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I. Burn or Scald – Heat or Cold Exposures – Contact With		
01	Chemicals	Includes hydrochloric acid, sulfuric acid, battery acid, methanol, antifreeze.
02	Hot Objects or Substances	*
03	Temperature Extremes	Non-impact injuries resulting in a burn due to hot or cold temperature extremes. Includes freezing or frostbite.
04	Fire or Flame	*
05	Steam or Hot Fluids	*
06	Dust, Gases, Fumes or Vapors	Includes inhalation of carbon dioxide, carbon monoxide, propane, methane, silica (quartz), asbestos dust and smoke.
07	Welding Operations	Includes welder's flash (burns to skin or eyes as a result of exposure to intense light from welding.)
08	Radiation	Includes effects of ionizing radiation found in X- rays, microwaves, nuclear reactor waste, and radiating substances and equipment. Includes non-ionizing radiation such as sunburn.
11	Cold Objects or Substances	*
14	Abnormal Air Pressure	*
84	Electrical Current	Includes electric shock, electrocution and lightning.
09	Contact With, NOC	Not otherwise classified in any other code. Includes cleaning agents and fertilizers.
II. Caught In, Under or Between		
10	Machine or Machinery	Running or meshing objects, a moving and a stationary object, two or more moving objects
12	Object Handled	Includes medical hospital bed & parts, wheelchair, clothespin vise.
20	Collapsing Materials (Slides of Earth)	Either man-made or natural.
13	Caught In, Under or Between, NOC	Not otherwise classified in any other code.

III. Cut, Puncture, Scrape – Injured By

15	Broken Glass	*
16	Hand Tool, Utensil; Not Powered	Includes needle, pencil, knife, hammer, saw, axe, screwdriver.
17	Object Being Lifted or Handled	Includes being cut, punctured or scraped by a person or object being lifted or handled.
18	Powered Hand Tool, Appliance	Includes drill, grinder, sander, iron, blender, welding tools, nail gun.
19	Caught, Puncture, Scrape, NOC	Not otherwise classified in any other code. Includes power actuated tools.

IV. Fall, Slip or Trip

25	From Different Level (Elevation)	Includes collapsing chairs, falling from piled materials, off wall, catwalk, bridge.
26	From Ladder or Scaffolding	*
27	From Liquid or Grease Spills	*
28	Into Openings	Includes mining shafts, excavations, floor openings, elevator shafts.
29	On Same Level	*
30	Slipped, Did Not Fall	Slip or trip and did not come in contact with the floor or ground.
32	On Ice or Snow	*
33	On Stairs	*
31	Fall, Slip or Trip, NOC	Not otherwise classified in any other code. Includes tripping over object, slipping on organic material, slip but fall not specified.

V. Motor Vehicle

40	Crash of Water Vehicle	*
41	Crash of Rail Vehicle	*
45	Collision or Sideswipe with Another Vehicle	Vehicle collision, both vehicles in motion.
46	Collision with a Fixed Object	Collision occurring with standing vehicle or stationary object.
47	Crash of Airplane	*
48	Vehicle Upset	Includes overturned or jackknifed.
50	Motor Vehicle, NOC	Not otherwise classified in any other code. Includes injuries due to sudden stop or start, being thrown against interior parts of the vehicle and vehicle contents being thrown against occupants.

VI. Strain or Injury By

52	Continual Noise	Injury to ears or hearing due to the cumulative effects of constant or repetitive noise.
53	Twisting	Free bodily motion that imposes stress or strain on some part of body. Includes assumption of unnatural position, involuntary motions induced by sudden noise, fright or loss of balance.
54	Jumping	*
55	Holding or Carrying	Applies to objects or people. Includes restraining a person.
56	Lifting	Includes objects or people.
57	Pushing or Pulling	Includes objects or people.
58	Reaching	*
59	Using Tool or Machinery	*
61	Wielding or Throwing	Physical effort or overexertion from attempts to resist a force applied by an object being handled.
97	Repetitive Motion	Cumulative injury or condition caused by continual, repeated motions; strain by excessive use. Includes Carpal Tunnel Syndrome.
60	Strain or Injury By, NOC	Not otherwise classified in any other code.
VII. Striking Against or Stepping On		
65	Moving Part of Machine	*
66	Object Being Lifted or Handled	*
67	Sanding, Scraping, Cleaning Operation	Include scratches or abrasions caused by sanding, scraping, cleaning operations.
68	Stationary Object	*
69	Stepping on Sharp Object	*
70	Striking Against or Stepping On, NOC	Not otherwise classified in any other code.
74	Fellow Worker; Patient	Struck by co-worker, either on purpose or accidentally. Includes being struck by a patient while lifting or moving them not in act of a crime.
75	Falling or Flying Object	*
76	Hand Tool or Machine in Use	*
77	Motor Vehicle	Applies when a person is struck by a motor vehicle, including rail vehicles, water vehicles, airplanes.
78	Moving Parts of Machine	*
79	Objects Being Lifted or Handled	Includes dropping object on body part.

80	Object Handled By Others	Includes another person dropping object on injured person's body part.
85	Animal or Insect	Includes bite, sting or allergic reaction.
86	Explosion or Flare Back	Rapid expansion, outbreak, bursting, or upheaval. Includes explosion of cars, bottles, aerosol cans, or buildings. "Flare back" involves superheated air and combustible gases at temperatures just below the ignition temperature.
81	Struck or Injured, NOC	Not otherwise classified in any other code. Includes kicked, stabbed, bitten.
IX. Rubbed or Abraded By		
94	Repetitive Motion	Caused by repeated rubbing or abrading; applies to non-impact cases in which the injury was produced by pressure, vibration or friction between the person and the source of injury. Includes callous, blister.
95	Rubbed or Abraded, NOC	Not otherwise classified in any other code. Includes foreign body in ears.
X. Miscellaneous Causes		
82	Absorption, Ingestion or Inhalation, NOC	Not otherwise classified in any other code. Applies only to non-impact cases in which the injury resulted from inhalation, absorption (skin contact), or ingestion of harmful substances.
83	Pandemic	Includes disease epidemic that has spread across a large region.
87	Foreign Matter (Body) in (Eyes)	Injury to eyes resulting from foreign matter that is not otherwise classified in any other code.
88	Natural Disaster	Injury resulting from natural disaster. Includes hurricane, earthquake, tornado, flood, forest fire.
89	Person in Act of a Crime (Other Than Gunshot)	Specific injury, other than gunshot, caused as a result of contact between injured person and another person in the act of committing a crime. Includes robbery or criminal assault.
90	Other Than Physical Cause of Injury	Stress, shock, or psychological trauma that develops in relation to a specific incident or cumulative exposure to conditions.
93	Gunshot	Injury is caused by the discharge of a firearm. Includes instances where injury arises from being struck by the fired projectile, burned by muzzle blast or deafened by report of gunshot.
91	Mold	Includes mildew.
96	Terrorism	An act that causes injury to human life, committed by one or more individuals as part of an effort to coerce a population group(s) or to influence the policy or affect the conduct of any government(s) by coercion.

98	Cumulative, NOC	Cumulative, not otherwise classified in any other code. Involves cases in which the cause of injury occurred over a period of time, any condition increasing in severity over time.
99	Other – Miscellaneous, NOC	Not otherwise classified in any other code.