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CPC NOTICE OF CHANGES 1540

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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:	A47D	1/00
	A47D	5/00
	A47D	7/00
	A47D	9/02
	A47D	11/00
	A47D	13/00, 13/04, 13/08, 13/10
	A47D	15/00
Warnings Modified:	A47D	SUBCLASS
DEFINITIONS:		
Definitions Modified:	A47D	1/00
	A47D	5/00
	A47D	7/00
	A47D	9/02
	A47D	11/00
	A47D	13/00, 13/04, 13/10
	A47D	15/00

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)

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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)

(CPC Version: 2023-05-01; IPC Version: 2023-01-01)

SUBCLASS A47D - FURNITURE SPECIALLY ADAPTED FOR CHILDREN (school benches or desks A47B39/00, A47B41/00)

<u>Type*</u>	<u>Symbol</u>	<u>Indent Level Number of dots (e.g. 0, 1, 2)</u>	<u>Title</u> “CPC only” text should normally be enclosed in {curly brackets}**	<u>Transferred to#</u>
M	A47D 1/00	0	Children's chairs	
M	A47D 5/00	0	Dressing-tables {or diaper changing supports} for children	
M	A47D 7/00	0	Children's beds	
M	A47D 9/02	1	with rocking mechanisms	
M	A47D 11/00	0	Children's furniture convertible into other kinds of furniture, e.g. children's chairs or benches convertible into beds {or constructional play-furniture}	
M	A47D 13/00	0	Other nursery furniture	
M	A47D 13/04	1	Apparatus for helping babies to walk; Baby walkers or strollers	
M	A47D 13/08	1	Devices for use in guiding or supporting children, e.g. safety harness	
M	A47D 13/10	1	Rocking-chairs; {Indoor} Swings {; Baby bouncers}	
M	A47D 15/00	0	Accessories for children's furniture, e.g. safety belts or baby-bottle holders	

*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(s)

SUBCLASS A47D - FURNITURE SPECIALLY ADAPTED FOR CHILDREN (school benches or desks A47B39/00, A47B41/00)

<u>Type*</u>	<u>Location</u>	<u>Old Warning</u>	<u>New/Modified Warning</u>
M	A47D	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.	{ 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. }

*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.

2. A. DEFINITIONS (modified)

A47D1/00

Delete: The Special rules of classification section and text.

A47D5/00

References

Informative references

Replace: The existing Informative references table with the updated one below:

Chests of drawers	A47B 67/00
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Delete: The Special rules of classification section and text.

A47D7/00

Delete: The Special rules of classification section and text.

A47D9/02

References

Informative references

Replace: The existing Informative references table with the updated one below:

Devices for rocking or oscillating children's carriages or perambulators	B62B 9/22
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A47D11/00

Delete: The Special rules of classification section and text.

A47D13/00

References

Delete: The Limiting references section and table.

Insert: The following new Informative references section and table.

Informative references

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

Auxiliary or portable toilet seats for children	A47K 13/06
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A47D13/04

References

Informative references

Replace: The Informative references table with the updated table below:

Wheeled walking aids for patients or disabled persons	A61H 3/04
Carriages for children; Perambulators	B62B 7/00 , B62B 9/00

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A47D13/10**References**Delete: The Limiting references section and table.**Informative references**Replace: The Informative references table with the updated table below:

Children's chairs convertible to rocking chairs	A47D 1/08
Small beds for newborns or infants with rocking mechanisms	A47D 9/02
Rocking-chairs in general	A47C 3/02
Swings in general	A63G 9/00
Rocking horses	A63G 15/00
Devices for rocking or oscillating perambulators	B62B 9/22

Delete: The Special rules of classification section and text.**A47D15/00****References**Delete: The Limiting references section and table.**Informative references**Replace: The Informative references table with the updated one below:

Harnesses for helping babies to walk	A47D 13/046
Harnesses or restraining devices in order to evacuate a patient with the mattress	A61G 7/0504
Side bolsters for medical beds	A61G 7/0507
HOLDERS for bottles for medicinal feeding	A61J 9/06

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Safety belts or body harnesses in general	A62B 35/00
Infant exercisers attachable to play-pens, beds or cradles	A63H 33/006
Adaptation of children's seats for seat belts	B60N 2/265, B60N 2/2803
Safety belts or body harnesses in land vehicles	B60R 22/00
Children's safety belts or body harnesses in vehicles	B60R 22/105
Hand carts, children's safety belts	B62B 3/1452
Harnessing in aircraft	B64D25/06

Delete: The Special rules of classification section and text.