## SECTION G - PHYSICS

## G04 <br> HOROLOGY

G04B MECHANICALLY-DRIVEN CLOCKS OR WATCHES; MECHANICAL PARTS OF CLOCKS OR WATCHES IN GENERAL; TIME-PIECES USING THE POSITION OF THE SUN, MOON, OR STARS (spring- or weight-driven mechanisms in general F03G; electromechanical clocks or watches G04C; electromechanical clocks with attached or built-in means operating any device at preselected times or after predetermined time intervals G04C $23 / 00$; clocks or watches with stop devices G04F 7/08; structural details or housings specially adapted for electronic time-pieces with no moving parts G04G 17/00)


## Driving mechanisms

## 1/00 Driving mechanisms

1/02 • with driving weight
1/04 - Mechanisms in which the clockwork acts as the driving weight
1/06 • - with several weights
1/08 • - Driving weights; Chains; Chain wheels; Arbors for chain wheels
1/10 • with mainspring
1/12 • - with several mainsprings
1/14 • Mainsprings; Bridles therefor (mainsprings with bridles G04B 1/18; alloys C22C; springs in general F16F)
1/16 • • Barrels; Arbors; Barrel axles (arrangements facilitating the removal of the mainspring G04B 33/14)
1/18 - - Constructions for connecting the ends of mainsprings with the barrel or the arbor
$1 / 20$ - - Protecting arrangements against rupture or overwinding of the mainspring located in the barrel or attached to the barrel (in connection with keys or the like G04B 3/06, G04B 3/10; in connection with automatic winding devices G04B 5/24)

## Winding

- Protecting means preventing overwinding (arranged in, or attached to, the barrel G04B 1/20; in connection with keys G04B 3/06; in connection with automatic winding devices G04B 5/24)
Normal winding of clockworks by hand or mechanically; Winding-up several mainsprings or driving weights simultaneously
- Removably-mounted keys or the like
- Rigidly-mounted keys, knobs, or crowns (divided winding stems G04B 37/06)
- Keys or the like with means preventing overwinding (protecting devices arranged in, or attached to, the barrel G04B $1 / 20$; in connection with automatic winding devices G04B 5/24)
- by parts of the cases
- by mechanical means, e.g. pneumatic motor
-     - Compensation of changes in the motive power of the mainspring (by mechanical shaping of the mainspring G04B 1/14)
- with both mainsprings and driving weights
- driven by liquids or gases; Liquid or gaseous drives for mechanically-controlled secondary clocks (winding-up with electric or electromechanical means G04C)


## Automatic winding-up

5/02 - by self-winding caused by movement of the watch
5/04 - - by oscillating weights the movement of which is limited
5/06 • - acting in one direction only
5/08 • • acting in both directions
5/10 - - by oscillating weights the movement of which is not limited

5/12 • • - acting in one direction only
5/14 • • acting in both directions
5/16 - - Construction of the weights
5/18 - - Supports, suspensions, or guide arrangements, for oscillating weights
5/19 - - . Suspension of the oscillating weight at its centre of rotation [3]
5/20 - by movements of other objects, e.g. by opening handbag, by opening case, by opening door; Winding-up by wind power
5/22 - by thermometric, barometric, or like effects or alterations
5/24 - Protecting means preventing overwinding (arranged in, or attached to, the barrel G04B $1 / 20$; in connection with keys or the like G04B $3 / 06$; in connection with parts of the cases G04B 3/10)

7/00 Combined normal and automatic winding-up
9/00 Supervision of the state of winding, e.g. indicating the amount of winding
9/02 - Devices controlled by such state, e.g. device affording protection against overwinding (protecting means preventing overwinding arranged in or on the barrel G04B 1/20; protecting means in connection with keys or the like G04B 3/06; in connection with parts of the cases G04B $3 / 10$; in connection with automatic winding devices G04B 5/24)

