

RU DETAILED COMMENTS

(All the amendments see in RU modified proposal, Annex 2)

SEARCH INDEX CLASSIFICATION FOR FURNISHING

1. SEATS AND CHAIRS

Comments: this head should be changed to cover the articles of subclass 06 -01

1.1 Seats

Note: A seat for one person, whether un-upholstered or upholstered in part or whole, that can be temporarily or permanently fixed, either to a structure or another object. Includes: car seats for adults or children, stadium, arena and theatre seats, ~~swinging seats~~.*

Comments:* the number of places can be hardly considered as a visual feature since the seats and chairs are usually intended for one person;

The same relates to the aspect “temporarily or permanently fixed”.

We are not sure that “swinging seats” should be included here since “swings” relate to subclass 21-03 "Other amusement and entertainment articles".

1.2 Chairs.

Note: A chair for one person, whether un-upholstered or upholstered in part or whole, that is free-standing on its own legs or support. Includes: dining chairs, garden chairs, office chairs, armchairs.*

*See the comments above.

1.3 Benches

Note: A seat for more than one person, whether un-upholstered or upholstered in part or whole, including those standing on legs or support, or suspended/swinging. Includes: pews, school benches, stadium benches, and those that suitable for laying upon such as, couches, divans [sofas], ottomans, sofas, **divan-beds**, benches for saunas, **sun loungers**. ~~Does not include divans [ottomans]~~.*

*See the comments above.

Comments: “divan-beds” and “sun-loungers” are transferred from other categories;

The last statement comes into conflict with preceding phrase.

1.4 Stools

Note: A seat for one person, whether un-upholstered or upholstered in part or whole, whether free-standing on its own legs or support or fixed to the floor. Includes: bar stools, kitchen stools, foot stools, pouffes, kneelers.*

*See the comments above.

2. BEDS

Note: Includes mattress supports. Does not include seats suitable for laying upon, such as benches, couches, divans [sofas], ottomans, chaise-lounge, benches for saunas, sofas, hammocks.

Comments: It seems better hammocks to be related to suspended beds.

2.1 Beds

Note: ~~Includes beds for sleeping, including divans [beds]. Does not include sun loungers, camping beds, etc.~~

Comments: from the name of a product "bed" it seems obvious that it is intended for sleeping.

"Divan –bed" is firstly a sofa which can be transformed to a bed so "divan-beds" should relate to the category 1.3 Benches since they are intended for sitting and laying upon.

"Camping beds" should be included in the category "Beds".

2.2 Cots and cribs

Comments: the term "crib" has several meanings. For this category we think better to use more appropriate word e.g. "cradle".

2.3 ~~Sun-loungers, camping beds, other beds~~

Comments: sun loungers must be transferred to the category 1.3 since they are intended for sitting and laying upon.

"Other beds" should be described in terms or deleted.

3. TABLES AND SIMILAR FURNITURE

3.1 Tables

Note: Including desks and tables with or without drawers, dressing tables, billiard tables, altars, ~~servng trolleys~~, etc.

3.2 Counters

Note: Including bar counters, ~~lecterns~~, ~~servng trolleys~~, etc.

Comments: Since "lecterns" are covered by subclass 06-06"Other furniture and furniture parts "it should be transferred to the appropriate category. It seems better to include "servng trolleys" in the category "Tables".

4. STORAGE FURNITURE

Comments: This category was omitted; it should be included in a searching system.

*Note: Including cupboards, wardrobes, furniture with drawers, compartments or shelves, **coffins, coffin linen, crematory urns**. Does not include furniture to be used when seated such as dining or kitchen tables, desks, writing tables, dressing tables ~~ete~~, or beds having drawers or storage capacity.*

Comments: “coffin, coffin linen, crematory urns” should be included in this category which could cover the following items:

Safes

Wardrobes

Cupboards

Cabinets

Drawer chests

Shelves and racks

Coffins, coffin linen and crematory urns

5. OTHER FURNITURE

4.1 ~~Mattresses and cushions~~

Note: Including ~~cushions for seats, scatter cushions, bean bags, etc.~~

Comments: “mattresses and cushions” are not the furniture items since they should be related to furnishing; we suggest to create two distinct indexing categories for each of them.

5.1 Stands and supports

*Note: Including coat stands, clothes stands, hat stands, book stands, flower stands, cask stands, wrist supports, **lecterns**. ~~ete~~. Does not include: prayer stools, footrests (in the form of stools 1.4)*

5.2 Booths and screens

Note: Including cashier’s booths, confessional boxes, playpens, safety guards (~~fire~~, baby (safety) gates, ~~ete~~.)

Comments: “fireplace screens” are covered by subclass 07-08 "Fireplace implements".

6. PARTS OF FURNITURE

Doors

Drawers and drawer rails

Legs

Feet and casters

Tops

Backs and backrests

Arms and armrests

Headrests

Bed surrounds

7. MATTRESSES AND CUSHIONS

Note: Including cushions for seats, scatter cushions, ~~bean bags~~, etc.

Comments: taking in account that “bean bags” are very close to pouffes they should be covered by the category “Stools”.

8. MIRRORS AND FRAMES

Note: Including mirrors and frames being part of composite furniture, e.g., dressing table. Does not include rear-view or vanity mirrors for vehicles.

9. CURTAINS, BLINDS, CARPETS, MATS AND OTHER COVERING MATERIALS

Note: Includes rugs, tapestries, furniture covers, bedspreads, bed linen, blankets, table covers, table linen and napery.

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