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AMENDMENTS TO THE COMPENDIUM OF CLASSIFICATION OPINIONS

ARISING FROM THE CLASSIFICATION OF LASER POINTERS

IN SUBHEADING 9013.20

(Item VII.23 on Agenda)

Reference Documents :

42.497 (HSC/22)
NC0160E2, Annex H/9 (HSC/24 – Report)

I. BACKGROUND

1. At its 24th Session, the Harmonized System Committee examined the classification of laser pointers.
2. The Committee decided unanimously to classify the laser pointers at issue in heading 90.13 by application of GIR 1. The Committee then decided, by 25 votes to 3, to classify the laser pointers in subheading 9013.20 by application of GIRs 1 and 6.
3. To reflect this decision, the Secretariat was instructed to prepare a Classification Opinion for examination by the next presessional Working Party.

II. SECRETARIAT COMMENTS

4. Acting on the Committee's instructions, the Secretariat has prepared and annexed a draft Classification Opinion.

III. CONCLUSION

5. The Committee is invited to approve the annexed amendments to the Compendium of Classification Opinions, once they have been finalized by the presessional Working Party.

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ANNEXE

MODIFICATION DU RECUEIL DES AVIS DE CLASSEMENT
DECOULANT DU CLASSEMENT DANS LE N° 9013.20 DES POINTEURS LASER
(Point VII.23 de l'ordre du jour)

ANNEX

AMENDMENTS TO THE COMPENDIUM OF CLASSIFICATION OPINIONS
ARISING FROM THE CLASSIFICATION OF LASER POINTERS IN SUBHEADING 9013.20
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MODIFICATION DU RECUEIL DES AVIS DE CLASSEMENT

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Insérer l'Avis de classement ci-après :

- "**9013.20** 1. **Pointeurs laser** portatifs se présentant sous la forme notamment de pistolets ou de stylos destinés à fonctionner au moyen de leur propre source d'énergie. Ils sont constitués d'une diode laser et d'un micro-circuit électronique, placés dans une enveloppe en cuivre munie d'un interrupteur. Ils fonctionnent à l'aide de piles et peuvent être munis d'une chaîne fixée à un porte-clés à ferroir en métal commun. Les pointeurs laser émettent un rayon lumineux rouge cohérent et visible dont la longueur d'onde se situe entre 660 et 680 nm. Ils peuvent projeter un faisceau rouge et créer un point rouge brillant sur un objet éloigné. Les dispositifs de l'espèce sont souvent utilisés dans l'enseignement et lors de la présentation d'exposés pour appeler l'attention de l'auditoire.

Application de la RGI 1."

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Insérer les références suivantes :

Colonne 1	Colonne 2	Colonne 3
" 9013.20	1	(*)"

(*) Insérer le numéro de document du rapport correspondant.

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Insert the following Classification Opinion :

"9013.20 1. **Laser pointers**, which are portable, in the shape of pistols, pens, etc. and designed to function by their own source of energy. They consist of a laser diode and microelectronics in a housing of copper, fitted with a switch. They are battery-powered and may be equipped with a chain fixed to a key ring and a clasp, of base metal. Laser pointers produce a red visible coherent light beam in the wavelength range between 660-680 nm. They can project a red beam and create a brilliant red dot on an object far away. Laser pointers are commonly used in teaching and presentations to draw the audience's attention.

Application of GIR 1."

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Insert the following references :

Column 1	Column 2	Column 3
"9013.20	1	(*)"

(*) Insert the appropriate Report reference.