

**B67 OPENING OR CLOSING BOTTLES, JARS OR SIMILAR CONTAINERS; LIQUID HANDLING** (nozzles in general B05B; packaging liquids B65B, e.g. B65B 3/00; pumps in general F04; siphons F04F 10/00; valves F16K; handling liquefied gases F17C)

**B67B APPLYING CLOSURE MEMBERS TO BOTTLES, JARS, OR SIMILAR CONTAINERS; OPENING CLOSED CONTAINERS** (opening or closing devices attached to, or incorporated in, containers or container closures B65D)

**1/00 Closing bottles, jars, or similar containers by applying stoppers** (stoppers *per se* B65D 39/00)

1/03 . Pretreatment of stoppers, e.g. cleaning, steaming, heating, impregnating or coating; Applying resilient rings to stoppers (mechanical working of cork B27J 5/00) [5]

1/04 . by inserting threadless stoppers, e.g. corks

1/06 . by inserting and rotating screw stoppers

1/08 . Securing stoppers, e.g. swing stoppers, which are held in position by associated pressure-applying means coacting with the bottle neck

1/10 . by inserting disc closures [6]

**3/00 Closing bottles, jars, or similar containers by applying caps** (caps *per se* B65D 41/00)

3/02 . by applying flanged caps, e.g. crown caps, and securing by deformation of flanges

3/04 . . Cutting caps from strip material in capping machines (devices for registering moving strip material B65H 23/00)

3/06 . . Feeding caps to capping heads

3/062 . . . from a magazine

3/064 . . . from a hopper

3/10 . . Capping heads for securing caps

3/12 . . . characterised by being movable axially relative to cap to deform flanges thereof, e.g. to press projecting flange rims inwardly

3/14 . . . characterised by having movable elements, e.g. hinged fingers, for applying radial pressure to the flange of the cap (B67B 3/16, B67B 3/18 take precedence) [5]

3/16 . . . characterised by having resilient deforming elements, e.g. resilient sleeves or collars (B67B 3/18 takes precedence) [5]

3/18 . . . characterised by being rotatable, e.g. for forming screw threads *in situ* [5]

3/20 . by applying and rotating preformed threaded caps (forming threads *in situ* by resilient deforming means B67B 3/16, by rotary capping heads B67B 3/18) [5]

3/22 . by applying snap-on caps

3/24 . Special measures for applying and securing caps under vacuum

3/26 . Applications of control, warning, or safety devices in capping machinery

3/28 . Mechanisms for causing relative movement between bottle or jar and capping head [5]

**5/00 Applying protective or decorative covers to closures; Devices for securing bottle closures with wire** (infant-feeding teats with means for fastening to bottles A61J 11/04) [6]

5/03 . Applying protective or decorative covers to closures, e.g. by forming *in situ* [3]

5/05 . . by applying liquids, e.g. by dipping [3]

5/06 . Devices for securing bottle closures with wire (B67B 1/08 takes precedence)

**7/00 Hand- or power-operated devices for opening closed containers** (nail pullers or extractors B25C 11/00; attached to, or incorporated in, containers or container closures B65D)

7/02 . for removing stoppers

7/04 . . Cork-screws

7/06 . . Other cork removers

7/08 . . . using air or gas pressure

7/10 . . with means for retrieving stoppers from the interior of the container

7/12 . for removing disc-closures

7/14 . for removing tightly-fitting lids or covers, e.g. of shoe-polish tins, by gripping and rotating

7/15 . . finger grapple type [5]

7/16 . for removing flanged caps, e.g. crown caps

7/18 . for removing threaded caps (B67B 7/14 takes precedence; wrenches B25B 13/00) [2]

7/20 . for breaking vacuum seals between lids or covers and bodies of preserving jars, e.g. by wedge action

7/22 . . incorporating loops, e.g. of wire, which are tightened around seal

7/40 . Devices for engaging tags, strips, or tongues for opening by tearing, e.g. slotted keys for opening sardine tins

7/42 . Devices for removing barrel bungs

7/44 . Combination tools, e.g. comprising cork-screws, can piercers, crown-cap removers (combinations of opening devices with cutting tools B26, with devices serving other purposes, *see* the appropriate places, e.g. B25F, B43K 29/00)

