

**CPC****COOPERATIVE PATENT CLASSIFICATION****E03B**

**INSTALLATIONS OR METHODS FOR OBTAINING, COLLECTING, OR DISTRIBUTING WATER** (drilling wells, obtaining fluids in general from wells [E21B](#) ; pipe-line systems in general [F17D](#) )

**Guidance heading:**

**E03B 1/00**      **Methods or layout of installations for water supply** ([E03B 3/00](#), [E03B 9/00](#) take precedence)

[E03B 1/02](#)      .    for public or like main supply {for industrial use }

[E03B 1/04](#)      .    for domestic or like local supply

[E03B 1/041](#)    ..    { Greywater supply systems }

[E03B 1/042](#)    ...    { Details thereof, e.g. valves or pumps }

[E03B 1/044](#)    ....    { Switch valves in waste pipes }

[E03B 2001/045](#)    ...    using household water

[E03B 2001/047](#)    ...    using rainwater

[E03B 1/048](#)    ..    { Systems for collecting not used fresh water }

**E03B 3/00**      **Methods or installations for obtaining or collecting drinking water or tap water** (treatment of water [C02F](#) )

[E03B 3/02](#)      .    from rain-water

[E03B 3/03](#)      ..    Special vessels for collecting or storing rain-water for use in the household, e.g. water-butts { (containers for storage, in general, [B65D](#) ) }

[E03B 3/04](#)      .    from surface water {Barrages [E02B 7/00](#) }

[E03B 3/06](#)      .    from underground {consolidating foundation soil by draining, e.g. by lowering the water level [E02D 3/00](#); subsoil filtering [E21B 43/02](#) }

[E03B 3/08](#)      ..    Obtaining and confining water by means of wells (applicable to a combination of water and other liquids or to other liquids only [E21B 43/00](#))

[E03B 3/10](#)      ...    by means of pit wells

[E03B 3/11](#)      ....    in combination with tubes, e.g. perforated, extending horizontally, or upwardly inclined, exterior to the pits

[E03B 3/12](#)      ...    by means of vertical pipe wells

[E03B 3/14](#)      ...    by means of horizontal or oblique wells

[E03B 3/15](#)      ...    Keeping wells in good condition, e.g. by cleaning, repairing, regenerating; Maintaining or enlarging the capacity of wells or water-bearing layers (with artificial enrichment [E03B 3/32](#)) { (cleaning, in general [B08B](#) ) }

[E03B 3/16](#)      ...    Component parts of wells

[E03B 3/18](#)      ....    Well filters (filters in general [B01D 24/00](#) to [B01D 35/00](#))

[E03B 3/20](#)      .....    of elements of special shape

- E03B 3/22 . . . . . Selection of specified materials {not used, documents in [E03B 3/20](#) }
- E03B 3/24 . . . . . formed of loose materials, e.g. gravel
- E03B 3/26 . . . . . with packed filtering material
- E03B 3/28 . from humid air (condensing of vapours in general [B01D 5/00](#); dehumidification of air for air-conditioning [F24F 3/14](#))
- E03B 3/30 . from snow or ice
- E03B 3/32 . with artificial enrichment, e.g. by adding water from a pond or a river {consolidating foundation soil by draining e.g. by lowering the water level [E02D 3/00](#) }
- E03B 3/34 . . of underground water
- E03B 3/36 . . of surface water
- E03B 3/38 . Curbs for springs
- E03B 3/40 . Other devices for confining, e.g. trenches, drainage
- E03B 5/00** **Use of pumping plants or installations; Layouts thereof** (pumps; pumping plants or installations per se [F04](#) )
- E03B 5/02 . arranged in buildings
- E03B 5/025 . . {with surface tanks }
- E03B 5/04 . arranged in wells
- E03B 5/045 . . {with surface tanks }
- E03B 5/06 . . Special equipment, {e.g. well seals and connections for well casings or the like }
- E03B 7/00** **Water main or service pipe systems** (pipes or tubes in general [E16L](#) )
- E03B 7/003 . { Arrangement for testing of watertightness of water supply conduits }
- E03B 7/006 . { Arrangements or methods for cleaning or refurbishing water conduits }
- E03B 7/02 . Public or like main pipe systems
- E03B 7/04 . Domestic or like local pipe systems (domestic plumbing [E03C 1/02](#))
- E03B 7/045 . . { diverting initially cold water in warm water supply }
- E03B 7/07 . Arrangement of devices, e.g. filters, flow controls, measuring devices, siphons, valves, in the pipe systems (devices per se, see the relevant classes for these devices)
- E03B 7/071 . . { Arrangement of safety devices in domestic pipe systems, e.g. devices for automatic shut-off }
- E03B 7/072 . . { Arrangement of flowmeters }
- E03B 7/074 . . { Arrangement of water treatment devices }
- E03B 7/075 . . { Arrangement of devices for control of pressure or flow rate }
- E03B 7/077 . . { Arrangement of backflow preventing devices }
- E03B 7/078 . . { Combined units with different devices; Arrangement of different devices with

