

Amendments to the Compendium of Classification Opinions – HS Committee 58th Session

The following list contains the decisions taken by the Harmonized System Committee (58th Session – October 2016) concerning amendments to the Harmonized System Compendium of Classification Opinions, applicable as of 1 January 2017. This publication will be updated regularly.

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The amendments listed below are reproduced in the order of the current pages concerned and will be incorporated into the aforementioned WCO publication in due time by replacing the pages affected by the amendments made.

Advice

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Page IV/16. Opinion 2209.00/1.

Last line, delete “**Application of GIRs 1, 3 (c) and 6.**” and substitute “**Application of GIRs 1 and 3 (c).**”.

Page IV/6a.

Insert the following Classification Opinion :

“**2009.89** 1. **Coconut water (coconut juice)** obtained from green coconuts (99.95 %) with added sugar (0.05 %). Sugar is added to control taste between different batches of coconuts. The product is put up for retail sale in glass bottles of 290 ml.

Application of GIRs 1 and 6.”.

Page IV/13a.

Insert the following Classification Opinion :

- “2106.90** 34. **Rose hip juice** in the form of a brown viscous concentrated liquid, made of 100 % rose hips. The product is obtained by milling the fruits with added water, and subsequent heat treatment and pressing, filtration, pasteurization, concentration and sterilization. It is intended to be used as raw material for the manufacture of beverages and food stuffs.

Application of GIRs 1 and 6.”.

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Insert the following Classification Opinion :

- “2530.90** 2. **Free flowing white powder** containing more than 99.2 % by weight of anhydrous disodium sulphate, obtained only by mechanical collection of thenardite (anhydrous disodium sulphate) formed naturally in the open air on the surface of mirabilite (disodium sulphate decahydrate) which crystallised from natural lake brine due to low temperature in winter. Prior to packing, the product is passed through a sieve with an aperture of 0.65 mm.

Application of GIRs 1 and 6.

See also Opinion 2833.11/1.”.

Page VI/1.

Insert the following Classification Opinion :

- “2833.11** 1. **Free flowing white powder** containing more than 98.5 % by weight of anhydrous disodium sulphate. It is obtained from a mixture of mirabilite (disodium sulphate decahydrate) and thenardite (anhydrous disodium sulphate) formed in the open air as a result of natural dehydration, which is collected and sent to a factory where it goes through melting (removing water), centrifugation and drying processes.

Application of GIRs 1 and 6.

See also Opinion 2530.90/2.”.

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Insert the following Classification Opinion :

- “3901.40** 1. **White granules** consisting of 80 % linear low-density polyethylene and 20 % natural silica, having a specific gravity of 0.92. The product is obtained by an extrusion process after mixing and melting the two raw materials. The extruded material is cooled and cut into granules. It is presented in bags of 25 kg.

The product is used as an additive in the manufacture of articles of plastics to reduce the contact surface between two polyethylene films used mainly in the manufacture of supermarket bags.

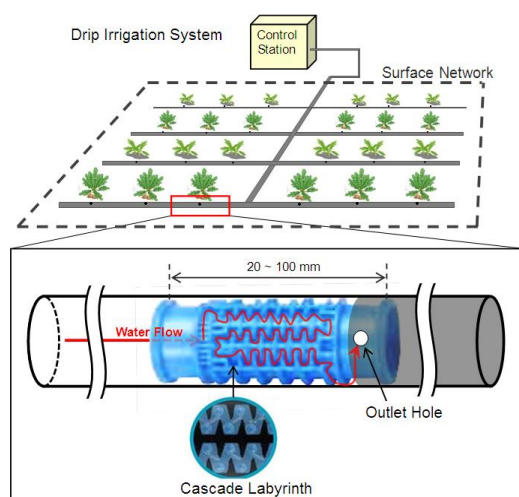
Application of GIRs 1 and 6.”.

Page VII/2a.

Insert the following Classification Opinion :

- “**3917.21** 1. **Perforated tube of plastics** (polyethylene), with a round internal cross section, with holes at specific intervals and equipped with built-in plastic drippers. The drippers have a special structure for pressure-compensation. The tube is specially designed and equipped to be used as a surface network in drip irrigation systems.

