

CPC COOPERATIVE PATENT CLASSIFICATION

Y GENERAL TAGGING OF NEW TECHNOLOGICAL DEVELOPMENTS; GENERAL TAGGING OF CROSS-SECTIONAL TECHNOLOGIES SPANNING OVER SEVERAL SECTIONS OF THE IPC; TECHNICAL SUBJECTS COVERED BY FORMER USPC CROSS-REFERENCE ART COLLECTIONS [XRACs] AND DIGESTS

NOTES

1. In this section, classes [Y02](#) and [Y04](#) are only to be used for tagging documents which are already classified or indexed elsewhere and which relate in a broad sense to specific major technical fields, these fields being defined by the notes following the title of the subclasses of this section.
2. As the primary purpose of the tagging according to Note (1) is to monitor new technological development and to tag cross-sectional technologies that do not fit in a single other section of the IPC, the tagging codes of this section do not in any way replace the classification or indexing codes of the other sections.
3. Class [Y10](#) has been introduced in July 2012 in view of the CPC to accommodate for technical subjects formerly covered by USPC cross-reference art collections [XRACs] and digests

Y02 TECHNOLOGIES OR APPLICATIONS FOR MITIGATION OR ADAPTATION AGAINST CLIMATE CHANGE

NOTES

1. This class covers selected technologies, which control, reduce or prevent anthropogenic emissions of greenhouse gases [GHG], in the framework of the Kyoto Protocol and the Paris Agreement, and also technologies which allow adapting to the adverse effects of climate change.
2. If appropriate, a document can receive more than one indexing code of this class.

Y02A TECHNOLOGIES FOR ADAPTATION TO CLIMATE CHANGE

NOTE

This subclass covers technologies for adaptation to climate change, i.e. technologies that allow adapting to the adverse effects of climate change in human, industrial (including agriculture and livestock) and economic activities.

Y02B CLIMATE CHANGE MITIGATION TECHNOLOGIES RELATED TO BUILDINGS, e.g. HOUSING, HOUSE APPLIANCES OR RELATED END-USER APPLICATIONS

Y02C CAPTURE, STORAGE, SEQUESTRATION OR DISPOSAL OF GREENHOUSE GASES [GHG]

Y02D CLIMATE CHANGE MITIGATION TECHNOLOGIES IN INFORMATION AND COMMUNICATION TECHNOLOGIES [ICT], I.E. INFORMATION AND COMMUNICATION TECHNOLOGIES AIMING AT THE REDUCTION OF THEIR OWN ENERGY USE

NOTES

1. This subclass covers information and communication technologies [ICT] whose purpose is to minimize the use of energy during the operation of the involved ICT equipment.
2. This subclass does not cover the use of an ICT technology supporting energy efficient operation of a further piece of equipment, nor the reuse or recycling of ICT equipment.

Y02E REDUCTION OF GREENHOUSE GAS [GHG] EMISSIONS, RELATED TO ENERGY GENERATION, TRANSMISSION OR DISTRIBUTION

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Y02P CLIMATE CHANGE MITIGATION TECHNOLOGIES IN THE PRODUCTION OR PROCESSING OF GOODS

NOTE

This subclass covers climate change mitigation technologies in any kind of industrial processing or production activity, including the agroalimentary industry, agriculture, fishing, ranching and the like.

Y02T CLIMATE CHANGE MITIGATION TECHNOLOGIES RELATED TO TRANSPORTATION

Y02W CLIMATE CHANGE MITIGATION TECHNOLOGIES RELATED TO WASTEWATER TREATMENT OR WASTE MANAGEMENT

Y04 INFORMATION OR COMMUNICATION TECHNOLOGIES HAVING AN IMPACT ON OTHER TECHNOLOGY AREAS

Y04S SYSTEMS INTEGRATING TECHNOLOGIES RELATED TO POWER NETWORK OPERATION, COMMUNICATION OR INFORMATION TECHNOLOGIES FOR IMPROVING THE ELECTRICAL POWER GENERATION, TRANSMISSION, DISTRIBUTION, MANAGEMENT OR USAGE, i.e. SMART GRIDS

Y10 TECHNICAL SUBJECTS COVERED BY FORMER USPC

Y10S TECHNICAL SUBJECTS COVERED BY FORMER USPC CROSS-REFERENCE ART COLLECTIONS [XRACs] AND DIGESTS

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Y10T TECHNICAL SUBJECTS COVERED BY FORMER US CLASSIFICATION

NOTE

This subclass has been introduced in January 2015 in view of the CPC to accommodate for technical subjects formerly covered by USPC