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CPC NOTICE OF CHANGES 33

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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> |
|-------------------------------------------------------------|-----------------|-------------------------------------|
| Symbols Deleted: | B60R | B60R2021/01504 — B60R 2021/01595 |
| Symbols newly created: | B60R | 21/01504 |
| | B60R | 21/01508 |
| | B60R | 21/01512 |
| | B60R | 21/01516 |
| | B60R | 21/0152 |
| | B60R | 21/01522 |
| | B60R | 21/01524 |
| | B60R | 21/01526 |
| | B60R | 21/01528 |
| | B60R | 21/0153 |
| | B60R | 21/01532 |
| | B60R | 21/01534 |
| | B60R | 21/01536 |
| | B60R | 21/01538 |
| | B60R | 21/0154 |
| | B60R | 21/01542 |
| | B60R | 21/01544 |
| | B60R | 21/01546 |
| | B60R | 21/01548 |
| | B60R | 21/0155 |
| | B60R | 21/01552 |
| | B60R | 21/01554 |
| | B60R | 21/01556 |
| | B60R | 21/01558 |
| | B60R | 21/0156 |
| | B60R | 21/01562 |
| | B60R | 21/01564 |
| | B60R | 21/01566 |
| Title Change: | B60R | 21/0136 |
| Scheme Warning Notices to be added/modified/deleted: | B60R | 21/015 |

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This order includes the following *[Check the ones included]:*

1. CLASSIFICATION SCHEME CHANGES
 - A. New, Deleted, and Modified group(s)
 - B. New, Deleted, and Modified Warning Notice(s)
 - C. New, Deleted, and Modified Note(s)
2. DEFINITIONS
 - A. New Definitions
 - B. Deleted and Modified Definitions
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 B60R - VEHICLES, VEHICLE FITTINGS, OR VEHICLE PARTS, NOT OTHERWISE PROVIDED FOR

| <u>Type*</u> | <u>Symbol</u> | <u>Indent Level</u> | <u>Title</u> |
|--------------|-----------------|---------------------|------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| D | B60R2021/01504 | | |
| D | B60R 2021/01508 | | |
| D | B60R 2021/01512 | | |
| D | B60R 2021/01516 | | |
| D | B60R 2021/0152 | | |
| D | B60R 2021/01525 | | |
| D | B60R 2021/01529 | | |
| D | B60R 2021/01533 | | |
| D | B60R 2021/01537 | | |
| D | B60R 2021/01541 | | |
| D | B60R 2021/01545 | | |
| D | B60R 2021/0155 | | |
| D | B60R 2021/01554 | | |
| D | B60R 2021/01558 | | |
| D | B60R 2021/01562 | | |
| D | B60R 2021/01566 | | |
| D | B60R 2021/0157 | | |
| D | B60R 2021/01575 | | |
| D | B60R 2021/01579 | | |
| D | B60R 2021/01583 | | |
| D | B60R 2021/01587 | | |
| D | B60R 2021/01591 | | |
| D | B60R 2021/01595 | | |
| U | B60R21/0134 | 3 | responsive to imminent contact with an obstacle {e.g. using radar systems} |
| M | B60R21/0136 | 3 | responsive to actual contact with an obstacle {e.g. to vehicle deformation, bumper displacement or bumper velocity relative to the vehicle (monitoring crash strength in combination with passenger seat detection B60R21/01558)} |
| C | B60R21/015 | 2 | including means for detecting the presence or position of passengers, passenger seats or child seats, {and the related safety parameters therefor, e.g. speed or timing of airbag inflation in relation to occupant position or seat belt use} |
| N | B60R21/01504 | 3 | {detecting bag displacement} |
| N | B60R21/01508 | 3 | {detecting forces or pressure in bags or modules} |
| N | B60R21/01512 | 3 | {Passenger detection systems} |
| N | B60R21/01516 | 4 | {using force or pressure sensing means} |

