C09J

ADHESIVES; NON-MECHANICAL ASPECTS OF ADHESIVE PROCESSES IN GENERAL; ADHESIVE PROCESSES NOT PROVIDED FOR ELSEWHERE; USE OF MATERIALS AS ADHESIVES (preparation of glue or gelatine C09H)

Definition statement

This place covers:

Adhesives and adhesive processes (but see below for adhesive processes), including adhesives characterised by their physical nature or by the effects produced;

Adhesives based on polysaccharides or their derivatives, based on rubbers or their derivatives, based on natural or unspecified macromolecular compounds or their derivatives, or based on organic macromolecular compounds, obtained by (or obtained otherwise than by) reactions only involving carbon-to-carbon unsaturated bonds;

Adhesives based on inorganic substances or on organic non-macromolecular compounds having at least one polymerisable carbon-to-carbon unsaturated bond;

Adhesives in the form of films or foils, including releasable films;

Heat seal adhesives and hot melts;

Use of materials as adhesives, e.g. the use of known or new polymers or products;

Other features of adhesives, e.g. additives for adhesives.

Relationships with other classification places

This subclass is residual in respect of adhesive processes. Please see the "References out of a residual place" section below, for details of other places for classifying some adhesive processes.

In cases where an adhesive contains an organic non-macromolecular compound as an additive but not as an essential ingredient, and such a compound is of interest, classification could be made in C08K or as an additive in C08J 3/00 or C09J 11/02. This may be in addition to classification in C09J 123/00 - C09J 149/00.

Processes for applying liquids or other fluent materials to surfaces in general are classified in B05D.

Organic dyes or closely-related compounds for producing dyes, mordants or lakes per se, are classified in C09B.

Treatment of inorganic materials other than fibrous fillers used as pigments or fillers is classified in C09C.

Natural resins, French polish, drying-oils, driers, turpentine, per se, are classified in C09F.

Relationship between CO8F, CO8G, CO8L, CO9D and CO9J:

Macromolecular compounds as such are classified in <u>C08F</u> or <u>C08G</u>. Compositions of macromolecular compounds are classified in <u>C08L</u>. Coating compositions or adhesive compositions are classified in <u>C09D</u> and <u>C09J</u>, respectively.

<u>CO9D</u> and <u>CO9J</u> are seen as "related fields" of <u>C08L</u> this structure has implications on search and classification.

For classification:

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Relationships with other classification places

If the claims only pertain to an "adhesive composition...", only the <u>C09J</u> class is given.

If the claims pertain to a composition as such and to an adhesive (For example, "composition for use as an adhesive..."), both the <u>CO9J</u> class and the corresponding <u>C08L</u> class are given.

For searching both classes are to be searched, regardless of the wording of the claims, since in many documents of <u>C08L</u>, a passage relating to the use of the composition for an adhesive can be found.

References

Limiting references

This place does not cover:

Preparation of glue or gelatine	<u>C09H</u>

Application-oriented references

Examples of places where the subject matter of this place is covered when specially adapted, used for a particular purpose, or incorporated in a larger system:

Electrically conductive adhesives specially adapted for use in therapy or testing in vivo	A61K 9/0009
Adhesive bandages, dressings or absorbent pads	A61L 15/16
Surgical adhesives	A61L 24/00
Joining of preformed parts; Apparatus therefor using adhesives	B29C 65/48
Layered products characterised by the relation between layers, i.e. products essentially comprising layers having different physical properties or products characterised by the interconnection of layers where at least one layer has inter-reactive properties	B32B 7/10
Layered products characterised by the relation between layers, i.e. products essentially comprising layers having different physical properties or products characterised by the use of interposed adhesives or interposed materials with adhesive properties	B32B 7/12
Cling foils	C08J 5/00
Bonding of a preformed macromolecular material to the same or other solid material such as metal, glass, leather, e.g. using adhesives	C08J 5/12
Using adhesives in the production of multi-layer textile fabrics	D06M 17/00
Adhesive labels, tag tickets or similar identification or indication means	G09F 3/10

References out of a residual place

Examples of places in relation to which this place is residual:

Devices for applying liquids, e.g. adhesives, to surfaces, including wood surfaces, to be joined	B05B, B05C, B27G 11/00
Processes for applying liquids or other fluent materials, e.g. adhesives, to surfaces in general	<u>B05D</u>
Bonding of non-plastics to plastics or bonding substances in a plastic state in general	<u>B29C</u>
Labelling fabrics or comparable materials or articles with deformable surface using adhesives and thermo-activatable adhesives, respectively	B65C 5/02, B65C 5/04
Joining glass to glass or to other materials	C03C 27/00

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Informative references

Attention is drawn to the following places, which may be of interest for search:

Containers, packaging elements or packages for web or tape-like material, e.g. dispenser for dispensing tape	B65D 85/67
Polishing compositions, ski waxes	<u>C09G</u>
Soaps, detergent compositions	<u>C11D</u>
Connecting constructional elements or machine parts by sticking or pressing them together, e.g. cold pressure welding	F16B 11/00

Special rules of classification

B32B, B65C 5/02, B65C 5/04, G09F 3/10 are non-limiting in the subclass C09J. CPC will be updated/corrected once this inconsistency in IPC is resolved.

Classification guidance:

- In this subclass, adhesives containing specific organic macromolecular substances are classified only according to the macromolecular substance, non-macromolecular substances not being taken into account.
- Example: an adhesive containing polyethene and amino-propyltrimethoxysilane is classified in group C09J 123/06.
- However, adhesives containing combinations of organic non-macromolecular compounds having
 at least one polymerisable carbon-to-carbon unsaturated bond with prepolymers or polymers other
 than unsaturated polymers of groups <u>C09J 159/00</u> <u>C09J 187/00</u> are classified according to the
 unsaturated non-macromolecular component in group <u>C09J 4/06</u>.
- Example: an adhesive containing polyethene and styrene monomer is classified in group <u>C09J 4/06</u>.
- Aspects relating to the physical nature of the adhesives or to the effects produced, as defined in group C09J 9/00, if clearly and explicitly stated, are also classified in this subclass.
- Adhesives characterised by other features, e.g. additives, are classified in group <u>C09J 11/00</u>, unless the macromolecular constituent is specified.
- In this subclass, adhesives comprising two or more macromolecular constituents are classified
 according to the macromolecular constituent or constituents present in the highest proportion, i.e.
 the constituent on which the composition is based. If the composition is based on two or more
 constituents, present in equal proportions, the adhesive is classified according to each of these
 constituents.
- Example: an adhesive containing 80 parts of polyethene and 20 parts of polyvinylchloride is classified in group C09J 123/06. An adhesive containing 40 parts of polyethene and 40 parts of polyvinylchloride is classified in groups C09J 123/06 and C09J 127/06.
- In groups <u>C09J 101/00</u> <u>C09J 201/00</u>, any macromolecular constituent of an adhesive which is not identified by the classification according to Note (3) after the title of subclass <u>C09J</u>, and the use of which is determined to be novel and non-obvious, must also be classified in a group chosen from groups <u>C09J 101/00</u> <u>C09J 201/00</u>.
- In groups C09J 123/00 C09J 149/00, in the absence of an indication to the contrary, a copolymer is classified according to the major monomeric component.
- In groups <u>C09J 165/00</u> <u>C09J 185/00</u>, in the absence of an indication to the contrary, adhesives
 based on macromolecular compounds obtained by reactions forming two different linkages in the
 main chain are classified only according to the linkage present in excess.
- When the adhesive is a specified organic polymer, classification is given in <u>C09J 101/00</u> - <u>C09J 201/00</u>. When the adhesive is a specified inorganic constituent, classification is given in <u>C09D 1/00</u>.

- Adhesive compositions containing a single polymer and an inorganic or non-macromolecular
 organic additive as compounding agent are not classified in <u>C08K</u>, but in the <u>C09J</u> subclass
 together with the corresponding symbol in <u>C08K</u> in the form of C-Sets (i.e. #C9Je).
- Adhesive compositions containing specific organic macromolecular substances are classified according to the macromolecular substance.
- Adhesive compositions comprising specific macromolecular substances with other macromolecular substances and/or non-macromolecular substances are also classified under the form of C-Sets as explained below.

Allocation of indexing codes:

 Orthogonal Indexing codes may be allocated in conjunction with combination-set symbols. In these situations, allocations of specific indexing codes are indicated with the related C-Sets in C-Sets classification.

Combination sets (C-Sets):

In this subclass, C-Sets classification is applied to the following groups, listed in the table below, if the document discloses a pertinent combination of technical features that cannot be covered by the allocation of a single symbol. The fourth column of the table indicates the place where the detailed information about the C-Sets construction and the associated syntax rules can be found, in the section Special rules of classification.

C-SETS ID	BASE SYMBOLS	SUBSEQUENT SYMBOLS	C-SETS FORMULA; LOCATION OF C-SETS RULES
#C9Ja	C09J 4/00	C08F 210/00 -C08F 246/00 (excluding breakdown indexing codes)	(C09J 4/00, C08F); an adhesive composition based on at least one monomer; see C09J 4/00
#C9Jb	C09J 4/06	C08F 251/00 - C08F 291/185	(C09J 4/06, C08F); an adhesive composition based on at least one monomer and at least one polymer; see C09J 4/06
#C9Jc	C09J 101/00 -C09J 201/10	C08L 1/00 -C08L 101/16 (excluding breakdown indexing codes)	(C09J, C08L); an adhesive composition of two or more polymers; see C09J 101/00
#C9Jc(Si)	C09J 101/00 - C09J 201/10 (excluding C09J 183/02 -C09J 183/16)	C08L 83/02 -C08L 83/16, C08L 83/00	(C09J, C08L 83/02 - C08L 83/16, C08L 83/00,); an adhesive composition comprising one non Sibased polymer in majority and two or more Sibased polymers; see C09J 101/00

#C9Jc(Si)2	C09J 183/02 -C09J 183/16	C08L 83/00 and optionally C08L 1/00 – C08L 101/16 (excluding C08L 83/02 -C08L 83/16 and excluding breakdown indexing codes)	(C09J 183/02 - C09J 183/16, C08L 83/00,, C08L,); an adhesive composition comprising one Si-based polymer in majority and one or more Si-based polymers and optionally non Si-based polymer(s); see C09J 183/00
#C9Je	C09J 101/00 -C09J 201/10	C08K 3/00 –C08K 13/08 (excluding breakdown indexing codes)	(C09J, C08K,); an adhesive composition of two or more polymers with additive(s); see C09J 101/00
#C9Jf	C09J 101/00 -C09J 201/10	C08L 1/00 -C08L 101/16 (excluding breakdown indexing codes), C08K 3/00 - C08K 13/08 (excluding breakdown indexing codes)	(C09J, C08L,C08K,); an adhesive composition of two or more polymers with additive(s); see C09J 101/00
#C9Jf(Si)	C09J 101/00 -C09J 201/10 (excluding C09J 183/02 -C09J 183/16)	C08L 83/02 -C08L 83/16, C08L 83/00, C08K 3/00 -C08K 13/08 (excluding breakdown indexing codes)	(C09J, C08L 83/02 - C08L 83/16, C08L 83/00,, C08K,); an adhesive composition comprising one non-Si-based polymer in majority and two or more Si-based polymers and additive(s); see C09J 101/00
#C9Jf(Si)2	C09J 183/02 -C09J 183/16	C08L 83/00 and optionally C08L 1/00 –C08L 101/16 (excluding C08L 83/02 - C08L 83/16) and excluding breakdown indexing codes), C08K 3/00 –C08K 13/08 (excluding breakdown indexing codes)	(C09J 183/02 - C09J 183/16, C08L 83/00,, C08L, C08K,); an adhesive composition comprising one Si-based polymer in majority with one or more Si-based polymers and optionally non-Si polymer(s) and additive(s); see C09J 183/00
#C9J(z)	C09J 101/00 - C09J 201/10	C08L 2666/00 -C08L 2666/26	(C09J, C08L 2666/00 - C08L 2666/26); an adhesive composition of two or more polymers; see C09J 101/00

The specific C-Sets rule is located at only one place of the base symbol in the section Special rules of classification in the definition. If the C-Sets rule is applicable to all groups of a subclass, it is located at the subclass level only. If the same C-Sets rule is applicable to multiple groups or subgroups within the same subclass, the C-Sets rule is placed at the highest group or subgroup of the multiple groups.

In this subclass, all exemplified compositions should be classified as separate C-Sets. In the absence of examples, at least one C-Set is given on the basis of sufficient disclosure in the document.

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Glossary of terms

In this place, the following terms or expressions are used with the meaning indicated:

Aliphatic radical	"Aliphatic radical" means an acyclic or a non-aromatic carbocyclic carbon skeleton which is considered to be terminated by every bond: to an element other than carbon; a carbon atom having a double bond to one atom other than carbon; or an aromatic carbocyclic ring or a heterocyclic ring.
Use of materials as adhesives	This means the use of known or new polymers or products as adhesives.
Rubber	Includes a natural or conjugated diene rubbers, or rubber in general (for a specific rubber, other than a natural rubber or a conjugated diene rubber, see the group provided for adhesives based on such macromolecular compounds).

C09J 1/00

Adhesives based on inorganic constituents

Definition statement

This place covers:

Adhesives based on inorganic constituents unless they are based on compositions of mortars, concrete, artificial stone or hydraulic cement.

References

Limiting references

This place does not cover:

Hydraulic cement	C04B 7/00
Compositions of mortars, concrete or artificial stone	C04B 28/00

C09J 4/00

Adhesives based on organic non-macromolecular compounds having at least one polymerisable carbon-to-carbon unsaturated bond {; adhesives, based on monomers of macromolecular compounds of groups C09J 183/00 - C09J 183/16}

Definition statement

This place covers:

Coating compositions for adhesives based on non-macromolecular compounds that are able to be polymerized during the film formation step (in-situ polymerization) in the absence of a pre-formed polymer.

Any composition for adhesives comprising at least one polymerisable ethylenically unsaturated monomer or oligomer and able to be polymerized by means of the known methods leading, during the film formation, to macromolecular compounds of $\frac{\text{C08F 210/00}}{\text{C08F 246/00}}$ or coating compositions based on non-macromolecular compounds that are able to react, during the film formation, to form macromolecular compounds of groups $\frac{\text{C08G 77/00}}{\text{C08G 77/00}}$.

References

Informative references

Attention is drawn to the following places, which may be of interest for search:

Adhesives based on blends from polymers	<u>C09J 101/00</u> -
	C09J 201/10

Special rules of classification

Classification guidance:

- In the case of adhesive compositions based on non-macromolecular compounds that are able to react, during the film formation, to form macromolecular compounds of groups
 C08G 77/00 C08G 77/80 (e.g. by hydrolysis condensation of siloxane-type of monomers),
 C09J 4/00 is given together with a single symbol taken from groups C08G 77/00 C08G 77/62 to indicate the nature of the polymer formed and a single symbol taken from groups
 C09J 183/02 C09J 183/16 to indicate the nature of the adhesive composition which is assumed to be formed by the in situ polymerization of these monomers.
- An adhesive composition comprising phenyltriethoxysilane and aminopropyl trimethoxy silane in minority is classified in <u>C09J 4/00</u> together with <u>C08G 77/26</u> and in <u>C09J 183/08</u>.

Combination sets (C-Sets):

C-Sets statement: #C9Ja

- In group <u>C09J 4/00</u>, the adhesive compositions based on organic non-macromolecular compounds having at least one polymerizable carbon-to-carbon unsaturated bond are classified in the form of C-Sets.
- In #C9Ja, the base symbol, representing adhesive composition, is taken from the group <u>C09J 4/00</u>, whereas the subsequent symbol representing a representative monomer or a monomer in majority is taken from the groups <u>C08F 210/00</u> <u>C08F 246/00</u>.
- In addition, a separate C-Set representing the copolymer that is formed according to the monomers of <u>C08F</u> must be given.

C-Sets syntax rules:

- · Each C-Set shall contain exactly two symbols.
- · Duplicate symbols are not allowed in these C-Sets.
- Breakdown indexing codes are not allowed as either base or subsequent symbols.
- The order of symbols in these C-Sets is relevant as it reflects the adhesive composition and the monomer.

C-Sets examples:

- #C9Ja: An adhesive composition consisting of 2-ethylhexylacrylate is classified as (<u>C09J 4/00</u>, C08F 220/18)
- #C9Ja: An adhesive composition comprising butylacrylate in majority and ethylene glycol dimethacrylate in minority is classified as (<u>C09J 4/00</u>, <u>C08F 220/18</u>) and as (<u>C08F 220/1804</u>, <u>C08F 222/102</u>) for the resulting copolymer.

For searches using C-Sets:

C-Sets search queries may be made according to C-Sets classification rules described in <u>C09J</u> and related subclasses. In addition, #C8Lz, #C9Dz, and #C9Jz Search Rules may be followed to search for polymers in documents classified prior to April 2012.

C09J 4/06

{Organic non-macromolecular compounds having at least one polymerisable carbon-to-carbon unsaturated bond} in combination with a macromolecular compound other than an unsaturated polymer of groups C09J 159/00 - C09J 187/00

Definition statement

This place covers:

Coating compositions for adhesives based on non-macromolecular compounds that are able to be polymerized during the film formation step (in-situ polymerization) in the presence of a pre-formed polymer.

This includes any composition comprising at least one polymerisable ethylenically unsaturated monomer or oligomer that has at least another polymer and is able to be polymerized by means of the known methods leading to macromolecular compounds of COSF 291/185.

Special rules of classification

C-Sets classification:

C-Sets statement: #C9Jb

- In group <u>C09J 4/06</u>, the adhesive compositions based on organic non-macromolecular compounds
 having at least one polymerizable carbon-to-carbon unsaturated bonds in combination with a
 macromolecular compound are classified in the form of C-Sets.
- In #C9Jb, the base symbol, representing adhesive composition, is taken from the group <u>C09J 4/06</u>, whereas the subsequent symbol representing the resulting graft copolymer in accordance with <u>C08F</u> is taken from the groups <u>C08F 251/00 C08F 291/185</u>.
- A separate C-Set representing the graft copolymer that is formed according to the monomers of <u>C08F</u> must also be given.

C-Sets syntax rules:

- Each C-Set shall contain exactly two symbols.
- Duplicate symbols are not allowed in these C-Sets.
- · Breakdown indexing codes are not allowed as either base or subsequent symbols.
- The order of symbols in these C-Sets is relevant as it reflects the adhesive composition and the grafted copolymer.

C-Sets examples:

#C9Jb: An adhesive composition comprising methyl methacrylate and polybutylacrylate is
classified as the C-Set (<u>C09J 4/06</u>, <u>C08F 265/06</u>) and (<u>C08F 265/06</u>, <u>C08F 220/14</u>) for the
resulting grafted copolymer.

C-Sets searches:

C-Sets search queries may be made according to C-Sets classification rules described in <u>C09J</u> and related subclasses. In addition, #C8Lz, #C9Dz, and #C9Jz Search Rules may be followed to search for polymers in documents classified prior to April 2012.

C09J 5/00

Adhesive processes in general; Adhesive processes not provided for elsewhere, e.g. relating to primers

Definition statement

This place covers:

Adhesive processes characterised by process features, e.g. heating; Pre-treatment of the surface to be joined, e.g. by use of a primer; Separate application of adhesive ingredients to the different surfaces to be joined.

Processes of joining materials by welding overlapping edges with an insertion of plastic material.

Processes of debonding substrates which were glued together beforehand.

Relationships with other classification places

- Glue sticks are classified in C09J 9/005.
- Relationship between <u>C09J 5/00</u> and <u>C08J 5/12</u>: Subgroups of <u>C08J 5/12</u> are generally substrateoriented subgroups, whereas subgroups of <u>C09J 5/00</u> are generally process related subgroups.

References

Informative references

Attention is drawn to the following places, which may be of interest for search:

Glue sticks	C09J 9/005
Processes for applying adhesives to surfaces	B05D 5/10
Removing scrap from containers, e.g. removing labels	B08B 9/083
Welding with interposition of material for facilitating bonding	B23K 26/211
Applying adhesives or glue to surfaces of wood to be joined	B27G 11/00, B27G 11/02
Methods or apparatus for laminating multiple layers	B32B 37/00
Hand-held desk devices for applying adhesives by contact to surfaces	B43M 11/06
Labelling machines and processes	B65C 1/00 - B65C 11/068
Bonding of preformed macromolecular material to the same or other solid material	C08J 5/12 - C08J 5/128

Special rules of classification

Classification guidance:

Use of Indexing Codes:

- The nature of the polymer in the adhesive is indicated by the orthogonal indexing code
 <u>C09J 2400/22</u> or by an orthogonal indexing code taken only in the head groups of the range
 <u>C09J 2401/00</u> <u>C09J 2499/008</u>. For example, for a (meth) acrylic adhesive is classified with the
 orthogonal indexing code <u>C09J 2433/00</u>.
- The nature of the polymer in the barrier layer is indicated by the orthogonal indexing code C09J2400/221 or the orthogonal indexing code corresponding to the barrier layer taken in the range C09J2409/008. For example, a barrier layer composition comprising a polyvinyl alcohol is classified with the orthogonal indexing code C09J2429/00.
- The nature of the polymer in the primer coating is indicated by the orthogonal indexing code C09J 2400/223 or by the orthogonal indexing code corresponding to the primer coating taken in

the range <u>C09J 2400/00</u> - <u>C09J 2499/008</u>. For example, for a primer coating comprising an epoxy resin is classified with the orthogonal indexing code <u>C09J 2463/003</u>.

- The nature of the polymer in the release coating is indicated by the orthogonal indexing code
 <u>C09J 2400/225</u> or by the orthogonal indexing code corresponding to the release coating taken in
 the range <u>C09J 2400/00</u> <u>C09J 2499/008</u>. For example, for a release coating comprising an epoxy
 resin is classified with the orthogonal indexing code <u>C09J 2463/005</u>.
- The nature of the substrate to be bonded is indicated by the appropriate orthogonal indexing code taken in the range C09J 2400/00 C09J 2499/008. For example, a substrate made of a polyolefin is classified with the orthogonal indexing code C09J 2423/006.
- The nature of the pre-treated substrate to be bonded, irrelevant to what the pre-treatment might be, e.g. plasma or corona, is indicated by the appropriate orthogonal indexing code taken in the range C09J 2499/008. For example, a pre-treated polyolefin substrate is classified with the orthogonal indexing code C09J 2423/008.
- A process of debonding, is indicated by the orthogonal indexing code C09J 2301/502.
- Applications, chemical or physical properties or process features are indicated by the corresponding orthogonal indexing codes in the range <u>C09J 2203/00</u> - <u>C09J 2203/37</u> and <u>C09J 2301/00</u> - <u>C09J 2301/416</u>.

C09J 5/02

involving pretreatment of the surfaces to be joined

Definition statement

This place covers:

Preparing the surfaces to promote bonding such as using a solvent.

Special rules of classification

The nature of the pre-treated substrate to be bonded, irrelevant to what the pre-treatment might be, e.g. plasma or corona, is indicated by an Indexing Code in the group C09J 2400/00 - C09J 2499/008. For example, a pre-treated polyolefin substrate is classified with the Indexing Code C09J 2423/008.

C09J 7/00

Adhesives in the form of films or foils

Definition statement

This place covers:

Adhesive tapes, films or sheets characterised by having an outer adhesive layer to be applied to a substrate. The outer adhesive layer might be covered by a release liner or a release sheet (Fig.1).

Adhesives in the form of films or foils without carriers.

Adhesives in the form of films or foils on carriers, e.g. plastics, paper, textile fabrics, laminated material.

Carriers with adhesive in the form of films or foils.

Release liners of adhesives in the form of films or foils.

Release coatings on the carrier.

Primer between the carrier and the adhesive.

The figure shows a carrier mounted adhesive film with a barrier layer, a primer coating, a release coating on the carrier layer and a release liner.

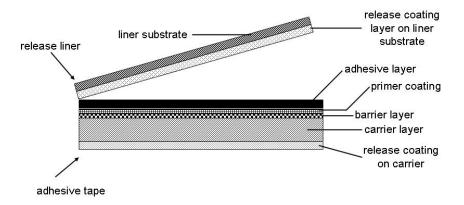


Fig. 1

Relationships with other classification places

Relationship between C09J 7/00 and H01L 21/00:

Subgroups of $\underline{\text{C09J 7/00}}$ are generally chemistry-oriented subgroups, whereas subgroups of $\underline{\text{H01L 21/00}}$ are generally process related subgroups.

Relationship between C09J 7/00 and other groups of the subclass: Adhesives in the form of film or foils with or without a carrier layer and being specified by the macromolecular constituent are classified in C09J 101/00 - C09J 201/00.

For example, if a document discloses an adhesive tape having a carrier and being characterised by an acrylic adhesive layer (covered by C09J 7/385), this document should also be classified in one of the subgroups of C09J 133/00.

