

Claims

1. A device for handling sort items (12) according to sorting criteria between at least one input point (15) and sorting destinations (18), having at least one sorting plant (32), which is arranged between the input point (15) and the sorting destinations (18) and has a set of transport means (28) for transporting sort items (12), the transport means (28) each being provided for accommodating a sort item (12) that is allocated to a sorting destination (18), characterized in that the sorting plant (32) has at least one main conveying section (56) for the set of transport means (28) to travel thereon, at least one unloading point (52), allocated to at least one sorting destination (18), for unloading the transport means (28), and an unloading section (58) that is allocated to the unloading point (52) and branches off from the main conveying section (56), and which takes a form such that travel on the unloading section (58) by a laden transport means (28) brings about unloading of the associated sort item (12) at the unloading point (52).

2. The device as claimed in claim 1, wherein the sorting plant (32) has a set of unloading points (52) that are arranged one after the other, as seen in the conveying direction of the main conveying section (56), there being allocated to this set of unloading points (52) a set of unloading sections (58) that branch off from the main conveying section (56) at branching points (34) that are arranged one after the other.

3. The device as claimed in claim 2, wherein the unloading sections (58) are oriented parallel to one another and merge