11/00 Click devices, stop clicks or clutches for winding
11/02 - Devices allowing the motion of a rotatable part in only one direction [3]
11/04 - P Pawl constructions therefor, e.g. pawl secured to an oscillating member actuating a ratchet [3]

| 13/00 | Gearwork |
| :---: | :---: |
| 13/02 | - Wheels; Pinions; Spindles; Pivots (bearings G04B 31/00) |
| 15/00 | Escapements (electric or magnetic means for converting oscillatory to rotary motion in electromechanical time-pieces G04C 5/00) |
| 15/02 | - permanently in contact with the regulating mechanism |
| 15/04 | - Cylinder escapements |
| 15/06 | - Free escapements |
| 15/08 | - Lever escapements |
| 15/10 | - with constant impulses for the regulating mechanism |
| 15/12 | - Adjusting (tools therefor G04D 1/02); Restricting the amplitude of the lever or the like |
| 15/14 | - Component parts or constructional details, e.g. construction of the lever or the escape wheel |
| 17/00 | Mechanisms for stabilising frequency [3] |
| 17/02 | - Oscillators acting by gravity, e.g. pendulum swinging in a plane |
| 17/04 | - Oscillators acting by spring tension |
| 17/06 | Oscillators with hairsprings, e.g. balance |

- Oscillators with coil springs stretched and unstretched axially
- Oscillators with torsion strips or with springs acting in the same manner as torsion strips, e.g. weight oscillating in a horizontal plane
- Compensation of mechanisms for stabilizing frequency
-     - for the effect of variations of temperature (alloys independent of variations of temperature C22C)
-     - for the effect of variations of atmospheric pressure
-     - for the effect of variations of the impulses
-     - for the effect of unbalance of the weights, e.g. tourbillon
- Rotating governors, e.g. centrifugal governors, fan governors (for striking mechanism G04B 21/06)
- Component parts or constructional details, e.g. collet, stud
-     - for fastening the hairspring onto the balance [3]


## Mechanisms for setting frequency [3]

- Regulator devices; Indexing devices [3]
- Adjusting the beat of the pendulum, balance, or the like, e.g. putting into beat [3]
- . by setting the collet or the stud of a hairspring [3]
- Component parts or constructional details [3]


## Time indicating

Indicating the time by visual means (by electric lamps G04C 17/02; display arrangements in general G09)

- Back-gearing arrangements between gear train and hands
- Hands; Discs with a single mark or the like
- Dials (for time-pieces without clockwork G04B 49/04)
-     - Geometrical arrangement of the graduations
-     - Ornamental shape of the graduations or the surface of the dial; Attachment of graduations to the dial
-     - Selection of materials for dials or graduations
- Fastening the dials to the clock or the watch plates
-     - Shiftable dials, e.g. indicating alternately from 1 to 12 and from 13 to 24
-     - Graduations on the crystal or glass, on the bezel, or on the rim
- Indicating by numbered bands, drums, discs, or sheets
-     - Drums [3]
- Arrangements for indicating different local apparent times; Universal time-pieces
- by means of additional hands or additional pairs of hands [3]
- Clocks or watches with date indicators; Clockwork calendars
-     - characterised by the shape of the date indicator [3]
- • disc-shaped [3]
-     - . Devices for setting the date indicators manually [3]
-     -         - Driving or releasing mechanisms [3]
- • drum-shaped [3]
- Clocks or watches with indicators for tides, for the phases of the moon, or the like
- Adjustable guide marks or pointers for indicating determined points of time
- Illumination of dials or hands
-     - by luminescent substances


23/00 Arrangements producing acoustic signals at preselected times (electrically-released alarm signals G04C 21/00; metronomes G04F 5/02; sound-producing apparatus per se G10)
23/02 • Alarm clocks
23/03 • • Alarm signal stop arrangements [3]
23/04 - - with coarse and fine setting of the preselected time
23/06 - - adjustable for several preselected times with automatic stopping of the signal
23/08 - - operating on successive days without resetting; operating only once in each 24 hours
23/10 • - with presignal; with repeated signal; with changeable intensity of sound
23/12 - - Alarm watches to be worn in pockets or on the wrist (giving signals by stimulating the skin G04B 25/04)

