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CPC NOTICE OF CHANGES 1841

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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>
SCHEME:		
Titles Changed:	G06M	SUBCLASS
	G06M	1/02, 1/028, 1/083, 1/086, 1/24
	G06M	3/00, 3/02, 3/06, 3/10
	G06M	11/04
Warnings Deleted:	G06M	SUBCLASS
Guidance Headings Modified:	G06M	7/00
DEFINITIONS:		
Definitions New:	G06M	1/02, 1/028, 1/083, 1/086, 1/24, 11/04
Definitions Modified:	G06M	SUBCLASS

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

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

1. CLASSIFICATION SCHEME CHANGES

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

2. DEFINITIONS

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

3. ☐ REVISION CONCORDANCE LIST (RCL)

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

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

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1. CLASSIFICATION SCHEME CHANGES

A. New, Modified or Deleted Group(s)**SUBCLASS G06M - COUNTING MECHANISMS; COUNTING OF OBJECTS NOT OTHERWISE PROVIDED FOR**

Type*	Symbol	Indent Level Number of dots (e.g. 0, 1, 2)	Title “CPC only” text should normally be enclosed in {curly brackets}**	Transferred to#
M	G06M	SUBCLASS	COUNTING MECHANISMS; COUNTING OF OBJECTS NOT OTHERWISE PROVIDED FOR	
M	G06M1/02	1	Housing	
M	G06M1/028	2	{Arbors, drum fixing and adjusting means}	
M	G06M1/083	2	{by mechanical means}	
M	G06M1/086	3	{including barriers}	
M	G06M1/24	2	Drums; Dials; Pointers	
M	G06M3/00	0	Counters with additional facilities	
M	G06M3/02	1	for performing an operation at a predetermined value of the count, e.g. arresting a machine	
M	G06M3/06	1	for printing or separately displaying result of count	
M	G06M3/10	1	for counting denominations with unequal numbers in each stage, e.g. degrees and minutes of angle	
M	G06M11/04	2	with provision for distinguishing between different sizes of objects	

*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; T = 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).
- U groups: it is obligatory to display the required “anchor” symbol (U group), i.e. the entry immediately preceding a new group or an array of new groups to be created (in case new groups are not clearly subgroups of C-type groups). 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.
- “Transferred to” column must be completed for all C, D, F, and Q type entries. F groups will be deleted once reclassification is completed.

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- 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>”, “<administrative transfer to XX and YY simultaneously>”, or “<administrative transfer to XX, YY, ...and ZZ simultaneously>” when administrative transfer of the same documents is to more than one place.
- Administrative transfer to main trunk groups is assumed to be the source allocation type, unless otherwise indicated.
- Administrative transfer to 2000/Y series groups is assumed to be “additional information”.
- If needed, instructions for allocation type should be indicated within the angle brackets using the abbreviations “ADD” or “INV”: <administrative transfer to XX ADD> , <administrative transfer to XX INV>, or <administrative transfer to XX ADD, YY INV, ... and ZZ ADD simultaneously>.
- In certain situations, the “D” entries of 2000-series or Y-series groups may not require a destination (“Transferred to”) symbol, however it is required to specify “<no transfer>” in the “Transferred to” column for such cases.
- For finalisation projects, the deleted “F” symbols should have <no transfer> in the “Transferred to” column.
- For more details about the types of scheme change, see CPC Guide.

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B. New, Modified or Deleted Warning notice(s)

SUBCLASS G06M - COUNTING MECHANISMS; COUNTING OF OBJECTS NOT OTHERWISE PROVIDED FOR

<u>Type*</u>	<u>Location</u>	<u>Old Warning notice</u>	<u>New/Modified Warning</u>
D	G06M	{In this subclass non-limiting references (in the sense of paragraph 39 of the Guide to the IPC) may still be displayed in the scheme.}	<u>Delete</u> entire warning

NOTES:

- *N = new warning, M = modified warning, D = deleted warning
- NOTE: The "Location" column only requires the symbol PRIOR to the location of the warning. No further directions such as "before" or "after" are required.