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| Type* | Symbol | Indent Level | Title |
|--------------|---------------|---------------------|-----------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| N | B60R21/0152 | 5 | {using strain gauges} |
| N | B60R21/01522 | 5 | {using fluid means} |
| N | B60R21/01524 | 5 | {using electric switches} |
| N | B60R21/01526 | 5 | {using piezoelectric elements} |
| N | B60R21/01528 | 4 | {mounted on the bag} |
| N | B60R21/0153 | 4 | {using field detection presence sensors} |
| N | B60R21/01532 | 5 | {using electric or capacitive field sensors} |
| N | B60R21/01534 | 5 | {using electromagnetic waves, e.g. infrared} |
| N | B60R21/01536 | 5 | {using ultrasonic waves} |
| N | B60R21/01538 | 5 | {for image processing, e.g. cameras or sensor arrays} |
| N | B60R21/0154 | 5 | {in combination with seat heating} |
| N | B60R21/01542 | 4 | {detecting passenger motion} |
| N | B60R21/01544 | 4 | {detecting seat belt parameters, e.g. length, tension or height-adjustment} |
| N | B60R21/01546 | 5 | {using belt buckle sensors} |
| N | B60R21/01548 | 5 | {sensing the amount of belt winded on retractor} |
| N | B60R21/0155 | 5 | {sensing belt tension} |
| N | B60R21/01552 | 4 | {detecting position of specific human body parts, e.g. face, eyes or hands} |
| N | B60R21/01554 | 3 | {Seat position sensors} |
| N | B60R21/01556 | 3 | {Child-seat detection systems} |
| N | B60R21/01558 | 3 | {monitoring crash strength} |
| N | B60R21/0156 | 4 | {by deceleration} |
| N | B60R21/01562 | 4 | {by speed} |
| N | B60R21/01564 | 3 | {Manually or key-actuated inhibition switches} |
| N | B60R21/01566 | 3 | {Devices for warning or indicating mode of inhibition} |

*N = new entries (reclassification involved); C = entries with modified file scope (reclassification involved); M = entries with no change to the file scope (no reclassification); D = deleted entries; F = frozen/entries (deleted pending reclassification completion); U = entries that are unchanged

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B. New, Modified or Deleted Warning notice(s)

SUBCLASS B60R - VEHICLES, VEHICLE FITTINGS, OR VEHICLE PARTS, NOT OTHERWISE PROVIDED FOR

| <u>Type*</u> | <u>Location</u> | <u>Old Warning notice</u> | <u>New/Modified Warning notice</u> |
|--------------|-----------------|---------------------------|------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| N | B60R21/015 | | { Groups B60R21/01504- B60R21/01566 are incomplete pending reclassification of documents from group B60R21/015. Until reclassification is complete, group B60R21/015 should be considered to perform a complete search. } |

*N = new warning, M = modified warning, D = deleted warning

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2. Definitions

B60R21/015

Including means for detecting the presence or position of passengers, passenger seats or child seats, {and the related safety parameters therefor, e.g. speed or timing of airbag inflation in relation to occupant position or seat belt use}

Definition statement

This group/subgroup/subclass covers:

Systems or methods for triggering safety devices whereby the presence, the position or size of a passenger or a child seat is being detected AND this information is used to adapt the control of the safety devices.

Examples:

- inhibiting the actuation of safety devices in case of empty seats (no passenger present), the presence of child seats, etc.
- the out of position (OOP) of a passenger: when a passenger is not in its normal sitting position (e.g. leaning forward or aside), an actuated safety device (airbag, safety belt tensioner) may hurt or injure the passenger, therefore the actuation of the safety device has to be adapted by means of reducing the speed or pressure of the actuation device, or in severe cases inhibit the actuation.
- passenger classification systems which distinguish between child and adult, small and large adult or similar criteria.

Relationship between large subject matter areas

Where the detecting means are part of the vehicle seat, [B60N2/00](#) which provides for seats specially adapted for vehicles, should be considered.

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Informative references

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

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|---------------------------------------------|--------------------------|
| Vehicle seats | B60N2/00 |
| Vehicle seats or children seats in vehicles | B60N2/28 |
| Vehicle seat heating systems | B60N2/56 |
| Force or pressure sensors per se | G01L |

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B60R21/01558

{monitoring crash strength}

Informative references

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

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| Crash strength monitoring combined with passenger detection | B60R21/0136 |
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3. REVISION CONCORDANCE LIST (RCL)

| <u>Type*</u> | <u>From CPC Symbol (existing)</u> | <u>To CPC Symbol (new)</u> |
|---------------------|------------------------------------------|-----------------------------------|
| C | B60R21/015 | B60R21/015 — B60R21/01566 |
| | B60R2021/01504 | B60R21/01504 |
| | B60R 2021/01508 | B60R21/01508 |
| | B60R 2021/01512 | B60R21/01512 |
| | B60R 2021/01516 | B60R21/01516 |
| | B60R 2021/0152 | B60R21/01528 |
| | B60R 2021/01525 | B60R21/0153) |
| | B60R 2021/01529 | B60R21/01532 |
| | B60R 2021/01533 | B60R21/01534 |
| | B60R 2021/01537 | B60R21/01536 |
| | B60R 2021/01541 | B60R21/01538 |
| | B60R 2021/01545 | B60R21/01542 |
| | B60R 2021/0155 | B60R21/01544 |
| | B60R 2021/01554 | B60R21/01546 |
| | B60R 2021/01558 | B60R21/01548 |
| | B60R 2021/01562 | B60R21/0155 |
| | B60R 2021/01566 | B60R21/01552 |
| | B60R 2021/0157 | B60R21/01554 |
| | B60R 2021/01575 | B60R21/01556 |
| | B60R 2021/01579 | B60R21/01558 |
| | B60R 2021/01583 | B60R21/0156 |
| | B60R 2021/01587 | B60R21/01562 |
| | B60R 2021/01591 | B60R21/01564 |
| | B60R 2021/01595 | B60R21/01566 |

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NOTE: Frozen (F) symbols are not included in the RCL table above.