7/46 . Cutting devices, i.e. devices including at least one cutting element having one or more cutting edges for piercing through the wall of a closed container, e.g. can openers (B67B 7/44 takes precedence; machines for domestic use with a plurality of interchangeable units A47J 43/06, A47J 44/00; hand-held cutting tools, cutting, severing, in general B26) [4]

7/48 . . punch type, i.e. the cutting element including at least one sharp cutting edge adapted to pierce through the container wall in, ordinarily, a single operating stroke [4]

7/50 . . . with fulcrum, i.e. a lever-like actuating handle with provision to establish a pivot point [4]

7/52 . . . Plural spaced cutting edges adapted to pierce the container during a single operating stroke [4]

7/54 . . sweep cutter type, i.e. an opening device including means to establish a pivot point between the cutting element and the container and having means to move the cutting element about the pivot point [4]

7/56 . . . with container penetrating pivot and variable cutter radius, i.e. the distance between the cutting element and the penetrating pivot being changeable [4]

7/58 . . . . Freely slidable cutter [4]

- 7/60 . . . having force multiplying means employed to relatively turn the container and cutting element about a fixed point to force the cutting element to traverse the container [4]

**Note**

In this group, a simple lever or handle to be manipulated by the operator to relatively rotate the container and opener is not considered to be a force multiplying means. [4]

- 7/62 . . . Progressive fulcrum, i.e. having a lever-like actuating handle and provision to establish a pivot point which is progressively translated relative to the container during the opening operation [4]

**Note**

In this group, the pivot point may be established by (a) contact between the container and a portion of the handle engaging the container, or (b) contact between the handle and a reaction member engaging the container. [4]

- 7/64 . . . with guide means to engage container wall and guide the cutting element thereabout [4]  
 7/66 . . . cutter pivoted to reaction member [4]  
 7/68 . . . shear type, i.e. including cutting elements co-operating with one another so that their respective cutting edges move pass and in substantial contact with each other to perform the cutting operation [4]  
 7/70 . . . including an annular, driven, wheel-like roller member adapted to continuously engage a container chime during the opening operation [4]  
 7/72 . . . Cutter comprising rotatable disc [4]  
 7/74 . . . Roller drive means causes initial piercing, i.e. force applied to rotate the wheel-like member causes the cutting element to pierce the container wall [4]

- 7/76 . . . adapted to pierce container side wall [4]  
 7/78 . . . including plural cutters [4]  
 7/80 . . . with means to cover an opening in the container made by the cutting element [4]  
 7/82 . . . with means to prevent the cut portion from dropping into the container or to raise the cut portion out of the container [4]  
 7/84 . . . adapted for right or left-hand operation, i.e. the device is capable of being operated in either direction about the container [4]

**Note**

This group covers also a progressive fulcrum type container opener including a fulcrum extending from each side of the cutting blade. [4]

- 7/86 . . . with spout or means to deform or bend the material of the container to form a spout [4]  
 7/88 . . . with means to clean or sanitise the cutting element [4]  
 7/90 . . . with sensor, activator and controller [4]

**Note**

In this group, the sensor, e.g. trip lever, push button, photo-cell system, or the like, detects a condition, such as the condition of the container, the container contents, the can opener itself or the environment of the opener which may affect the operation of the opener. The activator, e.g. circuit breaker, clutch, valve, or the like, causes a release of energy. The controller, e.g. motor, driver, or the like, changes or causes the operation of the opener. [6]

- 7/92 . . . by breaking, e.g. for ampoules [5]

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

**Subclass Index****BOTTLES**

Filling; emptying ..... 3/00; 9/00  
 Combined operations..... 7/00

**JARS, CANS, CASKS**

Filling; emptying..... 3/00; 9/00

FUNNELS ..... 11/00

- 3/00 **Bottling liquids or semiliquids; Filling jars or cans with liquids or semiliquids using bottling or like apparatus; Filling casks or barrels with liquids or semiliquids** (filling containers with liquids or semiliquids using apparatus other than bottling or like apparatus B65B 3/00)  
 3/02 . . . Bottling liquids or semiliquids; Filling jars or cans with liquids or semiliquids using bottling or like apparatus  
 3/04 . . . without applying pressure  
 3/06 . . . using counterpressure, i.e. filling while the container is under pressure  
 3/08 . . . and subsequently lowering the counterpressure

