# SECTION B — PERFORMING OPERATIONS; TRANSPORTING

#### **B67** OPENING OR CLOSING BOTTLES, JARS OR SIMILAR CONTAINERS; LIQUID HANDLING

APPLYING CLOSURE MEMBERS TO BOTTLES, JARS, OR SIMILAR CONTAINERS; OPENING CLOSED **B67B 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)	5/03	• Applying protective or decorative covers to closures, e.g. by forming <u>in situ</u> [3]
1/03	Pretreatment of stoppers, e.g. cleaning, steaming,	5/05	<ul> <li>by applying liquids, e.g. by dipping [3]</li> </ul>
	heating, impregnating or coating; Applying resilient	5/06	Devices for securing bottle closures with wire
	rings to stoppers (mechanical working of cork B27J 5/00) <b>[5]</b>		(B67B 1/08 takes precedence)
1/04	<ul> <li>by inserting threadless stoppers, e.g. corks</li> </ul>	6/00	Closing bottles, jars or similar containers by
1/06	<ul> <li>by inserting and rotating screw stoppers</li> </ul>		applying closure members, not provided for in
1/08	<ul> <li>Securing stoppers, e.g. swing stoppers, which are</li> </ul>		groups B67B 1/00-B67B 5/00 [2009.01]
	held in position by associated pressure-applying	7/00	Hand- or power-operated devices for opening closed
	means coacting with the bottle neck	7700	containers (nail pullers or extractors B25C 11/00;
1/10	• by inserting disc closures [6]		attached to, or incorporated in, containers or container
3/00	Closing bottles, jars, or similar containers by		closures B65D)
	applying caps (caps per se B65D 41/00)	7/02	for removing stoppers
3/02	<ul> <li>by applying flanged caps, e.g. crown caps, and</li> </ul>	7/04	• • Cork-screws
	securing by deformation of flanges	7/06	<ul> <li>Other cork removers</li> </ul>
3/04	<ul> <li>Cutting caps from strip material in capping</li> </ul>	7/08	using air or gas pressure
	machines (devices for registering moving strip material B65H 23/00)	7/10	<ul> <li>with means for retrieving stoppers from the interior of the container</li> </ul>
3/06	<ul> <li>Feeding caps to capping heads</li> </ul>	7/12	<ul> <li>for removing disc-closures</li> </ul>
3/062 3/064	<ul><li>• • from a magazine</li><li>• • from a hopper</li></ul>	7/14	<ul> <li>for removing tightly-fitting lids or covers, e.g. of shoe-polish tins, by gripping and rotating</li> </ul>
3/10	Capping heads for securing caps	7/15	• • finger grapple type [5]
3/10	<ul> <li>capping fleads for securing caps</li> <li>characterised by being movable axially relative</li> </ul>	7/16	for removing flanged caps, e.g. crown caps
5/12	to cap to deform flanges thereof, e.g. to press projecting flange rims inwardly	7/18	• for removing threaded caps (B67B 7/14 takes precedence; wrenches B25B 13/00) [2]
3/14	• • characterised by having movable elements, e.g.	7/20	<ul> <li>for breaking vacuum seals between lids or covers and</li> </ul>
5/11	hinged fingers, for applying radial pressure to		bodies of preserving jars, e.g. by wedge action
	the flange of the cap (B67B 3/16, B67B 3/18	7/22	<ul> <li>incorporating loops, e.g. of wire, which are</li> </ul>
2/16	take precedence) [5]	E / 40	tightened around seal
3/16	<ul> <li>characterised by having resilient deforming elements, e.g. resilient sleeves or collars (B67B 3/18 takes precedence) [5]</li> </ul>	7/40	<ul> <li>Devices for engaging tags, strips, or tongues for opening by tearing, e.g. slotted keys for opening sardine tins</li> </ul>
3/18	• • characterised by being rotatable, e.g. for	7/42	<ul> <li>Devices for removing barrel bungs</li> </ul>
3/10	forming screw threads <u>in situ</u> [5]	7/42	Combination tools, e.g. comprising cork-screws, can
3/20	by applying and rotating preformed threaded caps	7/44	piercers, crown-cap removers (combinations of
37 <b>2</b> 0	(forming threads <u>in situ</u> by resilient deforming means		opening devices with cutting tools B26, with devices
	B67B 3/16, by rotary capping heads B67B 3/18) <b>[5]</b>		serving other purposes, <u>see</u> the appropriate places,
3/22	<ul> <li>by applying snap-on caps</li> </ul>		e.g. B25F, B43K 29/00)
3/24	Special measures for applying and securing caps under vacuum	7/46	<ul> <li>Cutting devices, i.e. devices including at least one cutting element having one or more cutting edges for</li> </ul>
3/26	<ul> <li>Applications of control, warning, or safety devices in capping machinery</li> </ul>		piercing through the wall of a closed container, e.g. can openers (B67B 7/44 takes precedence; machines
3/28	Mechanisms for causing relative movement between		for domestic use with a plurality of interchangeable
2. 20	bottle or jar and capping head [5]		units A47J 43/06, A47J 44/00; hand-held cutting tools, cutting, severing, in general B26) [4]
5/00	Applying protective or decorative covers to closures;	7/48	<ul> <li>punch type, i.e. the cutting element including at least one sharp cutting edge adapted to pierce</li> </ul>
	<b>Devices for securing bottle closures with wire</b> (infant- feeding teats with means for fastening to bottles		through the container wall in, ordinarily, a single
	A61J 11/04) [6]		operating stroke [4]