References

Application-oriented references

Examples of places where the subject matter of this place is covered when specially adapted, used for a particular purpose, or incorporated in a larger system:

Hook and loop tape or fasteners	A44B 18/00
Bandages or dressings	A61F 13/00
Adhesive bandages or dressings	A61F 13/02
Auxiliary appliances for wound dressings	A61F 15/00
Adhesive bandages, dressing or adsorbent pad, e.g. plasters	A61L 15/00
Surgical adhesives or cements; Adhesives for colostomy devices	A61L 24/00
Laminates comprising at least two layers which are bonded permanently by means of an adhesive layer	B32B 7/12 - B32B 7/14

Non-metallic flexible elongated elements for bundling or supporting articles, e.g., adhesive tapes	B65D 63/1009
Labels fastened or secured by an adhesive layer	G09F 3/10
Wafer tapes	H01L 21/6836
Adhesive tapes used in dicing/grinding of semiconductors and wafers	H01L 21/78, H01L 21/304
Adhesive tapes used for connecting semiconductor devices	H01L 24/83
Back sheet for solar cell panels	H01L 31/0488
Sealing materials for batteries	H01M 50/183

Informative references

Attention is drawn to the following places, which may be of interest for search:

Adhesives in the form of films or foils without a carrier and being specified by the macromolecular constituent	C09J 101/00 - C09J 201/00
Masking elements for spraying apparatus	B05B 12/20
Attaching together paper or cardboard sheets, strips, or webs by adhesive tape	B31F 5/06- B31F 5/085
Machines or apparatus for gluing labels or articles to be labelled	B65C 9/20
Attaching a replacement web to an expiring web in a machine, e.g. flying splice	<u>B65H 19/1805</u> - <u>B65H 19/1836</u>
Microstructured surfaces having tips, pillars, i.e. raised structures	B81C 1/00111
Coated paper	D21H 19/00
Release paper	D21H 27/001
Signs, plates, panels or boards with readily detachable symbols attached with adhesive	G09F 7/12

Special rules of classification

Use of Indexing Codes:

- The nature of the polymer in the adhesive is indicated by the orthogonal indexing code
 <u>C09J 2400/22</u> or by an orthogonal indexing code taken only in the head groups of the range
 <u>C09J 2401/00</u> <u>C09J 2499/008</u>. For example, a (meth) acrylic adhesive is classified with the
 orthogonal indexing code <u>C09J 2433/00</u>.
- The nature of the polymer in the barrier layer is indicated by the orthogonal indexing code
 <u>C09J 2400/221</u> or the orthogonal indexing code corresponding to the barrier layer taken in the
 range <u>C09J 2401/00</u> <u>C09J 2499/008</u>. For example, a barrier layer composition comprising a
 polyvinyl alcohol is classified with the orthogonal indexing code <u>C09J 2429/00</u>.
- The nature of the polymer in the primer coating is indicated by the orthogonal indexing code
 <u>C09J 2400/223</u> or by the orthogonal indexing code corresponding to the primer coating taken in
 the range <u>C09J 2400/00</u> <u>C09J 2499/008</u>. For example, a primer coating comprising an epoxy
 resin is classified with the orthogonal indexing code <u>C09J 2463/003</u>.
- The nature of the polymer in the release coating is indicated by the orthogonal indexing code
 <u>C09J 2400/225</u> or by the orthogonal indexing code corresponding to the release coating taken in
 the range <u>C09J 2400/00</u> <u>C09J 2499/008</u>. For example, a release coating comprising an epoxy
 resin is classified with the orthogonal indexing code <u>C09J 2463/005</u>.
- The nature of the substrate to be bonded is indicated by the appropriate orthogonal indexing code taken in the range C09J 2400/00 C09J 2499/008. For example, a substrate made of a polyolefin is classified with the orthogonal indexing code C09J 2423/006.

- The nature of the pre-treated substrate to be bonded, irrelevant to what the pre-treatment might be, e.g. plasma or corona, is indicated by the appropriate orthogonal indexing code taken in the range <u>C09J 2400/00</u> - <u>C09J 2499/008</u>. For example, a pre-treated polyolefin substrate is classified with the orthogonal indexing code <u>C09J 2423/008</u>.
- A process of debonding is indicated by the orthogonal indexing code <u>C09J 2301/502</u>.
- Applications, chemical or physical properties or process features are indicated by the corresponding orthogonal indexing codes in the range <u>C09J 2203/00</u> – <u>C09J 2203/37</u> and <u>C09J 2301/00</u> – <u>C09J 2301/416</u>.
- For example, the use of an adhesive tape for bundling cables should be indicated by the orthogonal indexing code C09J 2203/302. The presence of an adhesive layer being formed by alternating adhesive areas being chemically different is indicated by the orthogonal indexing code C09J 2301/21(Fig. 2).

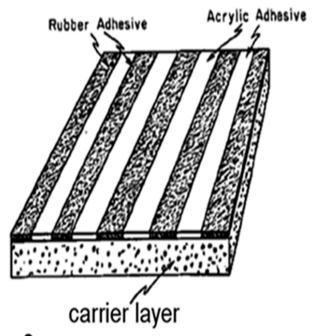
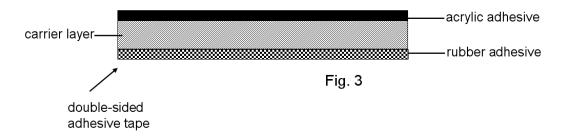
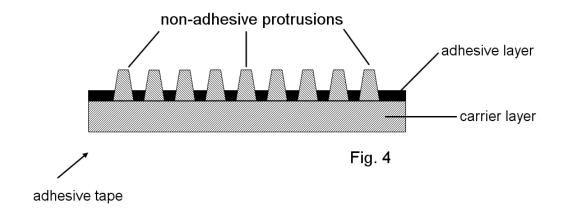


Fig. 2

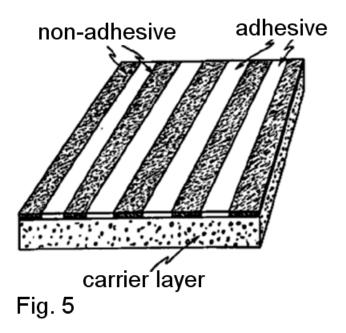
• In contrast, the presence of different adhesive layers opposing each other is indicated by the orthogonal indexing code CO9J 2301/1242 (Fig. 3).



• In case the adhesive layer is interrupted by non-adhesive protrusions extending from the surface of the carrier layer, the orthogonal indexing code CO9J 2301/206 is given (Fig. 4).



 In case the adhesive coating is discontinuous, the orthogonal indexing code <u>C09J 2301/204</u> is given (Fig. 5).



- The presence of an additive in the adhesive or substrate layer is indicated by the corresponding orthogonal indexing codes in the range <u>C09J 2301/408</u> and <u>C09J 2301/41</u>.
- The nature of the non-macromolecular additive is subsequently indicated by a symbol from C08K 3/00 C08K 13/08, given with the additional value. For example, an adhesive layer of the adhesive tape comprising an inorganic flame proofing agent is classified by the indexing code indicating the presence of an additive in the adhesive layer C09J 2301/408 as well as by the symbol C08K 3/016 (ADD).

Further details of subgroups

• C09J 7/40:

The subgroups of C09J 7/40 cover release liners used to cover the adhesive surface of an adhesive tape as illustrated in Fig. 1. Release coating layers being part of the adhesive tape (cf. Fig. 1) itself are classified in C09J 7/203, C09J 7/22 and C09J 7/203, C09J 7/21.

• C09J 7/201, C09J 7/22:

This subgroup is given where the release coating composition is applied to the carrier layer (cf. Fig. 1).

• C09J 7/29:

This subgroup is given for adhesive tapes having a carrier constituted by a laminate. The presence of a foam, metal, paper, textile or other material layer in the laminate is indicated by the corresponding orthogonal indexing code of C09J C09J 2400/123 – C09J 2499/006. The presence of only resin layers in the laminate is indicated by the orthogonal indexing code C09J 2301/162.

In general, the nature of the resin in the laminate support layer is indicated by the corresponding orthogonal indexing codes of <u>C09J 2401/00</u> - <u>C09J 2499/006</u>. For example, for a laminate carrier comprising a layer made of a polyolefin, the Indexing Code <u>C09J 2423/006</u> should be given.

Adhesive tape with a laminate carrier having a textile fabrics or paper layer are NOT classified in the subgroups of C09J 7/21.

The presence of a barrier layer, a release coating layer, or a primer layer does not constitute a laminate carrier layer. These layers are considered forming part of the carrier layer (cf. Fig. 1). In contrast, a carrier layer being coated with an ink receptive layer is considered as a laminate support layer.

• C09J 7/21:

Subgroups of C09J 7/21 are given to adhesive tapes having a carrier made of paper or textile fabrics. In order to indicate whether a paper or a textile fabrics carrier layer is present, the corresponding orthogonal indexing code of C09J 2400/283 and C09J 2400/263, respectively, is given.

Laminate carrier layers comprising a layer made of paper of textile fabrics are NOT classified in the subgroups of C09J 7/21, instead laminated carriers are classified in the subgroup of C09J 7/29.

• <u>C09J 7/21</u>, <u>C09J 7/201</u>:

This subgroup is given where the release adhesive composition is applied to the paper or textile fabrics carrier layer. (cf. Fig. 1).

Glossary of terms

In this place, the following terms or expressions are used with the meaning indicated:

Pressure-sensitive adhesive	Pressure-sensitive adhesive (PSA, self-adhesive, self-stick adhesive) is adhesive which forms a bond when pressure is applied to adhere the adhesive with the adherend. No solvent, water, or heat is needed to activate the adhesive.
Metallised plastic	Metallised plastics are plastics coated with a thin layer of metal, usually aluminium. Metallisation is generally performed using physical vapour deposition, plating or thermal/cold spraying processes. This coating is much thinner than a metal foil could be made, in the range of 0.5 micrometres.
Heat-activated adhesives	Heat-activated adhesives are designed to bond parts or components through the use of heat (over 50 °C).

Synonyms and Keywords

In patent documents, the following abbreviations are often used:

AA	Acrylic acid
MAA	Methacrylic acid
PSA	Pressure-sensitive adhesive

Synonyms and Keywords

In patent documents, the following words/expressions are often used as synonyms:

- "carrier", "support", "substrate", "facestock" or "backing"
- "adhesive", "glue", "fixative", "bonding agent" or "sealant"

C09J 101/00

Adhesives based on cellulose, modified cellulose, or cellulose derivatives

Definition statement

This place covers:

Adhesives based on cellulose, modified cellulose or cellulose derivatives corresponding to the following groups:

C08B 1/00-C08B 1/14

C08B 5/00-C08B 5/14

C08B 7/00

C08B 9/00-C08B 9/06

C08B 11/00-C08B 11/22

C08B 13/00-C08B 13/02

C08B 15/00-C08B 15/10

C08B 16/00

C08B 17/00-C08B 17/06

Relationships with other classification places

Covalently or ionically crosslinked gels are classified in CO8B.

A composition based on cellulose, modified cellulose or cellulose derivatives is classified in C08L.

Coating compositions based on cellulose, modified cellulose or cellulose derivatives are classified in CO9D.

References

Informative references

Attention is drawn to the following places, which may be of interest for search:

Cellulose or derivatives thereof per se	C08B 1/00 - C08B 17/06
Composition comprising cellulose or cellulose derivative	C08L 1/00 - C08L 1/32
Composition based on lignin-containing materials, e.g. lignin, cork, lignocellulose or wood	C08L 97/00
Composition of natural macromolecular compounds or of derivatives thereof not provided for in C08L 89/00 - C08L 97/00, e.g. flours	C08L 99/00
Coating composition comprising cellulose or cellulose derivative	C09D 101/00 - C09D 101/32

Last place priority rule:

Within each group of this subclass, in the absence of an indication to the contrary, classification is made in the last appropriate place.

Classification guidance:

- The subject matter disclosed in both the claims and the examples of a patent document is to be classified.
- Adhesive compositions of cellulose or derivatives thereof in solution, together with other
 macromolecular compounds, or together with an inorganic or non-macromolecular organic additive
 are considered as an adhesive composition and are thus classified according to the rules of <u>C09J</u>.

C-sets classification:

C-Sets statement: #C9Jc, #C9Je, and #C9Jf

- In groups <u>C09J 101/00</u> <u>C09J 201/10</u> adhesive composition based on polymers, and when present non-macromolecular additive(s), are classified in the form of C-Sets according to the relative proportions by weight percentage of the macromolecular constituents.
- In #C9Jc, the base symbol, representing the polymer in majority, is taken from the groups
 <u>C09J 101/00</u> <u>C09J 201/10</u>, whereas the subsequent symbol(s) representing the polymer(s) in
 minority is (are) taken from the groups C08L 1/00 C08L 101/16.
- In #C9Je, the base symbol, representing the polymer, is taken from the groups
 <u>C09J 101/00</u> <u>C09J 201/10</u>, whereas the subsequent symbol(s) representing compound(s) used as an additive(s), is (are) taken from the groups <u>C08K 3/00</u> <u>C08K 13/08</u>.
- In #C9Jf, the base symbol, representing the polymer in majority, is taken from the groups
 <u>C09J 101/00</u> <u>C09J 201/10</u>, whereas the subsequent symbol(s) representing the polymer(s)
 in minority is (are) taken from the groups <u>C08L 1/00</u> <u>C08L 101/16</u> and further subsequent
 symbols representing compound(s) used as an additive(s), is (are) taken from the groups
 <u>C08K 3/00</u> <u>C08K 13/08</u>.
- In addition, a single symbol is given according to the macromolecular constituent present in the highest proportion.
- If all the constituents are present in equal proportions, the composition is classified according to each of these constituents.
- In the case that several polymers are in the majority, separate C-Sets should be made based on each polymer in the majority and its component(s) in the minority.
- Attention is drawn to adhesive compositions comprising, next to a major macromolecular compound according to <u>C09J 101/00</u> <u>C09J 201/00</u> (excluding <u>C09J 183/02</u> <u>C09J 183/16</u>), two or more Si-based macromolecular compounds in accordance with <u>C08G 77/00</u> which are classified according to #C9Jc(Si) or C9Jf(Si) as explained below.
- Orthogonal indexing codes <u>C09J 2203/00</u> <u>C09J 2499/008</u> must also be allocated as separate symbols when applicable.

C-Sets syntax rules:

- C-Set of #C9Jc and #C9Je shall contain at least two symbols.
- C-Set of #C9Jf shall contain at least three symbols.
- Duplicate subsequent symbols are allowed in these C-Sets for the subsequent symbols only.
- Breakdown indexing codes are not allowed as either base or subsequent symbols.
- The order of <u>CO9J</u> symbols in these C-Sets is relevant as it reflects the relative amounts of each polymer, <u>CO9J</u> always appears as base symbol.
- For #C9Jf the symbols for the additives always appear after the symbols for the polymers regardless their relative amounts.

C-Sets examples:

- #C9Jc: An adhesive composition comprising poly-2-ethylhexyl acrylate (C09J 133/08) and polyvinyl chloride (C08L 27/06) is classified as (C09J 133/08, C08L 27/06).
- #C9Jc: An adhesive composition consisting of 60 wt.% of microcrystalline cellulose (C09J 101/04) and 40 wt.% of maltodextrin (C08L 3/02) is classified as (C09J 101/04, C08L 3/02).
- #C9Je: An adhesive composition comprising poly-2-ethylhexyl acrylate in majority and a triaryl phosphate fire retardant (C08K 5/523) is classified as (C09J 133/08, C08K 5/523).
- #C9Je: An adhesive composition consisting of carboxymethyl cellulose and glycerol (plasticiser) is classified as (C09J 101/286, C08K 5/053) and in C08K 5/0016.
- #C9Jf: An adhesive composition comprising poly-2-ethylhexyl acrylate in majority, polyvinyl chloride and a triaryl phosphate fire retardant (<u>C08K 5/523</u>) is classified as: <u>C09J 133/08</u>, <u>C08L 27/06</u>, <u>C08K 5/523</u>.

C-Sets statement: #C9Jc(Si), #C9Jf(Si)

- #C9Jc(Si) and #C9Jf(Si) are a special use of #C9Jc and #C9Jf and are applied for an adhesive composition comprising two or more Si-based polymers in accordance with C08G 77/00.
- In #C9Jc(Si), the base symbol, representing the polymer in majority, is taken from the groups
 <u>C09J 101/00</u> <u>C09J 201/10</u> (excluding <u>C09J 183/02</u> <u>C09J 183/16</u>), whereas the subsequent
 symbols representing the polymers in minority are taken from the groups <u>C08L 83/02</u> <u>C08L 83/16</u>
 for the Si-based polymer in majority, and in <u>C08L 83/00</u> for the Si-based polymer in minority.
- In #C9Jf(Si), the base symbol, representing the polymer in majority, is taken from the groups C09J 101/00 C09J 201/10 (excluding C09J 183/02 C09J 183/16), whereas the subsequent symbols representing the polymers in minority are taken from the groups C08L 83/02 C08L 83/16 (for the Si-based polymer in majority), and in C08L 83/00 (for the Si-based polymer in minority) and further subsequent symbols representing compound(s) used as an additive(s), is (are) taken from the groups C08K 3/00 C08K 13/08.
- The classification is further described by adding, as one or more additional codes, one or more symbols selected from the range <u>C08G 77/02</u> - <u>C08G 77/62</u> corresponding to each of the siliconbased macromolecular compound components detailed in the C-Set.
- In all cases, a single symbol is also given according to the macromolecular constituent present in the highest proportion.

C-Sets syntax rules:

- C-Set of #C9Jc(Si) shall contain at least three symbols.
- C-Set of #C9Jf(Si) shall contain at least four or more symbols.
- Duplicate subsequent symbols are allowed in these C-Sets for subsequent symbols, only one symbol selected from the range <u>C08L 83/02</u> - <u>C08L 83/16</u> is permitted per C-Set.
- Breakdown indexing codes are not allowed as either base or subsequent symbols.
- The order of symbols in these C-Sets is relevant as it reflects the relative amounts of each polymer; C09J always appears as the base symbol.
- The order of <u>C08K</u> symbols of additives is not relevant if there is more than one additive in the composition
- For #C9Jf(Si), the symbols for the additive(s) always appear(s) after the symbols for the polymers of regardless their relative amounts.

C-Sets examples:

- #C9Jc(Si): An adhesive composition comprising, in descending amounts by weight, a polyester in accordance with C08G 63/02 (C09J 167/02), an amine-substituted polysiloxane in accordance with C08G 77/26 and an epoxy-substituted polysiloxane in accordance with C08G 77/14 is classified as (C09J 167/02, C08L 83/08, C08L 83/00) and in C08G 77/14 (ADD) and C08G 77/26 (ADD).
- #C9Jf(Si): An adhesive composition comprising, in descending amounts by weight, a polyester in accordance with <u>C08G 63/02</u> (<u>C09J 167/02</u>), an amine-substituted polysiloxane in accordance with <u>C08G 77/14</u> and carbon

black is classified as (C09J 167/02, C08L 83/08, C08L 83/00, C08K 3/04) and C08G 77/14 (ADD) and C08G 77/26 (ADD).

C-Sets searches:

C-Sets search queries may be made according to C-Sets classification rules described in <u>C09J</u> and related subclasses, e.g. <u>C08L</u> and <u>C09D</u>.

In addition, #C8Lz, #C9Dz, and #C9Jz Search Rules may be followed to search for polymers in documents classified prior to April 2012.

Search rules #C9Jz:

• To search an adhesive composition of 2 polymers, build search queries as follows:

(C09J of the polymer in majority, C08L 2666/00 - C08L 2666/26).

The subsequent symbol is selected from the most appropriate subgroup of C08L 2666/02 - C08L 2666/26 (last place rule).

The search statement can also be further refined by searching the polymer in minority by using its C08L as ADD for documents classified between 2003 and April 2012.

Example 1: An adhesive composition based on a 60 parts of a polyamide (C09J 177/00) and 40 parts of a graft polymer

Search queries: (C09J 177/00, C08L 2666/24).

Example 2: An adhesive composition based on a polysiloxane (C09J 183/04) and containing a second polysiloxane, a phenol and silica

Search queries: (C09J 183/04, C08L 83/00, C08K 5/13, C08K 3/36) and optionally C08L 2205/02.

#C9Jz search rules do not apply when polysiloxane is in majority and when there is a second polysiloxane; C08L 83/00 is used as subsequent symbol(s) in that case.

• To search for a composition of 3 or more polymers, build search queries as follows:

(C09J of the polymer in majority, C08L 2666/00 - C08L 2666/26) and C08L 2205/03 (ADD)

The search statement can also be further refined by searching the polymers in minority by using their C08L as ADD for documents classified between 2003 and April 2012.

In the case of a composition of three or more polymers, the subsequent symbol is taken from the common $\frac{\text{C08L }2666/00}{\text{C08L }2666/26}$ group that covers all minority polymers.

C09J 103/00

Adhesives based on starch, amylose or amylopectin or on their derivatives or degradation products

Definition statement

This place covers:

Adhesives compositions of starch, amylose or amylopectin or of their derivatives or degradation products corresponding to the following groups:

C08B 30/00-C08B 30/18

C08B 31/00-C08B 31/185

C08B 33/00-C08B 33/08

C08B 35/00-C08B 35/08

Relationships with other classification places

A composition based on starch or derivatives thereof is classified in CO8L.

Covalently or ionically crosslinked gels are classified in C08B.

Coating compositions based on such starches are classified in C09D.

References

Informative references

Attention is drawn to the following places, which may be of interest for search:

Starch and derivatives thereof per se	C08B 30/00 - C08B 35/08
Composition comprising cellulose or cellulose derivative starch, amylose, amylopectin or their derivatives or degradation products	C08L 3/00 - C08L 3/20
Composition of natural macromolecular compounds or of derivatives thereof not provided for in groups C08L 89/00 - C08L 97/00, e.g. flours	C08L 99/00
Coating composition comprising starch, amylose, amylopectin or their derivatives or degradation products	C09D 103/00 - C09D 103/20

Special rules of classification

Last place priority rule:

Within each group of this subclass, in the absence of an indication to the contrary, classification is made in the last appropriate place.

Classification guidance:

- The subject-matter disclosed in both the claims and the examples of a patent document is to be classified.
- Adhesive composition of starch or derivatives thereof in solution, together with other
 macromolecular compounds, or together with an inorganic or non-macromolecular organic additive
 are considered as an adhesive composition and are thus classified according to the rules of C09J.

C-Sets classification:

In this group, C-Sets (#C9Jc, #C9Je, #C9Jf, #C9Jc(Si) and #C9Jf(Si)) are used. The detailed information about the C-Sets construction and the associated syntax rules are found in the Special rules of C09J 101/00.

- The adhesive compositions of this group are classified in the form of C-Sets according to the relative proportions by weight percentage of the macromolecular constituents.
- In addition, a single symbol is given according to the macromolecular constituent present in the highest proportion.
- If all the constituents are present in equal proportions, the composition is classified according to each of these constituents.
- The adhesive compositions containing a starch and an inorganic or non-macromolecular organic additive as compounding agent are not classified in <u>C08K</u>, but in the <u>C09J</u> subclass together with the corresponding symbol in <u>C08K</u> in the form of C-Sets.

Example 1: Adhesive composition of starch acetate in solution is classified in C09J 103/06.

Example 2: An adhesive composition consisting of 60 wt. % of crosslinked starch and 40 wt.% of maltodextrin is classified in (C09J 103/04, C08L 3/02) and C08L 2205/02.

Example 3: An adhesive composition consisting of carboxymethyl starch and glycerol (plasticiser) is classified in (C09J 103/08, C08K 5/053) and C08K 5/0016.

C-Sets searches:

C-Sets search queries may be made according to C-Sets classification rules described in <u>C09J</u> and related subclasses. In addition, #C8Lz, #C9Dz, and #C9Jz Search Rules may be followed to search for polymers in documents classified prior to April 2012.

C09J 105/00

Adhesives based on polysaccharides or on their derivatives, not provided for in groups C09J 101/00 or C09J 103/00

Definition statement

This place covers:

Adhesives based on polysaccharides, other than cellulose and starch, or on derivatives thereof corresponding to the following groups:

C08B 37/00-C08B 37/0096

Relationships with other classification places

Covalently or ionically crosslinked gels are classified in C08B.

A composition based on such polysaccharides or derivatives thereof is classified in CO8L.

Coating compositions based on such polysaccharides are classified in CO9D.

References

Informative references

Attention is drawn to the following places, which may be of interest for search:

Polysaccharides per se	<u>C08B 37/00</u> - <u>C08B 37/0096</u>
Polysaccharides per se	C08B 37/00 - C08B 37/0096
Composition comprising polysaccharide or polysaccharide derivative	C08L 5/00 - C08L 5/16
Coating composition comprising polysaccharide or polysaccharide derivative	C09D 105/00 - C09D 105/16

Special rules of classification

Last place priority rule:

Within each group of this subclass, in the absence of an indication to the contrary, classification is made in the last appropriate place.