25/00 Indicating the time by other means or by combined means (electric or electromechanical indicating G04C)
25/02 - by feeling; Clocks or watches for blind persons
25/04 - - Alarm clocks or watches with devices stimulating the skin
25/06 - by moving figures, e.g. cuckoo-clock, trumpet clock
27/00 Mechanical devices for setting the time-indicating means
27/02 - by making use of the winding means
27/04 • - with clutch wheel
27/06 • • with rocking bar
27/08 - by using parts of the case

## Frameworks, supports, or arrangements of the clockwork parts in relation to each other, so-called "calibers"

29/00 Frameworks
29/02 • Plates; Bridges; Cocks
29/04 • Connecting or supporting parts
31/00 Bearings; Point suspensions or counter-point suspensions; Pivot bearings; Single parts therefor (bearings in general F16C)
31/004 - characterised by the material used [3]
31/008 • • Jewel bearings (G04B 31/04 takes precedence) [3]
31/012 • • Metallic bearings [3]
31/016 • • Plastic bearings [3]
31/02 • Shock-damping bearings
31/04 • • with jewel hole and cap jewel [3]

31/06 • Manufacture or mounting processes [3]
31/08 • Lubrication [3]
33/00 Calibers
33/02 - Circular calibers
33/04 • Non-circular calibers
33/06 • of extremely flat shape
33/08 - in which the gear train is arranged in different planes, e.g. parallel or inclined to each other (G04B 33/10 takes precedence)
33/10 • with seconds hand arranged in the centre of the dial
33/12 • for extremely-long running times
33/14 - Calibers of which the mainsprings or barrels are easily removable (mainsprings G04B 1/14; barrels, arbors G04B 1/16)
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- with arrangements affording protection of the clockwork against damage as a consequence of a rupture of the mainspring

35/00 Adjusting the gear train, e.g. the backlash of the arbors, depth of meshing of the gears

## Protection of the clockwork against damage from outside

## 37/00 Cases

37/02 - Evacuated cases; Cases filled with gases or liquids; Cases containing substances for absorbing or binding moisture or dust
37/04 - Mounting the clockwork in the case; Shockabsorbing mountings

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37/06

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- Cases for special purposes, e.g. watch combined with ring, watch combined with button (watch guards or protectors A45C 11/10, A45C 11/12; watches combined with cosmetic powder containers A45D 33/30)

37/22 • Materials or processes of manufacturing pocket watch or wrist watch cases [3]

39/00 Watch crystals; Fastening or sealing crystals; Clock glasses
39/02
41/00

43/00

- Fixed mountings for pocket or wrist watches [3]
- Forming the passage for the winding stem through the case; Divided winding stems
- Hermetic sealing of openings, joints, passages, or slits
-     - of winding stems
-     - of the back cover of pocket or wrist watches [3]
- Suspending devices, supports, or stands for timepieces in so far as they form part of the case (wristwatch straps, fastening means therefor A44C 5/00)
-     - Fastening the case to the bracelet [3]
- for pocket or wrist watches (G04B 37/02G04B 37/16 takes precedence) [3]
-     - with hinged covers or backs [3]
- Sealing crystals or glasses [3]

Locking or holding devices for pendulums, chimes, or the like, for use during transport

Protecting clockworks by shields or other means against external influences, e.g. magnetic fields

## Clocks with unusual features

45/00 Time-pieces of which the indicating means or cases provoke special effects, e.g. aesthetic effect (ornamental shaping of dials G04B 19/10)

45/04 - Time-pieces with invisible drive, e.g. with hands attached to rotating glass disc