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- 7/50 • with fulcrum, i.e. a lever-like actuating handle with provision to establish a pivot point [4]
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   Plural spaced cutting edges adapted to pierce the container during a single operating stroke [4]
- \* 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]
- 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(s)

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.

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(s)

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.

- 7/64 • with guide means to engage container wall and guide the cutting element thereabout [4]
- 7/66 • cutter pivoted to reaction member [4]
  - shear type, i.e. including cutting elements cooperating with one another so that their respective cutting edges move pass and in substantial contact with each other to perform the cutting operation [4]

- 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]
- 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]
- with means to prevent the cut portion from dropping into the container or to raise the cut portion out of the container [4]
- adapted for right or left-hand operation, i.e. the device is capable of being operated in either direction about the container [4]

#### Note(s)

This group <u>covers</u> also a progressive fulcrum type container opener including a fulcrum extending from each side of the cutting blade.

- 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(s)

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.

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

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BOTTLES	
Filling; emptying	3/00, 9/00
Combined operations	
JARS, CANS, CASKS	
Filling; emptying	
FUNNELS	

- 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)
- 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

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3/10	• • • preliminary filling with inert gases, e.g. carbon dioxide	3/32	• • using counterpressure, i.e. filling while the container is under pressure
3/12	<ul> <li>Pressure-control devices</li> </ul>	3/34	<ul> <li>Devices for engaging filling-heads with filling-</li> </ul>
3/14	<ul> <li>specially adapted for filling with hot liquids</li> </ul>		apertures
3/16	using suction	7/00	Comment design (III) and all design (II) and
3/18	<ul> <li>using siphoning arrangements</li> </ul>	7/00	Concurrent cleaning, filling, and closing of bottles; Processes or devices for at least two of these
3/20	<ul> <li>with provision for metering the liquids to be introduced, e.g. when adding syrups (measuring</li> </ul>		operations
	volume, or volume flow, in general G01F)	9/00	Emptying bottles, jars, cans, casks, barrels, or
3/22	• • Details		similar containers, not otherwise provided for
3/24	• • Devices for supporting or handling bottles (transport or storing devices in general B65G)		(devices for tilting and emptying containers B65G 65/23) [3]
3/26	• • • Filling-heads; Means for engaging filling-heads with bottle necks	11/00	<b>Funnels, e.g. for liquids</b> (filter funnels B01D 29/085;
3/28	<ul> <li>• • Flow-control devices, e.g. using valves (valves in general F16K)</li> </ul>		volume-flow meters G01F)
		11/02	without discharge valves
3/30	<ul> <li>Filling of barrels or casks</li> </ul>	11/04	<ul> <li>with non-automatic discharge valves</li> </ul>
		11/06	<ul> <li>with automatic discharge valves</li> </ul>

**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, petering by volume CO1E: coin-freed or like apparatus CO7E) [5]

	volume flow, mass flow or liquid level, metering by volume G	01F; coin-freed or like apparatus G07F) [5]
1/00	Apparatus or devices for dispensing beverages on draught (B67D 3/00 takes precedence; apparatus for making beverages A47J 31/00) [3]	<ul> <li>7/06 • Details or accessories [2010.01]</li> <li>7/08 • Arrangements of devices for controlling, indicating, metering or registering quantity or</li> </ul>
1/02	Beer engines or like manually-operable pumping	price of liquid transferred (arrangement of flow- or pressure-control valves B67D 7/36; computing,
1/04	<ul> <li>apparatus</li> <li>Apparatus utilising compressed air or other gas acting directly or indirectly on beverages in storage containers</li> </ul>	calculating, counting G06; coin-freed apparatus for dispensing fluids G07F 13/00; prepayment devices for metering liquids
1/06	<ul> <li>Mountings or arrangements of dispensing apparatus in or on shop or bar counters (shop or bar counters per se A47F 9/00)</li> </ul>	G07F 15/00) [ <b>2010.01</b> ]  7/10  • • operated by keys, push-buttons or cash registers [ <b>2010.01</b> ]
1/07 1/08	<ul><li> Cleaning beverage-dispensing apparatus [5]</li><li> Details</li></ul>	7/12 • • • operated by movement of delivery hose or nozzle or by devices associated therewith [2010.01]
1/10 1/12 1/14	<ul> <li>Pump mechanisms (in general F04)</li> <li>Flow- or pressure-control devices or systems</li> <li>Reducing valves or control taps</li> </ul>	7/14 • • responsive to input of recorded programmed information, e.g. on punched cards <b>[2010.01]</b>
1/16	Devices for collecting spilled beverages	7/16 • • • Arrangements of liquid meters <b>[2010.01]</b> 7/18 • • • of piston type <b>[2010.01]</b>
3/00	Apparatus or devices for controlling flow of liquids	7/20 • • • of rotary type <b>[2010.01]</b>
	under gravity from storage containers for dispensing purposes (separating and dispensing metered quantities of liquids G01F)	7/22 • • • Arrangements of indicators or registers (indicating or recording in fluid meters G01F 15/06) [2010.01]
3/02	<ul> <li>Liquid-dispensing valves having operating members arranged to be pressed upwards, e.g. by the rims of</li> </ul>	7/24 • • • • with means for producing or issuing a receipt or record of sale [2010.01]
5 / 6 /	receptacles held below the delivery orifice	7/26 • • • with resetting or zeroing means <b>[2010.01]</b>
3/04	<ul> <li>Liquid-dispensing taps or cocks adapted to seal and open tapping-holes of casks, e.g. for beer</li> </ul>	7/28 • • • with automatic means for reducing or intermittently interrupting flow before completion of delivery, e.g. to produce dribble
7/00	Apparatus or devices for transferring liquids from	feed <b>[2010.01]</b>
	bulk storage containers or reservoirs into vehicles or into portable containers, e.g. for retail sale purposes	7/30 • • • with means for predetermining quantity of