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4. CHANGES TO THE CPC-TO-IPC CONCORDANCE LIST (CICL)

| <u>CPC</u> | <u>IPC</u> | <u>Action*</u> |
|-----------------|------------|----------------|
| B60R21/01504 | B60R21/015 | Add new entry |
| B60R21/01508 | B60R21/015 | Add new entry |
| B60R21/01512 | B60R21/015 | Add new entry |
| B60R21/01516 | B60R21/015 | Add new entry |
| B60R21/0152 | B60R21/015 | Add new entry |
| B60R21/01522 | B60R21/015 | Add new entry |
| B60R21/01524 | B60R21/015 | Add new entry |
| B60R21/01526 | B60R21/015 | Add new entry |
| B60R21/01528 | B60R21/015 | Add new entry |
| B60R21/0153 | B60R21/015 | Add new entry |
| B60R21/01532 | B60R21/015 | Add new entry |
| B60R21/01534 | B60R21/015 | Add new entry |
| B60R21/01536 | B60R21/015 | Add new entry |
| B60R21/01538 | B60R21/015 | Add new entry |
| B60R21/0154 | B60R21/015 | Add new entry |
| B60R21/01542 | B60R21/015 | Add new entry |
| B60R21/01544 | B60R21/015 | Add new entry |
| B60R21/01546 | B60R21/015 | Add new entry |
| B60R21/01548 | B60R21/015 | Add new entry |
| B60R21/0155 | B60R21/015 | Add new entry |
| B60R21/01552 | B60R21/015 | Add new entry |
| B60R21/01554 | B60R21/015 | Add new entry |
| B60R21/01556 | B60R21/015 | Add new entry |
| B60R21/01558 | B60R21/015 | Add new entry |
| B60R21/0156 | B60R21/015 | Add new entry |
| B60R21/01562 | B60R21/015 | Add new entry |
| B60R21/01564 | B60R21/015 | Add new entry |
| B60R21/01566 | B60R21/015 | Add new entry |
| B60R2021/01504 | | Delete CPC/IPC |
| B60R 2021/01508 | | Delete CPC/IPC |
| B60R 2021/01512 | | Delete CPC/IPC |
| B60R 2021/01516 | | Delete CPC/IPC |
| B60R 2021/0152 | | Delete CPC/IPC |
| B60R 2021/01525 | | Delete CPC/IPC |
| B60R 2021/01529 | | Delete CPC/IPC |
| B60R 2021/01533 | | Delete CPC/IPC |
| B60R 2021/01537 | | Delete CPC/IPC |
| B60R 2021/01541 | | Delete CPC/IPC |
| B60R 2021/01545 | | Delete CPC/IPC |
| B60R 2021/0155 | | Delete CPC/IPC |
| B60R 2021/01554 | | Delete CPC/IPC |
| B60R 2021/01558 | | Delete CPC/IPC |

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| <u>CPC</u> | <u>IPC</u> | <u>Action*</u> |
|-----------------|------------|----------------|
| B60R 2021/01562 | | Delete CPC/IPC |
| B60R 2021/01566 | | Delete CPC/IPC |
| B60R 2021/0157 | | Delete CPC/IPC |
| B60R 2021/01575 | | Delete CPC/IPC |
| B60R 2021/01579 | | Delete CPC/IPC |
| B60R 2021/01583 | | Delete CPC/IPC |
| B60R 2021/01587 | | Delete CPC/IPC |
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| B60R 2021/01595 | | Delete CPC/IPC |

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5. CROSS-REFERENCE LIST (CRL)

Scheme references impacted by this revision project

| <u>Location of reference to be changed</u> | <u>Referenced subclass or group to be changed</u> | <u>Change</u> |
|--------------------------------------------|---------------------------------------------------|---------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| B60R21/0136 | B60R21/01558 | responsive to actual contact with an obstacle {e.g. to vehicle deformation, bumper displacement or bumper velocity relative to the vehicle} {(monitoring crash strength in combination with passenger seat detection B60R21/01558)} |