SECTION B — PERFORMING OPERATIONS; TRANSPORTING

B08 CLEANING

B08B CLEANING IN GENERAL; PREVENTION OF FOULING IN GENERAL (brushes A46; devices for domestic or like cleaning A47L; separation of particles from liquids or gases B01D; separation of solids B03, B07; spraying or applying liquids or other fluent materials to surfaces in general B05; cleaning devices for conveyors B65G 45/10; concurrent cleaning, filling and closing of bottles B67C 7/00; inhibiting corrosion or incrustation in general C23; cleaning streets, permanent ways, beaches or land E01H; parts, details or accessories of swimming or splash baths or pools, specially adapted for cleaning E04H 4/16; preventing or removing electrostatic charges H05F)

Note(s)

This subclass <u>covers</u> only cleaning, which is usually classified according to one (or more) of the aspects mentioned below, if it is not fully classifiable in a subclass providing for any of the following aspects:

- the articles cleaned, e.g. bed-pans, urinal or other sanitary devices for bed-ridden persons A61G 9/02, filters, semi-permeable membranes B01D, castings and moulds B22D 29/00, vehicles B60S, coke ovens C10B 43/00, building forms E04G, boilers F22, combustion apparatus F23J, furnaces F27;
- the general nature of the cleaning, e.g. preparing for sugar manufacture A23N, domestic cleaning A47L, treatment of textiles D06, laundry D06F, air-conditioning F24F;
- the particular operation performed, e.g. filtering B01D, separating of solids B03, B07, sand-blasting B24C;
- the particular apparatus or device, e.g. brushes A46B, mops A47L, centrifuges B04, hand tools B25;
- the substance cleaned, e.g. metals B21C, C23, water C02, glass C03C, leather C14B, textile fibres D01;
- the substance removed (or prevented from depositing or forming), e.g. implements or apparatus for removing dry paint from surfaces B44D 3/16, chemical paint-removers C09D 9/00, preventing rust C23F;
- the substance used, e.g. macromolecular compounds or compositions C08, anti-icing materials C09K, detergents C11D;
- the operation in connection with which cleaning is done, e.g. metal rolling B21B, metal boring B23B, soldering B23K, textile fabrication D01G, D01H, D03J, D04B;
- the surroundings of a surface to be cleaned or kept clean, e.g. water in a boiler C02F, air in a room F24F.

Subclass index

CLEANING CHARACTERISED BY THE MEANS USED	
CLEANING HOLLOW, FLEXIBLE OR DELICATE ARTICLES	9/00, 11/00
ACCESSORIES OR DETAILS OF MACHINES	13/00
PREVENTING FOULING OR ESCAPE OF DIRT OR FUMES	15/00, 17/00

1/00	Cleaning by methods involving the use of tools,		
	brushes, or analogous members (B08B 3/12,		
	B08B 6/00, B08B 9/00 take precedence) [1, 2, 2006.01]		

Cleaning travelling work, e.g. a web or articles on a conveyor [1, 2006.01]

using rotary operative members (B08B 1/02 takes precedence) [1, 2006.01]

3/00 Cleaning by methods involving the use or presence of liquid or steam (B08B 9/00 takes precedence) [1, 2006.01]

3/02 • Cleaning by the force of jets or sprays [1, 2006.01]

• Cleaning involving contact with liquid [1, 2006.01]

using perforated drums in which the article or material is placed [1, 2006.01]

 the liquid having chemical or dissolving effect (substances used, <u>see</u> the relevant classes) [1, 2006.01]

with additional treatment of the liquid or of the object being cleaned, e.g. by heat, by electricity, by vibration [1, 2006.01]

- 3/12 • by sonic or ultrasonic vibrations (washing or rinsing machines for crockery or tableware using sonic or ultrasonic waves A47L 15/13; of natural teeth, of prostheses using ultrasonic techniques similar to those used for natural teeth A61C 17/20; application of ultrasonic vibrations to chemical, physical, or physicochemical processes in general B01J 19/10) [2, 5, 2006.01]
- 3/14 • Removing waste, e.g. labels, from cleaning liquid (treatment of water in general C02F) [5, 2006.01]
- 5/00 Cleaning by methods involving the use of air flow or gas flow (B08B 6/00, B08B 9/00 take precedence) [1, 2, 7, 2006.01]
- 5/02 Cleaning by the force of jets, e.g. blowing-out cavities [1, 2006.01]
- 5/04 Cleaning by suction, with or without auxiliary action (suction cleaners A47L) [1, 2006.01]

