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AMENDMENTS TO THE COMPENDIUM OF CLASSIFICATION OPINIONS ARISING FROM  
THE CLASSIFICATION OF A LUMBAR SUPPORT BELT IN SUBHEADING 6212.90  
(Item VI.3 on Agenda)

Reference documents :

NC0230E1 (HSC/25)  
NC0250E2, Annex IJ/18 (HSC/25 – Report)

I. BACKGROUND

1. At its 25<sup>th</sup> Session the Harmonized System Committee examined the classification of a "Thuisne Lombacross Ref. 830" lumbar support belt.
2. The Committee decided, by 19 votes to 10, that this lumbar support belt belonged in Section XI and not in heading 90.21. It then decided unanimously to classify it in heading 62.12 (subheading 6212.90) rather than in heading 63.07, this classification being on the basis of GIR 1 (text of heading 62.12 and Note 1 (b) to Chapter 90) and GIR 6.
3. Following this decision, the Secretariat was instructed to prepare a Classification Opinion for examination by the next presessional Working Party.

II. SECRETARIAT COMMENTS

4. In accordance with the Committee's instructions, the Secretariat has prepared a draft Classification Opinion set out at the Annex hereto.

III. CONCLUSION

5. The Committee is invited to approve this draft once it has been finalized by the presessional Working Party.

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ANNEXE

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MODIFICATION DU RECUEIL DES AVIS DE CLASSEMENT  
DECOULANT DU CLASSEMENT D'UNE CEINTURE DE  
SOUTIEN LOMBAIRE DANS LE N° 6212.90  
(Point VI.3 de l'ordre du jour)

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MODIFICATIONS DU RECUEIL DES AVIS DE CLASSEMENT

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Insérer l'avis de classement suivant :

- "6212.90**      2. **Ceinture de soutien lombaire** renforcée, à rappel postural, en tissu élastique (polyamide 43 %, élasthanne guipé 25 %, coton 16 %, polyester 16 %) à structure transversale assurant la stabilité de la ceinture (évite qu'elle ne plisse) et fermeture du type "velcro". Sa partie postérieure (largeur d'environ 27 cm) comporte des bandes de tissu croisées (analogie fonctionnelle musculaire) et un baleinage rigide et anatomique réalisé au moyen de quatre bandes rigides disposées perpendiculairement à la longueur de la ceinture (rappel postural). Elle est commercialisée en six tailles différentes, en fonction du tour de taille du patient. Les indications d'utilisation sont les suivantes :  
- prévention et maintien des lombalgies et sciatalgies aiguës ou chroniques  
- traumatismes professionnels  
- arthrose vertébrale douloureuse  
- soutien de la paroi abdominale dans les cas d'éventrations  
- maintien post-interventionnel

**Application des RGI 1 (libellé du n° 62.12 et Note 1 b) du Chapitre 90) et 6."**

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Insérer les références suivantes :

Colonne 1	Colonne 2	Colonne 3	Colonne 4
<b>"6212.90</b>	2	(*)	<b>"Thuasne Lombacross Ref. 830"</b>

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

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Insert the following Classification Opinion :

**"6212.90**

2. Reinforced **lumbar support belt**, with posture correction, of elastic woven fabric (43 % polyamide, 25 % lapped elastane, 16 % cotton, 16 % polyester) with a crosswise structure ensuring stability of the belt (prevents it from creasing) and "velcro" fastener. At the rear (width about 27 cm) are three bands of woven fabric (crossed, by analogy with muscular function) and rigid anatomical boning consisting of four rigid bands perpendicular to the length of the belt (posture correction). The belt is available in six different sizes, according to the patient's waist measurements. It is described as being used for :  
- prevention and treatment of acute or chronic lumbago and sciatica  
- occupational traumas  
- back pain due to vertebral arthrosis  
- support of the abdominal wall in the case of hernia  
- post-operative support.

**Application of GIR 1 (text of heading 62.12 and Note 1 (b) to Chapter 90) and GIR 6."**

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Insert the following references :

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(\*) Insert the appropriate Report reference.