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CPC NOTICE OF CHANGES 539

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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>
<b>SCHEME:</b>		
Titles Changed:	B32B	37/00
	B32B	37/0038
	B32B	37/1027
Notes Deleted:	B32B	37/24
	B32B	37/26
<b>DEFINITIONS:</b>		
Definitions Modified:	B32B	37/00
Definitions New:	B32B	37/0038
	B32B	37/1027

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 Notice(s)
  - C. New, Modified or Deleted Note(s)
  - D. New, Modified or Deleted Guidance Heading(s)
2. DEFINITIONS (New or Modified)
  - A. DEFINITIONS (Full definition template)
  - B. DEFINITIONS (Definitions Quick Fix)
3.  REVISION CONCORDANCE LIST (RCL)
4.  CHANGES TO THE CPC-TO-IPC CONCORDANCE LIST (CICL)
5.  CROSS-REFERENCE LIST (CRL)

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1. CLASSIFICATION SCHEME CHANGES

A. New, Modified or Deleted Group(s)

**SUBCLASS B32B - LAYERED PRODUCTS, i.e. PRODUCTS BUILT-UP OF STRATA OF FLAT OR NON-FLAT, e.g. CELLULAR OR HONEYCOMB, FORM**

<u>Type*</u>	<u>Symbol</u>	<u>Indent Level Number of dots (e.g. 0, 1, 2)</u>	<u>Title (new or modified)</u> <u>“CPC only” text should normally be enclosed in {curly brackets}**</u>	<u>Transferred to#</u>
M	B32B37/00	0	Methods or apparatus for laminating, e.g. by curing or by ultrasonic bonding	
M	B32B37/0038	1	{involving application of liquid to the layers prior to lamination, e.g. wet laminating (B32B 37/12 takes precedence)}	
M	B32B37/1027	2	{Pressing using at least one press band}	

\*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; E= 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).
- For U groups, the minimum requirement is to include the U group located immediately prior to the N group or N group array, in order to show the N group hierarchy and improve the readability and understanding of the scheme. 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 except “D” which requires only a symbol.
- #“Transferred to” column must be completed for all C, D, F, and Q type entries. F groups will be deleted once reclassification is completed.
- 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>” or “<administrative transfer to XX and YY simultaneously>” when administrative transfer of the same documents is to more than one place.
- Administrative transfer to main trunk groups is assumed to be “invention information”, unless otherwise indicated, and to 2000 series groups is assumed to be “additional information”.

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B. New, Modified or Deleted Note(s)

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<u>Type*</u>	<u>Location</u>	<u>Old Note</u>	<u>New/Modified Note</u>
D	B32B37/24	<p><b>NOTE</b></p> <p>When classifying in group B32B 37/24, the technique can be further indexed by using the indexing codes chosen from B32B 37/24 and subgroups</p>	Delete
D	B32B37/26	<p><b>NOTE</b></p> <p>When classifying in group B32B 37/26, said at least one layer can be further indexed by using the indexing codes chosen from B32B 37/26 and subgroups</p>	Delete

\*N = new note, M = modified note, D = deleted note

NOTE: The "Location" column only requires the symbol PRIOR to the location of the note. No further directions such as "before" or "after" are required.

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## 2. A. DEFINITIONS (new)

Insert the following new definitions.

### **B32B 37/0038**

#### **References**

##### ***Informative references***

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

Applying liquids in general	B05
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### **B32B 37/1027**

#### **References**

##### ***Informative references***

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

Pressing means with cooperating endless bands in general	B30B5/06
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## 2. A. DEFINITIONS (modified)

### B32B37/00

Insert: The following new **Relationships with other classification places** section:

#### **Relationships with other classification places**

Making products characterised by particular features of structure or of composition, see the relevant groups for such products, e.g. [B32B 1/00](#), [B32B 9/00](#).

### References

#### **Limiting references**

Delete: The entire *Limiting references* section and table.

#### **Informative references**

Insert: The following new rows into the *Informative references* table:

Coating per se	<a href="#">B05</a>
Coextrusion per se	<a href="#">B29C 47/00</a>
Making layered products containing glass and synthetic resin layers	<a href="#">B32B 17/10807</a>

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**Special rules of classification**

Delete: In the first paragraph, the second occurrence of the symbol **B32B 37/153** and replace with the following symbol:

**B32B 37/156**