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D. New, Modified or Deleted Guidance Heading(s)**SUBCLASS G06M - COUNTING MECHANISMS; COUNTING OF OBJECTS NOT OTHERWISE PROVIDED FOR**

<u>Type*</u>	<u>Location</u>	<u>Old Guidance Heading</u>	<u>New/Modified Guidance Heading</u>
M	G06M 7/00 - G06M 15/00	Counting of objects (in machines for shaping metal without removing material B21C 51/00; in printing machines or presses B41F 33/02; in office copying machines B41L 39/02; of axles of rail vehicles B61L 1/16; in packaging machines B65B 65/08; of objects conveyed through a pipe or tube B65G 51/36; entry or exit registers G07C 9/00)	Counting of objects

*N = new guidance heading, M =modified guidance heading, D = deleted guidance heading

NOTES:

- The "Location" column requires the symbol AFTER the guidance heading location. No further directions such as "before" or "after" are required.
- In cases where there may be confusion as to whether a new group falls within the scope of a guidance heading, indicate the guidance heading and whether the group does or does not go with the guidance heading. This can be included in the "Location" column. For example, the guidance heading "Compounds containing carbon together with sulfur, selenium or tellurium with or without hydrogen, halogens, oxygen or nitrogen" encompasses groups C07C 301/00-395/00 only. If a new group C07C 398/00 is proposed and is included in the guidance heading scope, indicate this in the "Location" column as follows: 398/00 to be included under the guidance heading: "Compounds containing carbon together with sulfur, selenium or tellurium with or without hydrogen, halogens, oxygen or nitrogen."

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2. A. DEFINITIONS (NEW)

G06M1/02

References

Informative references

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

Measuring in general	G01D
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G06M1/028

References

Informative references

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

Sliding-contact bearings for exclusively rotary movement for axial load only and for supporting the end face of a shaft or other member	F16C17/08
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G06M1/083

References

Informative references

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

Counting of stacked objects	G06M9/00
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G06M1/086**References****Informative references**

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

Counting of conveyed objects	G06M7/00
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G06M1/24**References****Informative references**

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

Indicating the time by numbered drums	G04B19/21
Clocks or watches with date or week-day indicators	G04B19/24
Producing optical time signals at prefixed times by indicating members moved electrically	G04C19/04

G06M11/04**References****Informative references**

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

Investigating particle size in general	G01N15/00
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2. A. DEFINITIONS (modified)

G06M

References

Delete: The entire Limiting references section.

Insert: The following new Application-oriented references section.

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:

Counting in machines for making cigarettes	A24C5/32
Counting in machines for shaping metal without removing material	B21C51/00
Counting in printing machines or presses	B41F33/02
Counting in office copying machines	B41L39/02
Counting of axles of rail vehicles	B61L1/16
Counting in packaging machines	B65B65/08
Entry or exit registers	G07C9/00

Insert: The following new References out of a residual place section.

References out of a residual place

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

Counting of objects conveyed through a pipe or tube	B65G51/36
Adaptation of counters to electricity meters in electromechanical arrangements for measuring time integral of electric power or current	G01R11/16
Counting electric pulses	H03K21/00 - H03K29/00

Informative references

Replace: The existing Informative references table with the following updated table.

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Sorting, grading, counting or marking live aquatic animals	A01K61/90
Table equipment for counting of consumptions	A47G23/10
Counting of pills	A61J7/02
Inhalers incorporating mechanisms for counting actuations	A61M15/0068
Score-keepers and score display devices	A63B71/0669
Counting of sheets in platen presses	B41F1/58
Locks with counting devices	E05B39/04
Tariff metering apparatus	G01D4/00
Indicating or recording devices in volume flow meters	G01F15/06
Counting by weighing	G01G19/42
Counting of radioactive particles	G01T1/18
Counting of photographic exposures	G03B1/66 , G03B17/36
Watches with counting devices	G04B47/003
Counting issued tickets	G07B5/04
Counting of votes	G07C13/00
Counting coins	G07D9/00
Counting of vehicles on a road or parking space	G08G1/065
Teaching of counting	G09B19/02
Counting characters, words or messages in switching networks for transmission of digital information	H04M15/00

Delete: The entire Special rules section.