Classification guidance:

- The subject-matter, disclosed in both the claims and the examples of a patent document, is to be classified.
- Adhesive compositions of polysaccharides or derivatives thereof in solution, or together with other
 macromolecular compounds, or together with an inorganic or non-macromolecular organic additive
 are considered as a composition and are thus classified according to the rules of <u>C09J</u>.

C-Sets classification:

In this group, C-Sets (#C9Jc, #C9Je, #C9Jf, #C9Jc(Si) and #C9Jf(Si)) are used for classification. The detailed information about the C-Sets construction and the associated syntax rules are found in the Special rules of C09J 101/00.

- The adhesive compositions of this group are classified in the form of C-Sets (i.e. #C9J(c)) according to the relative proportions by weight percentage of the macromolecular constituents.
- In addition, a single symbol is given according to the macromolecular constituent present in the highest proportion.
- If all the constituents are present in equal proportions, the composition is classified according to each of these constituents.
- Adhesive compositions containing a single polymer and an inorganic or non-macromolecular organic additive as compounding agent are not classified in <u>C08K</u>, but in the <u>C09J</u> subclass together with the corresponding symbol in <u>C08K</u> in the form of C-Sets.

Example 1: Adhesive composition of ethers of cyclodextrin in solution is classified in C09J 105/16.

Example 2: An adhesive composition consisting of 60 wt.% of hyaluronic acid and 40 wt.% of maltodextrin is classified as (C09J 105/08, C08L 3/02).

Example 3: An adhesive composition consisting of carboxymethyl dextran and glycerol (plasticiser) is classified as (C09J 105/02, C08K 5/053) and (C09D 105/02, C08K 5/0016).

C-Sets searches:

C-Sets search queries may be made according to C-Sets classification rules described in <u>C09J</u> and related subclasses. In addition, #C8Lz, #C9Dz, and #C9Jz Search Rules may be followed to search for polymers in documents classified prior to April 2012.

C09J 107/00

Adhesives based on natural rubber

Definition statement

This place covers:

Adhesive compositions of natural rubbers or latex.

Special rules of classification

C-Sets classification:

In this group, C-Sets (#C9Jc, #C9Je, #C9Jf, #C9Jc(Si) and #C9Jf(Si)) are used for classification. The detailed information about the C-Sets construction and the associated syntax rules are found in the Special rules of C09J 101/00.

C-Sets searches:

C-Sets search queries may be made according to C-Sets classification rules described in <u>C09J</u> and related subclasses. In addition, #C8Lz, #C9Dz, and #C9Jz Search Rules may be followed to search for polymers in documents classified prior to April 2012.

C09J 109/00

Adhesives based on homopolymers or copolymers of conjugated diene hydrocarbons

Definition statement

This place covers:

- Adhesive compositions of copolymers with acrylonitrile or latex
- Adhesive compositions of copolymers with styrene or latex

Special rules of classification

C-Sets classification:

In this group, C-Sets (#C9Jc, #C9Je, #C9Jf, #C9Jc(Si) and #C9Jf(Si)) are used for classification. The detailed information about the C-Sets construction and the associated syntax rules are found in the Special rules of C09J 101/00.

C-Sets searches:

C-Sets search queries may be made according to C-Sets classification rules described in <u>C09J</u> and related subclasses. In addition, #C8Lz, #C9Dz, and #C9Jz Search Rules may be followed to search for polymers in documents classified prior to April 2012.

C09J 111/00

Adhesives based on homopolymers or copolymers of chloroprene

Definition statement

This place covers:

Adhesive compositions of homopolymers or copolymers of chloroprene or latex.

Special rules of classification

C-Sets classification:

In this group, C-Sets (#C9Jc, #C9Je, #C9Jf, #C9Jc(Si) and #C9Jf(Si)) are used for classification. The detailed information about the C-Sets construction and the associated syntax rules are found in the Special rules of C09J 101/00.

C-Sets searches:

C-Sets search queries may be made according to C-Sets classification rules described in <u>C09J</u> and related subclasses. In addition, #C8Lz, #C9Dz, and #C9Jz Search Rules may be followed to search for polymers in documents classified prior to April 2012.

C09J 113/00

Adhesives based on rubbers containing carboxyl groups

Definition statement

This place covers:

Adhesive compositions of rubbers containing carboxyl groups containing monomers in minority, e.g. acrylic acid or acrylic acid esters.

C-Sets classification:

In this group, C-Sets (#C9Jc, #C9Je, #C9Jf, #C9Jc(Si) and #C9Jf(Si)) are used for classification. The detailed information about the C-Sets construction and the associated syntax rules are found in the Special rules of C09J 101/00.

C-Sets searches:

C-Sets search queries may be made according to C-Sets classification rules described in <u>C09J</u> and related subclasses. In addition, #C8Lz, #C9Dz, and #C9Jz Search Rules may be followed to search for polymers in documents classified prior to April 2012.

C09J 115/00

Adhesives based on rubber derivatives (C09J 111/00, C09J 113/00 take precedence)

Definition statement

This place covers:

Adhesive compositions based on rubber derivates, meaning a rubber treated according to C08C.

Relationships with other classification places

See C09J 107/00.

References

Limiting references

This place does not cover:

Adhesives based on copolymers of chloroprene	C09J 111/00
Adhesives based on rubbers containing carboxyl groups	C09J 113/00

Special rules of classification

An additional symbol from <u>C08C</u> may be given for the treatment.

C-Sets classification:

In this group, C-Sets (#C9Jc, #C9Je, #C9Jf, #C9Jc(Si) and #C9Jf(Si)) are used for classification. The detailed information about the C-Sets construction and the associated syntax rules are found in the Special rules of C09J 101/00.

C-Sets searches:

C-Sets search queries may be made according to C-Sets classification rules described in <u>C09J</u> and related subclasses. In addition, #C8Lz, #C9Dz, and #C9Jz Search Rules may be followed to search for polymers in documents classified prior to April 2012.

C09J 117/00

Adhesives based on reclaimed rubber

Definition statement

This place covers:

Adhesive compositions based on reclaimed rubber meaning the reuse of unvulcanised or devulcanised rubber.

Special rules of classification

C-Sets classification:

In this group, C-Sets (#C9Jc, #C9Je, #C9Jf, #C9Jc(Si) and #C9Jf(Si)) are used for classification. The detailed information about the C-Sets construction and the associated syntax rules are found in the Special rules of C09J 101/00.

C-Sets searches:

C-Sets search queries may be made according to C-Sets classification rules described in <u>C09J</u> and related subclasses. In addition, #C8Lz, #C9Dz, and #C9Jz Search Rules may be followed to search for polymers in documents classified prior to April 2012.

C09J 119/00

Adhesives based on rubbers, not provided for in groups C09J 107/00 - C09J 117/00

Definition statement

This place covers:

- Adhesives based on natural or synthetic elastic material not classifiable in groups C09J 107/00 - C09J 117/00
- Adhesive compositions comprising vulcanised or crosslinked rubber which are classified in <u>C09J 119/003</u>
- Adhesive compositions containing rubbers with functional groups, e.g. telechelic diene rubbers which are classified in C09J 119/006.

Relationships with other classification places

- Compositions comprising diene rubbers or their derivatives are classified in <u>C08L 7/00</u> - <u>C08L 21/00</u>
- Coating compositions comprising diene rubbers or their derivatives are classified in <u>C09D 107/00</u> - <u>C09D 121/00</u>
- Polymerisation of diene polymers is classified in C08F 36/00, C08F 136/00 or C08F 236/00.
- Treatment or chemical modification of diene rubber is classified in C08C 1/00 C08C 19/44.
- Preparation of polymer compositions is classified in <u>C08J 3/20</u> <u>C08J 3/22</u>.
- Recycling of polymers is classified in C08J 11/04 C08J 11/28

References

Informative references

Attention is drawn to the following places, which may be of interest for search:

Adhesive compositions of copolymers of ethene-propene or ethene-	C09J 123/16
propene-diene, e.g. EPM or EPDM rubber	

Adhesive compositions of copolymers of isobutene with minor part of conjugated dienes monomers, e.g. butyl rubber	C09J 123/22
Adhesive compositions of polyacrylates	C09J 133/00
Adhesive compositions of unconjugated dienes	<u>C09J 147/00</u>
Adhesive compositions of graft copolymers	C09J 151/00
Adhesive compositions of block copolymers	<u>C09J 153/00</u>
Adhesive compositions of ABS	<u>C09J 155/02</u>
Chemical compositions of tyres	B60C 1/00
Preparation of rubber compounds	C08J 3/20 - C08J 3/22
Recycling of polymers	<u>C08J 11/04</u> - <u>C08J 11/28</u>
Inorganic or non-macromolecular organic materials as compounding agents	<u>C08K</u>
Compositions of diene rubbers or their derivatives in minority	C08L 7/00 - C08L 21/00

Last place priority rule:

Within each group of this subclass, in the absence of an indication to the contrary, classification is made in the last appropriate place.

C-Sets classification:

In this group, C-Sets (#C9Jc, #C9Je, #C9Jf, #C9Jc(Si) and #C9Jf(Si)) are used for classification. The detailed information about the C-Sets construction and the associated syntax rules are found in the Special rules of C09J 101/00.

C-Sets searches:

C-Sets search queries may be made according to C-Sets classification rules described in <u>C09J</u> and related subclasses. In addition, #C8Lz, #C9Dz, and #C9Jz Search Rules may be followed to search for polymers in documents classified prior to April 2012.

Glossary of terms

In this place, the following terms or expressions are used with the meaning indicated:

Rubber	a. natural or conjugated diene rubbers b. rubber in general (for
	a specific rubber, other than a natural rubber or a conjugated
	diene rubber, see the group provided for compositions of such
	macromolecular compounds)

Synonyms and Keywords

In patent documents, the following abbreviations are often used:

ABS	Acrylonitrile butadiene styrene
BR	Butadiene rubber
CR	Chloroprene rubber
EPDM	Ethene propene diene rubber
EPM	Ethene propene rubber
IIR	Butyl rubber

C09J 119/00 (continued)

Synonyms and Keywords

IR	Isoprene rubber
NBR	Acrylonitrile butadiene rubber
NR	Natural rubber
SAN	Styrene acrylonitrile copolymer
SBR	Styrene butadiene rubber

C09J 121/00

Adhesives based on unspecified rubbers

Definition statement

This place covers:

Adhesive compositions based on unspecified rubbers.

Special rules of classification

C-Sets classification:

In this group, C-Sets (#C9Jc, #C9Je, #C9Jf, #C9Jc(Si) and #C9Jf(Si)) are used for classification. The detailed information about the C-Sets construction and the associated syntax rules are found in the Special rules of C09J 101/00.

C-Sets searches:

C-Sets search queries may be made according to C-Sets classification rules described in <u>C09J</u> and related subclasses. In addition, #C8Lz, #C9Dz, and #C9Jz Search Rules may be followed to search for polymers in documents classified prior to April 2012.

C09J 123/00

Adhesives based on homopolymers or copolymers of unsaturated aliphatic hydrocarbons having only one carbon-to-carbon double bond; Adhesives based on derivatives of such polymers

Definition statement

This place covers:

Adhesives based on homopolymers or copolymers of unsaturated aliphatic hydrocarbons having only one carbon-to-carbon double bond; Adhesives based on derivatives of such polymers. Adhesive compositions based on modified polymers are classified as such in <a href="#control-color: blue-color: Color: Color

References

Informative references

Attention is drawn to the following places, which may be of interest for search:

Organic labelling fabrics, comparable materials or articles with deformable surface using adhesives	B65C 5/02
Organic labelling fabrics or comparable materials or articles with deformable surface using thermo-activatable adhesives	B65C 5/04
Applications or uses of polymer compositions in films	<u>C08J</u>
Working-up, compounding, after-treatment of macromolecular compounds	C08J 3/00 - C08J 11/28

Use of Inorganic of non-macromolecular organic substances as compounding ingredients	C08K 3/00 - C08K 13/08
Materials for sealing or packing joints or covers	C09K 3/10
Materials for stopping leaks	C09K 3/12
Organic labelling fabrics or comparable materials or articles with deformable production of multi-layer textile fabrics	D06M 17/00
Adhesive labels, tag tickets or similar identification of indication means	G09F 3/10
Encapsulation of solar cells	H01L 31/048

Last place priority rule:

Within each group of this subclass, in the absence of an indication to the contrary, classification is made in the last appropriate place.

Classification guidance:

- Documents are preferably classified according to the examples in the documents, not according to general claims, e.g. if the examples only describe adhesives based on polyethylene, but if subject matter of the claim is an adhesive of polyolefin, the document is classified under adhesives of polyethylene (C09J 123/06).
- In <u>C09J</u>, adhesives which have only one polymeric component are also classified, e.g. <u>C09J 123/0815</u> represents an adhesive of only one ethylene vinylacetate polymer.
- Single polymers and their preparation are to be classified in C08F 210/00 on the basis of sufficient disclosure in the document.

Choice of symbol for copolymer:

- A composition of copolymers gets the symbol of the major component, except if there is a lower class which specifies the comonomer in minority (see also last place rule), e.g. ethylene butene copolymers (ethylene comonomer in majority) would be classified in C09J 123/0815, and not in C09J 123/20, not in C09J 123/20, not in C09J 123/0815.
- In addition, a separate C-Set representing the copolymer that is formed according to the monomers of C08F must also be given.

C-Sets classification:

In this group, C-Sets (#C9Jc, #C9Je, #C9Jf, #C9Jc(Si) and #C9Jf(Si)) are used. The detailed information about the C-Sets construction and the associated syntax rules are found in the Special rules of classification section in C09J 101/00.

- If <u>C09J 123/00</u> relates to a composition and two or more polymers are present, classification is given in the form of C-Sets (i.e. #C9J(c)) according to the relative weight percentage of the polymer constituents.
- The polymer in majority is given a symbol as a base symbol, and the polymers in minority are given symbols as subsequent symbols in the form of C-Sets.
- If all the constituents are present in equal weight percentage, the composition is classified according to each of these constituents.
- In the case that several polymers can be in majority, separate C-Sets should be made based on each polymer in majority and its component(s) in minority.
- Orthogonal indexing codes C08L 2201/00 C08L 2555/86 are also given if applicable.

Example 1: An adhesive of a blend of 60 parts polyethylene (<u>C09J 123/06</u>) and 40 parts polyamide (<u>C09J 177/00</u>) is classified as (<u>C09J 123/06</u>, <u>C08L 77/00</u>).

Example 2: An adhesive of a blend of 50 parts polyethylene (C09J 123/06) and 50 parts polyamide (C09J 177/00) is classified as (C09J 123/06, C08L 77/00) and (C09J 177/00, C08L 23/06).

Example 3: An adhesive based on a composition of polyethylene and containing CaCO3 is classified as (C09J 123/06, C08K 3/26). If this composition also contains a polyamide, then the classification will be (C09J 123/06, C08L 77/00, C08K 3/26).

Example 4: An adhesive based on a composition based on a first polyethylene (<u>C09J 123/06</u>) and containing a second polyethylene, a phenol and silica is classified as (<u>C09J 123/06</u>, <u>C08L 23/06</u>, <u>C08K 5/13</u>, <u>C08K 3/36</u>) and in <u>C08L 2205/02</u>.

Example 5: An adhesive based on a composition containing a polyamide in majority, a polyester and a polyethylene is classified as (C09J 177/00, C08L 67/00, C08L 23/06) and C08L 2205/03.

Example 6: Adhesives of compositions containing two polymers of the same subgroup, for example compositions of two ethylene vinylacetate copolymers, are characterised by the orthogonal indexing code C08L 2205/025. The complete classification for such a composition therefore would be (C09J 123/0853, C08L 23/0853) and C08L 2205/025. The same applies for compositions of two polymers only distinguished by physical properties, e.g. molecular weight or density.

C-Sets searches:

C-Sets search queries may be made according to C-Sets classification rules described in <u>C09J</u> and related subclasses. In addition, #C8Lz, #C9Dz, and #C9Jz Search Rules may be followed to search for polymers in documents classified prior to April 2012.

Glossary of terms

In this place, the following terms or expressions are used with the meaning indicated:

Addition polymers	Polymers in which unsaturated monomer molecules join together to form a polymer in which the molecular formula of the repeat unit is identical (except for the double bond) with that of the monomer.
Aliphatic cyclic olefins	A carbocyclic monomer with an endocyclic double bond.
Block polymers	Polymers formed by polymerization of monomers on to a macromolecule having groups capable of inducing the formation of new polymer chains bound at one or both ends of the starting macromolecule, or by polymerization using successively different catalyst types or successively different monomer systems without deactivating the intermediate polymer.
Condensation polymers	Polymers in which water or some other simple molecule is eliminated from 2 or more monomer molecules as they combine to form the polymer or crosslinks between polymer chains.
Copolymer	Usually denotes a polymer of 2 chemically distinct monomers, and sometimes denotes a terpolymer containing more than 2 types of monomer unit.
EPR or EPDM, elastomeric ethylene propylene (diene) copolymers	Elastomeric copolymer rubbers defined by similar amounts of ethylene and propene, e.g. 30-70wt% ethylene and 70-30wt% propene.
Graft polymers	Macromolecular compounds obtained by polymerizing monomers on to preformed polymers or on to inorganic materials. Such preformed polymers could be rubbers, polysaccharides, condensation polymers, homopolymers or copolymers of the addition polymer type.
Homopolymers	Polymers resulting from the polymerisation of a single monomer or polymer with a single type of repeating unit.

lonomer	Polymers containing monomers carrying ionic groups, usually salts of carboxylic acids.
Iso-olefin	Non-linear olefinic monomers, e.g. isobutylene, isopentene.
Modified by chemical after treatment	Modification of the polymer after polymerisation; Exception: neutralisation of carboxylic acid containing polymers (C08L 23/0884) and saponification of vinylacetate in EVA (C08L 23/0861) are not regarded as after treatments in accordance with C08L 23/00
Repeat(ing) unit	The unit in an addition polymer which is repeated throughout the molecule; for example in polyethylene the repeat unit is:– $\mathrm{CH_2}$ - $\mathrm{CH_2}$
Rubber	a. Natural or conjugated diene rubbers; b. Rubber in general; c. Rubbers of C08L 23/16 are not classified according to notation B2B, but to B2A.
Saponified vinylacetate	Ethylene copolymers with vinyl alcohol.

Synonyms and Keywords

In patent documents the following abbreviations are often used:

Attention is drawn to the table at the beginning of C09J.

C09J 123/02

not modified by chemical after-treatment

Special rules of classification

This group should only be used in cases without examples.

C09J 123/025

{Copolymer of an unspecified olefine with a monomer other than an olefine}

Special rules of classification

This group should only be used in cases without examples.

C09J 123/04

Homopolymers or copolymers of ethene

Special rules of classification

This group should only be used if there are examples both of polymers of $\underline{\text{C09J } 123/0807}$ or $\underline{\text{C09J } 123/0807}$ and $\underline{\text{C09J } 123/0846}$.

C09J 123/06

Polyethene

Special rules of classification

This group can be further characterised by the Indexing Codes <u>C08L 2207/062</u>, <u>C08L 2207/066</u>, <u>C08L 2207/068</u>, <u>C08L 2207/07</u> or <u>C08L 2314/02-C08L 2314/08</u>.

Copolymers of ethene (C09J 123/16 takes precedence)

Special rules of classification

This group should only be used if there are examples both of polymers of <u>C09J 123/0807</u> and <u>C09J 123/0846</u>.

C09J 123/16 takes precedence over this group.

C09J 123/0807

{Copolymers of ethene with unsaturated hydrocarbons only containing more than three carbon atoms}

Special rules of classification

This group can be further characterised by Indexing Codes <u>C08L 2207/062-C08L 2207/07</u> or C08L 2314/02-C08L 2314/08.

It is preferable to classify in C09J 123/0815.

C09J 123/0815

{Copolymers of ethene with aliphatic 1-olefins}

Special rules of classification

The polymers in this group can be further characterised by Indexing Codes <u>C08L 2207/062-C08L 2207/07</u> or C08L 2314/02-C08L 2314/08.

When ethylene is in majority, ethylene-propene copolymers are only classified when propene is clearly the minor component, e.g. LLDPE with the comonomer propene is classified in C09J 123/0815, whereas EPR is classified in C09J 123/16.

C09J 123/0823

{Copolymers of ethene with aliphatic cyclic olefins}

Definition statement

This place covers:

Adhesive compositions of copolymers of ethene with aliphatic cyclic olefins, e.g. ethylene, propene and norbornene.

References

Limiting references

This place does not cover:

Adhesive compositions of copolymers with a majority of norbornene	C09J 145/00

Special rules of classification

This group takes precedence over <u>C09J 123/0815</u>, e.g. a copolymer of ethylene, propene and norbornene.

Copolymers with majority of norbornene see <u>C09J 145/00</u>.

{Copolymers of ethene with aliphatic polyenes, i.e. containing more than one unsaturated bond}

Definition statement

This place covers:

Adhesive compositions of copolymers of ethene with aliphatic polyenes, i.e. containing more than one unsaturated bond, e.g. a copolymer of ethylene, butene (small amount) and norbornene (smaller amount).

Special rules of classification

This group takes precedence over C09J 123/0815.

C09J 123/0838

{Copolymers of ethene with aromatic monomers}

Definition statement

This place covers:

Adhesive compositions of copolymers of ethene with aromatic monomers, e.g. copolymer of ethylene, butene (small amount) and styrene (smaller amount).

Special rules of classification

This group takes precedence over C09J 123/0815.

C09J 123/0846

{Copolymers of ethene with unsaturated hydrocarbons containing other atoms than carbon or hydrogen atoms}

Definition statement

This place covers:

Adhesive compositions of copolymers of ethene with unsaturated hydrocarbons containing other atoms than carbon or hydrogen atoms, e.g. copolymer of ethylene, butene (small amount) and acrylate (smaller amount).

Special rules of classification

This group takes precedence over <u>C09J 123/0815</u>.

C09J 123/0861

{Saponified vinylacetate}

Definition statement

This place covers:

Adhesive compositions of saponified vinylacetate (EVA), e.g. copolymer of ethylene, vinylacetate (small amount) and vinylalcohol (smaller amount).

Special rules of classification

This group takes precedence over C09J 123/0861.

{Acids or derivatives thereof}

Definition statement

This place covers:

Adhesive compositions of ethene with acids or derivatives thereof, e.g. ethylene copolymers with vinyl sulfonic acids.

Special rules of classification

C09J 123/0892 takes precedence over this group.

C09J 123/0876

{Neutralised polymers, i.e. ionomers}

Definition statement

This place covers:

Ethylene carboxylic acid copolymers where H+ is replaced by M+.

Special rules of classification

This group takes precedence over C09J 123/0892.

In this group, M+ is not regarded as "other atom".

C09J 123/0884

{Epoxide containing esters}

Definition statement

This place covers:

Adhesive compositions of ethene with epoxide containing esters, e.g. ethylene copolymers with glycidyl methacrylate.

C09J 123/0892

{containing monomers with other atoms than carbon, hydrogen or oxygen atoms}

References

Informative references

Attention is drawn to the following places, which may be of interest for search:

Adhesive compositions with copolymers of ethane with copolymers	C09J 133/00 -
of ethene with monomers with other atoms than carbon, hydrogen or	C09J 143/00
oxygen atoms when the olefin is in minority	

Special rules of classification

This group takes precedence over <u>C09J 123/0869</u>.

Homopolymers or copolymers of propene

Special rules of classification

This group can be further characterised by Indexing Codes $\underline{\text{C08L } 2207/10}$ - $\underline{\text{C08L } 2314/08}$.

C09J 123/12

Polypropene

Definition statement

This place covers:

Adhesive compositions of homopolymers.

Special rules of classification

This group can be further characterised by Indexing Codes <u>C08L 2207/10-C08L 2207/14</u> or <u>C08L 2314/02-C08L 2314/08</u>.

C09J 123/14

Copolymers of propene (C09J 123/16 takes precedence)

Definition statement

This place covers:

Adhesive compositions of copolymers of propene, when the propene is in majority, e.g. ethylene-propene copolymers when ethylene is clearly the minor component.

Rubbery polymers, e.g. high a-olefin content or atactic, but no propene.

References

Limiting references

This place does not cover:

EPR	C09J 123/16
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Special rules of classification

This group can be further characterised by Indexing Codes $\underline{\text{C08L } 2207/10}$ - $\underline{\text{C08L } 2314/02}$ - $\underline{\text{C08L } 2314/08}$.

C09J 123/145

{Copolymers of propene with monomers having more than one C=C double bond}

Special rules of classification

This group takes precedence over <u>C09J 123/14</u> or <u>C09J 123/142</u> in the case of terpolymers even if the polyene unit is the monomer in the lowest concentration.

{Copolymers of propene with monomers containing other atoms than carbon or hydrogen atoms}

Special rules of classification

This group takes preference over <u>C09J 123/14</u> or <u>C09J 123/142</u> in the case of terpolymers even if the heteroatom carrying unit is the monomer in the lowest concentration.

