

**SUBJECT 9**

**Re:** Baskets or Hampers

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**Proponent:** Freight Classification Development Council

**Present Classification Provisions**

Item	Description	Class
22150	<b>BASKETS OR HAMPERS:</b> Articles consist of baskets or hampers, and boxes as described in items subject to this grouping.	
22190	<b>Baskets or Hampers,</b> wood and wire combined, NOI, SU:	
Sub 1	Not nested.....	150
Sub 2	Nested, see Note, item 22192.....	100
22192	NOTE—Nested provisions will also apply when one or more are completely or partially enclosed within the bodies of two others in such a manner as to reduce total SU cubage by 33 <sup>1</sup> / <sub>3</sub> percent.	
22200	<b>Baskets or Hampers,</b> consisting of collapsed cloth or plastic bodies and detached folded metal stands or frames, in boxes.....	150
22210	<b>Baskets,</b> see Note, item 22212, food packaging, plastic, of latticed construction, capacity not exceeding 2 quarts liquid measure or 116 cubic inches, in boxes .....	150
22212	NOTE—Applies also on such articles as may be identified as boxes or trays.	
22220	<b>Baskets,</b> industrial material parts handling, wire, wire and expanded metal or wire and perforated metal, see Note, item 22222, with or without plastic coating, with or without built-in racks or holders.....	85
22222	NOTE—Applies only when the frame members of basket are of 3 gauge or heavier wire and all other wire parts are of 13 gauge or heavier wire.	
22225	<b>Baskets,</b> lunch or picnic, containing eating utensils and dishes, with or without other fittings or accessories, in boxes .....	200
22227	<b>Baskets,</b> store display, open end, steel wire and tubular steel combined, with or without plastic coating, not nested, with or without mounting hardware, in boxes.....	125
22230	<b>Baskets,</b> wire, KD, with plastic liners and paper bottom liner, in packages .....	70
22235	<b>Baskets,</b> wire, store display, open end, frame made of 1 gauge or heavier wire and lacing made of 12 gauge or heavier wire, with or without dividers, nested in nests of 12 or more, loose .....	77.5
22240	<b>Baskets,</b> wire, with or without plastic coating, taper sided, top frame made of 3 gauge or heavier wire, sides, ends and bottom made of 12 gauge or heavier wire, or top frame made of 6 gauge or heavier wire, sides, ends and bottom of 13 gauge or heavier wire, bottom reinforced diagonally with two wires of 9 gauge or heavier, nested in bundles of 12 or more and metal strapped, or nested in boxes .....	85

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	<b>BASKETS OR HAMPERS:</b> subject to item 22150	
22260	<b>Baskets, Hampers or Jardinieres</b> , NOI, in boxes or crates; <b>or Hampers</b> , clothes, in Packages 1F, 19F or 25F; subject to Item 170 and having a density in pounds per cubic foot of:	
Sub 1	Less than 1 .....	400
Sub 2	1 but less than 2 .....	300
Sub 3	2 but less than 4 .....	250
Sub 4	4 but less than 6 .....	175
Sub 5	6 but less than 8 .....	125
Sub 6	8 but less than 10 .....	100
Sub 7	10 but less than 12 .....	92.5
Sub 8	12 but less than 15 .....	85
Sub 9	15 but less than 22.5 .....	70
Sub 10	22.5 but less than 30 .....	65
Sub 11	30 or greater .....	60
22430	<b>Bread or Laundry Shipping (Boxes)</b> , with lock or seal covers, wood or steel and wood combined:	
Sub 1	SU, not nested .....	150
Sub 2	SU, nested or one or more completely enclosed within another.....	100
Sub 3	KD, in packages.....	77.5
22450	<b>Canvas</b> , with metal or wooden frames, covers or bottoms:	
Sub 1	SU, not nested .....	200
Sub 2	SU, nested, in nests of three to five.....	150
Sub 3	SU, nested, in nests of six or more .....	100
Sub 4	KD flat .....	85
22500	<b>Fiberboard, Paperboard or Pulpboard</b> , NOI, without wooden frames, with or without covers, see Note, item 22502, in packages:	
Sub 1	Corrugated, KD flat, or in sheet form with ends not joined.....	85
Sub 2	Other than corrugated; KD flat, or in sheet form with ends not joined, see Notes, items 22504 and 22506, or with bodies nested solid or KD flat and tops SU, nested .....	85
22502	NOTE—Will also apply on necessary equipment of wood corner sticks, wire cover fasteners, and wood or wire handles moving on same bill of lading when packed separate and apart from baskets or when collectively packed in one box.	
22504	NOTE—Will also apply on accompanying necessary equipment of metal rims for top and bottoms and wood or wire handles.	
22506	NOTE—Bodies, bottoms and covers KD flat entirely enclosed in set-up tubs, not exceeding one inch in depth, will be considered KD flat.	
22600	<b>Refrigerator</b> , in boxes, crates or wrapped bundles .....	150