47/00 Time-pieces combined with other articles which do not interfere with the running or the time-keeping of the time-piece (G04B 37/12 takes precedence; writing or drawing implements with devices for indicating time B43K 29/087; combinations with vehicle mirror assemblies B60R 1/12; combined with cameras, projectors, or photographic printing apparatus G03B 29/00)
47/02 - Installations within mirrors, pictures, furniture, or other household articles

47/04 • with attached ornaments or amusement apparatus
47/06 • with attached measuring instruments, e.g. pedometer, barometer, thermometer, compass

49/00 Time-pieces using the position of the sun, moon, or stars
49/02 • Sundials
49/04 • - Graduation or shaping of dials

99/00 Subject matter not provided for in other groups of this subclass [2006.01]

G04C ELECTROMECHANICAL CLOCKS OR WATCHES (mechanical parts of clocks or watches in general G04B; electronic timepieces with no moving parts, electronic circuitry for producing timing pulses G04G)

## Note(s)

This subclass covers electric features of mechanically-driven clocks or watches, such as electric winding of such clocks or the provision of electric contacts thereon.


Electric winding of mechanical clocks; Independent electric clocks or watches

| 1/00 | Winding mechanical clocks electrically (winding mechanically G04B 3/00) |
| :---: | :---: |
| 1/02 | - by electromagnets |
| 1/04 | - by electric motors with rotating or with reciprocating movement |
| 1/06 | - . winding-up springs |
| 1/08 | - raising weights |
| 1/10 | - Protection against overwinding (in mechanical clocks or watches G04B 1/20, G04B 3/06, G04B 3/10) |
| 1/12 | - - of the spring |
| 1/14 | - of the weights |
| 3/00 | Electromechanical clocks or watches independent of other time-pieces and in which the movement is maintained by electric means (clocks driven by synchronous motors G04C 15/00) |
| 3/02 | - wherein movement is regulated by a pendulum |
| 3/027 | - - using electromagnetic coupling between electric power source and pendulum (G04C 3/033 takes precedence) [3] |
| 3/033 | - - using torsion pendulums; using conical pendulums (construction thereof G04B 17/00) [3] |
| 3/04 | - wherein movement is regulated by a balance |

-     - using electromagnetic coupling between electric power source and balance [3]
- wherein movement is regulated by a mechanical oscillator other than a pendulum or balance, e.g. by a tuning fork [3]
-     - driven by electromagnetic means [3]
-     - driven by piezo-electric means; driven by magneto-strictive means [3]
- incorporating a stepping motor (G04C 3/02G04C 3/12 take precedence) [3]
- incorporating an electro-dynamic continuously rotating motor (G04C 3/02-G04C 3/12 take precedence) [3]
- incorporating electro-thermal or electro-pneumatic driving means [3]

Electric or magnetic means for converting oscillatory to rotary motion in time-pieces, i.e. electric or magnetic escapements (regulators G04C 3/00) [3]

Electrically-actuated devices for setting the timeindicating means (of slave clocks G04C 13/03; radiocontrolled time-pieces G04R) [3]

- by blocking the driving means [3]
- by decoupling the driving means (combined with blocking means G04C 9/04) [3]
- by electric drive [3]