C09J 123/16

{Elastomeric} ethene-propene or ethene-propene-diene copolymers, {e.g. EPR and EPDM rubbers}

Definition statement

This place covers:

Adhesives based on elastomeric ethene-propene or ethene-propene-diene copolymers, e.g. EPR and EPDM rubbers or polymers comprising both ethylene and propylene on about the same amount.

Special rules of classification

This group takes precedence over C09J 123/0815 and C09J 123/14.

Although these polymers are rubbers or elastomers, <u>C08L 23/00</u> or subgroups are used if they not in majority.

C09J 123/26

modified by chemical after-treatment

Special rules of classification

C09J 123/0861 takes precedence in the case of saponified EVA.

<u>C09J 123/0876</u> takes precedence in the case of neutralised ethylene carboxylic acid copolymers (iononers).

C09J 123/28

by reaction with halogens or compounds containing halogen (C09J 123/32 takes precedence)

Special rules of classification

For chlorosulfonation, <u>C09J 123/32</u> takes precedence over this group.

C09J 125/00

Adhesives based on homopolymers or copolymers of compounds having one or more unsaturated aliphatic radicals, each having only one carbon-to-carbon double bond, and at least one being terminated by an aromatic carbocyclic ring; Adhesives based on derivatives of such polymers

Definition statement

This place covers:

- · Homo- and copolymers of styrene,
- General purpose polystyrene (GPS),
- High impact polystyrene (HIPS).

References

Informative references

Attention is drawn to the following places, which may be of interest for search:

SBR rubber	C09J 109/06 - C09J 109/08
Grafted (co)polymers	C09J 151/00 - C09J 151/10
Block (co)polymers	C09J 153/02 - C09J 153/025
Acrylonitrile butadiene styrene (ABS)	C09J 155/02

Special rules of classification

Classification guidance:

- Classification should be made based on the examples, but not the general claims in the
 documents. The use of main group symbols should be avoided if there are subgroups which
 cover the subject matter to be classified. The classification should be made in the most indented
 subgroup that covers the subject matter.
- For example, a document claiming adhesive compositions of a polymer of an aromatic vinyl monomer, wherein the examples are limited to e.g. polystyrene, should be allocated the symbol C09J 125/06 and not C09J 125/04, C09J 125/02 or C09J 125/00.
- General purpose PS, GPS is classified in <u>C09J 125/06</u>. High impact polystyrene HIPS is classified in <u>C09J 125/06</u>, unless the rubber or rubber content is of relevance, in which case it should be classified in <u>C09J 151/04</u>.

C-Sets classification:

In this group, C-Sets (#C9Jc, #C9Je, #C9Jf, #C9Jc(Si) and #C9Jf(Si)) are used for classification. The detailed information about the C-Sets construction and the associated syntax rules are found in the Special rules of C09J 101/00.

C-Sets searches:

C-Sets search queries may be made according to C-Sets classification rules described in <u>C09J</u> and related subclasses. In addition, #C8Lz, #C9Dz, and #C9Jz Search Rules may be followed to search for polymers in documents classified prior to April 2012.

Synonyms and Keywords

In patent documents, the following abbreviations are often used:

GPS	General purpose polystyrene
HIPS	High impact polystyrene
PS	Polystyrene
SAN	Styrene acrylonitrile copolymer
SPS	Syndiotactic polystyrene

C09J 125/08

Copolymers of styrene (<u>C09J 129/08</u>, <u>C09J 135/06</u>, <u>C09J 155/02</u> take precedence)

References

Limiting references

This place does not cover:

Copolymers with allyl alcohol, even when allyl alcohol monomer is in minority	C09J 129/08
Copolymers with monomers according to CO9D 135/06, even in minority	<u>C09J 135/06</u>
Copolymers with monomers according to CO9D 141/00, even in minority	C09J 141/00
Copolymers with monomers according to CO9D 143/00, even in minority	<u>C09J 143/00</u> - <u>C09J 143/04</u>

C09J 125/10

with conjugated dienes

References

Informative references

Attention is drawn to the following places, which may be of interest for search:

	C09J 109/06 - C09J 109/08
Grafted copolymers comprising styrene and dienes	C09J 151/00
Block copolymers comprising styrene and dienes	C09J 153/00

C09J 125/12

with unsaturated nitriles

References

Informative references

Attention is drawn to the following places, which may be of interest for search:

Copolymers of unsaturated nitriles	C09J 133/18 - C09J 133/22
Acrylonitrile butadiene styrene copolymers ABS	<u>C09J 155/02</u>

C09J 125/14

with unsaturated esters

References

Informative references

Attention is drawn to the following places, which may be of interest for search:

, ,	<u>C09J 133/00</u> - C09J 133/26
	0000 100/20

C09J 127/00

Adhesives based on homopolymers or copolymers of compounds having one or more unsaturated aliphatic radicals, each having only one carbon-to-carbon double bond, and at least one being terminated by a halogen; Adhesives based on derivatives of such polymers

Definition statement

This place covers:

Adhesives based on homo- and copolymers of vinyl mono-, di-, tri- or tetra- halogenide(s)
e.g. vinyl(idene) chloride, vinyl(idene) fluoride, chlorotrifluoroethylene, tetrafluoroethylene,
hexafluoropropene, etc.

References

Informative references

Attention is drawn to the following places, which may be of interest for search:

(per)Halogenated esters of unsaturated carboxylic acids	C09J 133/16
(per)Halogenated polyethers	C09J 171/00
Chemically modified, (post)halogenated polymers	C08L 23/28, C08L 27/24

Special rules of classification

Classification guidance:

 Classification should be made based on the examples, but not the general claims in the documents. The use of main group symbols should be avoided if there are subgroups which

cover the subject matter to be classified. The classification should be made in the most indented subgroup that covers the subject matter.

• For example, a document claiming adhesive compositions of a fluorinated polymer, wherein the examples are limited to e.g. poly(tetrafluoroethylene), should be classified in C09J 127/18 and not in C09J 127/12.

C-Sets classification:

In this group, C-Sets (#C9Jc, #C9Je, #C9Jf, #C9Jc(Si) and #C9Jf(Si)) are used for classification. The detailed information about the C-Sets construction and the associated syntax rules are found in the Special rules of C09J 101/00.

C-Sets searches:

C-Sets search queries may be made according to C-Sets classification rules described in <u>C09J</u> and related subclasses. In addition, #C8Lz, #C9Dz, and #C9Jz Search Rules may be followed to search for polymers in documents classified prior to April 2012.

Synonyms and Keywords

In patent documents, the following abbreviations are often used:

CTFE	Chlorotrifluoroethene, chlorotrifluoroethylene
HFP	Hexafluoropropene, hexafluoropropylene
PTFE	Poly (tetrafluoroethene), poly (tetrafluoroethylene)
PVC	Poly (vinyl chloride)
PVDC	Poly (vinylidene chloride)
PVDF	Poly (vinylidene fluoride)
PVF	Poly (vinyl fluoride)

C09J 127/12

containing fluorine atoms

Definition statement

This place covers:

- Adhesives based on (co)polymers of fluorine containing unsaturated monomers other than those covered by C09J 127/14-C09J 127/20.
- Adhesives based on (co)polymers of fluorine containing unsaturated monomers having additional halogen atom(s) other than fluorine, e.g. (co)polymers of chlorotrifluoroethylene

C09J 129/00

Adhesives based on homopolymers or copolymers of compounds having one or more unsaturated aliphatic radicals, each having only one carbon-to-carbon double bond, and at least one being terminated by an alcohol, ether, aldehydo, ketonic, acetal, or ketal radical; Adhesives based on hydrolysed polymers of esters of unsaturated alcohols with saturated carboxylic acids; Adhesives based on derivatives of such polymers

Definition statement

This place covers:

Adhesives based on homopolymers or copolymers

Definition statement

- · of unsaturated alcohols, e.g. polyvinyl alcohol
- · of unsaturated ketones
- of acetals or ketals obtained by polymerisation of unsaturated acetals or ketals or by aftertreatment of polymers of unsaturated alcohols

Adhesives based on partially hydrolysed homopolymers or copolymers of esters of unsaturated alcohols with saturated carboxylic acids, e.g. copolymers of allyl alcohol.

Special rules of classification

Classification guidance:

- Classification should be made based on the examples, but not the general claims in the
 documents. The use of main group symbols should be avoided if there are subgroups which
 cover the subject matter to be classified. The classification should be made in the most indented
 subgroup that covers the subject matter.
- For example, a document claiming adhesive compositions of a polymer of an unsaturated alcohol
 monomer, wherein the examples are limited to e.g. polyvinyl alcohol, should be classified in
 C09J 129/04 and not in C09J 129/02 or C09J 129/00.

C-Sets classification:

In this group, C-Sets (#C9Jc, #C9Je, #C9Jf, #C9Jc(Si) and #C9Jf(Si)) are used for classification. The detailed information about the C-Sets construction and the associated syntax rules are found in the Special rules of C09J 101/00.

C-Sets searches:

C-Sets search queries may be made according to C-Sets classification rules described in <u>C09J</u> and related subclasses. In addition, #C8Lz, #C9Dz, and #C9Jz Search Rules may be followed to search for polymers in documents classified prior to April 2012.

Synonyms and Keywords

EVA or E-VA	Ethylene vinyl alcohol copolymer or ethylene vinyl acetate copolymer
PVA	Poly(vinyl alcohol) or poly(vinyl acetate)
PVB	Poly (vinyl butyral)
PVOH	Poly (vinyl alcohol)

C09J 129/04

Polyvinyl alcohol; Partially hydrolysed homopolymers or copolymers of esters of unsaturated alcohols with saturated carboxylic acids

Definition statement

This place covers:

Homo- and co-polymers of vinyl alcohol

Saponified or hydrolysed (co)polymers of vinyl esters of saturated acids, e.g. saponified or hydrolysed (co)polymers of vinyl acetate.

References

Limiting references

This place does not cover:

Ethylene/vinyl alcohol copolymers in which ethylene is in majority	C09J 123/0861
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C09J 129/08

with vinyl aromatic monomers

Definition statement

This place covers:

Copolymers with styrene, even when styrene is in majority.

C09J 129/10

Homopolymers or copolymers of unsaturated ethers (C09J 135/08 takes precedence)

Special rules of classification

<u>C09J 135/08</u> takes precedence over this group, i.e. copolymers with monomers according to <u>C09J 135/08</u>, e.g. unsaturated dicarboxylic acids, anhydrides or esters, are classified in <u>C09J 135/08</u> only, even when these monomers are in minority.

C09J 131/00

Adhesives based on homopolymers or copolymers of compounds having one or more unsaturated aliphatic radicals, each having only one carbon-to-carbon double bond, and at least one being terminated by an acyloxy radical of a saturated carboxylic acid, of carbonic acid, or of a haloformic acid (based on hydrolysed polymers C09J 129/00); Adhesives based on derivatives of such polymers

Definition statement

This place covers:

Adhesive compositions based on homopolymers or copolymers of

- esters of monocarboxylic acids, e.g. of vinyl acetate
- esters of polycarboxylic acids, e.g. of phthalic acid.

References

Limiting references

This place does not cover:

Hydrolised or saponified polymers thereof	C09D 129/00
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Special rules of classification

Classification guidance:

 Classification should be made based on the examples, but not the general claims in the documents. The use of main group symbols should be avoided if there are subgroups which

cover the subject matter to be classified. The classification should be made in the most indented subgroup that covers the subject matter.

• For example, a document claiming adhesive compositions of a (co)polymer of an unsaturated ester of a saturated carboxylic acid monomer, wherein the examples are limited to, e.g. polyvinyl acetate, should receive the symbol C09J 131/04 and not C09J 131/02 or C09J 131/00.

C-Sets classification:

In this group, C-Sets (#C9Jc, #C9Je, #C9Jf, #C9Jc(Si) and #C9Jf(Si)) are used for classification. The detailed information about the C-Sets construction and the associated syntax rules are found in the Special rules of C09J 101/00.

C-Sets searches:

C-Sets search queries may be made according to C-Sets classification rules described in <u>C09J</u> and related subclasses. In addition, #C8Lz, #C9Dz, and #C9Jz Search Rules may be followed to search for polymers in documents classified prior to April 2012.

Synonyms and Keywords

In patent documents, the following abbreviations are often used:

EVA or E-VA	Ethylene Vinyl Acetate copolymer or Ethylene Vinyl Alcohol copolymer
PVA	Poly(Vinyl Acetate) or Poly(Vinyl Alcohol)
PVAC or PVAc	Poly (Vinyl Acetate)

C09J 133/00

Adhesives based on homopolymers or copolymers of compounds having one or more unsaturated aliphatic radicals, each having only one carbon-to-carbon double bond, and at least one being terminated by only one carboxyl radical, or of salts, anhydrides, esters, amides, imides, or nitriles thereof; Adhesives based on derivatives of such polymers

Definition statement

This place covers:

Adhesive compositions of homopolymers or copolymers having one or more unsaturated aliphatic radicals, each having only one carbon-to-carbon double bond, and at least one being terminated by only one carboxyl radical, or of salts, anhydrides, esters, amides, imides, or nitriles thereof, e.g. acrylamide, methacrylamide or acrylic acid esters.

References

Informative references

Attention is drawn to the following places, which may be of interest for search:

Adhesives from diene rubbers containing carboxylic groups	C09J 113/00
Adhesives for nail coating	A45D 20/00
Diapers	<u>A61F</u>
Applications or uses of polymer compositions in films	<u>C08J</u>
Polymer compositions	C08L 33/00
Coatings	C09D 133/00

Electrical cables and wires	<u>H01B</u>
Encapsulation of solar cells	H01L 31/048

Last place priority rule:

Within each subgroup of this group, in the absence of an indication to the contrary, classification is made in the last appropriate place.

• For example, adhesives comprising terpolymers of styrene, vinyl acetate and methyl methacrylate in similar proportions would be classified in CO9J 133/12 instead of CO9J 131/00.

Classification guidance:

- The monomer composition of the main polymer component can be characterised by a C-Set in C08F on the basis of sufficient disclosure in the description or claims.
- Documents are preferably classified according to the examples in the documents, not according
 to general claims, e.g. if the examples only describe adhesives of acrylic copolymers, but subject
 matter of the claim is a composition of acrylamide copolymer, the document is classified as
 adhesive of acrylamide copolymers (C09J 133/26, C08L 23/00).
- The classification of the main component polymer of the composition should be according to
 the most specific, or reactive monomer, e.g. glycidyl methacrylate and not methyl methacrylate
 in a copolymer of glycidyl methacrylate and methyl methacrylate. All comonomers of the main
 polymeric component should be characterised by symbols in <u>C08F</u>, e.g. <u>C08F 220/32</u> and
 <u>C08F 220/14</u>.

Choice of symbol for copolymers:

- In an adhesive comprising a copolymer, the copolymer is given the symbol on the basis of the major monomer component, except if there is a lower symbol which specifies the comonomer in minority.
- An adhesive composition based on a copolymer of ethylene and acrylic acid therefore is to be
 classified in <u>C09J 123/0869</u> (ethylene in majority), but in <u>C09J 133/02</u> if acrylic acid is in majority.
 However, an adhesive based on a copolymer of acrylic ester and acrylonitrile (acrylic ester in
 majority) would be classified in <u>C09J 133/20</u>.
- The classification of the main component polymer of the adhesive should be according to the most specific, or reactive monomer (i.e. glycidyl methacrylate and not methyl methacrylate in a copolymer of glycidyl methacrylate and methyl methacrylate).
- Thus adhesives comprising copolymers wherein anhydride, carboxylic acid or metal salt containing
 monomers are present are classified in <u>C09J 133/064</u>; copolymers wherein hydroxyl-containing
 monomers are present are classified in <u>C09J 133/064</u>, copolymers wherein glycidyl-containing
 monomers are present are classified in <u>C09J 133/068</u>.
- In addition, a separate C-Set representing the copolymer that is formed according to the monomers of <u>C08F</u> must also be given.

C-sets classification:

In this group, C-Sets (#C9Jc, #C9Je, #C9Jf, #C9Jc(Si) and #C9Jf(Si)) are used for classification. The detailed information about the C-Sets construction and the associated syntax rules are found in the Special rules of C09J 101/00.

- If <u>C09J 133/00</u> relates to a composition and two or more polymers are present, classification is given in the form of C-Sets (i.e. #C9J(c)) according to the relative weight percentage of the polymer constituents.
- The polymer in majority is given a symbol as a base symbol, and the polymers in minority are given symbols as subsequent symbols in the form of C-Sets.
- In addition, a single symbol is given according to the macromolecular constituent present in the highest proportion.

- If all the constituents are present in equal weight percentage, the composition is classified according to each of these constituents.
- In the case that several polymers can be in majority, separate C-Sets should be made based on each polymer in majority and its component(s) in minority.
- Orthogonal indexing codes C08L 2201/00 C08L 2555/86 are also given if applicable.

Example 1: An adhesive composition of 60 parts polymethyl methacrylate (<u>C09J 133/12</u>) and 40 parts polyamide (<u>C08L 77/00</u>) is classified as (<u>C09J 133/12</u>, <u>C08L 77/00</u>).

Example 2: An adhesive composition of 50 parts polymethyl methacrylate (C09J 133/12) and 50 parts polyamide (C09J 177/00) is classified as (C09J 133/12, C08L 77/00) and (C09J 177/00, C08L 33/12).

Example 3: An adhesive composition based on polymethyl methacrylate and containing CaCO3 is classified as (C09J 133/12, C08K 3/26). If this composition contains also a polyamide, then the classification will be (C09J 133/12, C08L 77/00, C08K 3/26).

Example 4: An adhesive composition based on a first polymethyl methacrylate (C09J 133/12) and containing as a second polymer a copolymer of acrylic acid, a phenol and silica is classified as (C09J 133/12, C08L 33/02, C08K 5/13, C08K 3/36) and in C08L 2205/02.

Example 5: A composition containing a polyamide in majority, a polyester and a polymethyl methacrylate is classified as (C09J 177/00, C08L 67/00, C08L 33/12) and in C08L 2205/03.

Example 6: Adhesive compositions containing two polymers of the same dot group, for example compositions of two polymers amhydroxyl containing acrylic ester, are characterised by the orthogonal indexing code C08L 2205/025. The complete classification for such compositions, therefore, would be (C09J 133/066, C08L 33/066) and C08L 2205/025. The same applies for compositions of two polymers only distinguished by physical properties, e.g. molecular weight or density.

C-Sets searches:

C-Sets search queries may be made according to C-Sets classification rules described in <u>C09J</u> and related subclasses. In addition, #C8Lz, #C9Dz, and #C9Jz Search Rules may be followed to search for polymers in documents classified prior to April 2012.

Glossary of terms

In this place, the following terms or expressions are used with the meaning indicated: Attention is drawn to the glossary of C09J 123/00.

Synonyms and Keywords

In patent documents the following abbreviations are often used:

Attention is drawn to the table after the title of C09J.

C09J 133/02

Homopolymers or copolymers of acids; Metal or ammonium salts thereof

References

Limiting references

This place does not cover:

Copolymers containing bicarboxylic acids in majority	C09J 135/00
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C09J 133/04

Homopolymers or copolymers of esters {(C09J 143/04 takes precedence)}

Special rules of classification

All of C09J 137/00-C09J 143/04, C09J 133/064-C09J 133/068 and C09J 133/14-C09J 133/26 take precedence over this group, even if the corresponding monomers are in minority.

This group should be used if the nature of the acrylic ester polymer is not specified.

C09J 133/06

of esters containing only carbon, hydrogen and oxygen, the oxygen atom being present only as part of the carboxyl radical

Definition statement

This place covers:

Adhesive compositions based on all alkyl alkylacrylate monomers.

References

Limiting references

This place does not cover:

Adhesive compositions based on acrylic acid esters or methacrylic acid	<u>C09J 133/08</u> -
esters with alkanols or phenols, without having additional functional	C09J 133/12
groups, e.g. methyl ethylacrylate	

C09J 133/062

{Copolymers with monomers not covered by C09J 133/06}

References

Limiting references

This place does not cover:

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Adhesive compositions based on monomers which have halogen, nitrogen, sulfur, or oxygen	C09J 133/14

C09J 133/064

{containing anhydride, COOH or COOM groups, with M being metal or oniumcation}

Definition statement

This place covers:

Acrylic adhesive compositions based on maleic acid or derivative containing polymers having maleic acid in minority.

References

Limiting references

This place does not cover:

Acrylic adhesive compositions based on maleic acid or derivative containing polymers having an olefin acid in majority	C09J 123/0869
Acrylic adhesive compositions based on maleic acid or derivative containing polymers having maleic acid in majority	<u>C09J 135/00</u>

C09J 133/066

{containing -OH groups}

Definition statement

This place covers:

Adhesive compositions based on polymers containing hydroxyethyl methacrylate (HEMA).

C09J 133/068

{containing glycidyl groups}

Definition statement

This place covers:

Adhesive compositions based on polymers containing glycidyl methacrylate.

C09J 133/08

Homopolymers or copolymers of acrylic acid esters

Definition statement

This place covers:

Adhesive composition based on homopolymers or copolymers which are esters of acrylic acid or methacrylic acid.

References

Limiting references

This place does not cover:

Adhesive composition based on copolymers of other alkylacrylates	C09J 133/06

Special rules of classification

All of C09J 137/00-C09J 143/00, C09J 133/062-C09J 133/068 and C09J 133/14-C09J 133/26 take precedence over this group even if the corresponding monomers are in minority.

C09J 133/10

Homopolymers or copolymers of methacrylic acid esters

Special rules of classification

In copolymers, all of <u>C09J 137/00-C09J 143/04</u>, <u>C09J 133/062-C09J 133/068</u> and <u>C09J 133/14-C09J 133/26</u> take precedence over this group even if the corresponding monomers are in minority.

C09J 133/14

of esters containing halogen, nitrogen, sulfur or oxygen atoms in addition to the carboxy oxygen

Definition statement

This place covers:

Adhesive compositions based on acrylic esters of polyethylene ethers, methoxymethacrylate or amino substituted acrylate esters.

Special rules of classification

All of <u>C09J 133/064-C09J 133/068</u>, <u>C09J 137/00-C09J 143/00</u> and <u>C09J 133/18-C09J 133/26</u> take precedence over this group.

C09J 135/00

Adhesives based on homopolymers or copolymers of compounds having one or more unsaturated aliphatic radicals, each having only one carbon-to-carbon double bond, and at least one being terminated by a carboxyl radical, and containing at least another carboxyl radical in the molecule, or of salts, anhydrides, esters, amides, imides or nitriles thereof; Adhesives based on derivatives of such polymers

Definition statement

This place covers:

Adhesives based on homopolymers or copolymers of compounds having one or more unsaturated aliphatic radicals, each having only one carbon-to-carbon double bond, and at least one being terminated by a carboxyl radical, and containing at least another carboxyl radical in the molecule, or of salts, anhydrides, esters, amides, imides or nitriles thereof; Adhesives based on derivatives of such polymers. Bonding using organic-inorganic elastomer and elastomeric substances obtained by co-polymerisation of maleic anhydride, vinyl stearate and a vinyl alkoxy silane with or without vinyl formate.

References

Application-oriented references

Examples of places where the subject matter of this place is covered when specially adapted, used for a particular purpose, or incorporated in a larger system:

Applications or uses of polymer compositions in laminates	<u>B32B</u>
Applications or uses of polymer compositions in films	<u>C08J</u>
Working-up, compounding, after-treatment of macromolecular compounds	C08J 3/00- C08J 11/28

Informative references

Attention is drawn to the following places, which may be of interest for search:

Adhesives based on compositions of polymerisable monomers	C09J 4/00
Adhesives for nail coatings	A45D 29/00
Adhesives for diapers	<u>A61F</u>
Use of Inorganic of non-macromolecular organic substances as compounding ingredients	C08K 3/00 - C08K 13/08
Polymer compositions	C08L 35/00
Coatings	C09D 135/00

Special rules of classification

Last place priority rule:

Within each subgroup of this group, in the absence of an indication to the contrary, classification is made in the last appropriate place.

Classification guidance:

- Documents are preferably classified according to the examples in the documents, not according
 to general claims, e.g. if the examples only describe adhesives of compositions of styrene-maleic
 anhydride, but subject matter of the claim is an adhesive of a composition of a vinyl aromatic
 copolymer, the document is classified as adhesive composition of styrene maleic anhydride
 copolymer <u>C09J 135/06</u>.
- In <u>C09J</u>, adhesives which have only one polymeric component is also classified, e.g. <u>C09J 135/06</u> for an adhesive of only one maleic anhydride copolymer.
- For Copolymers

In an adhesive comprising a copolymer, the copolymer is given the symbol on the basis of the major component, except if there is a lower symbol which specifies the comonomer in minority (see also last place rule), i.e. ethylene maleic anhydride copolymers (ethylene in majority) would be classified in C09J 123/0869, and not in C09J 135/00, but ethylene maleic anhydride copolymers (maleic anhydride in majority) would be classified in C09J 135/00, not in C09J 123/0869.

