

73.13 - Barbed wire of iron or steel; twisted hoop or single flat wire, barbed or not, and loosely twisted double wire, of a kind used for fencing, of iron or steel.

This heading covers the following types of fencing or enclosure hoop and wire (wire as defined in Chapter Note 2) :

- (1) Barbed wire consisting of iron or steel wires twisted together rather loosely, with barbs or sometimes small sharp pieces of strip metal at frequent intervals.
- (2) Narrow flat hoop or wire toothed at intervals and used as an alternative to barbed wire.
- (3) Twisted hoop or single flat wire. This ribbon fencing wire is often used under the name of "torsades". It consists of narrow hoop, strip or flat wire which may be lightly twisted. These goods fall in the heading whether or not they are barbed.
- (4) Loosely twisted wire consisting of two wires of iron or steel and clearly suitable for fencing uses. This is also known as "torsades".

The heading also includes "dannerts" and similar barbed wire entanglements, sometimes already mounted on wooden or metal poles, used for military purposes, for fencing, etc.

The hoop and wire used are generally galvanised or otherwise coated (e.g., covered with plastics).

The heading **excludes** closely twisted stranded wire or cable, also sometimes used for fencing (heading 73.12).