

F16G5/06  
F16G5/08  
F16G5/10  
F16G5/12

made of rubber (F16G5/12) made of plastics (F16G5/12)  
with reinforcement bonded to the surface  
with textile reinforcement  
with metal reinforcement

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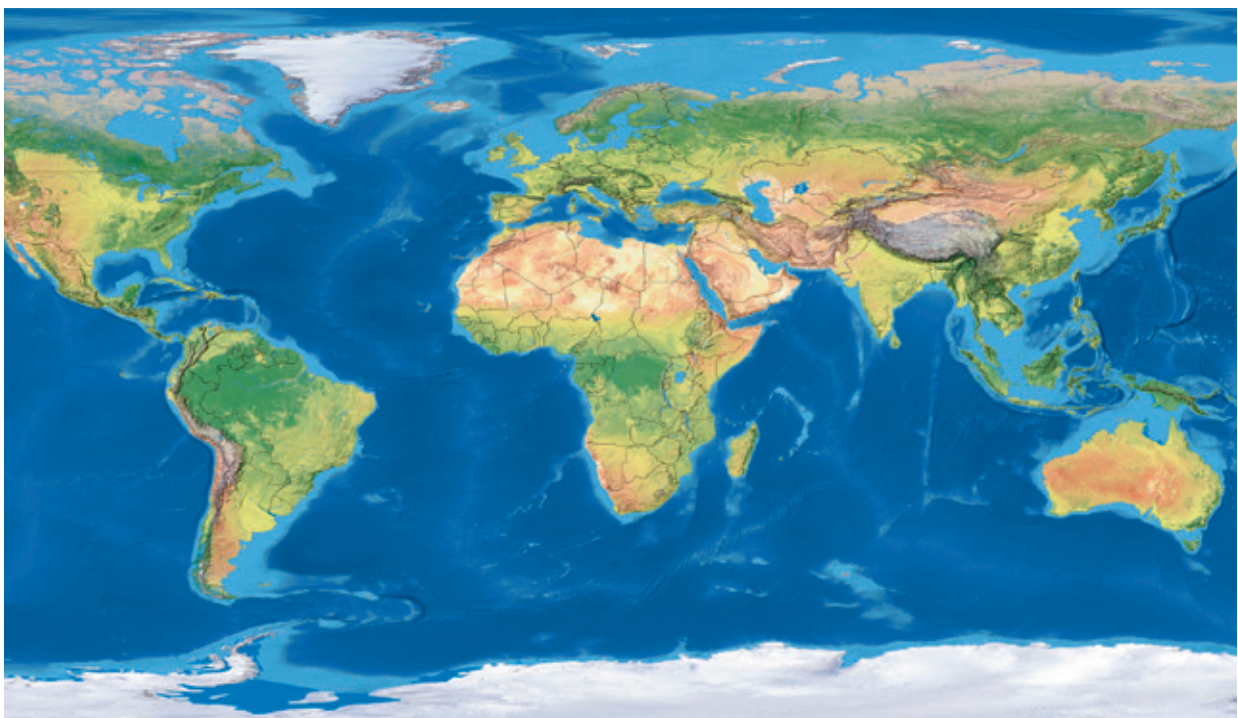
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Austria	AT*	A,B	from 288 286 (15/1/1971)	from 100 022 (1925)
Australia	AU*	B,D	from 18/1/1973 (first filing: 1971)	from 1 019 332 (1933)
Belgium	BE		from 100 486 (1892)	years 1959-1962
Canada	CA*		from 848 159 (4/8/1970) for first filling residents from 939 101 (1/1/1974)	from 114 746 (1908)
Switzerland	CH	A,B D	from 208 320 (31/1/1939) from 1968	from 1 (1888)
Germany	DE	A,B,C U	from 1 (1877) from 6 609 798 (04/1/1973)	from 1 037 492 (1928)
EPO	EP	A	complete from 1 (20/12/1978)	
France	FR	A,B E	from 292 (1844) from 92 701 (20/12/1968)	
United Kingdom	GB	A,B	from 1909 02 488 (27/1/1910)	from 1817 04 136 (1817)
Luxembourg	LU		from 555 (< 1920)	
The Netherlands	NL		from 28 (1913)	
OAPI	OA		complete from 1 (15/01/1966)	
The United States	US	A,B E I (defensive) I (trial, project) H	complete from 1 (13/07/1836) complete from 8 (23/4/1839) complete from 120 (04/10/1855) complete from 1 (03/12/1985)	
World(PCT)	WO		complete from 7800001 (19/10/1978)	

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China	6.540.437	1.312.404	20,1
Korea	2.405.373	689.397	28,7
Brazil	497.297	293.591	59,0
Russian Federation	783.870	146.964	18,7
India	54.363	23.682	43,6