Application of GIRs 1 and 6.



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Insert the following Classification Opinion :

- “**3924.90** 5. **Waste collection bin** made entirely of plastics, in the form of a bucket with a capacity of 6.5 litres. It has a lid with an opening lined with strips through which the waste is thrown, and a handle.

This article is intended for the collection of sharp hospital waste (needles, scalpels, etc.).

Application of GIRs 1 and 6.



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Insert the following Classification Opinion :

- “3926.90** 13. **Artificial fingernails of plastics**, also known as “false nails”, of varying or identical sizes, put up in sets and designed to be applied directly onto the natural nail using an adhesive, then trimmed and shaped into the appropriate form. They may be natural in appearance or decorated and may remain in place for approximately 7 to 10 days before being removed.

Application of GIRs 1 and 6.



Page XVI/2. Opinion 8415.82/1.

Renumber present Opinion **8415.82/1** as **8415.10/2**.

Page XVI/2a. Opinion 8415.82/2.

Renumber present Opinion **8415.82/2** as **8415.82/1**.

Page XVI/12.

Insert the following Classification Opinion :

- “8432.29** 1. **4-4 blades (2+2) and disc dry land blade (soil cultivating implements)**, designed to be used for rotary tilling when installed on the driving axle of a propelling unit (pedestrian controlled tractor). The blades are presented in a single box together with, but not mounted on, the propelling unit.

The propelling unit (pedestrian controlled tractor) presented together with the soil cultivating implements is classified separately.

Application of GIRs 1 and 6.

See also Opinion 8701.10/1.



Page XVI/17a. Opinion 8467.19/1. Last line.

Insert new last line, “*See also Opinions 8466.10/1, 8467.19/2, and 8467.29/1.*”.

Page XVI/21. Opinion 8473.30/2.

Delete this opinion.

Page XVI/22.

Insert the following Classification Opinion :

- “8473.30** 4. **Colour liquid-crystal display (LCD) module** (dimensions : 228 mm (W) x 149 mm (H) x 2.4 mm (D)), designed for incorporation into a portable automatic data processing machine (tablet computer).

This display module consists of a 10.1 inch (25.65 cm) thin film transistor (TFT) active-matrix LCD panel, a light-emitting diode (LED) backlight unit and a flexible printed circuit board (FPCB) that provides the interface between the principal apparatus and the display module and contains electronic circuitry for converting voltage to a level usable by the module

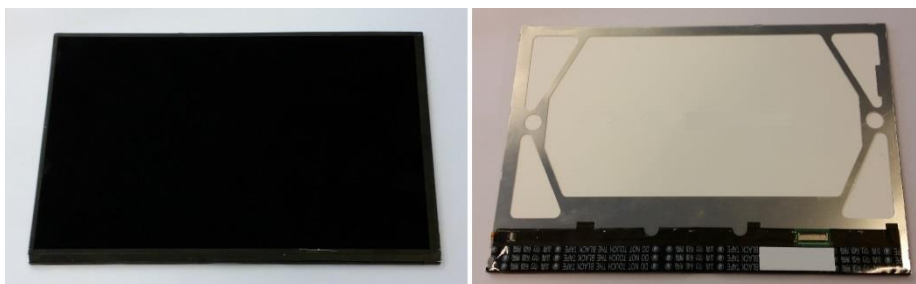
and controlling the function of the display panel.

The display module has the following basic features :

- Display Mode : Normally black;
- Resolution : 1280 x 800 pixels, pixel pitch 0.1695 x 0.1695 mm, up to 16.2 Mega colours;
- Average white luminance (typical) : 400 cd/m²;
- Contrast ratio (typical) : 900:1;
- Response time (max) : 45 ms;
- Pixel arrangement : RGB Vertical Stripe;
- Display area : 217 mm (H) x 136 mm (V);
- Power supply voltage (max) : Vcc = 5 V;
- Interface : LVDS (Low-voltage differential signaling) (DDK 45 pin).

The display module can reproduce only a signal of its own “native” resolution via pre-determined digital interface and is not able to resize, convert and adapt the input signal to the “native” resolution.

Application of GIRs 1 (Note 2 (b) to Section XVI) and 6.