C-sets classification:

In this group, C-Sets (#C9Jc, #C9Je, #C9Jf, #C9Jc(Si) and #C9Jf(Si)) are used for classification. The detailed information about the C-Sets construction and the associated syntax rules are found in the Special rules of C09J 101/00.

- If <u>C09J 135/00</u> relates to a composition and two or more polymers are present, classification is given in the form of C-Sets (i.e. #C9Jc) according to the relative weight percentage of the polymer constituents.
- The polymer in majority is given a symbol as a base symbol, and the polymers in minority are given symbols as subsequent symbols in the form of C-Sets.
- In addition, a single symbol is given according to the macromolecular constituent present in the highest proportion.
- If all the constituents are present in equal weight percentage, the composition is classified according to each of these constituents.
- In the case that several polymers can be in majority, separate C-Sets should be made based on each polymer in majority and its component(s) in minority.
- Orthogonal indexing codes C08L 2201/00 C08L 2555/86 are also given if applicable.

Example 1: An adhesive of a blend of 60 parts styrene-maleic anhydride copolymer (C09J 135/06) and 40 parts polyamide (C09J 177/00) is classified as (C09J 135/06, C08L 77/00).

Example 2: An adhesive of a blend of 50 parts styrene-maleic anhydride copolymer (C09J 135/06) and 50 parts polyamide (C09J 177/00) is classified as (C09J 135/06, C08L 77/00) and (C09J 177/00, C08L 35/06).

Example 3: An adhesive of a composition based on styrene-maleic anhydride copolymer and containing CaCO3 is classified as (C09J 135/06, C08K 3/26). If this composition contains also a polyamide, then the classification will be (C09J 135/06, C08L 77/00, C08K 3/26).

Example 4: An adhesive of a composition based on a first styrene-maleic anhydride copolymer (C09J 135/06) and containing a second styrene-maleic anhydride copolymer, a phenol and silica is classified as (C09J 135/06, C08L 35/06, C08K 5/13, C08K 3/36) and in C08L 2205/025.

Example 5: An adhesive of a composition containing a polyamide in majority, a polyester and a styrene-maleic anhydride copolymer is classified as (C09J 177/00, C08L 67/00, C08L 35/06) and in C08L 2205/03.

Example 6: An adhesive of compositions containing two polymers of the same dot group, for example compositions of two styrene-maleic anhydride copolymer polymers, are characterised by the orthogonal indexing code Co8L 2205/025. The complete classification for such compositions therefore would be (Co9J 135/06, Co8L 35/06) and Co8L 2205/025. The same applies for adhesive compositions of two polymers only distinguished by physical properties, i.e. molecular weight or density.

C-Sets searches:

C-Sets search queries may be made according to C-Sets classification rules described in <u>C09J</u> and related subclasses. In addition, #C8Lz, #C9Dz, and #C9Jz Search Rules may be followed to search for polymers in documents classified prior to April 2012.

Glossary of terms

In this place, the following terms or expressions are used with the meaning indicated: Attention is drawn to the glossary of C09J 123/00.

Synonyms and Keywords

In patent documents the following abbreviations are often used:

Attention is drawn to the table after the title of C09J.

C09J 135/02

Homopolymers or copolymers of esters (C09J 135/06, C09J 135/08 take precedence)

References

Limiting references

This place does not cover:

Adhesives based on copolymers of unsaturated esters, e.g. acrylic ester	C09J 133/00
with a monomer of C09J 135/00, e.g. maleic anhydride which have the	
ester in majority	

Special rules of classification

Maleic anhydride should be characterised by an Indexing Code of C08F, e.g. C08F 222/04.

Groups C09J 135/06 and C09J 135/08 take precedence over this group.

C09J 135/04

Homopolymers or copolymers of nitriles (C09J 135/06, C09J 135/08 take precedence)

References

Limiting references

This place does not cover:

Adhesives of copolymers of unsaturated nitriles, e.g. acrylonitrile with a	C09J 133/00
monomer of C09J 135/00, e.g. maleic anhydride which have the nitrile in	
majority	

Special rules of classification

Maleic anhydride should be characterised by an Indexing Code of CO8F, e.g. CO8F 222/04.

Groups C09J 135/06 and C09J 135/08 take precedence over this group.

C09J 135/06

Copolymers with vinyl aromatic monomers

References

Limiting references

This place does not cover:

Adhesives based on copolymers of vinyl aromatic compounds, e.g.	C09J 125/00
styrene with a monomer of C09J 135/00, e.g. maleic anhydride which	
have the vinyl aromatic compound in majority	

Special rules of classification

Maleic anhydride should be characterised by an Indexing Code of C08F, e.g. C08F 222/04.

Groups $\underline{\text{C09J }135/06}$ and $\underline{\text{C09J }135/08}$ take precedence over this group.

C09J 135/08

Copolymers with vinyl ethers

References

Limiting references

This place does not cover:

Adhesives based on copolymers of vinylethers with a monomer of	C09J 129/10
C09J 135/00, e.g. maleic anhydride which have the vinylether in majority	

Special rules of classification

Maleic anhydride should be characterised by an Indexing Code of C08F, e.g. C08F 222/04.

C09J 137/00

Adhesives based on homopolymers or copolymers of compounds having one or more unsaturated aliphatic radicals, each having only one carbon-to-carbon double bond, and at least one being terminated by a heterocyclic ring containing oxygen (based on polymers of cyclic esters of polyfunctional acids C09J 131/00; based on polymers of cyclic anhydrides of unsaturated acids C09J 135/00); Adhesives based on derivatives of such polymers

Definition statement

This place covers:

Adhesives based on homopolymers or copolymers of compounds having one or more unsaturated aliphatic radicals, each having only one carbon-to-carbon double bond, and at least one being terminated by a heterocyclic ring containing oxygen; adhesives based on derivatives of such polymers, bonding using a non-volatile organic binder having 2-vinyl-1,3cyclic acetal radicals.

References

Limiting references

This place does not cover:

Adhesives based on polymers of cyclic esters of polyfunctional acids; based on polymers of cyclic anhydrides of unsaturated acids	C09J 131/00
Adhesives based on polymers of cyclic anhydrides of unsaturated acids	C09J 135/00

Informative references

Attention is drawn to the following places, which may be of interest for search:

Adhesives based on compositions of polymerisable monomers	C09J 4/00
Adhesives for nail coatings	A45D 20/00
Adhesives in diapers	<u>A61F</u>
ß Applications or uses of polymer compositions in films	<u>C08J</u>
Polymer compositions	C08L 37/00
Coatings	C09D 137/00
Encapsulation of solar cells	H01L 31/048

Special rules of classification

Last place priority rule:

Within each subgroup of this group, in the absence of an indication to the contrary, classification is made in the last appropriate place.

Classification guidance

- Documents are preferably classified according to the examples in the documents, not according
 to general claims, e.g. if the examples only describe adhesives of compositions of diene vinylfuran
 copolymers, but subject matter of the claim is an adhesive of a composition of a diene copolymer,
 the document is classified as adhesive composition of a vinyl furan copolymer <u>C09J 137/00</u>.
- In <u>C09J</u>, adhesives having only one polymeric component are also classified, e.g. <u>C09J 137/00</u>, an adhesive consisting of one vinyl furan copolymer.

C-Sets classification:

In this group, C-Sets (#C9Jc, #C9Je, #C9Jf, #C9Jc(Si) and #C9Jf(Si)) are used for classification. The detailed information about the C-Sets construction and the associated syntax rules are found in the Special rules of C09J 101/00.

- If <u>C09J 137/00</u> relates to a composition and two or more polymers are present, classification
 is given in the form of C-Sets (i.e. #C9J(c)) according to the relative weight percentage of the
 polymer constituents.
- The polymer in majority is given a symbol as a base symbol, and the polymers in minority are given symbols as subsequent symbols in the form of C-Sets.
- A single symbol is given according to the macromolecular constituent present in the highest proportion.
- If all the constituents are present in equal weight percentage, the composition is classified according to each of these constituents.
- In the case that several polymers can be in majority, separate C-Sets should be made based on each polymer in majority and its component(s) in minority.
- Orthogonal indexing codes C08L 2201/00 C08L 2555/86 are also given if applicable.
- Common adhesive ingredients like tackifying resins or waxes only get a C-Set classification in C09J 137/00 if they have characterising features for the composition.

Example 1: An adhesive of a blend of 60 parts diene vinylfuran copolymer (C09J 137/00) and 40 parts polyamide (C09J 177/00) is classified as (C09J 137/00, C08L 77/00).

Example 2: An adhesive of a blend of 50 parts diene vinylfuran copolymer (C09J 137/00) and 50 parts polyamide (C09J 177/00) is classified as (C09J 137/00, C08L 77/00) and (C09J 177/00, C08L 37/00).

Example 3: An adhesive of a composition based on diene vinylfuran copolymer and containing CaCO3 is classified as (C09J 137/00, C08K 3/26). If this composition contains also a polyamide, then the classification will be (C09J 137/00, C08L 77/00, C08K 3/26).

Example 4: An adhesive of a composition based on a first diene vinylfuran copolymer (C09J 137/00) and containing a second diene vinylfuran copolymer, a phenol and silica is classified as (C09J 137/00, C08L 37/00, C08K 5/13, C08K 3/36) and in C08L 2205/025.

Example 5: An adhesive of a composition containing a polyamide in majority, a polyester and a diene vinylfuran copolymer is classified as (C09J 177/00, C08L 67/00, C08L 37/00) and in C08L 2205/03.

Example 6: An adhesive of compositions containing two polymers of the same dot group, for example compositions of two diene vinylfuran copolymer polymers, are characterised by the orthogonal indexing code C08L 2205/025. The complete classification for such compositions therefore would be (C09J 137/00, C08L 37/00) and C08L 2205/025. The same applies for adhesive compositions of two polymers only distinguished by physical properties, e.g. molecular weight or density.

C-Sets searches:

C-Sets search queries may be made according to C-Sets classification rules described in <u>C09J</u> and related subclasses. In addition, #C8Lz, #C9Dz, and #C9Jz Search Rules may be followed to search for polymers in documents classified prior to April 2012.

Glossary of terms

In this place, the following terms or expressions are used with the meaning indicated: Attention is drawn to the glossary of C09J 123/00.

Synonyms and Keywords

In patent documents, the following words/expressions are often used as synonyms:

Attention is drawn to the table after the title of CO9J.

C09J 139/00

Adhesives based on homopolymers or copolymers of compounds having one or more unsaturated aliphatic radicals, each having only one carbon-to-carbon double bond, and at least one being terminated by a single or double bond to nitrogen or by a heterocyclic ring containing nitrogen; Adhesives based on derivatives of such polymers

Definition statement

This place covers:

Adhesives based on homopolymers or copolymers of compounds having one or more unsaturated aliphatic radicals, each having only one carbon-to-carbon double bond, and at least one being terminated by a single or double bond to nitrogen or by a heterocyclic ring containing nitrogen; Adhesives based on derivatives of such polymers

References

Informative references

Attention is drawn to the following places, which may be of interest for search:

Acrylic copolymers of amides and imides	C09J 133/22 - C09J 133/26
Adhesives for nail coatings	A45D 20/00
Adhesives in diapers	<u>A61F</u>
Applications or uses of polymer compositions in films	<u>C08J</u>
Polymer compositions	C08L 39/00
Applications or uses of polymer compositions in coatings	C09D 139/00
Encapsulation of solar cells	H01L 31/048

Special rules of classification

Last place priority rule:

Within each subgroup of this group, in the absence of an indication to the contrary, classification is made in the last appropriate place.

Classification guidance:

- Documents are preferably classified according to the examples in the documents, not according
 to general claims, e.g. if the examples only describe adhesives based on an acrylic polymer
 containing vinyl pyrrolidone, but subject matter of the claim is an acrylic adhesive, the document is
 classified under adhesives of vinyl pyrrolidone copolymer C09J 139/06.
- In <u>C09J</u>, adhesives which have only one polymeric component are classified, e.g. <u>C09J 139/06</u> represents an adhesive of only one vinyl pyrrolidone copolymer.

For Copolymers:

• <u>C09J 139/00</u> may also be given when the monomer described therein is in minority in the copolymer of an adhesive composition. An adhesive based on a copolymer of acrylic ester and vinyl pyridine, which has a lower content of vinyl pyridine than acrylic ester, would also be classified in <u>C09J 139/08</u>. Additional classification in <u>C09D 133/08</u> should be considered.

C-Sets classification:

In this group, C-Sets (#C9Jc, #C9Je, #C9Jf, #C9Jc(Si) and #C9Jf(Si)) are used for classification. The detailed information about the C-Sets construction and the associated syntax rules are found in the Special rules of C09J 101/00.

- If <u>C09J 139/00</u> relates to a composition and two or more polymers are present, classification is given in the form of C-Sets (i.e. #C9J(c)) according to the relative weight percentage of the polymer constituents.
- The polymer in majority is given a symbol as a base symbol, and the polymers in minority are given symbols as subsequent symbols in the form of C-Sets.
- In addition, a single symbol is given according to the macromolecular constituent present in the highest proportion.
- If all the constituents are present in equal weight percentage, the composition is classified according to each of these constituents.
- In the case that several polymers can be in majority, separate C-Sets should be made based on each polymer in majority and its component(s) in minority.
- Orthogonal indexing codes C08L 2201/00 C08L 2555/86 are also given if applicable.
- Common adhesive ingredients like tackifying resins or waxes only get a C-Set classification in C09J 139/00 if they have characterising features for the composition.

Example 1: An adhesive of a blend of 60 parts vinyl pyridine copolymer (C09J 139/08) and 40 parts polyamide (C09J 177/00) is classified as (C09J 139/00, C08L 77/00).

Example 2: An adhesive of a blend of 50 parts vinyl pyridine copolymer (C09J 139/08) and 50 parts polyamide (C09J 177/00) is classified as (C09J 139/08, C08L 77/00) and (C09J 177/00, C08L 39/08).

Example 3: An adhesive based on a composition of vinyl pyridine copolymer and containing CaCO3 is classified as (C09J 139/08, C08K 3/26). If this composition contains also a polyamide, then the classification will be (C09J 139/08, C08L 77/00, C08K 3/26).

Example 4: An adhesive based on a composition based on a first vinyl pyridine copolymer (C09J 139/08) and containing a second vinyl pyridine copolymer, a phenol and silica is classified as (C09J 139/08, C08L 39/08, C08K 5/13, C08K 3/36) and in C08L 2205/025.

Example 5: An adhesive based on a composition containing a polyamide in majority, a polyester and a vinyl pyridine copolymer is classified as (C09J 177/00, C08L 67/00, C08L 39/08) and in C08L 2205/03.

Example 6: Adhesives of compositions containing two polymers of the same subgroup, for example compositions of two vinyl pyridine copolymers, are characterised by the orthogonal indexing code C08L 2205/025. The complete classification for such a composition therefore would be (C09J 139/08, C08L 39/08) and C08L 2205/025. The same applies for compositions of two polymers only distinguished by physical properties (e.g. molecular weight, density etc.)

C-Sets searches:

C-Sets search queries may be made according to C-Sets classification rules described in <u>C09J</u> and related subclasses. In addition, #C8Lz, #C9Dz, and #C9Jz Search Rules may be followed to search for polymers in documents classified prior to April 2012.

Glossary of terms

In this place, the following terms or expressions are used with the meaning indicated: Attention is drawn to the glossary of C09J 123/00.

Synonyms and Keywords

In patent documents the following abbreviations are often used:

Attention is drawn to the table after the title of C09J.

C09J 141/00

Adhesives based on homopolymers or copolymers of compounds having one or more unsaturated aliphatic radicals, each having only one carbon-to-carbon double bond, and at least one being terminated by a bond to sulfur or by a heterocyclic ring containing sulfur; Adhesives based on derivatives of such polymers

Special rules of classification

C-Sets classification:

In this group, C-Sets (#C9Jc, #C9Je, #C9Jf, #C9Jc(Si) and #C9Jf(Si)) are used for classification. The detailed information about the C-Sets construction and the associated syntax rules are found in the Special rules of $\frac{\text{C09J 101/00}}{\text{C09J 101/00}}$.

C-Sets searches:

C-Sets search queries may be made according to C-Sets classification rules described in <u>C09J</u> and related subclasses. In addition, #C8Lz, #C9Dz, and #C9Jz Search Rules may be followed to search for polymers in documents classified prior to April 2012.

C09J 143/00

Adhesives based on homopolymers or copolymers of compounds having one or more unsaturated aliphatic radicals, each having only one carbon-to-carbon double bond, and containing boron, silicon, phosphorus, selenium, tellurium, or a metal; Adhesives based on derivatives of such polymers

Definition statement

This place covers:

Adhesive compositions based on homopolymers or copolymers of compounds corresponding to groups <u>C08F 30/00</u>, <u>C08F 130/00</u> or <u>C08F 230/00</u>.

References

Informative references

Attention is drawn to the following places, which may be of interest for search:

Adhesive tapes, glue sticks, other features of adhesives	<u>C09J 5/00</u> - <u>C09J 11/00</u>
Adhesives of ethylene copolymers of silane or phosphorous containing compounds	C09J 123/0892
Adhesives of propene copolymers of silane or phosphorous containing compounds	C09J 123/10
Acrylic adhesive compositions	C09J 133/00
Adhesives for nail coatings	A45D 20/00
Adhesives for diapers	<u>A61F</u>
Applications or uses of polymer compositions in films	<u>C08J</u>
Polymer compositions	C08L 43/00
Applications or uses of polymer compositions in coatings	C09D 143/00
Encapsulation of solar cells	H01L 31/048

Last place priority rule:

Within each subgroup of this group, in the absence of an indication to the contrary, classification is made in the last appropriate place.

Classification guidance:

- Documents are preferably classified according to the examples in the documents, not according
 to general claims, e.g. if the examples only describe adhesives based on an acrylic polymer
 containing vinyl silane, but subject matter of the claim is an acrylic adhesive, the document is
 classified under adhesives of vinyl silane copolymer (C09J 143/04).
- In <u>C09J 143/00</u>, adhesives which have only one polymeric component are also classified, e.g. <u>C09J 143/04</u>, an adhesive consisting of only one vinyl silane polymer.
- Further subdivisions:

<u>C09J 143/02</u>: Adhesive compositions based on copolymers of ethylene or propene are not classified in this group.

<u>C09J 143/04</u>: Adhesive compositions based on copolymers of ethylene or propene are not classified in this group.

• For Copolymers:

<u>C09J 143/00</u> may also be given when the monomer described therein is in minority in the copolymer of a coating composition. An adhesive based on a copolymer of acrylic ester and vinyl silane, which has a lower content of vinyl silane than acrylic ester, would also be classified in <u>C09J 143/04</u>. Additional classification in <u>C09J 133/08</u> should be considered.

The comonomer in majority should get a symbol in <u>C08F</u>, e.g. <u>C08F 220/10</u> for acrylic esters.

However, if the major comonomer is ethylene or propene, the corresponding copolymer compositions are classified in C09J 123/0892 or C09J 123/147.

C-Sets classification:

In this group, C-Sets (#C9Jc, #C9Je, #C9Jf, #C9Jc(Si) and #C9Jf(Si)) are used for classification. The detailed information about the C-Sets construction and the associated syntax rules are found in the Special rules of C09J 101/00.

- If <u>C09J 143/00</u> relates to a composition and two or more polymers are present, classification is given in the form of C-Sets (i.e. #C9J(c)) according to the relative weight percentage of the polymer constituents.
- The polymer in majority is given a symbol as a base symbol, and the polymers in minority are given symbols as subsequent symbols in the form of C-Sets.
- In addition, a single symbol is given according to the macromolecular constituent present in the highest proportion.
- If all the constituents are present in equal weight percentage, the composition is classified according to each of these constituents.
- In the case that several polymers can be in majority, separate C-Sets should be made based on each polymer in majority and its component(s) in minority.
- Orthogonal indexing codes <u>C08L 2201/00</u> <u>C08L 2555/86</u> are also given if applicable.
- Common adhesive ingredients like tackifying resins or waxes only get a C-Set classification in <u>C09J 143/00</u> if they have characterising features for the composition.

Example 1: An adhesive of a blend of 60 parts vinyl silane copolymer (C09J 143/04) and 40 parts polyamide (C09J 177/00) is classified as (C09J 143/04, C08L 77/00).

Example 2: An adhesive of a blend of 50 parts vinyl silane copolymer (C09J 143/04) and 50 parts polyamide (C09J 177/00) is classified as (C09J 143/04, C08L 43/04) and (C09J 177/00, C08L 43/04).

Example 3: An adhesive based on a composition of vinyl silane copolymer and containing CaCO3 is classified as (C09J 143/04, C08K 3/26). If this composition contains also a polyamide, then the classification will be (C09J 143/04, C08L 77/00, C08K 3/26).

Example 4: An adhesive based on a composition based on a first vinyl silane copolymer (C09J 143/04) and containing a second vinyl silane copolymer, a phenol and silica is classified as (C09J 143/04, C08L 43/04, C08K 5/13, C08K 3/36) and in C08L 2205/025.

Example 5: An adhesive based on a composition containing a polyamide in majority, a polyester and a vinyl silane copolymer is classified as (C09J 177/00, C08L 67/00, C08L 43/04) and in C08L 2205/03.

Example 6: Adhesives of compositions containing two polymers of the same dot group, for example compositions of two vinyl silane copolymers, are characterised by the orthogonal indexing code C08L 2205/025. The complete classification for such a composition therefore would be (C09J 143/04, C08L 43/04) and C08L 2205/025. The same applies for compositions of two polymers only distinguished by physical properties (e.g. molecular weight, density etc.)

C-Sets searches:

C-Sets search queries may be made according to C-Sets classification rules described in <u>C09J</u> and related subclasses. In addition, #C8Lz, #C9Dz, and #C9Jz Search Rules may be followed to search for polymers in documents classified prior to April 2012.

Glossary of terms

In this place, the following terms or expressions are used with the meaning indicated: Attention is drawn to the glossary of C09J 123/00.

Synonyms and Keywords

In patent documents, the following abbreviations are often used:

Attention is drawn to the table after the title of CO9J.

C09J 145/00

Adhesives based on homopolymers or copolymers of compounds having no unsaturated aliphatic radicals in a side chain, and having one or more carbon-to-carbon double bonds in a carbocyclic or in a heterocyclic system; Adhesives based on derivatives of such polymers (based on polymers of cyclic esters of polyfunctional acids C09J 131/00; based on polymers of cyclic anhydrides or imides C09J 135/00)

Definition statement

This place covers:

Adhesive compositions based on homopolymers or copolymers of compounds corresponding to groups C08F 32/00, C08F 132/00, C08F 232/00 or C08F 244/00.

Adhesive compositions based on (co)polymers of cyclic olefins, e.g. norbornene or bicyclopentadiene, where the cyclic monomer is the major component in the copolymer.

References

Limiting references

This place does not cover:

Adhesives based on polymers of cyclic esters of polyfunctional acids	C09J 131/00
Adhesives based on polymers of cyclic anhydrides or imides	<u>C09J 135/00</u>

Informative references

Attention is drawn to the following places, which may be of interest for search:

Adhesives based on copolymers of monomers terminated by a heterocyclic ring containing Oxygen	C09J 137/00
Adhesives based on copolymers of monomers terminated by a heterocyclic ring containing Nitrogen	C09J 139/00
Applications or uses of polymer compositions in films	<u>C08J</u>
Polymer compositions	C08L 45/00
Coatings	C09D 145/00

Special rules of classification

Last place priority rule:

Within each subgroup of this group, in the absence of an indication to the contrary, classification is made in the last appropriate place.

Classification guidance:

- Documents are preferably classified according to the examples in the documents, not according
 to general claims, e.g. if the examples only describe adhesives based on polynorbornene, but
 subject matter of the claim is an adhesive of polyolefin, the document is classified under adhesives
 of polynorbornene (C09J 145/00).
- For Copolymers:

Copolymers get the class of the major component, except if there is a lower class which specifies the comonomer in minority (see also last place rule), i.e. ethylene copolymers (ethylene comonomer in majority) would be classified in CO9J 123/0807, and not in CO9J 145/00, but ethylene norbornene copolymers (norbornene in majority) would be classified in CO9J 123/08.

C-Sets classification:

In this group, C-Sets (#C9Jc, #C9Je, #C9Jf, #C9Jc(Si) and #C9Jf(Si)) are used for classification. The detailed information about the C-Sets construction and the associated syntax rules are found in the Special rules of C09J 101/00.

- If <u>C09J 145/00</u> relates to a composition and two or more polymers are present, classification is given in the form of C-Sets (i.e. #C9J(c)) according to the relative weight percentage of the polymer constituents.
- The polymer in majority is given a symbol as a base symbol, and the polymers in minority are given symbols as subsequent symbols in the form of C-Sets.
- In addition, a single symbol is given according to the macromolecular constituent present in the highest proportion.
- If all the constituents are present in equal weight percentage, the composition is classified according to each of these constituents.
- In the case that several polymers can be in majority, separate C-Sets should be made based on each polymer in majority and its component(s) in minority.
- Orthogonal indexing codes C08L 2201/00 C08L 2555/86 are also given if applicable.

