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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>
Title wording change:	A45F	subclass
	A45F	3/08
	A45F	3/46
	A45F	3/50
	A45F	5/10
Modified Definitions:	A45F	subclass
	A45F	3/08
	A45F	3/46
	A45F	3/50
	A45F	5/10

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 A45F - TRAVELLING OR CAMP EQUIPMENT; SACKS OR PACKS CARRIED ON THE BODY (hand carried bags or luggage A45C)

<u>Type*</u>	<u>Symbol</u>	<u>Indent Level</u> <u>Number of</u> <u>dots (e.g. 0, 1,</u> <u>2)</u>	<u>Title</u> <u>(new or modified)</u> <u>“CPC only” text should normally be</u> <u>enclosed in {curly brackets}**</u>	<u>Transferred to#</u>
M	A45F	subclass	TRAVELLING OR CAMP EQUIPMENT: SACKS OR PACKS CARRIED ON THE BODY	
M	A45F 3/08	2	Carrying-frames; Frames combined with sacks	
M	A45F 3/46	1	Picnic sets (picnic boxes A45C 11/20)	
M	A45F 3/50	1	Map-cases used as travelling equipment	
M	A45F 5/10	1	Handles for carrying purposes	

*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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2. A. DEFINITIONS (modified)

A45F

Definition statement

This place covers:

Insert bullets in the first five lines of text:

- Devices for carrying articles on the body of a person, e.g. for travelling.
- Travelling articles for personal use to be carried by not more than one person.
- Backpacks.
- Harnesses.
- Holders for carrying articles on the body, garment or belt of a person.

Insert new text:

- Travelling or camp articles such as water-bottles, mess-tins, cups, hammocks and accessories for them, hanging seats, picnic sets, sewing kits, map cases, nets affording protection against insects;
- Travelling or camp articles which may be converted into articles for other use, e.g. coats or capes convertible into tent coverings
- Sacks or packs carried on the body by means of one strap passing over the shoulder or by means of two straps passing over the two shoulders including sacks or packs specially adapted for military purposes;
- Sacks and packs specially adapted for children, e.g. for schoolchildren;
- Carrying-frames and frames combined with sacks; carrying-straps, e.g. with adjustable fastenings of straps or belts; shoulder-pads;
- Sacks or packs carried on the body and convertible into other articles e.g. into tents, beds or mattresses, hammocks, litters or sleeping-bags, boats, sledges, coats or capes
- Holders or carriers for hand articles and holders or carriers for use while travelling or camping, such as fastening articles to the garment, handles, book-carriers; holders for spades, hatchets or the like

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

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Travelling or camp equipment is normally classified in the classes for the equipment concerned, e.g. in subclasses A47B (for example, travelling or trunk tables A47B 3/10; tables specially adapted for use in the open air A47B 37/04), A47C (for example, travelling or camp beds A47C 17/64; suspended beds A47C 17/84, foldable, collapsible or dismountable chairs A47C 4/00, camp, travelling, or sports stools A47C 9/10), A47G (for example, travelling rugs A47G9/06; sleeping bags A47G 9/08), A47J (for example, camp cooking devices A47J 33/00, A47J 36/26).

References

Delete the entire **Limiting references** section.

Informative references

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

Add the following new rows to the existing rows in the Informative references table:

Hand implements for working earth, e.g. shovels, picks	A01B 1/00
Veils	A01K 55/00
Boxes for needles or pins	A41H 19/00
Hand carried bags or luggage	A45C
Picnic boxes	A45C 11/20
Handles for suitcases or bags	A45C 13/26
Straps, bands as travelling accessories	A45C 13/30
Wheeled carriers	A45C 13/38

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Camping vehicles	B60P 3/32
Foldable sledges	B62B 13/16
Foldable vessels	B63B 7/00
Rigid or semi-rigid containers	B65D 1/00
Sacks, bags or like containers	B65D 29/00, B65D 31/00
Transportable devices to obtain potable water	C02F 1/18
Matches for starting fires	C06F 5/00
Tools, implements, or accessories for hand sewing	D05B 91/00
Tents convertible, e.g. from one type tent to another type tent	E04H 15/30
Stands or trestles as supports for apparatus or articles placed thereon	F16M 11/00
Portable lighting	F21L
Stoves with special adaptation for travelling, e.g. collapsible: stoves in which the type of fuel or energy supply is not specified	F24C 1/16
stoves for gaseous fuels	F24C 3/14
stoves for liquid fuels	F24C 5/20
stoves heated by electric energy	F24C 7/10
Portable water heaters	F24H 1/06
Gun-slings	F41C 33/00

Insert new **Glossary of terms** section:

Glossary of terms

In this place, the following terms or expressions are used with the meaning indicated:

Knapsack	A bag with shoulder straps, carried on the <u>back</u>
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Insert new **Synonyms and Keywords** section:

Synonyms and Keywords

In patent documents, the following words/expressions are often used as synonyms:

- "water-bottle ", "canteen" and "flask";
- "knapsack", "sack", "pack", "backpack" and "rucksack"

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2. B. DEFINITIONS QUICK FIX

<u>Symbol</u>	<u>Location of change</u> (e.g., section title)	<u>Existing reference symbol or text</u>	<u>Action; New symbol; New text</u>
A45F 3/08	Limiting references	Wheeled carriers A45C 13/38	Delete the entire Limiting references section.
A45F 3/08			Insert the following new section: <i>Informative references</i> <i>Attention is drawn to the following places, which may be of interest for search:</i> Wheeled carriers A45C 13/38
A45F 3/46	Limiting references	Lunch or picnic boxes	Replace with: Picnic boxes
A45F 3/50	Limiting references	Holders or cabinets for maps A47B 97/02	Delete the entire Limiting references section.
A45F 3/50			Insert the following new section: <i>Informative references</i> <i>Attention is drawn to the following places, which may be of interest for search:</i> Holders or cabinets for maps A47B 97/02
A45F 5/10	Limiting references	Handles for suitcases or travelling bags A45C 13/26 Handles of sacks or bags B65D 33/06 Straps provided with handles for bundling or supporting articles B65D 63/18 For carrying heavy loads B65G 7/12	Delete the entire Limiting references section.
A45F 5/10			Insert the following new section: <i>Informative references</i> <i>Attention is drawn to the following places, which may be of interest for search:</i> Handles for suitcases or travelling bags A45C 13/26 Handles of sacks or bags B65D 33/06 Straps provided with handles for bundling or supporting articles B65D 63/18

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			For carrying heavy loads B65G 7/12
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NOTES:

- The table above is used for corrections or modifications to existing definitions, e.g. delete an entire definition or part thereof; propose new wording or modify wording of a section, change the symbol the definition is associated with, change or delete a reference symbol, etc.
- Do not delete (F) symbol definitions.