- 3/10 . . . preliminary filling with inert gases, e.g. carbon dioxide  
 3/12 . . . Pressure-control devices  
 3/14 . . . specially adapted for filling with hot liquids  
 3/16 . . . using suction  
 3/18 . . . using siphoning arrangements  
 3/20 . . . with provision for metering the liquids to be introduced, e.g. when adding syrups (measuring volume, or volume flow, in general G01F)  
 3/22 . . . Details  
 3/24 . . . Devices for supporting or handling bottles (transport or storing devices in general B65G)  
 3/26 . . . Filling-heads; Means for engaging filling-heads with bottle necks

3/28	. . . Flow-control devices, e.g. using valves (valves in general F16K)	9/00	<b>Emptying bottles, jars, cans, casks, barrels, or similar containers, not otherwise provided for</b> (devices for tilting and emptying containers B65G 65/23) [3]
3/30	. Filling of barrels or casks		
3/32	. . using counterpressure, i.e. filling while the container is under pressure	11/00	<b>Funnels, e.g. for liquids</b> (filter funnels B01D 29/085; volume-flow meters G01F)
3/34	. . Devices for engaging filling-heads with filling-apertures	11/02	. without discharge valves
7/00	<b>Concurrent cleaning, filling, and closing of bottles; Processes or devices for at least two of these operations</b>	11/04	. with non-automatic discharge valves
		11/06	. with automatic discharge valves

**B67D DISPENSING, DELIVERING, OR TRANSFERRING LIQUIDS, NOT OTHERWISE PROVIDED FOR** (cleaning pipes or tubes or systems of pipes or tubes B08B 9/02; emptying or filling of bottles, jars, cans, casks, barrels, or similar containers, not otherwise provided for B67C; water supply E03; pipe systems F17D; domestic hot-water supply systems F24D; measuring volume, volume flow, mass flow or liquid level, metering by volume G01F; coin-freed or like apparatus G07F) [5]

