

90.02

90.02 - Lenses, prisms, mirrors and other optical elements, of any material, mounted, being parts of or fittings for instruments or apparatus, other than such elements of glass not optically worked.

- Objective lenses :

9002.11 - - For cameras, projectors or photographic enlargers or reducers

9002.19 - - Other

9002.20 - Filters

9002.90 - Other

With the exception of ophthalmic lenses (which when mounted constitute spectacles, lorgnettes or the like of **heading 90.04**), this heading covers the articles referred to in Items (B), (C) and (D) of the Explanatory Note to heading 90.01 when in a permanent mounting (viz., fitted in a support or frame, etc.) suitable for fitting to an apparatus or instrument. The articles of the heading are mainly designed to be incorporated with other parts to form a specific instrument or part of an instrument. The heading **does not include** mounted optical elements which are in themselves separate appliances, for example, hand magnifying glasses (**heading 90.13**), and mirrors for medical or dental purposes (**heading 90.18**).

Subject to the above conditions, the heading includes :

- (1) Objective lenses, additional lenses, colour filters, viewfinders, etc., for photographic or cinematographic cameras or for projectors.
- (2) Polarising filters for microscopes or polarimeters.
- (3) Eyepieces and objectives (including polarising) for astronomical instruments, binoculars or refracting telescopes, microscopes, etc.
- (4) Mounted prisms for instruments or apparatus for physical or chemical analysis (polarimeters, etc.).
- (5) Mounted mirrors for telescopes, projectors, microscopes, medical or surgical instruments, etc.
- (6) Optical elements (lenses and prisms) for lighthouses or beacons, mounted on panels or drums.
- (7) Mounted lenses clearly identifiable as fittings for optical benches.
- (8) Mounted halftone or similar printing screens.

The objective lens in an optical instrument is the lens system that faces the object, giving an image of the latter. It may be a single lens but is usually a group of lenses in a single mounting.

Eyepieces are optical systems (placed near the eyes) through which a magnified image is observed.

The heading **does not cover** :

- (a) Optical elements with a temporary mounting provided **solely** for protection during transport (**heading 90.01**).
- (b) Mounted glass mirrors, optically worked, which are unsuitable for fitting to instruments or apparatus (for example, certain rear-view mirrors, chimney or drain inspection mirrors, and special mirrors for wind-tunnel observations) (**heading 90.13**).
- (c) Sets of lenses put up in cases and designed for fitting into special frames for sight testing (used by opticians) (**heading 90.18**).