F16S

CONSTRUCTIONAL ELEMENTS IN GENERAL; STRUCTURES BUILT-UP FROM SUCH ELEMENTS, IN GENERAL

Definition statement

This place covers:

Sheets, panels, or other members of similar proportions, without an application covered by any other class; Constructions comprising assemblies of such members, without an application covered by any other class

References

Limiting references

This place does not cover:

Layered products	B32B
Railway vehicles	B61
Motor vehicles	B62D
Ships or other waterborne vessels	B63
Aircrafts; Cosmonautics	B64
Structural elements for building construction, e.g. beams, columns, panels for buildings	E04C
Frames for doors, windows or the like	E06B
Devices for fastening or securing general constructional elements or machine parts together	F16B

Special rules of classification

F16S is almost never used for classification.

The documents should be classified in the field(s) of application, even if the claims are drafted in a general way.

Almost all documents contain an indication of the field(s) of application in the description. Rarely this is not the case but the name of the applicant, e.g. a well-known automobile or aeronautical constructor, will suggest a field of application to which the document should be circulated.

F16S is used in the very exceptionally case when it is absolutely impossible to infer from the document the field(s) of application and the nature of the object.

F16S 1/00

Sheets, panels, or other members of similar proportions; Constructions comprising assemblies of such members (built-up gratings F16S 3/00; layered products B32B)

Definition statement

This place covers:

Sheets, panels, or other members of similar proportions, without an application covered by any other class; Constructions comprising assemblies of such members, without an application covered by any other class

References

Limiting references

This place does not cover:

Built-up gratings	F16S 3/00
Layered products	B32B

Special rules of classification

F16S 1/00 is almost never used for classification, see F16S.

F16S 3/00

Elongated members, e.g. profiled members; Assemblies thereof; Gratings or grilles (gratings or grilles formed from a sheet or the like F16S 1/00, F16S 1/08; frames for doors, windows or the like E06B 1/00, E06B 3/00)

Definition statement

This place covers:

Elongated members, e.g. profiled members, without an application covered by any other class; Assemblies thereof, without an application covered by any other class; Gratings or grilles, without an application covered by any other class

References

Limiting references

This place does not cover:

Gratings or grilles formed from a sheet or the like	F16S 1/00, F16S 1/08
Frames for doors, windows or the like	E06B 1/00, E06B 3/00

Special rules of classification

F16S 3/00 is almost never used for classification, see F16S.

F16S 5/00

Other constructional members not restricted to an application fully provided for in a single class

Definition statement

This place covers:

Other constructional members, without an application covered by any other class and not being either a sheet, a panel, an elongated member or a grating

Special rules of classification

F16S 5/00 is almost never used for classification, see F16S.

The documents should be classified in the fields of application, even if there are several fields of application.