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	<b>BASKETS OR HAMPERS:</b> subject to item 22150	
22605	<b>Shipping</b> , plastic, steel or wood reinforced, with or without covers:	
Sub 1	One or more completely enclosed within bodies of two others, held together by strapping.....	150
Sub 2	Other than one or more completely enclosed within bodies of two others .....	200
22640	<b>Wire or Expanded Metal</b> , NOI, coated or not coated with rubber or plastic:	
Sub 1	Not nested, in packages .....	200
Sub 2	Nested, collapsed or KD flat, in packages, see Note, item 22642 .....	100
22642	NOTE—Nested provisions will also apply when one or more are completely or partially enclosed within the bodies of two others in such a manner as to reduce total SU cubage by 33 <sup>1</sup> / <sub>3</sub> percent.	
22660	<b>Wire</b> , rubber or plastic covered, dish draining, with built-in racks:	
Sub 1	Not nested, in packages .....	200
Sub 2	Nested, in packages .....	100

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22150	<b>BASKETS OR HAMPERS</b> , etc.....	⇒Cancel; no further application
22190	<b>Baskets or Hampers</b> , wood and wire combined, NOI, SU, etc.....	⇒Cancel; see item 22260
22192	NOTE—	⇒Cancel; no further application.
22200	<b>Baskets or Hampers</b> , consisting of collapsed cloth or plastic bodies and detached folded metal stands or frames, etc.....	⇒Cancel; see item 22260
22210	<b>Baskets</b> , see Note, item 22212, food packaging, plastic, of latticed construction, capacity not exceeding 2 quarts liquid measure or 116 cubic inches, etc .....	⇒Cancel; see item 22260
22212	NOTE—	⇒Cancel; no further application.
22220	<b>Baskets</b> , industrial material parts handling, wire, wire and expanded metal or wire and perforated metal, see Note, item 22222, with or without plastic coating, with or without built-in racks or holders .....	⇒Cancel; see item 22260
22222	NOTE—	⇒Cancel; no further application.
22225	<b>Baskets</b> , lunch or picnic, containing eating utensils and dishes, with or without other fittings or accessories, etc .....	⇒Cancel; see item 22260

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22227	<b>Baskets</b> , store display, open end, steel wire and tubular steel combined, with or without plastic coating, not nested, with or without mounting hardware, etc.....	⇒Cancel; see item 22260
22230	<b>Baskets</b> , wire, KD, with plastic liners and paper bottom liner, etc....	⇒Cancel; see item 22260
22235	<b>Baskets</b> , wire, store display, open end, frame made of 1 gauge or heavier wire and lacing made of 12 gauge or heavier wire, with or without dividers, nested in nests of 12 or more, etc...	⇒Cancel; see item 22260
22240	<b>Baskets</b> , wire, with or without plastic coating, taper sided, top frame made of 3 gauge or heavier wire, sides, ends and bottom made of 12 gauge or heavier wire, or top frame made of 6 gauge or heavier wire, sides, ends and bottom of 13 gauge or heavier wire, bottom reinforced diagonally with two wires of 9 gauge or heavier, etc .....	⇒Cancel; see item 22260
⇒22260	<b>Baskets or Hampers, viz.:</b> <b>Baskets or Hampers</b> , NOI; <b>Clothes Hampers;</b> <b>Lunch or Picnic Baskets</b> , see Note, item NEW; In boxes or crates, subject to Item 170 and having a density in pounds per cubic foot of:	
Sub 1	Less than 1 .....	400
Sub 2	1 but less than 2 .....	300
Sub 3	2 but less than 4 .....	250
Sub 4	4 but less than 6 .....	175
Sub 5	6 but less than 8 .....	125
Sub 6	8 but less than 10 .....	100
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Sub 9	15 but less than 22.5.....	70
Sub 10	22.5 but less than 30.....	65
Sub 11	30 or greater.....	60
⇒NEW	NOTE—Applies on baskets with or without utensils, dishes or other accessories.	
22430	<b>Bread or Laundry Shipping (Boxes)</b> , with lock or seal covers, wood or steel and wood combined, etc .....	⇒Cancel; see item 22260
22450	<b>Canvas</b> , with metal or wooden frames, covers or bottoms, etc.....	⇒Cancel; see item 22260
22500	<b>Fiberboard, Paperboard or Pulpboard</b> , NOI, without wooden frames, with or without covers, etc .....	⇒Cancel; see item 22260

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	<b>BASKETS OR HAMPERS:</b> subject to item 22150	
22502	NOTE—⇒Cancel; no further application.	
22504	NOTE—⇒Cancel; no further application.	
22506	NOTE—⇒Cancel; no further application.	
22600	<b>Refrigerator</b> , etc.....	⇒Cancel; see item 22260
22605	<b>Shipping</b> , plastic, steel or wood reinforced, with or without covers etc.....	⇒Cancel; see item 22260
22640	<b>Wire or Expanded Metal</b> , NOI, coated or not coated with rubber or plastic, etc .....	⇒Cancel; see item 22260
22642	NOTE—⇒Cancel; no further application.	
22660	<b>Wire</b> , rubber or plastic covered, dish draining, etc .....	⇒Cancel; see item 22260