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6/00	Cleaning by electrostatic means (domestic cleaning	9/24	• • • • and having conveyors [5, 2006.01]
	implements functioning electrostatically A47L 13/40; cleaning of grooved record carriers	9/26 9/28	• • • • Rotating conveyors [5, 2006.01]
	G11B 3/58) [2, 2006.01]	9/20	 the apparatus cleaning by splash, spray or jet application, with or without soaking [5, 2006.01]
7/00	Cleaning by methods not provided for in a single	9/30	• • • • and having conveyors [5, 2006.01]
	other subclass or a single group in this subclass [1, 2006.01]	9/32	• • • • • Rotating conveyors [5, 2006.01]
7/02	 by distortion, beating, or vibration of the surface to be cleaned [1, 2006.01] 	9/34	• • • Arrangement of conduits or nozzles [5, 2006.01]
7/04	• by a combination of operations [1, 2006.01]	9/36	• • • the apparatus cleaning by using brushes [5, 2006.01]
9/00	Cleaning hollow articles by methods or apparatus specially adapted thereto (B08B 3/12, B08B 6/00 take precedence) [1, 2, 2006.01]	9/38	 the apparatus cleaning by using scrapers, chains, grains of shot, sand or other abrasive means (abrasive blasting in general B24C) [5, 2006.01]
9/02	 Cleaning pipes or tubes or systems of pipes or tubes (apparatus for cleaning metal pipes by chemical methods C23G 3/04) [1, 5, 2006.01] 	9/40	• • • the apparatus cleaning by burning out [5, 2006.01]
9/023	• • Cleaning the external surfaces [7, 2006.01]	9/42	• • • the apparatus being characterised by means for
9/027	 Cleaning the internal surfaces; Removal of blockages [7, 2006.01] 		conveying or carrying containers therethrough [5, 2006.01]
9/032	• • by the mechanical action of a moving fluid, e.g. by flushing (B08B 9/04 takes	9/44	• • • the means being for loading or unloading the apparatus [5, 2006.01]
	precedence) [7, 2006.01]	9/46	 Inspecting cleaned containers for
9/035	• • • by suction [7, 2006.01]		cleanliness [5, 2006.01]
9/04	 using cleaning devices introduced into and moved along the pipes [1, 7, 2006.01] 	11/00	Cleaning flexible or delicate articles by methods or apparatus specially adapted thereto (B08B 3/12,
9/043	 • • • moved by externally powered mechanical linkage, e.g. pushed or drawn through the pipes [7, 2006.01] 	11/02	B08B 6/00 take precedence) [1, 2, 2006.01] • Devices for holding articles during
9/045	• • • • the cleaning devices being rotated while moved (B08B 9/047 takes	11/04	 cleaning [1, 2006.01] specially adapted for plate glass, e.g. prior to manufacture of windshields (cleaning the gap
9/047	precedence) [7, 2006.01] • • • • the cleaning devices having motors for powering cleaning tools [7, 2006.01]		between permanently secured panes E06B 3/677) [1, 2006.01]
9/049	 • • • having self-contained propelling means for moving the cleaning devices along the pipes [7, 2006.01] 	13/00	Accessories or details of general applicability for machines or apparatus for cleaning [1, 2006.01]
9/051	• • • • the cleaning devices having motors for powering cleaning tools [7, 2006.01]	15/00	Preventing escape of dirt or fumes from the area where they are produced; Collecting or removing
9/053	• • • moved along the pipes by a fluid, e.g. by		dirt or fumes from that area (parts, details or
9/055	fluid pressure or by suction [7, 2006.01] • • • • the cleaning devices conforming to, or being conformable to, substantially the cross-section of the pipes, e.g. pigs or		accessories of cooking-vessels for withdrawing or condensing cooking vapours from such vessels A47J 36/38; refuse disposal B65F; devices for conducting smoke or fumes, e.g. flues, F23J 11/00;
9/057	moles [7, 2006.01] • • • • the cleaning devices being entrained		removing cooking fumes from domestic stoves or ranges F24C 15/20; air-conditioning, ventilation F24F) [1, 5, 2006.01]
	discrete elements, e.g. balls, grinding elements, brushes [7, 2006.01]	15/02	• using chambers or hoods covering the area [1, 2006.01]
9/08	• Cleaning of containers, e.g. tanks [1, 2006.01]	15/04	• from a small area, e.g. a tool [1, 2006.01]
9/087	• • by methods involving the use of tools, e.g. brushes, scrapers (B08B 9/20 takes	17/00	Methods preventing fouling [1, 2006.01]
0 \U03	precedence) [5, 2006.01] • by the force of jets or sprays (B08B 9/20 takes	17/02	 Preventing deposition of fouling or of
9/093	precedence) [5, 2006.01]	48.0.	dust [1, 2006.01]
9/20	 by using apparatus into or on to which containers, e.g. bottles, jars, cans, are brought [5, 2006.01] 	17/04 17/06	 by using removable coverings [1, 2006.01] by giving articles subject to fouling a special
9/22	• • • the apparatus cleaning by soaking alone [5, 2006.01]		shape for arrangement [1, 2006.01]