into portable containers, e.g. for retail sale purposes (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) [2010.01] 7/02 for transferring liquids other than fuel or

lubricants [2010.01]

7/04 for transferring fuels, lubricants or mixed fuels and lubricants [2010.01]

7/36 Arrangements of flow- or pressure-control valves (associated with nozzles B67D 7/42) [2010.01]

liquid [2010.01]

liquid [2010.01]

liquid to be transferred (B67D 7/10,

B67D 7/14 take precedence) [2010.01]

Means for preventing unauthorised delivery of

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Arrangements of safety or warning devices;

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7/38	• • Arrangements of hoses, e.g. operative connection	7/66	• • • of rotary type <b>[2010.01]</b>
	with pump motor (hoses in general F16L 11/00) <b>[2010.01]</b>	7/68	<ul> <li>• submerged in storage tank or reservoir [2010.01]</li> </ul>
7/40	<ul> <li>• • Suspending, reeling or storing devices (supports for storing lengths of hoses, in</li> </ul>	7/70	<ul> <li>• of two or more pumps in series or parallel [2010.01]</li> </ul>
	general B65H 75/34) [2010.01]	7/72	• • Devices for applying air or other gas pressure for
7/42	<ul> <li>Filling nozzles [2010.01]</li> </ul>		forcing liquid to delivery point [2010.01]
7/44	<ul> <li>• automatically closing [2010.01]</li> </ul>	7/74	<ul> <li>Devices for mixing two or more different liquids</li> </ul>
7/46	• • • • when liquid in container to be filled reaches a predetermined level <b>[2010.01]</b>		to be transferred (coin-freed apparatus G07F 13/06) <b>[2010.01]</b>
7/48	• • • • by making use of air suction through an opening closed by the rising liquid [2010.01]	7/76	• • Arrangements of devices for purifying liquids to be transferred, e.g. of filters, of air or water separators [2010.01]
7/50	• • • • and provided with an additional hand lever [2010.01]	7/78	• • Arrangements of storage tanks, reservoirs or pipelines [2010.01]
7/52	• • • • and provided with additional flow-controlling valve means [2010.01]	7/80	<ul> <li>Arrangements of heating or cooling devices for liquids to be transferred [2010.01]</li> </ul>
7/54	<ul> <li>• with means for preventing escape of liquid or</li> </ul>	7/82	• • • Heating only <b>[2010.01]</b>
	vapour or for recovering escaped liquid or vapour (B67D 7/44 takes	7/84	<ul> <li>Casings, cabinets or frameworks; Trolleys or like movable supports [2010.01]</li> </ul>
	precedence) [2010.01]	7/86	<ul> <li>Illuminating arrangements [2010.01]</li> </ul>
7/56	<ul> <li>Arrangements of flow-indicators, e.g. transparent</li> </ul>		
	compartments, windows, rotary vanes (indicating or recording presence, absence or direction of movement G01P 13/00) [2010.01]	9/00	Apparatus or devices for transferring liquids when loading or unloading ships (ship-based equipment B63B 27/00) [2010.01]
7/50	· · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · ·	0.400	,
7/58	• • Arrangements of pumps [2010.01]	9/02	<ul> <li>using articulated pipes [2010.01]</li> </ul>
7/60	• • • manually operable [2010.01]	99/00	Subject matter not provided for in other groups of
7/62	• • • power operated [2010.01]	33/00	this subclass [2010.01]
7/64	• • • of piston type <b>[2010.01]</b>		1110 0110 1110 [2010,01]

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