Example 1: An adhesive of a blend of 60 parts poly-norbornene (C09J 145/00) and 40 parts polyamide (C09J 177/00) is classified as (C09J 145/00, C08L 77/00).

Example 2: An adhesive of a blend of 50 parts poly norbornene (C09J 145/00) and 50 parts polyamide (C09J 177/00) is classified as (C09J 145/00, C08L 77/00) and (C09J 177/00, C08L 45/00).

Example 3: An adhesive based on a composition of polynorbornene and containing CaCO3 is classified as (C09J 145/00, C08K 3/26). If this composition contains also a polyamide, then the classification will be (C09J 145/00, C08L 77/00, C08K 3/26).

Example 4: An adhesive based on a composition based on a first polynorbornene (C09J 145/00) and containing a second polynorbornene, a phenol and silica is classified as (C09J 145/00, C08L 45/00, C08K 5/13, C08K 3/36) and in C08L 2205/02.

Example 5: An adhesive based on a composition containing a polyamide in majority, a polyester and a polynorbornene is classified as (C09J 177/00, C08L 67/00, C08L 45/00) and in C08L 2205/03.

Example 6: Adhesives of compositions containing two polymers of the same dot group, for example compositions of two polynorbornenes, are characterised by the orthogonal indexing code <u>C08L 2205/025</u>. The complete classification for such a composition therefore would be (<u>C09J 145/00</u>, <u>C08L 45/00</u>) and <u>C08L 2205/025</u>. The same applies for compositions of two polymers only distinguished by physical properties, e.g. molecular weight or density.

C-Sets searches:

C-Sets search queries may be made according to C-Sets classification rules described in <u>C09J</u> and related subclasses. In addition, #C8Lz, #C9Dz, and #C9Jz Search Rules may be followed to search for polymers in documents classified prior to April 2012.

Glossary of terms

In this place, the following terms or expressions are used with the meaning indicated: Attention is drawn to the table of the glossary of C09J 123/00.

Synonyms and Keywords

In patent documents the following abbreviations are often used:

Attention is drawn to the table after the title of CO9J.

C09J 147/00

Adhesives based on homopolymers or copolymers of compounds having one or more unsaturated aliphatic radicals, at least one having two or more carbon-to-carbon double bonds; Adhesives based on derivatives of such polymers (C09J 145/00 takes precedence; based on conjugated diene rubbers C09J 109/00 - C09J 121/00)

Definition statement

This place covers:

Adhesive compositions of homopolymers or copolymers of compounds having one or more unsaturated aliphatic radicals, at least one having two or more carbon-to-carbon double bonds, i.e. unconjugated dienes.

Adhesive compositions of derivatives of such polymers.

References

Limiting references

This place does not cover:

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Adhesive compositions of coumarone-indene polymers	<u>C09J 145/00</u>

Informative references

Attention is drawn to the following places, which may be of interest for search:

Adhesive compositions of copolymers of ethene-propene or ethene-propene-diene, e.g. adhesive compositions of EPM or EPDM rubber	<u>C09J 123/16</u>
Adhesive compositions of copolymers of isobutene with minor part of conjugated dienes monomers (butyl rubber)	C09J 123/22

Special rules of classification

Classification guidance:

- Adhesive compositions containing a single polymer and an inorganic or non-macromolecular
 organic additive as compounding agent are not classified in <u>C08K</u>, but in the <u>C09J</u> subclass
 together with the corresponding symbol in <u>C08K</u> in the form of C-Sets (i.e. #C9Je).
- Inorganic or non-macromolecular organic materials as compounding agents are classified in <u>C08K</u>; if an adhesive composition contains two polymers and an additive following <u>C08K</u>, classification is made in <u>C09J</u> and a symbol from <u>C08K</u> will be given.

C-Sets classification:

In this group, C-Sets (#C9Jc, #C9Je, #C9Jf, #C9Jc(Si) and #C9Jf(Si)) are used for classification. The detailed information about the C-Sets construction and the associated syntax rules are found in the Special rules of C09J 101/00.

C-Sets searches:

C-Sets search queries may be made according to C-Sets classification rules described in <u>C09J</u> and related subclasses. In addition, #C8Lz, #C9Dz, and #C9Jz Search Rules may be followed to search for polymers in documents classified prior to April 2012.

Synonyms and Keywords

In patent documents, the following abbreviations are often used:

ABS	Acrylonitrile butadiene styrene
BR	Butadiene rubber
CR	Chloroprene rubber
EPDM	Ethene propene diene rubber
EPM	Ethene propene rubber
IIR	Butyl rubber
IR	Isoprene rubber
NBR	Acrylonitrile butadiene rubber
NR	Natural rubber
SAN	Styrene acrylonitrile copolymer
SBR	Styrene butadiene rubber

C09J 149/00

Adhesives based on homopolymers or copolymers of compounds having one or more carbon-to-carbon triple bonds; Adhesives based on derivatives of such polymers

Definition statement

This place covers:

Adhesive compositions based on homopolymers or copolymers of compounds corresponding to groups C08F 38/00, C08F 138/00 and C08F 238/00.

References

Informative references

Attention is drawn to the following places, which may be of interest for search:

Applications or uses of polymer compositions in films	<u>C08J</u>
Polymer compositions	C08L 49/00
Artificial filaments or fibres	<u>D01F</u>
Textile treating compositions	<u>D06</u>
Coatings of electrical wires	<u>H01B</u>
Encapsulation of solar cells	H01L 31/048

Special rules of classification

Last place priority rule:

Within each subgroup of this group, in the absence of an indication to the contrary, classification is made in the last appropriate place.

Classification guidance:

- Documents are preferably classified according to the examples in the documents, not according to general claims, e.g. if the examples only describe adhesive compositions based on polyacetylene, but subject matter of the claim is an adhesive composition of polyolefin, the document is classified under adhesive compositions of polyacetylene (C09J 149/00).
- For Copolymers:

In an adhesive comprising a copolymer, the copolymer is given the symbol on the basis of the major component, except if there is a lower group which specifies the comonomer in minority (see also last place rule), e.g. ethylene copolymers (ethylene comonomer in majority) would be classified in C09J 123/0807, and not in C09J 149/00, but ethylene acetylene (acetylene in majority) would be classified in C09J 149/00, not in C09J 123/08.

C-Sets classification:

In this group, C-Sets (#C9Jc, #C9Je, #C9Jf, #C9Jc(Si) and #C9Jf(Si)) are used for classification. The detailed information about the C-Sets construction and the associated syntax rules are found in the Special rules of C09J 101/00.

- If <u>C09J 149/00</u> relates to a composition and two or more polymers are present, classification is given in the form of C-Sets (i.e. #C9J(c)) according to the relative weight percentage of the polymer constituents.
- The polymer in majority is given a symbol as a base symbol, and the polymers in minority are given symbols as subsequent symbols in the form of C-Sets.

- In addition, a single symbol is given according to the macromolecular constituent present in the highest proportion.
- If all the constituents are present in equal weight percentage, the composition is classified according to each of these constituents.
- In the case that several polymers can be in majority, separate C-Sets should be made based on each polymer in majority and its component(s) in minority.
- Orthogonal indexing codes C08L 2201/00 C08L 2555/86 are also given if applicable.

Example 1: An adhesive composition of a blend of 60 parts polyacetylene (C09J 149/00) and 40 parts polyamide (C09J 177/00) is classified as (C09J 149/00, C08L 77/00).

Example 2: An adhesive composition of a blend of 50 parts poly acetylene (C09J 149/00) and 50 parts polyamide (C09J 177/00) is classified as (C09J 149/00, C08L 77/00) and (C09J 177/00, C08L 49/00).

Example 3: An adhesive composition based on a composition of polyacetylene and containing CaCO3 is classified as (C09J 149/00, C08K 3/26). If this composition contains also a polyamide, then the classification will be (C09J 149/00) C08L 77/00, C08K 3/26).

Example 4: An adhesive composition based on a composition based on a first polyacetylene (C09J 149/00) and containing a second polyacetylene, a phenol and silica is classified as (C09J 149/00, C08L 49/00, C08K 5/13, C08K 3/36) and in C08L 2205/02.

Example 5: An adhesive composition on a composition containing a polyamide in majority, a polyester and a polyacetylene is classified as (C09J 177/00, C08L 67/00, C08L 49/00) and C08L 2205/03.

Example 6: An adhesive composition containing two polymers of the same dot group, for example compositions of two polyacetylenes, are characterised by the orthogonal indexing code C08L 2205/025. The complete classification for such a composition therefore would be (C09J 149/00, C08L 49/00) and C08L 2205/025. The same applies for compositions of two polymers only distinguished by physical properties (e.g. molecular weight, density etc.)

C-Sets searches:

C-Sets search queries may be made according to C-Sets classification rules described in <u>C09J</u> and related subclasses. In addition, #C8Lz, #C9Dz, and #C9Jz Search Rules may be followed to search for polymers in documents classified prior to April 2012.

Glossary of terms

In this place, the following terms or expressions are used with the meaning indicated: Attention is drawn to the glossary of C09J 123/00.

Synonyms and Keywords

In patent documents the following abbreviations are often used:

Attention is drawn to the table after the title of CO9J.

C09J 151/00

Adhesives based on graft polymers in which the grafted component is obtained by reactions only involving carbon-to-carbon unsaturated bonds (based on ABS polymers C09J 155/02); Adhesives based on derivatives of such polymers

Definition statement

This place covers:

Adhesive compositions comprising graft polymers of COSF 292/00.

Relationships with other classification places

Graft copolymers in which the grafted component is obtained by reactions involving C=C per se are classified in C08F 251/00-C08F 292/00.

Compositions (other than coating or adhesive) comprising a grafted polymer in majority and other polymer(s) are classified in C08L 51/00-C08L 51/10.

Adhesive compositions comprising graft polymers in which the graft polymer is in minority are classified in C08L 51/00-C08L 51/10.

References

Limiting references

This place does not cover:

Adhesive compositions comprising ABS polymers	<u>C09J 155/02</u>

Informative references

Attention is drawn to the following places, which may be of interest for search:

Adhesive compositions comprising an unsaturated monomer and a polymer, e.g. grafting in situ	C09J 4/06
Adhesives in the form of films or foils	<u>C09J 7/00</u> - <u>C09J 7/50</u>
Adhesive compositions comprising an unsaturated monomer and a polymer of C08L 59/00 - C08L 87/00	<u>C09J 159/00</u> - <u>C09J 187/00</u>
Adhesive compositions comprising block or graft copolymers containing polysiloxane sequences (not obtained by reaction of C=C monomer(s) onto polysiloxane)	C09J 183/10
Adhesive compositions comprising graft polymers obtained by interreacting polymers in the absence of monomers, i.e. graft polymer of C08G 81/00 - C08G 81/028	C09J 187/005
Presence of graft polymer	<u>C09J 2451/00</u> - <u>C09J 2451/006</u>

Special rules of classification

Classification guidance:

For adhesive compositions comprising grafted rubbers, several symbols are given if the rubber is specific.

If the rubber is EPR: C09J 151/04 and C09J 151/06

If the rubber is EPDM, SBR or acrylate rubber: C09J 151/04 and C09J 151/003

C-Sets classification:

In this group, C-Sets (#C9Jc, #C9Je, #C9Jf, #C9Jc(Si) and #C9Jf(Si)) are used for classification. The detailed information about the C-Sets construction and the associated syntax rules are found in the Special rules of C09J 101/00.

C-Sets searches:

C-Sets search queries may be made according to C-Sets classification rules described in <u>C09J</u> and related subclasses. In addition, #C8Lz, #C9Dz, and #C9Jz Search Rules may be followed to search for polymers in documents classified prior to April 2012.

C09J 153/00

Adhesives based on block copolymers containing at least one sequence of a polymer obtained by reactions only involving carbon-to-carbon unsaturated bonds; Adhesives based on derivatives of such polymers

Definition statement

This place covers:

Adhesive compositions of block polymers of classes COSF 297/08.

Relationships with other classification places

Block polymers obtained by reactions only involving C=C per se are classified in <u>C08F 293/00-C08F 297/08</u>.

Compositions (other than coating or adhesive) comprising block polymer in majority and other polymer(s), are classified in C08L 53/00-C08L 53/025.

References

Informative references

Attention is drawn to the following places, which may be of interest for search:

Adhesives in the form of films or foils	C09J 7/00, C09J 7/50
Adhesive compositions comprising block or graft copolymers containing polysiloxane sequences (not obtained by reaction of C=C monomer(s) onto polysiloxane)	C09J 183/10
Adhesive compositions comprising block polymers obtained by interreacting polymers in the absence of monomers (Block polymer of C08G 81/00 - C08G 81/028)	C09J 187/005
Presence of block polymer	C09J 2453/00 - C09J 2453/006

Special rules of classification

Classification guidance:

• Further subdivisions:

<u>C09J 153/005</u> and <u>C09J 153/025</u> cover adhesive compositions comprising modified block polymers. In particular, adhesive compositions comprising hydrogenated styrene-diene block copolymers are classified in C09J 153/025.

C-Sets classification:

In this group, C-Sets (#C9Jc, #C9Je, #C9Jf, #C9Jc(Si) and #C9Jf(Si)) are used for classification. The detailed information about the C-Sets construction and the associated syntax rules are found in the Special rules of C09J 101/00.

C-Sets searches:

C-Sets search queries may be made according to C-Sets classification rules described in C09J and related subclasses. In addition, #C8Lz, #C9Dz, and #C9Jz Search Rules may be followed to search for polymers in documents classified prior to April 2012.

C09J 155/00

Adhesives based on homopolymers or copolymers, obtained by polymerisation reactions only involving carbon-to-carbon unsaturated bonds, not provided for in groups C09J 123/00 - C09J 153/00

References

Informative references

Attention is drawn to the following places, which may be of interest for search:

Adhesives in the form of films or foil	C09J 7/00 - C09J 7/50
Presence of ABS polymer	C09J 2455/00- C09J 2455/006
Polymerisation by the diene synthesis	C08F 2/60
ABS polymers per se	C08F 279/04
Macromolecular compounds obtained by polymerising monomers on to polymers modified by introduction of aliphatic unsaturated end or side groups	C08F 290/00 - C08F 290/14
Polymeric compositions comprising homopolymers or copolymers, obtained by polymerisation reactions only involving carbon-to-carbon unsaturated bonds, not provided for in groups C08L 23/00 - C08L 53/00	C08L 55/00 - C08L 55/04

Special rules of classification

C-Sets classification:

In this group, C-Sets (#C9Jc, #C9Je, #C9Jf, #C9Jc(Si) and #C9Jf(Si)) are used for classification. The detailed information about the C-Sets construction and the associated syntax rules are found in the Special rules of C09J 101/00.

C-Sets searches:

C-Sets search queries may be made according to C-Sets classification rules described in <u>C09J</u> and related subclasses. In addition, #C8Lz, #C9Dz, and #C9Jz Search Rules may be followed to search for polymers in documents classified prior to April 2012.

C09J 157/00

Adhesives based on unspecified polymers obtained by reactions only involving carbon-to-carbon unsaturated bonds

Definition statement

This place covers:

Adhesives based on polymers obtained by reactions only involving carbon-to-carbon unsaturated bonds which are not limited to a particular polymer type as defined in groups C09J 107/00-C09J 155/00.

Adhesive compositions of polymers obtained by reactions only involving carbon-to-carbon unsaturated bonds which are not specific enough as to fit in the preceding groups C09J 107/00-C09J 155/00.

Relationships with other classification places

Use of <u>C09J 157/00-C09J 157/12</u> symbols should be avoided by classifying the specific examples, whenever practicable, in the corresponding classes of <u>C09J 107/00-C09J 155/00</u>.

Classification guidance:

Classification should be made based on the examples, but not the general claims in the documents. The use of main group symbols should be avoided if there are subgroups which cover the subject matter to be classified. The classification should be made in the most indented subgroup that covers the subject matter.

C-Sets classification:

In this group, C-Sets (#C9Jc, #C9Je, #C9Jf, #C9Jc(Si) and #C9Jf(Si)) are used for classification. The detailed information about the C-Sets construction and the associated syntax rules are found in the Special rules of C09J 101/00.

C-Sets searches:

C-Sets search queries may be made according to C-Sets classification rules described in <u>C09J</u> and related subclasses. In addition, #C8Lz, #C9Dz, and #C9Jz Search Rules may be followed to search for polymers in documents classified prior to April 2012.

C09J 157/08

containing halogen atoms

References

Informative references

Attention is drawn to the following places, which may be of interest for search:

Adhesives based on (co)polymers of compounds having one or more	C09J 127/00
unsaturated aliphatic radicals, each having only one carbon-to-carbon	
double bond, and at least one being terminated by a halogen	

C09J 157/10

containing oxygen atoms

References

Informative references

Attention is drawn to the following places, which may be of interest for search:

Polysaccharides	<u>C09J 101/00</u> - <u>C09J 105/00</u>
Unsaturated alcohols, ethers, ketones, acetals or ketals	C09J 129/00
Saturated carboxylic acid, carbonic acid or haloformic acid esters of unsaturated alcohols	C09J 131/00
Unsaturated carboxylic acids, esters	C09J 133/00
Unsaturated dicarboxylic acids, esters, anhydrides	C09J 135/00
Unsaturated aliphatic radicals, terminated by a heterocyclic ring containing oxygen	<u>C09J 137/00</u>

C09J 157/12

containing nitrogen atoms

References

Informative references

Attention is drawn to the following places, which may be of interest for search:

Polymers of unsaturated nitriles amides or imides	C09J 133/00
Unsaturated dicarboxylic amides, imides, nitriles	<u>C09J 135/00</u>
Unsaturated aliphatic radicals, terminated by a heterocyclic ring containing nitrogen	C09J 139/00

C09J 159/00

Adhesives based on polyacetals; Adhesives based on derivatives of polyacetals

Definition statement

This place covers:

Adhesives based on polyacetals, which are addition polymers of aldehydes or cyclic oligomers thereof or of ketones and correspond to groups <u>C08G 2/00</u> - <u>C08G 16/00</u> and their subgroups.

References

Informative references

Attention is drawn to the following places, which may be of interest for search:

Adhesives based on polyvinyl acetals	C09J 129/04
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Special rules of classification

Classification guidance:

When a document specifies an adhesive based on polyacetal in general, or both homopolyacetals and copolyacetals, classification is done in the main group C09J 159/00; only when the document specifically mentions homopolyacetals or copolyacetals, then classification in C09J 159/02 and C09J 159/04 is given.

C-Sets classification:

In this group, C-Sets (#C9Jc, #C9Je, #C9Jf, #C9Jc(Si) and #C9Jf(Si)) are used for classification. The detailed information about the C-Sets construction and the associated syntax rules are found in the Special rules of C09J 101/00.

C-Sets searches:

C-Sets search queries may be made according to C-Sets classification rules described in <u>C09J</u> and related subclasses. In addition, #C8Lz, #C9Dz, and #C9Jz Search Rules may be followed to search for polymers in documents classified prior to April 2012.

C09J 161/00

Adhesives based on condensation polymers of aldehydes or ketones (with polyalcohols <u>C09J 159/00</u>; with polynitriles <u>C09J 177/00</u>); Adhesives based on derivatives of such polymers

Definition statement

This place covers:

- · Adhesives based on condensation polymers of
- aldehydes or ketones with polyalcohols which correspond to subgroups <u>C08G 4/00</u>,
- aldehydes or ketones only which correspond to subgroups <u>C08G 6/00</u>,
- aldehydes or ketones with phenols only which correspond to subgroups C08G 8/00,
- · aldehydes or ketones with aromatic hydrocarbons or halogenated
- aromatic hydrocarbons only which correspond to subgroups <u>C08G 10/00</u>,
- aldehydes or ketones with only compounds containing hydrogen attached to nitrogen which correspond to subgroups C08G 12/00.
- aldehydes or ketones corresponding to C08G 14/00 C08G 16/06.

References

Limiting references

This place does not cover:

Adhesives based on condensation polymers of aldehydes or ketones with polyalcohols	C09J 159/00
Adhesives based on condensation polymers of aldehydes or ketones with polynitriles	C09J 177/00

Informative references

Attention is drawn to the following places, which may be of interest for search:

Peptides	<u>C07K</u>
Compounding ingredients	<u>C08K</u>

Special rules of classification

C-Sets classification:

In this group, C-Sets (#C9Jc, #C9Je, #C9Jf, #C9Jc(Si) and #C9Jf(Si)) are used for classification. The detailed information about the C-Sets construction and the associated syntax rules are found in the Special rules of C09J 101/00.

C-Sets searches:

C-Sets search queries may be made according to C-Sets classification rules described in <u>C09J</u> and related subclasses. In addition, #C8Lz, #C9Dz, and #C9Jz Search Rules may be followed to search for polymers in documents classified prior to April 2012.

C09J 163/00

Adhesives based on epoxy resins; Adhesives based on derivatives of epoxy resins

Definition statement

This place covers:

Adhesive compositions based on polycondensates having more than one epoxy group per molecule, with or without other components.

Relationships with other classification places

C08L 63/00 relates to compositions based on epoxy resins.

C09D 163/00 relates to coating compositions based on epoxy resins.

References

Informative references

Attention is drawn to the following places, which may be of interest for search:

Adhesives in the form of films or foils	<u>C09J 7/00</u>
Adhesives in the form of films or foils, characterised by the carrier	C09J 7/22
Adhesives in the form of films or foils, characterised by the carrier, based on macromolecular compounds obtained otherwise than by reactions involving only carbon-to-carbon unsaturated bonds	C09J 7/25

Special rules of classification

C-Sets classification:

In this group, C-Sets (#C9Jc, #C9Je, #C9Jf, #C9Jc(Si) and #C9Jf(Si)) are used for classification. The detailed information about the C-Sets construction and the associated syntax rules are found in the Special rules of C09J 101/00.

- If <u>C09J 163/00</u> relates to a composition and two or more polymers are present, classification is given in the form of C-Sets (i.e. #C9J(c)) according to the relative weight percentage of the polymer constituents.
- The polymer in majority is given a symbol as a base symbol, and the polymers in minority are given symbols as subsequent symbols in the form of C-Sets.
- In addition, a single symbol is given according to the macromolecular constituent present in the highest proportion.
- If all the constituents are present in equal weight percentage, the composition is classified according to each of these constituents.
- In the case that several polymers can be in majority, separate C-Sets should be made based on each polymer in majority and its component(s) in minority.
- Orthogonal indexing codes C08L 2201/00 C08L 2555/86 are also given if applicable.

Example 1: An adhesive composition comprising a blend of 60 parts non-specified epoxy resin (C09J 163/00) and 40 parts polyamide (C09J 177/00) is classified as (C09J 163/00, C08L 77/00).

Example 2: An adhesive composition comprising a blend of 50 parts non-specified epoxy resin (C09J 163/00) and 50 parts Novolak epoxy resin (C09J 163/04) is classified as (C09J 163/00, C08L 63/04), (C09J 163/04, C08L 63/00) and in C08L 2205/02.

Example 3: An adhesive composition based of a polyepoxide and containing CaCO3 is classified as (C09J 163/00, C08K 3/26). If this composition contains also a polyamide, then the classification will be (C09J 163/00, C08L 77/00, C08K 3/26).

C-Sets searches:

C-Sets search queries may be made according to C-Sets classification rules described in <u>C09J</u> and related subclasses. In addition, #C8Lz, #C9Dz, and #C9Jz Search Rules may be followed to search for polymers in documents classified prior to April 2012.

Glossary of terms

In this place, the following terms or expressions are used with the meaning indicated:

Adhesive compositions	Bonding compositions
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Synonyms and Keywords

Bisphenol A	4,4'-(Propane-2,2-diyl)diphenol
Bisphenol F	2-[(2-Hydroxyphenyl)methyl]phenol
Bisphenol S	4-(4-Hydroxyphenyl)sulfonylphenol
DGEBA	Diglycidyl ether of bisphenol A

C09J 163/04

Epoxynovolacs

Definition statement

This place covers:

Adhesive compositions comprising aromatic epoxy resins, which are multifunctional (three functions or more per molecule), from the condensation of phenol-formaldehyde resins and epichlorhydrin.

References

Informative references

Attention is drawn to the following places, which may be of interest for search:

Epoxy resins containing three or more epoxy groups per molecule	C08G 59/32 -
	C08G 59/38

Synonyms and Keywords

Novolak	Novolac
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C09J 163/06

Triglycidylisocyanurates

Definition statement

This place covers:

Adhesive compositions comprising cyclic heteroaromatic resin with three glycidyl groups: from the reaction of cyanuric acid with excess epichlorhydrin.

