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The Nice Classification is a system of International Classification of Goods and Services for the Registration of Marks (ICGS) and is carried out in accordance with the Nice Agreement concerning the International Classification of Goods and Services for the Purposes of the Registration of Marks.

Since 2013, the Committee of Experts of the Nice Union has met annually in sessions to decide on possible modifications to be included in the ICGS, which are published in the form of new editions every five years and new versions every year. The Nice Classification comprises:

- Class Headings,
- Explanatory Notes,
- Alphabetical List of Goods and Services.

The Class Headings describe in very broad terms the nature of the goods and services contained in each of the 34 classes of goods and 11 classes of services. AGEPI annually publishes the Headings of the Classes of Goods and Services that enter into force on the first day of the year.

Each class is accompanied by *Explanatory Notes* which describe the type of goods or services included and, in some cases, the type of goods not included in a class. Thus, in the help of the applicants for the correct interpretation of the classes of goods and services, the translated Explanatory Notes are presented.

Also, in the context of the correct classification of goods and services, applicants may use the TMclass tool, including where the terms are not found in the Nice Classifier.

To view the Class Headings and Explanatory Notes, TMclass, click here [1].

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