Page XVI/41b.

Insert the following Classification Opinion :

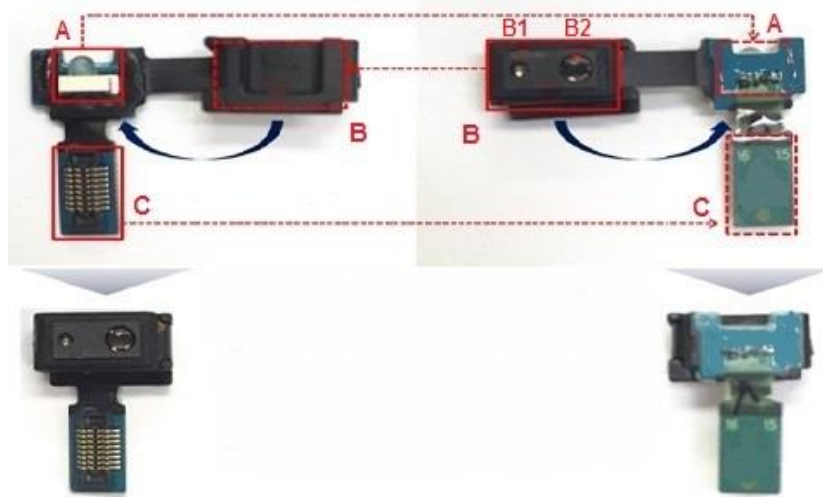
- “8517.70** 4. **Assembly designed to be mounted into a cellular (mobile) phone,** consisting of a plastic frame incorporating the following components :
- (i) gesture sensor for capturing movement of hands without touching the phone screen, which is a chip-shaped article comprised of a light-emitting diode (light emitting area) and a sensor (light receiving area). The light-emitting diode (LED) emits infrared (IR) rays, and the sensor

receives IR rays reflecting from a hand and recognizes a user's gesture;

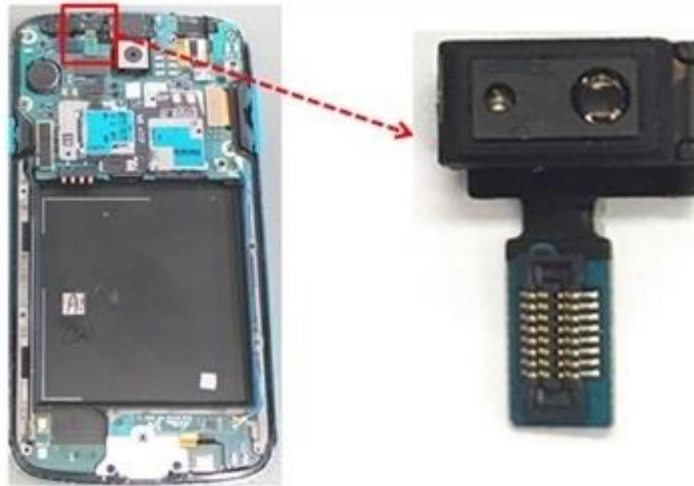
- (ii) IR LED for generating IR signal to remote control functions of external apparatus, such as a television, set-top box, etc.;
- (iii) connector for interconnecting the assembly with the main board of the phone;
- (iv) flexible printed circuit board (FPCB) to support and electrically connect the components of the assembly.

The gesture sensor and IR LED perform their functions independently.

Application of GIRs 1 (Note 2 (b) to Section XVI) and 6.



- A IR LED
- B Gesture sensor :
 - B1 Light-emitting diode (light emitting area)
 - B2 Sensor (light receiving area)
- C Connector for interconnecting the assembly with the main board of the phone