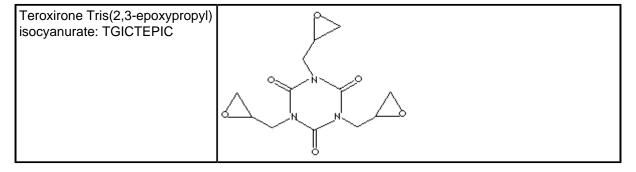
References

Informative references

Attention is drawn to the following places, which may be of interest for search:

Epoxy compounds containing three or more epoxy groups, heterocyclic compounds	C08G 59/3236
Compositions of triglycidylisocyanurates	C08L 63/06

Synonyms and Keywords



C09J 163/08

Epoxidised polymerised polyenes

Definition statement

This place covers:

Adhesive compositions comprising macromolecular unsaturated compounds, which are epoxidised in a further step (e.g. oxidation by H₂O₂), such as fatty acid-based polymers or epoxidised rubbers

References

Informative references

Attention is drawn to the following places, which may be of interest for search:

Epoxy resins obtained by epoxydation of unsaturated precursor	C08G 59/027
Compositions of epoxidised polymersied polyenes	C08L 63/08

C09J 163/10

Epoxy resins modified by unsaturated compounds

Definition statement

This place covers:

Adhesive compositions comprising epoxy resins chemically modified by the reaction of unsaturated compounds

References

Informative references

Attention is drawn to the following places, which may be of interest for search:

Epoxy-functional Polycondensates modified by chemical after treatment	C08G 59/14
Epoxy-functional Polycondensates modified by chemical after treatment, with unsaturated monoacids	C08G 59/1461
Epoxy-functional Polycondensates modified by chemical after-treatment, with acrylic or methacrylic acids	C08G 59/1466
Epoxy-functional Polycondensates modified by chemical after treatment, with fatty acids	C08G 59/1472

C09J 165/00

Adhesives based on macromolecular compounds obtained by reactions forming a carbon-to-carbon link in the main chain (C09J 107/00 - C09J 157/00, C09J 161/00 take precedence); Adhesives based on derivatives of such polymers

Definition statement

This place covers:

Adhesives and adhesive processes (but see below for adhesive processes) based on macromolecular compounds obtained by reactions forming a carbon-carbon bond in the main chain other than polymers obtained by reactions only involving the polyaddition of carbon-to-carbon unsaturated bonds (wherein in the latter case the reactive carbon-carbon group stays intact without cleavage of fragments). The macromolecular compounds are themselves classified in C08G 61/00-C08G 61/127.

Relationships with other classification places

Relationship with other subclasses of classes C08 and C09:

Macromolecular compounds per se obtained by polyaddition reactions only involving carbon-to-carbon unsaturated bonds wherein the reactive carbon-carbon group stays intact without cleavage of fragments are classified in COSF. Compositions based on monomers of such polymers are also classified in COSF.

This main group includes metathesis polymerization products, but it does not include common addition polymers such as polymethylmethacrylate.

Macromolecular compounds obtained by reactions forming a carbon-carbon bond in the main chain other than polymers obtained by reactions only involving the polyaddition of carbon-to-carbon unsaturated bonds are classified in <u>C08G 61/00</u>. Compositions based on monomers of such polymers are also placed in <u>C08G 61/00</u>.

Coating compositions and other polymer compositions for similar uses, e.g. paints, inks, woodstains and printing pastes, are classified in <u>C09D</u>.

Relationship with other main groups of the same subclass C09J:

Adhesives based on polymers prepared by condensation reactions of aldehydes or ketones with phenols only are classified in groups <u>C09J 161/04</u> - <u>C09J 161/16</u>, since <u>C09J 161/00</u>-<u>C09J 161/34</u> take precedence.

For the same reasons, adhesives based on condensation polymers of aldehydes or ketones only are classified in C09J 161/02. Adhesives of polymers, which may otherwise be formed by carbon-carbon bond formation, but which are prepared by condensation reactions other than those involving the formation of carbon-carbon bonds in the main chain are classified in the appropriate groups, e.g. C09J 179/04 for adhesives based on polypyrrole formed from amines and polyketones. Polyketone-based adhesives are classified in C09J 173/00.

References

Limiting references

This place does not cover:

	C09J 107/00 - C09J 157/00
Adhesives based on condensation polymers of aldehydes or ketones	<u>C09J 161/00</u>

Informative references

Attention is drawn to the following places, which may be of interest for search:

.61L 15/16 .61L 24/00
611 24/00
10 IL 27/00
<u>01J</u>
32B 7/12- B32B 7/14
32B 27/00- B32B 27/42
65D 85/67
08G 8/04, <u>C08L 61/06,</u> 09J 161/06
208G 10/02, C08L 61/18, 209J 161/18
08G 61/00 - 08G 61/127
08G 65/4012, 08L 71/00, C09J 171/00
08G 73/06, <u>C08L 79/04,</u> 09J 179/04
08G 2261/00 - 08G 2261/964
08J 5/12
16B 11/00, C08L 65/00, 09D 165/00

Connecting constructional elements or machine parts by sticking or	F16B 11/00
pressing them together, e.g. cold pressure welding	

C-Sets classification:

In this group, C-Sets (#C9Jc, #C9Je, #C9Jf, #C9Jc(Si) and #C9Jf(Si)) are used for classification. The detailed information about the C-Sets construction and the associated syntax rules are found in the Special rules of C09J 101/00.

C-Sets searches:

C-Sets search queries may be made according to C-Sets classification rules described in <u>C09J</u> and related subclasses. In addition, #C8Lz, #C9Dz, and #C9Jz Search Rules may be followed to search for polymers in documents classified prior to April 2012.

Glossary of terms

In this place, the following terms or expressions are used with the meaning indicated:

Addition polymers	An addition polymer is a polymer which is formed by an addition reaction (polyaddition), where monomers bond together via rearrangement of bonds without the loss of any atom or molecule. This is in contrast to a condensation polymer which is formed by a condensation reaction where a molecule, such as water, is lost during the formation.
Condensation polymers	Condensation polymers are macromolecules formed by means of reactions in which water or some other simple molecule is eliminated from 2 or more monomer molecules as they combine to form the polymer (polycondensation).

Synonyms and Keywords

In patent documents, the following abbreviations are often used:

ADMET	Acyclic diene metathesis
ROMP	Ring-opening metathesis polymerisation

C09J 167/00

Adhesives based on polyesters obtained by reactions forming a carboxylic ester link in the main chain (based on polyester-amides C09J 177/12; based on polyester-imides C09J 179/08); Adhesives based on derivatives of such polymers

Definition statement

This place covers:

Adhesive compositions wherein the major component is a polymer of <u>C08G 63/00</u>.

References

Limiting references

This place does not cover:

Adhesives based on polyester-amides	C09J 177/12
Adhesives based on polyester-imides	C09J 179/08

Informative references

Attention is drawn to the following places, which may be of interest for search:

Adhesive processes in general	C09J 5/00
Adhesives in the form of films or foils	C09J 7/00
Chemical aspects of and materials for bandages, dressings, absorbent pads or surgical articles	A61L
Layered products comprising polyesters	B32B 27/36
Bonding of preformed macromolecular material	<u>C08J 5/12</u>
Polymer compositions of polyesters	C08L 67/00
Coating compositions of polyesters	C09D 167/00

Special rules of classification

C-Sets classification:

In this group, C-Sets (#C9Jc, #C9Je, #C9Jf, #C9Jc(Si) and #C9Jf(Si)) are used for classification. The detailed information about the C-Sets construction and the associated syntax rules are found in the Special rules of C09J 101/00.

C-Sets searches:

C-Sets search queries may be made according to C-Sets classification rules described in <u>C09J</u> and related subclasses. In addition, #C8Lz, #C9Dz, and #C9Jz Search Rules may be followed to search for polymers in documents classified prior to April 2012.

Glossary of terms

In this place, the following terms or expressions are used with the meaning indicated:

PBT	Polybutylene terephthalate
PCL	Polycaprolactone
PEA	Polyethylene adipate
PEN	Polyethylene naphthalate
PET	Polyethylene terephthalate
PGA	Polyglycolic acid
PHA	Polyhydroxyalkanoate
PLA	Polylactic acid
PTT	Polytrimethylene terephthalate

C09J 169/00

Adhesives based on polycarbonates; Adhesives based on derivatives of polycarbonates

Definition statement

This place covers:

Adhesive compositions wherein the major component is a polymer of C08G 64/00

References

Informative references

Attention is drawn to the following places, which may be of interest for search:

Adhesive processes in general	C09J 5/00
Adhesives in the form of films or foils	C09J 7/00
Layered products comprising polycarbonates	B32B 27/36
Bonding of preformed macromolecular material	C08J 5/12
Polymer compositions of polycarbonates	C08L 69/00
Coating compositions of polycarbonates	C09D 169/00
Polycarbonate record carriers	G11B 2007/25304

Special rules of classification

C-Sets classification:

In this group, C-Sets (#C9Jc, #C9Je, #C9Jf, #C9Jc(Si) and #C9Jf(Si)) are used for classification. The detailed information about the C-Sets construction and the associated syntax rules are found in the Special rules of C09J 101/00.

C-Sets searches:

C-Sets search queries may be made according to C-Sets classification rules described in <u>C09J</u> and related subclasses. In addition, #C8Lz, #C9Dz, and #C9Jz Search Rules may be followed to search for polymers in documents classified prior to April 2012.

C09J 171/00

Adhesives based on polyethers obtained by reactions forming an ether link in the main chain (based on polyacetals C09J 159/00; based on epoxy resins C09J 163/00; based on polythioether-ethers C09J 181/06); Adhesives based on derivatives of such polymers

References

Limiting references

This place does not cover:

Adhesives based on polyacetals	<u>C09J 159/00</u>
Adhesives based on epoxy resins	C09J 163/00
Adhesives based on polythioether-ethers	<u>C09J 181/02</u>

Adhesives based on polyethersulfones	C09J 181/06

Same rules apply as for <u>C08L 71/00</u> - <u>C08L 71/14</u>.

C-Sets classification:

In this group, C-Sets (#C9Jc, #C9Je, #C9Jf, #C9Jc(Si) and #C9Jf(Si)) are used for classification. The detailed information about the C-Sets construction and the associated syntax rules are found in the Special rules of C09J 101/00.

C-Sets searches:

C-Sets search queries may be made according to C-Sets classification rules described in <u>C09J</u> and related subclasses. In addition, #C8Lz, #C9Dz, and #C9Jz Search Rules may be followed to search for polymers in documents classified prior to April 2012.

C09J 173/00

Adhesives based on macromolecular compounds obtained by reactions forming a linkage containing oxygen or oxygen and carbon in the main chain, not provided for in groups C09J 159/00 - C09J 171/00; Adhesives based on derivatives of such polymers

Special rules of classification

The same rules as for C08L 73/00 - C08L 73/02 apply.

C-Sets classification:

In this group, C-Sets (#C9Jc, #C9Je, #C9Jf, #C9Jc(Si) and #C9Jf(Si)) are used for classification. The detailed information about the C-Sets construction and the associated syntax rules are found in the Special rules of C09J 101/00.

C-Sets searches:

C-Sets search queries may be made according to C-Sets classification rules described in <u>C09J</u> and related subclasses. In addition, #C8Lz, #C9Dz, and #C9Jz Search Rules may be followed to search for polymers in documents classified prior to April 2012.

C09J 175/00

Adhesives based on polyureas or polyurethanes; Adhesives based on derivatives of such polymers

Definition statement

This place covers:

Adhesive compositions of polymers of C08G 18/00 or C08G 71/00.

References

Informative references

Attention is drawn to the following places, which may be of interest for search:

Adhesives processes	C09J 5/00
Preparations for medical, dental or toilet purposes	<u>A61K</u>

Processes for applying liquid materials to surfaces	B05D 1/00
Shaping or joining plastics	B29C
Mould release agents	B29C 33/60
Layered products comprising polyurethanes	B32B 27/40
Working up of polyurethanes to porous or cellular articles	<u>C08J 9/00</u>
Use of inorganic or non-macromolecular organic substances as compounding ingredients	<u>C08K</u>
Polymer compositions wherein the major component is a polymer of C08G 18/00 or C08G 71/00	C08L 75/00
Coating compositions characterized by their physical nature or their effects produced	C09D 5/00
Coating compositions of polyurethanes or polyureas	C09D 175/00
Materials for sealing	<u>C09K 3/10</u>

C-Sets classification:

In this group, C-Sets (#C9Jc, #C9Je, #C9Jf, #C9Jc(Si) and #C9Jf(Si)) are used for classification. The detailed information about the C-Sets construction and the associated syntax rules are found in the Special rules of C09J 101/00.

C-Sets searches:

C-Sets search queries may be made according to C-Sets classification rules described in <u>C09J</u> and related subclasses. In addition, #C8Lz, #C9Dz, and #C9Jz Search Rules may be followed to search for polymers in documents classified prior to April 2012.

Synonyms and Keywords

In patent documents, the following abbreviations are often used:

CPP	Copolymer polyol
DABCO	1,4-Diazabicyclo(2.2.2)octane
DMPA	Dimethylol propionic acid
EDA	Ethylene diamine
EO	Ethylen oxide
HDI	Hexane diisocyanate
H12MDI	Dicyclohexylmethane diisocyanate
IEM	Isocyanato ethyl methacrylate
IPDI	Isophorone diisocyanate
Jeffamine	Amine capped polyether
MDI	4,4-Methylenebis(phenyl)isocyanate
PEG	Polyethyleneglycol
PIR	Polyisocyanurate
PMDI	Polymethylene poly(phenylisocyanate)
PO	Propylene oxide
PPG	Polypropylene glycol

PTMO	Polytetramethylene oxide
TDI	Toluene diisocyanate
TMP	Trimethylol propane
TMXDI	Trimethylol propane
TPU	Tetramethylxylylene diisocyanate
XDI	Xylylene diisocyanate

C09J 177/00

Adhesives based on polyamides obtained by reactions forming a carboxylic amide link in the main chain (based on polyhydrazides C09J 179/06; based on polyamide-imides C09J 179/08); Adhesives based on derivatives of such polymers

Definition statement

This place covers:

Adhesives based on compositions of polyamides derived from

- omega-amino carboxylic acids or from lactams which correspond to subgroup <u>C08G 69/02</u>, e.g. nylon 6
- alpha-amino carboxylic which correspond to subgroups C08G 69/10

polyamines and polycarboxylic acids which correspond to subgroup C08G 69/26, e.g. nylon 66.

- aromatically bound amino and carboxyl groups of amino-carboxylic acids or of polyamines and polycarboxylic acids which correspond to subgroup C08G 69/32
- adhesives based on compositions of polyester-amides which correspond to subgroup C08G 69/44

References

Limiting references

This place does not cover:

Adhesives based on polyhydrazides	C09J 179/06
Adhesives based on polyamideimides or polyamide acids	C09J 179/08

Informative references

Attention is drawn to the following places, which may be of interest for search:

Hollow fibres membranes	B01D 69/08
Treatment of rubber	<u>C08C</u>
Macromolecular compounds obtained by reactions involving carbon to carbon bonds	<u>C08F</u>
Processes of polymerisation	<u>C08F 2/00</u>
Post-polymerisation treatments	<u>C08F 6/00</u>
Macromolecular compounds obtained otherwise than by reactions only involving carbon to carbon bonds	<u>C08G</u>
Processes of treating or compounding macromolecular substances	<u>C08J 3/00</u>
Processes of crosslinking	C08J 3/24

Manufacture of articles or shaped materials containing macromolecular substances, e.g. films	C08J 5/00, C08J 5/18
Coating of shaped articles made of macromolecular substances	C08J 7/00
Workingup of macromolecular substances to porous or cellular materials	C08J 9/00
Compounding ingredients	<u>C08K</u>
Tubes	<u>F16L</u>
Optical articles, optical parts, e.g. contact lenses	G02B 1/00
Photosensitive films	G03F 3/00
Printed circuits	<u>H05K</u>

C-Sets classification:

In this group, C-Sets (#C9Jc, #C9Je, #C9Jf, #C9Jc(Si) and #C9Jf(Si)) are used for classification. The detailed information about the C-Sets construction and the associated syntax rules are found in the Special rules of C09J 101/00.

C-Sets searches:

C-Sets search queries may be made according to C-Sets classification rules described in <u>C09J</u> and related subclasses. In addition, #C8Lz, #C9Dz, and #C9Jz Search Rules may be followed to search for polymers in documents classified prior to April 2012.

C09J 179/00

Adhesives based on macromolecular compounds obtained by reactions forming in the main chain of the macromolecule a linkage containing nitrogen, with or without oxygen, or carbon only, not provided for in groups C09J 161/00 - C09J 177/00

Definition statement

This place covers:

Adhesives compositions of:

- · Polyamines or polyethyleneimines.
- Polycondensates having nitrogen-containing heterocyclic rings in the main chain, e.g. polyhydrazides, polyhydrazides, polytriazoles, polyamino-triazoles, polybenzimidazoles or polyoxadiazoles.
- Polyimides, polyester-imides, polyamide-imides, polyamide acids, (unsaturated) polyimide precursors.

References

Informative references

Attention is drawn to the following places, which may be of interest for search:

Hollow fibres membranes	B01D 69/08
Treatment of rubber	<u>C08C</u>
Macromolecular compounds obtained by reactions involving carbon to carbon bonds	<u>C08F</u>
Processes of polymerisation	C08F 2/00

Post-polymerisation treatments	C08F 6/00
Macromolecular compounds obtained otherwise than by reactions only involving carbon to carbon bonds	<u>C08G</u>
Processes of treating or compounding macromolecular substances	C08J 3/00
Processes of crosslinking	C08J 3/24
Manufacture of articles or shaped materials containing macromolecular substances, e.g. films	C08J 5/00, C08J 5/18
Coating of shaped articles made of macromolecular substances	C08J 7/00
Working-up of macromolecular substances to porous or cellular materials	C08J 9/00
Compounding ingredients	<u>C08K</u>
Tubes	<u>F16L</u>
Optical articles, optical parts, e.g. contact lenses	G02B 1/00
Photosensitive films	G03F 3/00
Printed circuits	<u>H05K</u>

C-Sets classification:

In this group, C-Sets (#C9Jc, #C9Je, #C9Jf, #C9Jc(Si) and #C9Jf(Si)) are used for classification. The detailed information about the C-Sets construction and the associated syntax rules are found in the Special rules of C09J 101/00.

C-Sets searches:

C-Sets search queries may be made according to C-Sets classification rules described in <u>C09J</u> and related subclasses. In addition, #C8Lz, #C9Dz, and #C9Jz Search Rules may be followed to search for polymers in documents classified prior to April 2012.

C09J 181/00

Adhesives based on macromolecular compounds obtained by reactions forming in the main chain of the macromolecule a linkage containing sulfur, with or without nitrogen, oxygen, or carbon only; Adhesives based on polysulfones; Adhesives based on derivatives of such polymers

Special rules of classification

C-Sets classification:

In this group, C-Sets (#C9Jc, #C9Je, #C9Jf, #C9Jc(Si) and #C9Jf(Si)) are used for classification. The detailed information about the C-Sets construction and the associated syntax rules are found in the Special rules of C09J 101/00.

C-Sets searches:

C-Sets search queries may be made according to C-Sets classification rules described in C09J and related subclasses. In addition, #C8Lz, #C9Dz, and #C9Jz Search Rules may be followed to search for polymers in documents classified prior to April 2012.

C09J 183/00

Adhesives based on macromolecular compounds obtained by reactions forming in the main chain of the macromolecule a linkage containing silicon, with or without sulfur, nitrogen, oxygen, or carbon only; Adhesives based on derivatives of such polymers

Definition statement

This place covers:

Adhesive compositions comprising macromolecular compounds obtained by reactions forming in the main chain of the macromolecule a linkage containing silicon with or without sulfur, nitrogen, oxygen or carbon only (Si-based macromolecular compounds in accordance with <u>C08G 77/00</u> or "Si-based polymers" hereunder), for example:

- polysilicates (corresponding to group C08G 77/02),
- polysiloxanes (corresponding to group C08G 77/04),
- block- or graft-copolymers containing polysiloxane sequences (corresponding to group C08G 77/42) or
- polymers in which at least two but not all the silicon atoms are connected by linkages other than oxygen atoms (corresponding to group C08G 77/48).

Adhesive compositions of derivatives of such polymers.

Adhesive compositions made from mixtures of different reactive silanes (sol-gel compositions) are classified in the respective subclass of C09J 183/00. It is assumed that in such mixtures there has always been formed a siloxane polymer via hydrolysis/condensation.

Relationships with other classification places

The groups for adhesive compositions are structured in analogy to the coating compositions C09D 183/00.

Special rules of classification

C-Sets classification:

In this group, multiple C-Sets, specifically C-Sets #C9Jc, #C9Jf, #C9Jc(Si), #C9Jc(Si)2, #C9Jf(Si) and #C9Jf(Si)2 are used for classification. The detailed information about the C-Sets construction and the associated syntax rules are found in the Special rules of classification of the following places

- See C-Sets #C9Jc, #C9Jf, #C9Jc(Si) and #C9Jf(Si) in C09J 101/00.
- See C-sets #C9Jc(Si)2 and #C9Jf(Si)2 present in this group below.

C-Sets statement: #C9Jc(Si)2, #C9Jf(Si)2

#C9Jc(Si)2, and #C9Jf(Si)2 are a special use of #C9Dc and #C9Df, are applied for a composition comprising two or more Si-based polymers in accordance with C08G 77/00.

- In groups <u>C09J 183/02</u> <u>C09J 183/16</u>, the feature relating to an adhesive composition comprising one Si-based polymer in majority with one Si-based polymer in minority optionally with non Sibased polymer is classified in the form of C-Sets.
- In #C9Jc(Si)2, the base symbol, representing the polymer in majority, is taken from the groups
 <u>C09J 183/02</u> <u>C09J 183/16</u>, whereas the subsequent symbol(s) representing the silicon-based
 macromolecular compound(s) in minority is (are) taken from the group <u>C08L 83/00</u> and optionally
 from the groups <u>C08L 1/00</u> <u>C08L 101/16</u> for any other polymer.
- In #C9Jf(Si)2, the base symbol, representing the polymer in majority, is taken from the groups C09J 183/02 C09J 183/16, whereas the subsequent symbol(s) representing the silicon-based macromolecular compound(s) in minority is (are) taken from the group C08L 83/00 and optionally from the groups C08L 1/00 C08L 101/16 for any other polymer and further subsequent

symbols representing compound(s) used as an additive(s), is (are) taken from the groups C08K 3/00 - C08K 13/08.

- In addition to C-Sets, one or more additional symbols are allocated, which are selected from the range <u>C08G 77/02</u> - <u>C08G 77/62</u> corresponding to each of the Si-based macromolecular compound components detailed in the C-Set.
- A single symbol is given according to the macromolecular constituent present in the highest proportion.

C-Sets syntax rules:

- C-Sets of #C9Jc(Si)2 shall contain at least two symbols.
- C-Sets of #C9Jf(Si)2 shall contain at least three symbols.
- While duplicate symbols are allowed in these C-Sets, only one symbol selected from the range <u>C09J 183/02</u> - <u>C09J 183/16</u> is permitted per C-Set.
- The order of <u>C09J</u> and <u>C08L</u> symbols in C-Sets of #C9Dc(Si)2 is relevant as it reflects the relative amounts of the polymers.
- In #C9Jf(Si)2, the <u>C08K</u> symbols for the additives always appear after the symbols for the
 polymers (<u>C09J</u> or <u>C08L</u>). The order of <u>C08K</u> symbols of additives is not relevant if there is more
 than one additive in the composition.

C-Sets examples:

#C9Jc

Example 1: An adhesive composition comprising, in descending amounts by weight, an epoxy-substituted polysiloxane in accordance with <u>C08G 77/14</u> and a polyester in accordance with <u>C08G 63/02</u> is classified as (C09J 183/06, C08L 67/02) and in C08G 77/14 (ADD).

Example 2: An adhesive composition comprising, in descending amounts by weight, a polyester in accordance with $\frac{\text{C08G 63/02}}{\text{C09J 167/02}}$ and an alkoxy-substituted polysiloxane in accordance with $\frac{\text{C08G 77/18}}{\text{C08L 83/04}}$ and in $\frac{\text{C08G 77/18}}{\text{C08D 77/18}}$ (ADD).

• #C9Jc(Si)

Example 3: An adhesive composition comprising, in descending amounts by weight, a polyester in accordance with <u>C08G 63/02</u>, an amine-substituted polysiloxane in accordance with <u>C08G 77/26</u> and an epoxy-substituted polysiloxane in accordance with <u>C08G 77/14</u> is classified as (<u>C09J 167/02</u>, <u>C08L 83/08</u>, <u>C08L 83/00</u>) and in <u>C08G 77/14</u> and <u>C08G 77/26</u>.

• #C9Jc(Si)2

Example 4: An adhesive composition comprising, in descending amounts by weight, a vinyl-substituted polysiloxane in accordance with <u>C08G 77/20</u> and a polysiloxane bearing Si-H groups in accordance with <u>C08G 77/12</u> is classified as (<u>C09J 183/04</u>, <u>C08L 83/00</u>) and in <u>C08G 77/12</u> (ADD) and <u>C08G 77/20</u> (ADD).