| 10/00 | Arrangements of electric power supplies in timepieces [3] |
| :---: | :---: |
| 10/02 | - the power supply being a radioactive source [3] |
| 10/04 | - with means for indicating the condition of the power supply [3] |
| Electric clock installations; Master-and-slave clock systems; Synchronous-motor clocks |  |
| 11/00 | Synchronisation of independently-driven clocks (radio-controlled time-pieces G04R) |
| 11/04 | - over a line (transmitting time signals over telephone networks H04M 11/06) |
| 11/06 | - with direct mechanical action on the time-indicating means [3] |
| 11/08 | - using an electric magnet or motor [3] |
| 13/00 | Driving mechanisms for clocks by master clocks |
| 13/02 | - Circuit arrangements; Electric clock installations |
| 13/03 | - P Pulse transmission systems with additional means for setting the time indication of slave clocks [3] |
| 13/04 | Master clocks |
| 13/06 | - - Contact devices (for simultaneously winding several clocks G04C 1/00) |
| 13/08 | - Slave clocks actuated intermittently |
| 13/10 | - by electromechanical step-advancing mechanisms |
| 13/11 | - - with rotating armature [3] |
| 13/12 | by continuously-rotating electric motors [3] |
| 13/14 | - - by electrically-released mechanical driving mechanisms |
| 15/00 | Clocks driven by synchronous motors |
| Indicating the time or producing time signals electrically |  |
| 17/00 | Indicating the time optically by electric means (G04C 19/00 takes precedence; liquid crystal materials C09K 19/00; by mechanical means G04B 19/00, G04B 19/20) [3] |
| 17/02 | - by electric lamps |
| 19/00 | Producing optical time signals at prefixed times by electric means |
| 19/02 | - by electric lamps |
| 19/04 | - by indicating members moved electrically, e.g. flap, band |
| 21/00 | Producing acoustic time signals by electrical means |
| 21/02 | - Constructional details (G04C 21/04, G04C 21/16 take precedence) |
| 21/04 | - Indicating the time of the day (acoustic indication of time G04B 21/00) |
| 21/06 | - . by striking mechanism |
| 21/08 | - with snail |
| 21/10 | - - with locking plate |
| 21/12 | - by electro-acoustic means |
| 21/14 | - . Electro-acoustic time announcement, i.e. spoken |
| 21/16 | - producing the signals at adjustable fixed times |
| 21/18 | - - by mechanically unlocking an electromechanical vibrator, e.g. actuated by the leakage flux of the electric driving means |
| 21/20 | - - by closing a contact to ring an electromechanical alarm |
| 21/22 | - - put into action by the arbor of a mechanical alarm work |

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-     - put into action by the spring of a mechanical alarm work
-     - put into action by the vibrations caused by the operation of a mechanical alarm work
-     - by closing a contact to put into action electroacoustic means, e.g. awakening by music
-     - with provision for a number of operations at different times, e.g. ringing the bells in a school
-     - giving indications at a number of places, each at a different time, e.g. system of alarms in a hotel
- Devices on watches or similar portable timepieces
-     - Signal-repeating devices
- Adjusting the duration of signals

Clocks with attached or built-in means operating any device at preselected times or after preselected timeintervals (if restricted to producing acoustic time signals by electrical means G04C 21/00; mechanical alarm clocks G04B 23/02; apparatus which can be set and started to measure-off predetermined intervals G04F 3/06; time or time-programme switches which automatically terminate their operation after the programme is completed $\mathrm{H} 01 \mathrm{H} 43 / 00$ )

- Constructional details
- Housings, supports, shielding, or similar stationary parts
- Driving or regulating means
- Programming means
-     - for actuating any element which operates, or initiates the operation of, the device concerned
- Electric circuitry
- Mechanisms continuously running to relate the operation(s) to the time of day
-     - acting only at one preselected time or during one adjustable time interval
-     - for operating one device at a number of different times
- • . with contacts operated, or formed, by clock hands or elements of similar form
- . . with the actuating element carried by a disc
- . . . the actuating element controlling another element mechanically
-     - for operating a number of devices at different times
-     - . with contacts operated, or formed, by clock hands or elements of similar form
-     - with the actuating element carried by a disc
- • - the actuating element controlling another element mechanically
-     - with provision for automatic modification of the programme, e.g. on Sunday
-     - . by external influences
- Mechanisms measuring a chosen time interval independently of the time of day at which the interval starts
-     - using continuously-running mechanism
-     - acting only at the end of a single time interval
-     - . with provision for selection from a number of preset intervals
-     - with provision for adjustment of the interval (G04C 23/44 takes precedence)
-     - acting at the ends of successive time intervals

| $23 / 50$ | -with provision for modification of the interval(s) <br> by external influences | $\mathbf{9 9 / 0 0}$ | Subject matter not provided for in other groups of <br> this subclass [2006.01] |
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## Subclass index

