

SUBJECT 21

Re: Packaging Notes — Various Items

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Proposed Classification Provisions

It is proposed to replace the current verbiage in the Notes listed below with the following:

NOTE—Articles tendered for shipment on lift truck skids, pallets or platforms must be securely fastened to and must not overhang the edges of the lift truck skid, pallet or platform deck. Exposed surfaces and edges must be protected by packing forms or other packaging materials so as to withstand the normal rigors of the less-than-truckload environment.

13451	39524	158908
18417	68006	159011
34292	70683	160421
36266	89796	161132
36651	104033	177011
36823	156305	178162

Analysis and Conclusion

Each of the Notes listed above contain similar language, which state, in part, “Exposed surfaces and edges must be completely wrapped with plastic film or corrugated fiberboard or protected by wood or similar material.” However, due to numerous claims issues on various products when only wrapped in plastic film, this proposal would amend the Notes to require the products to be “...protected by packing forms or other packaging materials so as to withstand the normal rigors of the less-than-truckload environment.” These changes would ensure the products are better protected to mitigate the chance of damage.