

The invention refers to the tobacco industry, namely to a process for cutting tobacco leaves prior to cutting thereof into strips.

The process consists in the oriented laying of tobacco leaves in bundlings, cutting of tips by cutting tobacco leaves bases into strips. Novelty of the invention consists in that laying of tobacco leaves in bundlings for tip cutting is carried out so that the central nerves of tobacco leaves should form an acute angle with the tip cutting line, the thickness of the central nerve in the cutting place being up to 2 mm and laying of tobacco leaves in bundlings is carried out both open and bent around the central nerve.

The result consists in reducing the power consumption in the strips cutting process and in increasing the tobacco volume of the first fraction.