

**.DQ CAKES/CHOCOLATE/BARS/BISCUITS**

Medicinal cakes, chocolates, bars, biscuits are included here. Other forms for dietary purposes are included in .YH or .YG.

**.DR GLOBULES**

Very small globules, for example, homeopathic globules.

Homeopathic forms referred to as homeopathic granules, homeopathic pellets, or homeopathic spheres are classified here. Sublingual homeopathic globules/granules etc are also included here.

**.DY OTHER SPECIAL SOLID FORMS**

Other special solid forms. Antibiotic chain beads and powders containing microspheres are classified MDY. Single large crystals are included here. Oro-dispersible films are also included here.

**.DZ COMBINATION PACK SPECIAL FORMS**

Combination packs of special solid forms together with other forms in the same pack. This includes packs containing special solid forms with other forms which are classified with a lower alphabetical sequence.

**.E. POWDERS/GRANULES**

**.EA POWDERS**

Powders not otherwise specified.

**.EB GRANULES**

Granules not otherwise specified. Granular crystals, crystalline mass and multiple crystal forms in one product forms are included here. Crystalline powders are classified in .EA (Powders) and single large crystals are classified in .DY (Other Special Solid Forms). Homeopathic forms referred to as homeopathic granules, homeopathic pellets, or homeopathic spheres are classified in .DR (Globules).

**.EC DUSTING POWDERS**

Dusting powders, powders for dermatological use only.

**.ED MEDICINAL/PHARMACEUTICAL SOLID SUBSTANCES**

Medicinal/pharmaceutical solid and semi-solid substances, intended for use in the pharmacist's laboratory. These are in VED

**.EF SUBLINGUAL POWDERS/GRANULES**

Sublingual powders or granules for sublingual use.

**.EH EFFERVESCENT POWDERS/GRANULES**

Effervescent powders or granules. Effervescent powders or granules in unit doses are in .EP.

**.EK SOLUBLE POWDERS**

Soluble powders or granules which have to be dissolved in water before use. Those in unit doses are in .EP. Powders which are reconstituted in the same container to make suspensions, syrups, solutions etc. will be classified in .GJ. Powders which are reconstituted for use in dialysis machines are in MEK.

**.PF INTRADERMAL VIALS**

Injection vials, containing liquids, indicated for intradermal use only. However, if they are in the form of powders for reconstitution before use, they are classified in .PB

**.PS INSTILLATION VIALS**

Vials for instillation.

**.PY OTHER VIALS**

Other special vials. Injection vials for intra-articular, intracranial, intrathecal and epidural use only are included here. Vials for intra-arterial administration are classified in .PA.

**.PZ COMBINATION PACK VIALS**

Combination packs of vials together with other forms in the same pack. This includes packs containing vials with other forms which are classified with a lower alphabetical sequence. Packs supplied with a second form containing diluent are not considered to be combination packs.

## **.Q. INFUSIONS**

Includes products intended only for administration by infusion. Products that may be both infused and injected are classified in the relevant ampoule, vial, pre-filled syringe or cartridge/pen class.

~~Infusion is defined as a slow injection, given over an extended time. Products described as for administration by slow injection are included here. These may specify the administration duration e.g. inject over 7 minutes, and are often recommended to be given using an administration kit, but may also be given by manual push method.~~

Infusions are not differentiated based on route of administration (beyond exceptional infusion types such as intracerebroventricular). Subcutaneous infusions are classified alongside IV infusions etc.

Dialysis, irrigation and perfusion solutions are also included here.

### **.QA INFUSION AMPOULES**

Infusion ampoules.

### **.QB INFUSION DRY AMPOULES**

Infusion dry ampoules. Ampoules for infusion containing powders for reconstitution before use.

### **.QC INFUSION VIALS/BOTTLES**

Infusion vials or bottles.

### **.QD INFUSION DRY VIALS/BOTTLES**

Infusion dry vials or bottles. Vials or bottles for infusion containing powders for reconstitution before use.

### **.QE INFUSION BAGS**

Bags containing infusion liquids.

**.YQ MECHANICAL PESSARIES WITH SUBSTANCE**

Mechanical pessaries with substance. These are mechanical devices used to prevent prolapse of the womb not vaginal suppositories. Also included are vaginal contraceptive diaphragms, caps, contraceptive rings and female condoms with substance. Diaphragm kits (i.e. containing diaphragm and spermicidal gel) are also included. Contraceptive sponges are classified in TWH and contraceptive films in TYY.

**.YR. INTRA-UTERINE DEVICES**

Intra-uterine devices with or without substance.

**.YS FUMIGATION CANDLES**

Fumigation candles.

**.YT FOAMS**

Foams not otherwise specified. Foam dressings, both pre-formed foam pad-like and cavity conforming foam dressings, are classified here e.g. Allevyn or Cavi-Care (both Smith and Nephew Health).