1/00	<b>Apparatus or devices for dispensing beverages on draught</b> (B67D 3/00 takes precedence; apparatus for making beverages A47J 31/00) [3]	5/08	. . . Arrangements of devices for controlling, indicating, metering or registering quantity or price of liquid transferred (arrangement of flow- or pressure-control valves B67D 5/34; measuring volume or volume flow in general G01F; computing, calculating, counting G06; coin-freed apparatus for dispensing fluids G07F 13/00; prepayment devices for metering liquids G07F 15/00) [3]
1/02	. Beer engines or like manually-operable pumping apparatus	5/10	. . . . operated by keys, push-buttons, or cash registers [3]
1/04	. Apparatus utilising compressed air or other gas acting directly or indirectly on beverages in storage containers	5/12	. . . . operated by movement of delivery hose or nozzle or by devices associated therewith [3]
1/06	. Mountings or arrangements of dispensing apparatus in or on shop or bar counters (shop or bar counters <u>per se</u> A47F 9/00)	5/14	. . . . responsive to input of recorded programmed information, e.g. on punched cards [3]
1/07	. Cleaning beverage-dispensing apparatus [5]	5/16	. . . . Arrangements of liquid meters [3]
1/08	. Details	5/18	. . . . . of piston type [3]
1/10	. . Pump mechanisms (in general F04)	5/20	. . . . . of rotary type [3]
1/12	. . Flow- or pressure-control devices or systems	5/22	. . . . Arrangements of indicators or registers (indicating or recording in fluid meters G01F 15/06) [3]
1/14	. . . Reducing valves or control taps	5/24	. . . . . with means for producing or issuing a receipt or record of sale [3]
1/16	. . Devices for collecting spilled beverages	5/26	. . . . . with resetting or zeroising means [3]
3/00	<b>Apparatus or devices for controlling flow of liquids under gravity from storage containers for dispensing purposes</b> (separating and dispensing metered quantities of liquids G01F)	5/28	. . . . . with automatic means for reducing or intermittently interrupting flow before completion of delivery, e.g. to produce dribble feed [3]
3/02	. Liquid-dispensing valves having operating members arranged to be pressed upwards, e.g. by the rims of receptacles held below the delivery orifice	5/30	. . . . . with means for predetermining quantity of liquid to be transferred (B67D 5/10, B67D 5/14 take precedence) [3]
3/04	. Liquid-dispensing taps or cocks adapted to seal and open tapping-holes of casks, e.g. for beer	5/32	. . . Arrangements of safety or warning devices (alarm arrangements in general G08B); Means for preventing unauthorized delivery of liquid [3]
5/00	<b>Apparatus or devices for transferring liquids, not covered by groups B67D 1/00 or B67D 3/00</b> (general disposition of plant in stations for supplying fuel to vehicles B60S 5/02; for filling or emptying locomotive water tanks, e.g. water columns, B61K 11/00; for refuelling aircraft during flight B64D 39/00; liquid-handling ground installations specially adapted for fuelling stationary aircraft B64F 1/28) [3]	5/33	. . . . Means for preventing unauthorised delivery of liquid [5]
5/01	. from bulk storage containers or reservoirs into vehicles or into portable containers, e.g. for retail sale purposes (B67D 5/68 takes precedence) [3]	5/34	. . . Arrangements of flow- or pressure-control valves (associated with nozzles B67D 5/37) [3]
5/02	. . for transferring liquids other than fuel or lubricants [3]	5/36	. . . Arrangements of hoses, e.g. operative connection with pump motor (hoses in general F16L 11/00) [3]
5/04	. . for transferring fuels, lubricants or mixed fuels and lubricants [3]	5/365	. . . . Suspending, reeling, or storing devices (supports for storing lengths of hoses, in general B65H 75/34) [3]
5/06	. . Details or accessories [3]	5/37	. . . Filling nozzles (nozzles in general B05B; fluid-delivering valves in general F16K 21/00) [3]
		5/371	. . . . automatically closing [3]

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- 5/372 . . . . . when liquid in container to be filled reaches a predetermined level [3]
- 5/373 . . . . . by making use of air suction through an opening closed by the rising liquid [3]
- 5/375 . . . . . and provided with an additional hand lever [3]
- 5/377 . . . . . and provided with additional flow-controlling valve means [3]
- 5/378 . . . . . with means for preventing escape of liquid or vapour or for recovering escaped liquid or vapour (B67D 5/371 takes precedence) [5]
- 5/38 . . . . . Arrangements of flow-indicators, e.g. transparent compartments, windows, rotary vanes (indicating or recording presence, absence or direction of movement G01P 13/00) [3]
- 5/40 . . . . . Arrangements of pumps (pumps F04) [3]
- 5/42 . . . . . manually operable [3]
- 5/44 . . . . . power operated [3]
- 5/46 . . . . . of piston type [3]
- 5/48 . . . . . of rotary type [3]
- 5/50 . . . . . submerged in storage tank or reservoir [3]
- 5/52 . . . . . of two or more pumps in series or parallel [3]
- 5/54 . . . . . Devices for applying air or other gas pressure for forcing liquid to delivery point [3]
- 5/56 . . . . . Devices for mixing two or more different liquids to be transferred (coin-freed apparatus G07F 13/06) [3]
- 5/58 . . . . . Arrangements of devices for purifying liquids to be transferred, e.g. of filters, of air or water separators (filtration, separation, in general B01D) [3]
- 5/60 . . . . . Arrangements of storage tanks, reservoirs or pipe-lines [3]
- 5/62 . . . . . Arrangements of heating or cooling devices for liquids to be transferred [3]
- 5/63 . . . . . Heating only [6]
- 5/64 . . . . . Casings, cabinets or frameworks; Trolleys or like movable supports [3]
- 5/66 . . . . . Illuminating arrangements [3]
- 5/68 . . . . . Loading or unloading ships (ship-based equipment B63B 27/00) [3]
- 5/70 . . . . . using articulated pipes [3]