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54.04 - Synthetic monofilament of 67 decitex or more and of which no cross-sectional dimension exceeds 1 mm; strip and the like (for example, artificial straw) of synthetic textile materials of an apparent width not exceeding 5 mm.

- Monofilament :

5404.11 - - Elastomeric

5404.12 - - Other, of polypropylene

5404.19 - - Other

5404.90 - Other

This heading covers :

- (1) **Synthetic monofilament.** These are filaments extruded as single filaments. They are classified here **only** if they measure 67 decitex or more and do not exceed 1 mm in any cross-sectional dimension. Monofilaments of this heading may be of any cross-sectional configuration and may be obtained not only by extrusion but by lamination or fusion.
- (2) **Strip and the like, of synthetic textile materials.** The strips of this heading are flat, of a width not exceeding 5 mm, either produced as such by extrusion or cut from wider strips or from sheets.

Provided their apparent width (i.e., in the folded, flattened, compressed or twisted state) does not exceed 5 mm, this heading also covers :

- (i) Strip folded along the length.
- (ii) Flattened tubes, whether or not folded along the length.
- (iii) Strip, and articles referred to in (i) and (ii) above, compressed or twisted.

If the width (or apparent width) is not uniform, classification is to be decided by reference to the average width.

This heading also includes multiple (folded) or cabled strip and the like.

All these products are generally in long lengths, but remain classified here even if cut into short lengths and whether or not put up for retail sale. They are used according to their different characteristics in the manufacture of brushes, sports rackets, fishing lines, surgical sutures, upholstery fabrics, belts, millinery, braids, etc.

The heading **does not include** :

- (a) Sterile synthetic monofilament (**heading 30.06**).
- (b) Synthetic monofilament of which any cross-sectional dimension exceeds 1 mm, or strip and flattened tubes (including strip and flattened tubes folded along the length), whether or not compressed or twisted (for example, artificial straw), **provided** that the apparent width (i.e., in the folded, flattened, compressed or twisted state) exceeds 5 mm (**Chapter 39**).
- (c) Synthetic monofilament measuring less than 67 decitex of **heading 54.02**.
- (d) Strip and the like of **Chapter 56**.

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- (e) Synthetic monofilament, with hooks attached or otherwise made up into fishing lines (**heading 95.07**).
- (f) Prepared knots and tufts for brush-making (**heading 96.03**).