HAND AND MACHINE TOOLS ..... 1/00, 3/00
LUBRICATING DEVICES ..... 5/00
MEASURING AND TESTING APPARATUS ..... 7/00
DEMAGNETISING DEVICES ..... 9/00
SUBJECT MATTER NOT PROVIDED FOR IN OTHER GROUPS OF THIS SUBCLASS ..... 99/00

| 1/00 | Gripping, holding, or supporting devices | 5/00 | Oiling devices; Special lubricant containers for |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| 1/02 | - Tweezers; Vice clamps or other special hand tools for watchmakers |  | watchmakers |
| 1/04 | - Tools for setting springs | 7/00 | Measuring, counting, calibrating, testing, or regulating apparatus |
| 1/06 | - Supporting devices for clockworks or parts of timepieces | 7/02 | $\stackrel{\text { - for mainsprings }}{ }$ |
| 1/08 | - Tools for setting or removing hands | 7/04 | - for gearwork |
| 1/10 | - Devices for opening or closing watch bottoms or covers | $\begin{aligned} & 7 / 06 \\ & 7 / 08 \end{aligned}$ | - for escapements <br> - for balance wheels |
|  |  | 7/10 | - for hairsprings |
| 3/00 | Watchmakers' or watch-repairers' machines or tools for working materials | 7/12 | - Timing devices for clocks or watches for comparing the rate of the oscillating member with a standard |
| 3/02 | - Lathes, with one or more supports; Burnishing machines, with one or more supports | 9/00 | Demagnetising devices |
| 3/04 | - Devices for placing bearing jewels, bearing sleeves, or the like in position | 99/00 | Subject matter not provided for in other groups of this subclass [2006.01] |
| 3/06 | - Devices for shaping or setting watch glasses |  | this subclass [2006.01] |
| 3/08 | - Machines or apparatus for cleaning |  |  |

G04F TIME-INTERVAL MEASURING (measuring pulse characteristics G01R, e.g. G01R 29/02; in radar or like systems G01S; masers H01S 1/00; generation of oscillations H03B; generation or counting of pulses, frequency dividing H03K; analogue/digital conversion in general H03M 1/00) [2]

## Note(s)

This subclass covers:

- apparatus for measuring-off predetermined time intervals;
- apparatus for producing such intervals as timing standards, e.g. metronomes;
- apparatus for measuring unknown intervals, e.g. precision systems for short-time-interval measurement.


## Subclass index

MEASURING PREDETERMINED TIME INTERVALS
Producing time standards............................................................................................................................ 5/00
Apparatus: without driving mechanisms; with driving mechanisms............................................................1/00, 3/00
MEASURING UNKNOWN TIME INTERVALS
Mechanically; electromechanically; electrically; otherwise...................................................................7/00, 8/00, 10/00, 13/00


1/02 - by consuming prefixed quantities of materials, e.g. by burning candle
1/04 - by movement or acceleration due to gravity

