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SUBJECT 22: Shades or Blinds Group

Re: Shades or Blinds Group

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Quick View

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Quick View: Five items subject to the Shades or Blinds Group are canceled with reference to a new item, which would provide classes based on the FCDC’s 13-subprovision density scale.

- Shades or Blinds Group, item 174130, canceled with no further application
- Note, item 174226 canceled with no further application
- Item 174200 amended accordingly

Transportation Characteristics Present:

- Handling ☐Yes ☒No Stowability ☐Yes ☒No Liability ☐Yes ☒No Density ☒Yes ☐No

Provisions based on:

- FCDC’s 13-subprovision density scale

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Present Classification Provisions

Item	Description	Class
174130	SHADES OR BLINDS GROUP: Articles consist of Shades, Blinds or Related Products, as described in items subject to this grouping.	
174145	Channels or Fasciae , venetian blind, steel, painted or not painted, punched or not punched, in stock lengths or cut to specific size, in boxes or crates	50
174170	Kits , venetian blind tape or cord replacement, in boxes.....	85
174200	 Shades, Shutters or Blinds , interior, including Venetian Blinds, Mini-Blinds or Vertical Blinds , in boxes or crates:	
Sub 1	Greatest dimension exceeding 192 inches, subject to Item 170 and having a density in pounds per cubic foot of:	
Sub 2	Less than 4.....	400
Sub 3	4 but less than 8	250
Sub 4	8 or greater	110
Sub 5	Greatest dimension exceeding 96 inches but not exceeding 192 inches, subject to Item 170 and having a density in pounds per cubic foot of:	
Sub 6	Less than 4.....	300
Sub 7	4 but less than 8.....	175
Sub 8	8 or greater	100
Sub 9	Greatest dimension not exceeding 96 inches, subject to Item 170 and having a density in pounds per cubic foot of:	
Sub 10	Less than 4.....	250
Sub 11	4 but less than 8.....	175
Sub 12	8 or greater	85
174225	Slats, Flashing, Mounting Strips or Fasciae , blind or shade, other than coiled, see Note, item 174226, in boxes or crates:	
Sub 1	Aluminum	85
Sub 2	Steel	70
Sub 3	Wood:	
Sub 4	Finished.....	65
Sub 5	In the white	50
174226	NOTE—Applies on articles named when crowned (curved) or not crowned, or with flanges, in stock lengths or cut to specific size, punched or slotted or not punched nor slotted.	
174260	Venetian Blind Hardware (Fixtures) , metal, other than slats, in boxes.....	60
174270	Venetian Blind Slat Material , crowned (curved) or not crowned, painted or plain, coiled, in boxes or crates or wrapped and secured to lift truck skids or pallets:	
Sub 1	Aluminum	85
Sub 2	Steel	50

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Proposed Classification Provisions

Item	Description	Class
174130	SHADES OR BLINDS GROUP , etc.....	⇒Cancel; no further application
174145	Channels or Fasciae , venetian blind, steel, painted or not painted, punched or not punched, in stock lengths or cut to specific size, etc.....	⇒Cancel; see item NEW
174170	Kits , venetian blind tape or cord replacement, etc.....	⇒Cancel; see item NEW
⇒174200	 Shades, Shutters or Blinds , interior, with or without accompanying hardware, fittings, or motors, including Venetian Blinds, Mini-Blinds or Vertical Blinds , in boxes or crates:	
Sub 1	Greatest dimension exceeding 192 inches, subject to Item 170 and having a density in pounds per cubic foot of:	
Sub 2	Less than 4.....	400
Sub 3	4 but less than 8.....	250
Sub 4	8 or greater	110
Sub 5	Greatest dimension exceeding 96 inches but not exceeding 192 inches, subject to Item 170 and having a density in pounds per cubic foot of:	
Sub 6	Less than 4.....	300
Sub 7	4 but less than 8.....	175
Sub 8	8 or greater	100
Sub 9	Greatest dimension not exceeding 96 inches, subject to Item 170 and having a density in pounds per cubic foot of:	
Sub 10	Less than 4.....	250
Sub 11	4 but less than 8.....	175
Sub 12	8 or greater	85
174225	Slats, Flashing, Mounting Strips or Fasciae , blind or shade, other than coiled, etc.....	⇒Cancel; see item NEW
174226	NOTE—⇒Cancel; no further application.	
174260	Venetian Blind Hardware (Fixtures) , metal, other than slats, etc	⇒Cancel; see item NEW
174270	Venetian Blind Slat Material , crowned (curved) or not crowned, painted or plain, coiled, etc	⇒Cancel; see item NEW

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Proposed Classification Provisions—Concluded

Item	Description	Class
⇒NEW	Parts or Hardware (Fixtures) , shades, shutters, or blinds, NOI, in boxes or crates, subject to Item 170 and having a density in pounds per cubic foot of:	
Sub 1	Less than 1.....	400
Sub 2	1 but less than 2.....	300
Sub 3	2 but less than 4.....	250
Sub 4	4 but less than 6.....	175
Sub 5	6 but less than 8.....	125
Sub 6	8 but less than 10.....	100
Sub 7	10 but less than 12.....	92.5
Sub 8	12 but less than 15.....	85
Sub 9	15 but less than 22.5.....	70
Sub 10	22.5 but less than 30.....	65
Sub 11	30 but less than 35.....	60
Sub 12	35 but less than 50.....	55
Sub 13	50 or greater.....	50

Analysis

Introduction

Five items subject to the Shades or Blinds Group, as shown in the Present Classification Provisions herein, name various parts or hardware used for interior shades, shutters or blinds, and these provisions can be difficult to interpret, apply or verify.

Transportation Characteristics

Handling, Stowability, and Liability—There have been no reports of unusual or significant handling, stowability, or liability issues. Therefore, density has been identified as the primary transportation characteristic.

Conclusion

Based on the foregoing analysis, items 174145, 174170, 174225, 174260 and 174270 would be canceled with reference to a new item, naming “Parts or Hardware (Fixtures), shades, shutters or blinds, NOI,” which would provide classes predicated on the FCDC’s standard 13-subprovision density scale²⁶.

The Shades or Blinds Group, item 174130, would be canceled with no further application, as would Note, item 174226.

²⁶ The FCDC’s standard 13-subprovision density scale includes reference to Item (Rule) 170, the inadvertence clause.

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Concurrently, the indentation of item 174200 would be adjusted accordingly, and the language "with or without accompanying hardware, fittings, or motors" would be added to clarify its application.

The FCDC's Lead Classification and Packaging Analyst has reviewed the proposed minimum packaging requirements and determined they are appropriate for the LTL environment.