**.YV IMPLANTS**

Implants. These are very small tablets or other forms, requiring surgery for subcutaneous implantation, with a long-acting effect.

**.YW SOLID SOAPS/BARS**

Solid soaps. Can include soap-free alternatives.

**.YX PROMOTIONAL PACKS**

Promotional packs (only used for advertisements).

**.YY OTHER SPECIAL FORMS**

Other special forms. Vaginal films are in TYY.

**.ZK GEL AND COLLOID DRESSINGS**

Dressings which absorb exudates from wounds. Includes dressings both with and without substance.

**.ZP BONE CEMENTS WITHOUT SUBSTANCE**

Bone cements which do not contain a pharmacologically active substance.

Bone cements containing x-ray contrast media but no other active substance are included here.

**.ZQ MECHANICAL PESSARIES WITHOUT SUBSTANCE**

Mechanical pessaries without substance. These are mechanical devices used to prevent prolapse of the womb not vaginal suppositories. Also included are vaginal contraceptive diaphragms, caps and female condoms without substance.

**.ZT DIAGNOSTIC STICKS**

Diagnostic tests supplied as sticks and strips. Midstreams are also included here.

**.ZV DIAGNOSTIC TEST EXCLUDING STICKS**

Diagnostic tests excluding sticks e.g. cassettes. This class will be used only when no specific code to describe the form exists. For example, if the test is present as a solution in a vial for subcutaneous use, it will be in FPE.

**.ZY. OTHER MEDICAL AIDS**

Other medical aids. Included are Plaster of Paris (Gypsum), first aid kits, stomacare products, condoms, empty syringes, inhaler devices, non-medicated contact lenses, non-medicated tissues and wipes etc. Plaster of Paris, first aid kits, semi-permeable film dressings, stomacare products and male condoms have the first letter M; empty syringes/pens and inhaler devices have the first letter V.

Packs containing medical aids together with another form, containing the active pharmaceutical substance, are classified according to the form containing the active substance, and not as a combination pack. For example, a pack consisting of an inhaler device and a metered-dose pressurised inhaler, containing a B2-stimulant, is classified RHP. Similarly, a pack with an insulin pen together with a vial containing a retard insulin preparation for subcutaneous injection is classified GPE. Disposable pre-filled insulin pens are classified in .NE.

SECOND AND THIRD LETTER	A	B	D	E	F	G	H	I	J	K	M	N	P	Q	R	T	V	Z
<b>.V. GELS/SOLS</b>																		
.VA GELS AND SOLS							H		J	K	M	N		Q		T	V	
.VB GEL DROPS												N						
.VL EMULSION GELS											M							
.VN UNIT DOSE GELS/SOLS								I	J	K	M	N		Q		T		
.VP METERED-DOSE GELS/SOLS								I	J		M							
.VW WASH/SHOWER GELS											M					<u>T</u>		
.VY OTHER GELS/SOLS											M							
.VZ COMB-PACK GELS/SOLS											M							

<b>T</b>	<b>Vaginal</b>
TA	Vaginal Tablets
TAA	Vaginal Tablets
TAH	Vaginal Effervescent Tablets
TAK	Vaginal Soluble Tablets
TAY	Vaginal Other Tablets
TAZ	Vaginal Combination Pack Tablets
TC	Vaginal Capsules
TCA	Vaginal Capsules
TE	Vaginal Powders/Granules
TEA	Vaginal Powders
TEK	Vaginal Soluble Powders
TEP	Vaginal Unit Dose Powders
TG	Vaginal Liquids
TGA	Vaginal Liquids
TGL	Vaginal Liquid Emulsions
TGN	Vaginal Unit Dose Liquids
TGP	Vaginal Metered-Dose Liquids
TGS	Vaginal Lotions
TGW	Vaginal Liquid Soaps/Washes
TH	Vaginal Pressurised Aerosols
THA	Vaginal Pressurised Aerosols
THT	Vaginal Pressurised Foams
TL	Vaginal Suppositories
TLS	Vaginal Suppositories
TLZ	Vaginal Combination Pack Suppositories
TM	Vaginal Ampoules
TMA	Vaginal Ampoules
TS	Vaginal Ointments
TSA	Vaginal Ointments
TSB	Vaginal Pastes
TSN	Vaginal Unit Dose Ointments and Pastes
TT	Vaginal Creams
TTA	Vaginal Creams
TTN	Vaginal Unit Dose Creams
TTZ	Vaginal Combination Pack Creams
TV	Vaginal Gels and Sols
TVA	Vaginal Gels and Sols
TVN	Vaginal Unit Dose Gels/Sols
<u>TVW</u>	<u>Vaginal Wash Gels</u>
TW	Vaginal Medic Dressings
TWE	Vaginal Tampons with Substance
TWH	Vaginal Sponges with Substance
TWY	Vaginal Other Medicated Dressings
TY	Vaginal Other Special Forms
TYQ	Vaginal Mechanical Pessaries with Substance