| 3/00 | Apparatus which can be set and started to measureoff predetermined or adjustably-fixed time intervals with driving mechanisms, e.g. dosimeter with clockwork (time or time-programme switches which automatically terminate their operation after the programme is completed $\mathrm{H} 01 \mathrm{H} 43 / 00$ ) | $7 / 04$ $7 / 06$ $7 / 08$ $7 / 10$ | - using a mechanical oscillator [2] <br> - - running only during the time interval to be measured, e.g. stop-watch <br> - - Watches or clocks with stop devices, e.g. chronograph <br> - Means used apart from the time-piece for starting or |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| 3/02 | - with mechanical driving mechanisms |  | stopping same [2] |
| $3 / 04$ $3 / 06$ | - - Additional arrangements in connection with ordinary non-electric clocks for this purpose <br> - with electric driving mechanisms | 8/00 | Apparatus for measuring unknown time intervals by electromechanical means [2] |
| 3/08 | - - Additional arrangements in connection with ordinary electric clocks for this purpose | $\begin{aligned} & 8 / 02 \\ & 8 / 04 \end{aligned}$ | - using an electromechanical oscillator [2] <br> - - using a piezo-electric oscillator [2] |
| 5/00 | Apparatus for producing preselected time intervals for use as timing standards (generating clock signals for electric digital computers G06F 1/04; automatic | $8 / 06$ $8 / 08$ | - - using a magnetostrictive oscillator [2] <br> - Means used apart from the time-piece for starting or stopping same [2] |
|  | frequency control or stabilisation of generators in general H03L) | 10/00 | Apparatus for measuring unknown time intervals by electric means [2] |
| 5/02 | - Metronomes | 10/02 | - using oscillators with passive electric resonator, e.g. |
| 5/04 | - using oscillators with electromechanical resonators [2] | 10/04 | lumped LC [2] <br> - by counting pulses or half-cycles of an ac [2] |
| 5/06 | - using piezo-electric resonators [2] | 10/06 | - by measuring phase [2] |
| 5/08 | - - using magnetostrictive resonators [2] | 10/08 | - using pulses produced by radio-isotopes [2] |
| 5/10 | - using electric or electronic resonators (G04F 5/14 takes precedence) [2] | 10/10 | - by measuring electric or magnetic quantities changing in proportion to time [2] |
| 5/12 | - using fluidic devices [2] |  |  |
| 5/14 | - using atomic clocks [2] | 13/00 | Apparatus for measuring unknown time intervals by |
| 5/16 | - using pulses produced by radio-isotopes [2] |  | means not provided for in groups G04F 5/00- <br> G04F 10/00 [2] |
| 7/00 | Apparatus for measuring unknown time intervals by | 13/02 | - using optical means [2] |
|  |  | 13/04 | - using electrochemical means [2] |
| 7/02 | - by measuring the distance of fall or the final velocity of a falling body | 13/06 | - using fluidic means [2] |

## G04G ELECTRONIC TIME-PIECES [3]

## Note(s)

1. This subclass covers:

- electronic time-pieces with no moving parts;
- electronic circuitry for producing timing pulses irrespective of the nature of the time-indicating means utilised.

2. This subclass does not cover electronic time-pieces with moving parts, which are covered by subclass G04C.

## Subclass index

PRODUCING TIMING PULSES....................................................................................................................... $3 / 00$

TIME- OR DATE-INDICATING
Visual; optical signals; acoustic signals.....................................................................................................9/00, 11/00, 13/00
OPERATING A DEVICE AT PRESELECTED TIMES.................................................................................... $15 / 00$
STRUCTURAL DETAILS; HOUSINGS........................................................................................................... $17 / 00$
ELECTRIC POWER SUPPLY CIRCUITS......................................................................................................... 19/00
INPUT OR OUTPUT DEVICES INTEGRATED IN TIME-PIECES................................................................21/00
OTHER SUBJECTS..........................................................................................................................................99/00.

3/00 Producing timing pulses (driving circuits for stepping motors G04C 3/14; producing preselected time intervals for use as timing standards G04F 5/00; pulse technique in general H03K; control, synchronisation, or stabilisation of generators in general H03L) [3]
3/02 - Circuits for deriving low frequency timing pulses from pulses of higher frequency (pulse frequency dividers in general H03K 23/00-H03K 29/00) [3]
3/04

- Temperature-compensating arrangements [7]

5/00 Setting, i.e. correcting or changing, the timeindication (radio-controlled time-pieces G04R) [3, 2013.01]
5/02 - by temporarily changing the number of pulses per unit time, e.g. quick-feed method [3]
5/04 - by setting each of the displayed values, e.g. date, hour, independently [3]