Example 5: An adhesive composition comprising, in descending amounts by weight, a vinyl-substituted polysiloxane in accordance with C08G 77/20, an epoxy-substituted polysiloxane in accordance with C08G 77/14 and a polysiloxane bearing Si-H groups in accordance with C08G 77/12 is classified as (C09J 183/04, C08L 83/00, C08L 83/00) and in C08G 77/12 (ADD), C08G 77/14 (ADD) and C08G 77/20 (ADD).

Example 6: An adhesive composition comprising, in descending amounts by weight, a silanol-substituted polysiloxane in accordance with <u>C08G 77/16</u>, a polysiloxane bearing Si-H groups in accordance with <u>C08G 77/12</u> and a polyester in accordance with <u>C08G 63/02</u> is classified as (C09J 183/04, <u>C08L 83/00</u>, <u>C08L 67/02</u>) and in <u>C08G 77/12</u> (ADD) and <u>C08G 77/16</u> (ADD).

Example 7: An adhesive composition comprising, in descending amounts by weight, a halogen group-bearing polysiloxane in accordance with <u>C08G 77/24</u>, a polyester in accordance with <u>C08G 63/02</u> and an epoxy-substituted polysiloxane in accordance with <u>C08G 77/14</u> is classified as (<u>C09J 183/08</u>, <u>C08L 67/02</u>, <u>C08L 83/00</u>) and in <u>C08G 77/14</u> (ADD) and <u>C08G 77/24</u> (ADD).

#C9Jf

Example 8: An adhesive composition comprising, in descending amounts by weight, an epoxy-substituted polysiloxane in accordance with <u>C08G 77/14</u> and a polyester in accordance with <u>C08G 63/02</u> and a resorcinol phosphate is classified as (<u>C09J 183/06</u>, <u>C08L 67/02</u>, <u>C08K 5/523</u>) and in <u>C08G 77/14</u> (ADD).

Example 9: An adhesive composition comprising, in descending amounts by weight, a polyester in accordance with <u>C08G 63/02</u> and an alkoxy-substituted polysiloxane in accordance with <u>C08G 77/18</u> and silica is classified as (<u>C09J 167/02</u>, <u>C08L 83/04</u>, <u>C08K 3/36</u>) and in <u>C08G 77/18</u> (ADD).

• #C9Jf(Si)

Example 10: An adhesive composition comprising, in descending amounts by weight, a polyester in accordance with <u>C08G 63/02</u>, an amine-substituted polysiloxane in accordance with <u>C08G 77/26</u> and an epoxy-substituted polysiloxane in accordance with <u>C08G 77/14</u> and carbon black is classified as (<u>C09J 167/02</u>, <u>C08L 83/08</u>, <u>C08L 83/00</u>, <u>C08K 3/04</u>) and in <u>C08G 77/14</u> (ADD) and <u>C08G 77/26</u> (ADD).

• #C9Jf(Si)2

Example 11: An adhesive composition comprising, in descending amounts by weight, a vinyl-substituted polysiloxane in accordance with <u>C08G 77/20</u> and a polysiloxane bearing Si-H groups in accordance with <u>C08G 77/12</u> and silica is classified as (<u>C09J 183/04</u>, <u>C08L 83/00</u>, <u>C08K 3/36</u>) and in <u>C08G 77/12</u> (ADD) and <u>C08G 77/20</u> (ADD).

Example 12: An adhesive composition comprising, in descending amounts by weight, a vinyl-substituted polysiloxane in accordance with C08G 77/20, an epoxy-substituted polysiloxane in accordance with C08G 77/14 and a polysiloxane bearing Si-H groups in accordance with C08G 77/12 and silica is classified as (C09J 183/04, C08L 83/00, C08L 83/00, C08K 3/36) and in C08G 77/12 (ADD), C08G 77/14 (ADD) and C08G 77/20 (ADD).

Example 13: An adhesive composition comprising, in descending amounts by weight, a silanol-substituted polysiloxane in accordance with <u>C08G 77/16</u>, a polysiloxane bearing Si-H groups in accordance with <u>C08G 77/12</u> and a polyester in accordance with <u>C08G 63/02</u> and a phenol is classified as (<u>C09J 183/04</u>, <u>C08L 83/00</u>, <u>C08L 67/02</u>, <u>C08K 5/13</u>) and in <u>C08G 77/12</u> (ADD) and <u>C08G 77/16</u> (ADD).

Example 14: An adhesive composition comprising, in descending amounts by weight, a halogen group-bearing polysiloxane in accordance with C08G 77/24, a polyester in accordance with C08G 63/02 and an epoxy-substituted polysiloxane in accordance with C08G 77/14 and a phenol is classified as (C09J 183/08, C08L 67/02, C08L 83/00, C08K 5/13) and in C08G 77/14 (ADD) and C08G 77/24 (ADD).

C-Sets searches:

Since multiple C-Sets classifications are applicable to this group C-Sets search queries may be made according to C-Sets classification rules described in C09J 101/00 and this group above, as well as other related subclasses, e.g. C08K and C08L.

In addition, #C8Lz, #C9Dz, and #C9Jz Search Rules may be followed to search for polymers in documents classified prior to April 2012.

C09J 183/04

Polysiloxanes

References

Informative references

Attention is drawn to the following places, which may be of interest for search:

Application of siloxanes as pressure sensitive adhesives (PSAs)	C09J 7/38
Release adhesive composition on which the PSA is applied	C09J 7/40, C09D 183/04

Special rules of classification

From 01.09.2010 onwards, an adhesive composition containing two or more siloxanes is searched and classified in (C09J 183/04, C08L 83/04), and then given additional Indexing Codes for the respective siloxanes, e.g. C08G 77/12 for Si-H siloxane and C08G 77/20 for vinyl-siloxane.

C09J 183/10

Block or graft copolymers containing polysiloxane sequences (obtained by polymerising a compound having a carbon-to-carbon double bond on to a polysiloxane C09J 151/08, C09J 153/00)

References

Limiting references

This place does not cover:

Adhesive compositions obtained by polymerising a compound having a	C09J 151/08,
carbon-to-carbon double bond on to a polysiloxane	C09J 153/00

Special rules of classification

Attention is drawn to the CPC Definitions of C08G 77/42.

C09J 183/12

containing polyether sequences

Special rules of classification

Attention is drawn to the CPC Definitions of the respective C08G 77/00 classes.

C09J 183/14

in which at least two but not all the silicon atoms are connected by linkages other than oxygen atoms (C09J 183/10 takes precedence)

Special rules of classification

Attention is drawn to the CPC Definitions of the respective C08G 77/00 classes.

C09J 183/10 takes precedence over this group.

C09J 185/00

Adhesives based on macromolecular compounds obtained by reactions forming in the main chain of the macromolecule a linkage containing atoms other than silicon, sulfur, nitrogen, oxygen, and carbon; Adhesives based on derivatives of such polymers

Definition statement

This place covers:

Adhesive compositions based on macromolecular compounds corresponding to groups <u>C08G 79/00</u>, e.g. containing Al or Sn.

Special rules of classification

The same rules as for <u>C08L 85/00</u>-<u>C08L 85/04</u> apply.

C-Sets classification:

In this group, C-Sets (#C9Jc, #C9Je, #C9Jf, #C9Jc(Si) and #C9Jf(Si)) are used for classification. The detailed information about the C-Sets construction and the associated syntax rules are found in the Special rules of C09J 101/00.

C-Sets searches:

C-Sets search queries may be made according to C-Sets classification rules described in <u>C09J</u> and related subclasses. In addition, #C8Lz, #C9Dz, and #C9Jz Search Rules may be followed to search for polymers in documents classified prior to April 2012.

C09J 187/00

Adhesives based on unspecified macromolecular compounds, obtained otherwise than by polymerisation reactions only involving unsaturated carbon-to-carbon bonds

Definition statement

This place covers:

Adhesive compositions of unspecific macromolecular compounds, obtained by step polymerisation reactions or addition polymerization reactions.

Special rules of classification

C-Sets classification:

In this group, C-Sets (#C9Jc, #C9Je, #C9Jf, #C9Jc(Si) and #C9Jf(Si)) are used for classification. The detailed information about the C-Sets construction and the associated syntax rules are found in the Special rules of C09J 101/00.

C-Sets searches:

C-Sets search queries may be made according to C-Sets classification rules described in <u>C09J</u> and related subclasses. In addition, #C8Lz, #C9Dz, and #C9Jz Search Rules may be followed to search for polymers in documents classified prior to April 2012.

C09J 189/00

Adhesives based on proteins; Adhesives based on derivatives thereof

Definition statement

This place covers:

Adhesives based on proteins or derivatives thereof corresponding to the following groups: <u>C08H 1/00-C08H 1/06</u>.

Relationships with other classification places

Covalently or ionically crosslinked gels are classified in <u>C08H</u>.

A composition based on proteins or derivatives thereof is classified in CO8L.

Coating compositions based on proteins or derivatives thereof are classified in CO9D.

References

Application-oriented references

Examples of places where the subject matter of this place is covered when specially adapted, used for a particular purpose, or incorporated in a larger system:

Foodstuff preparations	A23J 3/00
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Informative references

Attention is drawn to the following places, which may be of interest for search:

Composition comprising proteins or protein derivatives	C08L 89/00 - C08L 89/06
	C09D 189/00 - C09D 189/06

Special rules of classification

Last place priority rule:

Within each subgroup of this group, in the absence of an indication to the contrary, classification is made in the last appropriate place.

Classification guidance:

- Reference A23J 3/00 is non-limiting in the subclass/main group/subgroup C08L 89/00. CPC will be updated/corrected once this inconsistency is resolved in IPC.
- The subject-matter disclosed in both the claims and the examples of a patent document is to be classified.

C-Sets classification:

In this group, C-Sets (#C9Jc, #C9Je, #C9Jf, #C9Jc(Si) and #C9Jf(Si)) are used for classification. The detailed information about the C-Sets construction and the associated syntax rules are found in the Special rules of C09J 101/00.

- If <u>C09J 189/00</u> relates to an adhesive composition of proteins or derivatives, classification is given in the form of C-Sets (i.e. #C9J(c)) according to the relative weight percentage of the polymer constituents.
- The polymer in majority is given a symbol as a base symbol, and the polymers in minority are given symbols as subsequent symbols in the form of C-Sets.

- In addition, a single symbol is given according to the macromolecular constituent present in the highest proportion.
- If all the constituents are present in equal weight percentage, the composition is classified according to each of these constituents.
- In the case that several polymers can be in majority, separate C-Sets should be made based on each polymer in majority and its component(s) in minority.
- Orthogonal indexing codes C08L 2201/00 C08L 2555/86 are also given if applicable.

C-Sets searches:

C-Sets search queries may be made according to C-Sets classification rules described in <u>C09J</u> and related subclasses. In addition, #C8Lz, #C9Dz, and #C9Jz Search Rules may be followed to search for polymers in documents classified prior to April 2012.

C09J 191/00

Adhesives based on oils, fats or waxes; Adhesives based on derivatives thereof

Definition statement

This place covers:

Adhesive compositions based on drying oils, vulcanised oils, e.g. factice, linoxyn or (mineral) waxes.

Relationships with other classification places

Covalently or ionically crosslinked gels are classified in CO8H.

A composition based on oils, fats, waxes or derivatives thereof is classified in C08L.

Coating compositions based on oils, fats, waxes or derivatives thereof are classified in CO9D.

The use of oils, fats and waxes in cosmetics and other toilet preparations is further classified in one of A61Q together with A61K 8/92.

Galenical compositions comprising natural resins are classified in A61K 9/00.

The use of oils, fats and waxes as carriers in medicinal preparations is classified in A61K 47/44.

The use of oils, fats and waxes in lubricants is classified in C10M.

References

Informative references

Attention is drawn to the following places, which may be of interest for search:

Vulcanised oils, e.g. factice	C08H 3/00
Composition comprising oils, fats or waxes	C08L 91/00 - C08L 91/08
Coating composition comprising oils, fats or waxes	C09D 191/00 - C09D 191/08
Polishing compositions, ski waxes	<u>C09G</u>
Soaps, detergent compositions	<u>C11D</u>

Special rules of classification

Last place priority rule:

Within each subgroup of this group, in the absence of an indication to the contrary, classification is made in the last appropriate place.

Classification guidance:

- The subject-matter disclosed in both the claims and the examples of a patent document is to be classified.
- Oils, fats and waxes in solution, or together with other macromolecular compounds, or together
 with an inorganic or non-macromolecular organic additive are considered as a composition and are
 thus classified according to the rules of <u>C08L</u>.

C-Sets classification:

In this group, C-Sets (#C9Jc, #C9Je, #C9Jf, #C9Jc(Si) and #C9Jf(Si)) are used for classification. The detailed information about the C-Sets construction and the associated syntax rules are found in the Special rules of C09J 101/00.

- If <u>C09J 191/00</u> relates to an adhesive composition containing oils, fats and waxes, classification is
 given in the form of C-Sets according to the relative weight percentage of the polymer constituents.
- The polymer in majority is given a symbol as a base symbol, and the polymers in minority are given symbols as subsequent symbols in the form of C-Sets.
- In addition, a single symbol is given according to the macromolecular constituent present in the highest proportion.
- If all the constituents are present in equal weight percentage, the composition is classified according to each of these constituents.
- In the case that several polymers can be in majority, separate C-Sets should be made based on each polymer in majority and its component(s) in minority.
- Orthogonal indexing codes C08L 2201/00 C08L 2555/86 are also given if applicable.

C-Sets searches:

C-Sets search queries may be made according to C-Sets classification rules described in <u>C09J</u> and related subclasses. In addition, #C8Lz, #C9Dz, and #C9Jz Search Rules may be followed to search for polymers in documents classified prior to April 2012.

C09J 193/00

Adhesives based on natural resins; Adhesives based on derivatives thereof

Definition statement

This place covers:

Adhesives or binders based on natural resins or their derivatives corresponding to the following groups: C09F 1/00

Relationships with other classification places

Covalently or ionically crosslinked gels are classified in CO8H.

A composition based on natural resins or their derivatives is classified in C08L.

Coating compositions based on natural resins or their derivatives are classified in C09D.

Grafted natural resins obtained by reaction of an unsaturated monomer onto a natural resin are classified in C08F 253/00.

Galenical compositions comprising natural resins are classified in A61K 9/00.

References

Informative references

Attention is drawn to the following places, which may be of interest for search:

Composition comprising natural resins	C08L 93/00 - C08L 93/04
Coating composition comprising natural resins	<u>C09D 193/00</u> - <u>C09D 193/04</u>
Purification or chemical modification of natural resins	C09F 1/00
Polishing compositions	<u>C09G</u>

Special rules of classification

Last place priority rule:

Within each subgroup of this group, in the absence of an indication to the contrary, classification is made in the last appropriate place.

Classification guidance:

- The subject-matter disclosed in both the claims and the examples of a patent document is to be classified.
- Adhesive compositions based on natural resins in solution, or together with other macromolecular compounds, or together with an inorganic or non-macromolecular organic additive are considered as a composition and are thus classified according to the rules of <u>C09J</u>.

C-Sets classification:

In this group, C-Sets (#C9Jc, #C9Je, #C9Jf, #C9Jc(Si) and #C9Jf(Si)) are used for classification. The detailed information about the C-Sets construction and the associated syntax rules are found in the Special rules of C09J 101/00.

- If <u>C09J 193/00</u> relates to an adhesive composition containing natural resins, classification is given in the form of C-Sets according to the relative weight percentage of the polymer constituents.
- The polymer in majority is given a symbol as a base symbol, and the polymers in minority are given symbols as subsequent symbols in the form of C-Sets.
- In addition, a single symbol is given according to the macromolecular constituent present in the highest proportion.
- If all the constituents are present in equal weight percentage, the composition is classified according to each of these constituents.
- In the case that several polymers can be in majority, separate C-Sets should be made based on each polymer in majority and its component(s) in minority.
- Orthogonal indexing codes <u>C08L 2201/00</u> <u>C08L 2555/86</u> are also given if applicable.

C-Sets searches:

C-Sets search queries may be made according to C-Sets classification rules described in <u>C09J</u> and related subclasses. In addition, #C8Lz, #C9Dz, and #C9Jz Search Rules may be followed to search for polymers in documents classified prior to April 2012.

C09J 195/00

Adhesives based on bituminous materials, e.g. asphalt, tar, pitch

Definition statement

This place covers:

• Compositions of bitumen or asphalt used for adhesive applications other than adhering aggregate.

Definition statement

 Aqueous compositions of bitumen or asphalt, e.g. emulsions, used for adhesive applications other than adhering aggregate.

Relationships with other classification places

Relationship with other subclasses of <u>C08</u> and <u>C09</u>:

Attention is drawn to the general rules of classification of CO8L and CO9J subclasses.

Relationship with the main group C08L 95/00:

Since the main group <u>C09J 195/00</u> is seen as a "related field" of <u>C08L 95/00</u>, explicit reference is made to all references, definitions, terms and rules explained in said main group <u>C08L 95/00</u>.

References

Informative references

Attention is drawn to the following places, which may be of interest for search:

Coating or adhering of aggregate	C08L 95/00 - C08L 95/005
Coating applications	<u>C09D 195/00</u> - <u>C09D 195/005</u>
Sealing materials	C09K 3/00, C09K 3/12, C09K 3/18

Special rules of classification

Classification guidance:

- The subgroup C09J 195/00 or C09J 195/005 should be used only if the claims of the application explicitly encompass a bituminous adhesive as such.
- In addition a <u>C08L 95/00</u> code in combination with the relevant orthogonal indexing code(s) (<u>C08L 2555/00</u> - <u>C08L 2555/86</u>) characterising essential features should also be given if the adhesive composition is mainly characterised by the bituminous composition, either by its constituents and/or by its parameters.
- Example 1: An adhesive composition for adhering 2 metal substrates to each other comprising bitumen is classified in C09J 195/00.
- Example 2: An adhesive composition for adhering aggregate comprising bitumen is classified in C08L 95/00.
- Example 3: An adhesive composition comprising bitumen for mere coating a substrate is classified in C09J 195/00.
- Example 4: An adhesive composition comprising a mixture of bitumen and bees wax is classified in C09J 195/00 and C08L 95/00 and C08L 2555/64.

C-Sets classification:

In this group, C-Sets (#C9Jc, #C9Je, #C9Jf, #C9Jc(Si) and #C9Jf(Si)) are used for classification. The detailed information about the C-Sets construction and the associated syntax rules are found in the Special rules of C09J 101/00.

C-Sets searches:

C-Sets search queries may be made according to C-Sets classification rules described in <u>C09J</u> and related subclasses. In addition, #C8Lz, #C9Dz, and #C9Jz Search Rules may be followed to search for polymers in documents classified prior to April 2012.

Glossary of terms

In this place, the following terms or expressions are used with the meaning indicated:

In this group, several terms (or expressions) are used having the meaning as indicated in the group C08L 95/00

Synonyms and Keywords

In this group, several synonyms and keywords are used as indicated in the group C08L 95/00

C09J 197/00

Adhesives based on lignin-containing materials (based on polysaccharides C09J 101/00 - C09J 105/00)

Definition statement

This place covers:

Adhesives based on lignin-containing materials corresponding to the following groups: <u>C08H 6/00</u> and <u>C08H 8/00</u>

Relationships with other classification places

Covalently or ionically crosslinked gels are classified in CO8H.

References

Limiting references

This place does not cover:

Adhesives based on polysaccharides	C09J 101/00-
	C09J 105/00

Informative references

Attention is drawn to the following places, which may be of interest for search:

Adhesive or binder based on natural macromolecular compounds or of derivatives thereof not provided for in groups CO8L 89/00 - CO8L 97/00, e.g. flours	C09J 199/00
Macromolecular compounds derived from lignin	C08H 6/00
Macromolecular compounds derived from lignocellulosic materials	C08H 8/00
Composition comprising lignin-containing materials	C08L 97/00 - C08L 97/02
Coating composition comprising lignin-containing materials	<u>C09D 197/00</u> - <u>C09D 197/02</u>

Special rules of classification

Last place priority rule:

Within each subgroup of this group, in the absence of an indication to the contrary, classification is made in the last appropriate place.

Classification guidance:

 The subject-matter disclosed in both the claims and the examples of a patent document is to be classified.

C-Sets classification:

In this group, C-Sets (#C9Jc, #C9Je, #C9Jf, #C9Jc(Si) and #C9Jf(Si)) are used for classification. The detailed information about the C-Sets construction and the associated syntax rules are found in the Special rules of C09J 101/00.

- If <u>C09J 197/00</u> relates to a Lignin-containing adhesive composition, classification is given in the form of C-Sets (i.e. #C9J(c)) according to the relative weight percentage of the polymer constituents.
- The polymer in majority is given a symbol as a base symbol, and the polymers in minority are given symbols as subsequent symbols in the form of C-Sets.
- In addition, a single symbol is given according to the macromolecular constituent present in the highest proportion.
- If all the constituents are present in equal weight percentage, the composition is classified according to each of these constituents.
- In the case that several polymers can be in majority, separate C-Sets should be made based on each polymer in majority and its component(s) in minority.
- Orthogonal indexing codes C08L 2201/00-C08L 2555/86 are also given if applicable.

C-Sets searches:

C-Sets search queries may be made according to C-Sets classification rules described in <u>C09J</u> and related subclasses. In addition, #C8Lz, #C9Dz, and #C9Jz Search Rules may be followed to search for polymers in documents classified prior to April 2012.

C09J 199/00

Adhesives based on natural macromolecular compounds or on derivatives thereof, not provided for in groups $\frac{\text{C09J 101/00}}{\text{C09J 197/00}}$ or $\frac{\text{C09J 189/00}}{\text{C09J 197/00}}$ -

Definition statement

This place covers:

Adhesives based on natural macromolecular compounds or derivatives thereof, corresponding to the following groups: $\frac{\text{C08H 99/00}}{\text{C08H 99/00}}$

Relationships with other classification places

Covalently or ionically crosslinked gels are classified in CO8H.

References

Informative references

Attention is drawn to the following places, which may be of interest for search:

Adhesive/binder based on starch or derivatives thereof	C09J 103/00
Adhesive/binder based on lignin-containing materials, e.g. lignin, cork, lignocellulose or wood	C09J 197/00
Natural macromolecular compounds or derivatives thereof	<u>C08H 99/00</u>
Composition comprising natural macromolecular compounds	C08L 99/00
Coating compositions comprising natural macromolecular compounds	C09D 199/00

Special rules of classification

Last place priority rule:

Within each subgroup of this group, in the absence of an indication to the contrary, classification is made in the last appropriate place.

Classification guidance:

- The subject-matter disclosed in both the claims and the examples of a patent document is to be classified.
- Adhesive composition of natural macromolecular materials in solution, or together with other
 macromolecular compounds, or together with an inorganic or non-macromolecular organic additive
 are considered as a composition and are thus classified according to the rules of <u>C09J</u>.

C-Sets classification:

In this group, C-Sets (#C9Jc, #C9Je, #C9Jf, #C9Jc(Si) and #C9Jf(Si)) are used for classification. The detailed information about the C-Sets construction and the associated syntax rules are found in the Special rules of C09J 101/00.

- If <u>C09J 199/00</u> relates to a Lignin-containing adhesive composition, classification is given in the form of C-Sets (i.e. #C9J(c)) according to the relative weight percentage of the polymer constituents.
- The polymer in majority is given a symbol as a base symbol, and the polymers in minority are given symbols as subsequent symbols in the form of C-Sets.
- In addition, a single symbol is given according to the macromolecular constituent present in the highest proportion.
- If all the constituents are present in equal weight percentage, the composition is classified according to each of these constituents.
- In the case that several polymers can be in majority, separate C-Sets should be made based on each polymer in majority and its component(s) in minority.
- Orthogonal indexing codes <u>C08L 2201/00</u> <u>C08L 2555/86</u> are also given if applicable.

C-Sets searches:

C-Sets search queries may be made according to C-Sets classification rules described in <u>C09J</u> and related subclasses. In addition, #C8Lz, #C9Dz, and #C9Jz Search Rules may be followed to search for polymers in documents classified prior to April 2012.

C09J 201/00

Adhesives based on unspecified macromolecular compounds

Definition statement

This place covers:

Adhesive compositions based on unspecified macromolecular compounds.

Special rules of classification

C-Sets classification:

In this group, C-Sets (#C9Jc, #C9Je, #C9Jf, #C9Jc(Si) and #C9Jf(Si)) are used for classification. The detailed information about the C-Sets construction and the associated syntax rules are found in the Special rules of C09J 101/00.

C-Sets searches:

C-Sets search queries may be made according to C-Sets classification rules described in <u>C09J</u> and related subclasses. In addition, #C8Lz, #C9Dz, and #C9Jz Search Rules may be followed to search for polymers in documents classified prior to April 2012.

Glossary of terms

In this place, the following terms or expressions are used with the meaning indicated:

In this group, several terms (or expressions) are used having the meaning as indicated in the group C08L 95/00.

Synonyms and Keywords

In patent documents, the following words/expressions are often used as synonyms:

In this group, several synonyms and keywords are used as indicated in the group C08L 95/00.