CPC COOPERATIVE PATENT CLASSIFICATION

B PERFORMING OPERATIONS; TRANSPORTING (NOTES omitted)

TRANSPORTING

B67 OPENING, CLOSING {OR CLEANING} BOTTLES, JARS OR SIMILAR CONTAINERS; LIQUID HANDLING

B67C CLEANING, FILLING WITH LIQUIDS OR SEMILIQUIDS, OR EMPTYING, OF BOTTLES, JARS, CANS, CASKS, BARRELS, OR SIMILAR CONTAINERS, NOT OTHERWISE PROVIDED FOR; FUNNELS

WARNING

In this subclass non-limiting references (in the sense of paragraph 39 of the Guide to the IPC) may still be displayed in the scheme

3/00	Bottling liquids or semiliquids; Filling jars or cans with liquids or semiliquids using bottling or like	3/206	 • (using arrangements of cylinders and pistons (B67C 3/208 takes precedence))
	apparatus; Filling casks or barrels with liquids or semiliquids	3/208	• • { specially adapted for adding small amounts of additional liquids, e.g. syrup}
3/001	• {Cleaning of filling devices}	3/22	Details
3/002	• • {using cups or dummies to be placed under the	2003/221	• • • {Automatic exchange of components}
	filling heads}	3/222	• • {Head-space air removing devices, e.g. by
3/004	• • • {permanently attached to the filling machine		inducing foam}
	and movable between a rest and a working	3/223	• • • {by squeezing the container elastically}
	position}	3/225	• • • {Means for filling simultaneously, e.g. in a
3/005	• • {Cleaning outside parts of filling devices}		rotary filling apparatus or multiple rows of
3/007	• {Applications of control, warning or safety devices		containers}
	in filling machinery (flow-control <u>B67C 3/28</u>)}	2003/226	{Additional process steps or apparatuses
3/008	• {Bottling or like apparatus specially adapted to		related to filling with hot liquids, e.g. after-
	be transported, e.g. positioned on a truck or in a		treatment}
	container}	2003/227	• • • {Additional apparatus related to blow-
3/02	Bottling liquids or semiliquids; Filling jars or cans		moulding of the containers, e.g. a complete
	with liquids or semiliquids using bottling or like		production line forming filled containers from
2/022	apparatus		preforms}
3/023	• • {Filling multiple liquids in a container	2003/228	{Aseptic features}
2/026	(<u>B67C 3/208</u> takes precedence)}	3/24	Devices for supporting or handling bottles
3/026	• • {Filling the liquids simultaneously}	2/2/2	(transport or storing devices in general <u>B65G</u>)
3/04	• without applying pressure	3/242	• • • • {engaging with bottle necks (<u>B67C 3/26</u>
3/045	 {Apparatus specially adapted for filling bottles with hot liquids} 	2/244	takes precedence)}
2/06	 using counterpressure, i.e. filling while the 	3/244	• • • {Bottle lifting devices actuated by jacks, e.g. hydraulic, pneumatic (B67C 3/242 takes
3/06	container is under pressure		e.g. nydraunc, pneumanc (<u>B67C 3/242</u> takes precedence)}
3/065	• • {Filling siphons, e.g. carbonating beverages	3/246	{Bottle lifting devices actuated by cams
3/003	during filling (siphons <u>B67D 1/0456</u>)}	3/240	(B67C 3/242 takes precedence)
3/08	• • • and subsequently lowering the counterpressure	3/248	{Bottle lifting devices actuated by threads
3/10	preliminary filling with inert gases, e.g. carbon	3/240	(<u>B67C 3/242</u> takes precedence)}
3/10	dioxide	3/26	• • Filling-heads; Means for engaging filling-heads
3/12	Pressure-control devices	3/20	with bottle necks
3/14	• • • specially adapted for filling with hot liquids	2003/2602	• • • {Details of vent-tubes}
3/16	using suction	2003/2605	• • • • {Piston-like check valves}
3/18	 using siphoning arrangements 	3/2608	• • • {comprising anti-dripping means}
3/20	 using sipholing arrangements with provision for metering the liquids to be 	3/2611	{to prevent dripping from sources other
3,20	introduced, e.g. when adding syrups (measuring	2. — 4 - 4	than the filling product, e.g. deflectors for
	volume, or volume flow, in general <u>G01F</u>)		vapours condensed on the outer surface of
3/202	· · · {by weighing}		the filling device}
3/204	• • • {using dosing chambers}	3/2614	• • • { specially adapted for counter-pressure
	, ,		filling}

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3/2617		• {the liquid valve being opened by mechanical or electrical actuation}	2003/2694	• • • • {by enclosing a set of containers in a chamber}
3/262		• • {and the filling operation stopping when the liquid rises to a level at which it	2003/2697	• • • • {by enclosing the container partly in a chamber}
3/2622		closes a vent opening}	3/28	• • • Flow-control devices, e.g. using valves ({B67C 3/2617, B67C 3/2625, B67C 3/2637 take precedence}; valves in general F16K)
		sense the wanted liquid level (level control in general <u>G01F</u>)}	3/281	• • • {Profiled valve bodies for smoothing the flow at the outlet of the filling nozzle}
3/2625		• {the liquid valve being opened automatically when a given counterpressure is obtained in the container to be	3/282	{related to filling level control (B67C 3/2617, B67C 3/2625 take precedence)}
		filled}	3/283	• • • • {using pressure sensing means}
3/2628	• • • •	• • { and the filling operation stopping when the liquid rises to a level at which it	3/284	• • • • {using non-liquid contact sensing means (B67C 3/283 takes precedence)}
3/2631			3/285	(B67C 3/283 takes precedence)
		probes, e.g. electrical or optical probes, sense the wanted liquid level (level	3/286	• • • {related to flow rate control, i.e. controlling slow and fast filling phases}
3/2634		control in general G01F)} {specially adapted for vacuum or suction filling}	3/287	• • • • {related to flow control using predetermined or real-time calculated parameters}
2/2627		2,	3/288	• • • • {using master-slave controls}
3/2637		{comprising a liquid valve opened by relative movement between the container and	3/30	 Filling of barrels or casks
		the filling head}	3/32	using counterpressure, i.e. filling while the
3/264		• {and the filling operation being carried out manually}	3/34	 container is under pressure Devices for engaging filling-heads with filling-apertures
3/2642	• • • •	{specially adapted for sterilising prior to filling}	7/00	Concurrent cleaning, filling, and closing of bottles;
2003/2645		{Means to avoid overfilling by preventing		Processes or devices for at least two of these
		gas returning from the container into the		operations
		filling tank via the liquid valve, e.g. mesh	7/0006	• {Conveying; Synchronising}
		screens}	7/0013	• • {Synchronising}
2003/2648		{Inflatable gaskets for sealingly engaging	7/0013 7/002	. {Synchronising}. {General lay-out of bottle-handling machines}
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11/066 . . {for preventing overflow of the filled container}
2011/20 . {comprising closures, e.g. stoppers, caps or lids}

2011/30 • {comprising venting means}

2011/40 . {comprising level indicating means}

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