7/00 Synchronisation (radio-controlled time-pieces G04R) [3]

| 9/00 | Visual time or date indication means [3] |
| :---: | :---: |
| 9/02 | - by selecting desired characters out of a number of characters or by selecting indicating elements the position of which represent the time, e.g. by using multiplexing techniques [3] |
| 9/04 | - - by controlling light sources, e.g. electroluminescent diodes [3] |
| 9/06 | - - using light valves, e.g. liquid crystals [3] |
| 9/08 | - by building-up characters using a combination of indicating elements, e.g. by using multiplexing techniques [3] |
| 9/10 | - - by controlling light sources, e.g. electroluminescent diodes [3] |
| 9/12 | - - using light valves, e.g. liquid crystals [3] |
| 11/00 | Producing optical signals at preselected times [3] |
| 13/00 | Producing acoustic time signals [3] |
| 13/02 | - at preselected times, e.g. alarm clocks [3] |
| 15/00 | Time-pieces comprising means to be operated at preselected times or after preselected time intervals (G04G 11/00, G04G 13/00 take precedence; pulse delay circuits H03K $5 / 13$; electronic time-delay switches H03K 17/28; electronic time-programme switches which automatically terminate their operation after the programme is completed H03K 17/296; time programming for television signal recording H04N 5/761) [3] |
| G04R | RADIO-CONTROLLED TIME-PIECES [2013.01] |

20/00 Setting the time according to the time information carried or implied by the radio signal [2013.01]

20/04 - - Tuning or receiving; Circuits therefor [2013.01]
20/06 • • Decoding time data; Circuits therefor [2013.01]
20/08 - the radio signal being broadcast from a long-wave call sign, e.g. DCF77, JJY40, JJY60, MSF60 or WWVB [2013.01]
20/10 • - Tuning or receiving; Circuits therefor [2013.01]
20/12 • - Decoding time data; Circuits therefor [2013.01]
20/14 - the radio signal being a telecommunication standard signal, e.g. GSM, UMTS or 3G [2013.01]
20/16 • Tuning or receiving; Circuits therefor [2013.01]
20/18 - - Decoding time data; Circuits therefor [2013.01]
20/20 - the radio signal being an AM/FM standard signal, e.g. RDS [2013.01]
20/22 - - Tuning or receiving; Circuits therefor [2013.01]
20/24 - - Decoding time data; Circuits therefor [2013.01]
20/26 - the radio signal being a near-field communication signal [2013.01]

Structural details; Housings (constructional details of radio-controlled time-pieces, e.g. antennas G04R 60/00) [7, 2013.01]

- Component assemblies [7]
- Mounting of electronic components [7]
- Electric connectors, e.g. conductive elastomers [7]
- Housings [7]

Electric power supply circuits specially adapted for use in electronic time-pieces [7]

- Conversion or regulation of current or voltage [7]
- Capacitive voltage division or multiplication [7]
-     - Regulation [7]
- Arrangements for preventing voltage drop due to overloading the power supply [7]
- Arrangements for supplying back-up power [7]
- Arrangements for reducing power consumption during storage [7]

Input or output devices integrated in timepieces [2010.01]

- Detectors of external physical values, e.g. temperature [2010.01]
- using radio waves (radio-controlled time-pieces G04R) [2010.01, 2013.01]
- using voice [2010.01]
- Touch switches specially adapted for timepieces [2010.01]

Subject matter not provided for in other groups of this subclass [2010.01]

- Tuning or receiving; Circuits therefor [2013.01]
- Decoding time data; Circuits therefor [2013.01]

Correcting the clock frequency [2013.01]

- by phase locking [2013.01]
- by detecting the radio signal frequency [2013.01]
- by computing the time value implied by the radio signal [2013.01]

Constructional details [2013.01]

- Antennas also serving as components of clocks or watches, e.g. motor coils [2013.01]
- Antennas attached to or integrated in watch bracelets [2013.01]
- Antennas attached to or integrated in clock or watch bodies [2013.01]
- • inside bezels [2013.01]
-     - inside cases [2013.01]
- • • inside metal cases [2013.01]
- specific to electromechanical timepieces, e.g. moving parts thereof [2013.01]

