover:

Devices for producing mechanical power from solar energy	F03G 6/00
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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:

Distillation or evaporation of water using solar energy	C02F 1/14
Drying solid materials or objects by radiation, e.g. from the	F26B 3/28
sun	
Photovoltaic [PV] cells including means directly associated	H01L 31/0525
with the PV cell to utilise heat energy	
Thermophotovoltaic systems	H02S 10/30
Photovoltaic [PV] modules including means associated	H02S 40/44
with the PV module to utilise heat energy	

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

Semiconductor devices specially adapted for converting	H01L 31/00
solar energy into electrical energy	

Glossary of terms

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

Solar heat collector	whole solar heat collectors; part of solar heat
modules	collectors, e.g. reflectors, lens or heat storages
Absorbing elements	elements for absorbing solar-ray and converting it into heat
Solar heat systems	systems having solar heat collectors as their components and using the collected heat

F24S10/25

References

Informative references

Solar heat collectors having working fluid conveyed through collector, the working fluid being conveyed between plates	F24S 10/50
Solar heat collectors having working fluid conveyed through collector, the working fluid being conveyed through tubular heat absorbing conduits	F24S 10/70

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References

Informative references

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

Heat-exchange apparatus with the intermediate heat-	F28D 15/02
transfer medium in closed tubes passing into or through	
the conduit walls in which the medium condenses and	
evaporates, e.g. heat-pipes	

F24S20/67

References

Limiting references

This place does not cover:

Solar heat collectors integrated in fixed constructions in the	F24S 20/69
form of shingles or tiles	

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Supporting structures specially adapted for roof structures	H02S 20/23
of buildings for directly fixing photovoltaic modules	

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F24S23/00

References

Informative references

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

Optical elements or systems p	per se	G02B

F24S25/00

References

Informative references

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

Supporting structures specially adapted for roof structures	H02S 20/23
of buildings for directly fixing photovoltaic modules	
Stands or trestles as supports for apparatus not specific	F16M 11/00
to apparatus provided for elsewhere	

F24S30/00

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Supporting structures specially adapted for roof structures	H02S 20/23
of buildings for directly fixing photovoltaic modules	
Stands or trestles as supports for apparatus not specific	F16M 11/00
to apparatus provided for elsewhere	

F24S50/20

References

Informative references

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

Arrangements for moving or orienting solar heat collector	F24S 30/00
modules	
Supporting structures of photovoltaic modules for	H02S 20/32
generation of electric power specially adapted for solar	
tracking systems	

F24S60/00

References

Limiting references

This place does not cover:

Arrangements for storing heat collected by solar heat	F24S 10/10
collectors in the working fluids forming pools or ponds	

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Informative references

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

Heat storage plants or apparatus in general	F28D 20/00

F24S70/20

References

Informative references

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

Radiation-absorbing paints C09	D 5/32
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F24S80/20

References

Informative references

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

F24S80/30

References

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Informative references

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

Joints or fittings for pipes in general	F16L
Branch units for pipes in general	F16L 41/02

F24S80/50

References

Informative references

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

Solar heat collectors having working fluid conveyed	F24S 10/40
through collector surrounded by transparent enclosures,	
e.g. evacuated solar collectors	

F24S90/00

References

References out of a residual place

Examples of places in relation to which this place is residual:

Distillation or evaporation of water using solar energy	C02F 1/14
Devices for producing mechanical power from solar energy	F03G 6/00
Photovoltaic [PV] cells including means directly associated	H01L 31/0525
with the PV cell to utilise heat energy	
Thermophotovoltaic systems	H02S 10/30
Photovoltaic [PV] modules including means associated	H02S 40/44
with the PV module to utilise heat energy	

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F24S90/10

References

References out of a residual place

Examples of places in relation to which this place is residual:

Solar heat collectors using working fluids using internal	F24S 10/90
thermosiphonic circulation	

F24T10/00

References

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:

Devices for producing mechanical power from geothermal	F03G 4/00
energy	

F24T10/30

References

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Storing fluids in natural or artificial cavities or chambers in	B65G 5/00
the earth	

F24V30/00

References

References out of a residual place

Examples of places in relation to which this place is residual:

Apparatus or devices using heat produced by exothermal chemical reactions other than by combustion for cooking-vessels	A47J 36/28
Self-heating compresses	A61F 7/03

Informative references

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

Materials for the production of heat or cold undergoing	C09K 5/18
non-reversible chemical reactions, other than by	
combustion, when used	

F24V50/00

References

References out of a residual place

Examples of places in relation to which this place is residual:

Solar heat collectors; Solar heat systems not otherwise	F24S
provided for	

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Geothermal collectors; Geothermal systems not otherwise	F24T
Geothermal Collectors, Geothermal Systems not otherwise	FZ41
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Relationships with other classification places

Engines or other mechanisms for producing mechanical power from heat, see the relevant classes, e.g. subclass F03G for using natural heat.