- respect to each other }
- E03B 7/08 . . Arrangement of draining devices, { e.g. manual shut-off valves } (draining devices in general [F16K](#) , [F16L](#) )
- E03B 7/09 . Component parts or accessories (tools for cleaning pipes [B08B 9/02](#); devices for preventing contamination of drinking water pipes for domestic use [E03C 1/10](#); devices for preventing damage in case of bursts of pipes [F16L](#) ; heating of pipes in general [F16L 53/00](#))
- E03B 7/095 . . { Component holders or housings, e.g. boundary boxes }
- E03B 7/10 . . Devices preventing bursting of pipes by freezing (devices preventing bursting of pipes in general [F16L 55/00](#))
- E03B 7/12 . . . by preventing freezing
- E03B 7/14 . . Devices for thawing frozen pipes
- E03B 9/00** **Methods or installations for drawing-off water** (domestic water-drawing devices [E03C](#) ; taps or valves per se [F16K](#) )
- E03B 9/02 . Hydrants; Arrangements of valves therein; Keys for hydrants
- E03B 2009/022 . . Hydrants with a tubular valve seat
- E03B 9/025 . . { Taps specially designed for outdoor use, e.g. wall hydrants, sill cocks }
- E03B 9/027 . . . { with features preventing frost damage }
- E03B 9/04 . . Column hydrants
- E03B 9/06 . . . Covers
- E03B 9/08 . . Underground hydrants
- E03B 9/10 . . . Protective plates or covers
- E03B 9/12 . . . Stand-pipes
- E03B 9/14 . . Draining devices for hydrants
- E03B 9/16 . . Devices for retaining foreign matter, e.g. sand
- E03B 9/18 . . Cleaning tools for hydrants
- E03B 9/20 . . Pillar fountains or like apparatus for dispensing drinking water
- E03B 11/00** **Arrangements or adaptations of tanks for water supply** (water-butts [E03B 3/03](#); storage aspects [B65D](#) , [B65G](#) , [F17B](#) , [F17C](#) ; foundations [E02D 27/38](#); construction or assembling of bulk storage containers employing civil engineering techniques [E04H 7/00](#); tower aspects [E04H 12/00](#))
- E03B 2011/005 . Tanks with two or more separate compartments divided by e.g. a flexible membrane
- E03B 11/02 . for domestic or like local water supply
- E03B 11/04 . . without air regulators {i.e. without air inlet or outlet valves; water tanks provided with flexible walls }
- E03B 11/06 . . with air regulators {air receivers for water conduits [F16L 55/04](#); pressure control devices for fluids [G05D](#) }
- E03B 11/08 . . . Air regulators
- E03B 11/10 . for public or like main water supply
- E03B 11/12 . . of high-level tanks

E03B 11/14

. . of underground tanks

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. . Adaptations of devices for putting pumping plants in and out of operation, e.g. automatic control devices {not used, documents in [F04](#) }