Analysis

Introduction

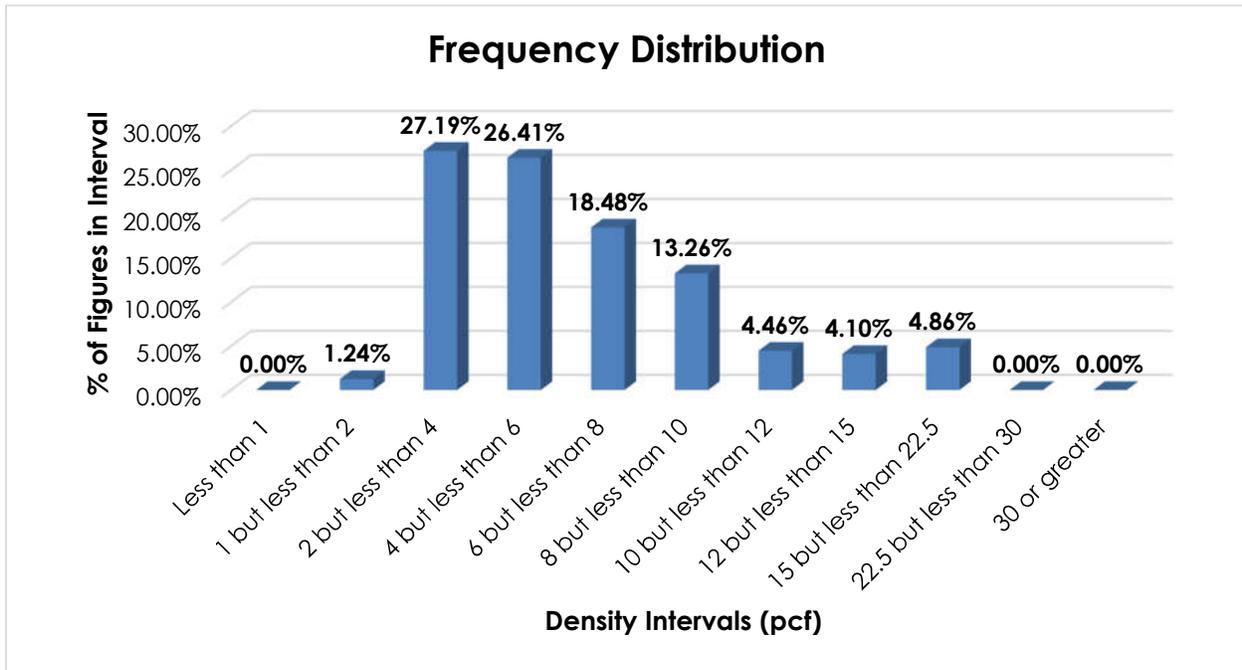
There are numerous items subject to the Baskets or Hampers generic heading that name particular types of baskets or hampers, and these provisions can be difficult to interpret, apply or verify. Moreover, the involved commodities exhibit a wide range of densities. The transportation characteristics below relate to items 22190, 22200, 22210, 22220, 22225, 22227, 22230, 22235, 22240, 22430, 22450, 22500, 22600, 22605, 22640 and 22660, as shown in the Present Classification Provisions herein.

Transportation Characteristics

**Density**—The information of record includes 8,053 density observations obtained from the FCDC’s Density Study<sup>1</sup>. The densities range from 1.01 to 21.90 pcf, with an overall average density of 6.52 pcf. As shown in the graph on the following page, the densities are variably distributed throughout the range.

<sup>1</sup> The Density Study is part of an ongoing effort by the FCDC to collect information on actual shipments across all product categories handled by the LTL industry. Carriers that choose to participate in the Study periodically submit shipment data captured through their respective freight auditing programs. The FCDC uses verifiable data points, identified by NMFC item, that include the weight and the dimensions and/or cube of the shipping unit.

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**Handling, Stowability and Liability**—There have been no reports of unusual or significant handling, stowability or liability concerns.

**Conclusion**

Based on the foregoing analysis, items 22190, 22200, 22210, 22220, 22225, 22227, 22230, 22235, 22240, 22430, 22450, 22500, 22600, 22605, 22640 and 22660 would be canceled with reference to the full-scale density-based provisions of item 22260<sup>2</sup>. The description of item 22260 would be concurrently amended to name “Baskets or Hampers,” with a “viz.” format, in the interest of clarification and simplification. Additionally, reference to “Jardinieres” would be eliminated from the description, as the term embraces unrelated products.

A new attendant Note would be established to clarify the application of item 22260.

Notes, items 22192, 22212, 22222, 22502, 22504, 22506 and 22642 would be canceled as having no further application. Also, the generic heading, item 22150, would be canceled with no further application, and the indentations for item 22260 would be adjusted accordingly.

The FCDC's Packaging Manager has reviewed the proposed minimum packaging requirements, i.e., “in boxes or crates,” and determined that they are appropriate for the LTL environment. Additionally, pursuant to the recommendation of the FCDC's Packaging Manager, reference to Packages 1F, 19F and 25F would be removed.

<sup>2</sup> Item 22260 provides the FCDC's standard 11-subprovision density scale, which includes reference to Item (Rule) 170, the inadvertence clause.