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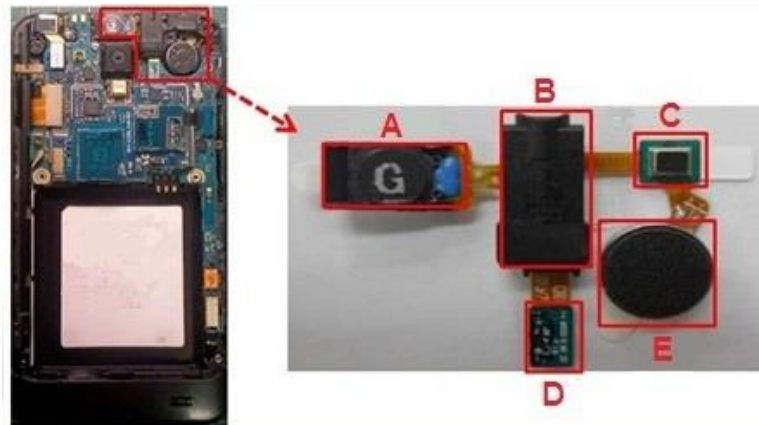
Page XVI/41b.

Insert the following Classification Opinion :

- “8517.70** 5. **Assembly designed to be mounted into a cellular (mobile) phone,** incorporating the following components :
- (i) linear vibration motor comprised of coils and magnets, for generating mechanical vibration while turned on; it is used in “silent” mode;
 - (ii) loudspeaker (or receiver) (dimensions : 12.1 mm x 7.1 mm x 3.5 mm; effective frequency band : 300 Hz ~ 3.4 kHz), reproducing sound from the voice of the other party during a telephone conversation by converting an input electrical signal into an audio signal (other sound and signal, such as, bell sound, music, etc. are reproduced through another loudspeaker);
 - (iii) microphone for converting surrounding sound, for example, when taking videos, into an electrical signal to be used by the phone (another microphone, mounted at the bottom of the telephone, is used for telephone communication);
 - (iv) connector for plugging in external headphones and earphones;
 - (v) connector for interconnecting the assembly with the main board of the phone;
 - (vi) flexible printed circuit board (FPCB) to support and electrically connect the components of the assembly.

The vibration motor, loudspeaker, microphone and connector for external headphones and earphones perform their functions independently.

Application of GIRs 1 (Note 2 (b) to Section XVI) and 6.



- A Loudspeaker
- B Connector for external headphones and earphones
- C Microphone
- D Connector for interconnecting the assembly with the main board of the phone
- E Vibration motor".

Page XVI/47e. Opinion 8528.59/1.

Delete this opinion.

Page XVII/1.

Insert the following Classification Opinion :

- “8603.10** 1. **Three uncoupled railway coaches**, comprised of two electrically-propelled “M-Cars” and one trailer “T-Car”, each being 22.6 m long, 2.9 m wide, and 3.8 m high. After coupling, the three coaches, also known as an Electric Multiple Unit (EMU), are intended to be used in a distributed traction system for an urban railway.

A pantograph in the upper part of the T-car provides electricity, which passes through the main transformer and is transmitted to converters in the M-Cars. The converters transform the electric current from AC (alternating current) to DC (direct current) and send it to inverters, which change the DC into three-phase AC to activate the electric motors.

Application of GIRs 1, 2 (a) and 6.”.

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Insert the following Classification Opinion :

- “8701.10** 1. **Self-powered, pedestrian controlled, propelling units** (pedestrian controlled tractors) with one driving axle, an internal combustion engine (single cylinder, four-stroke cycle, air cooled, max. power : 4.8 (6.5) or 4.4 (6.0) kW(hp)/3600 rpm), fuel tank (6.5 or 3.5 l) and handle bar type steering. These units are presented disassembled and together with two wheels with tyres, 4-4 blades (2+2) and disc dry land blade, in a single box.

They are designed for use with different interchangeable implements (such as, ridger, plough, ditching blade, etc. which are not presented with the units) and can also be used for short distance transportation or as a fixed motive power machine.

The 4-4 blades (2+2) and disc dry land blade presented together with the units are classified separately.

Application of GIRs 1 (Note 2 to Chapter 87), 2 (a) and 6.

See also Opinion 8432.29/1.



Page XVII/2. Opinion 8702.10/1.

Insert new photograph :



Page XVII/2. Opinion 8702.10/2.

1. Delete photograph of vehicle exterior on left.

2. Insert new photograph :



3. Delete photograph of vehicle interior on right.

4. Insert new photographs :



Page XVII/10b. Opinion 8711.90/1.

Renumber present Opinion **8711.90/1** as **8711.60/1**.