

**CPC****COOPERATIVE PATENT CLASSIFICATION****F03C**

**POSITIVE-DISPLACEMENT ENGINES DRIVEN BY LIQUIDS** (positive-displacement engines for liquids and elastic fluids [F01](#) ; positive- displacement machines for liquids [F04](#) ; fluid-pressure actuators [F15B](#) ; fluid gearing [F16H](#) )

**NOTE**

Attention is drawn to the notes preceding class [F01](#) , especially as regards the meanings of "positive displacement", "rotary-piston machines", "oscillating-piston machines", "rotary-piston", "co-operating members", "movement of co-operating members", "teeth or tooth-equivalents", and "internal axis".

**WARNING**

The following IPC groups are not used in the CPC scheme. Subject matter covered by these groups is classified in the following CPC groups:

[F03C 1/253](#) covered by [F03C](#)  
[F03C 1/28](#) " " [F03C 1/0406](#), [F03C 1/0605](#)  
[F03C 1/30](#) " " [F03C 1/0409](#), [F03C 1/0631](#), [F03C 1/0668](#)  
[F03C 1/32](#) " " [F03C 1/0415](#), [F03C 1/0626](#), [F03C 1/0652](#)  
[F03C 1/34](#) " " [F03C 1/0435](#), [F03C 1/0615](#), [F03C 1/0655](#)  
[F03C 1/36](#) " " [F03C 1/0435](#), [F03C 1/0615](#), [F03C 1/0655](#)  
[F03C 1/38](#) " " [F03C 1/0435](#), [F03C 1/0615](#), [F03C 1/0655](#)  
[F03C 1/40](#) " " [F03C 1/04N](#), [F03C 1/06K](#)

**Guidance heading:****F03C 1/00****Reciprocating-piston liquid engines**

- [F03C 1/001](#) . {the movement in two directions being obtained by two or more double-acting piston liquid motors }
- [F03C 1/002](#) . {details; components parts }
- [F03C 1/003](#) . {controlling }
- [F03C 1/004](#) . . {speed-control }
- [F03C 1/005](#) . . {motor piston stroke control }
- [F03C 1/007](#) . with single cylinder, double-acting piston
- [F03C 1/0073](#) . . {one side of the double-acting piston being always under the influence of the liquid under pressure }
- [F03C 1/0076](#) . . . {the liquid under pressure being continuously delivered to one cylinder chamber through a valve in the piston for actuating the return stroke }
- [F03C 1/013](#) . with single cylinder, single-acting piston
- [F03C 1/0135](#) . . {with actuation of the return stroke by gravity }
- [F03C 1/02](#) . with multiple-cylinders, characterised by the number or arrangement of cylinders (with movable cylinders [F03C 1/22](#); of flexible-wall type [F03C 5/02](#))

F03C 1/03	..	with movement in two directions being obtained by two single-acting piston liquid engines, each acting in one direction
F03C 1/035	...	{one single-acting piston being always under the influence of the liquid under pressure }
F03C 1/04	..	with cylinders in star or fan arrangement { <a href="#">F03C 1/22</a> takes precedence }
F03C 1/0403	...	{Details, component parts specially adapted of such engines }
F03C 1/0406	....	{Pistons }
F03C 1/0409	....	{Cams }
F03C 1/0412	.....	{consisting of several cylindrical elements e.g. rollers }
F03C 1/0415	....	{Cylinders }
F03C 1/0419	....	{Arrangements for pressing or connecting the pistons against the actuated cam }
F03C 1/0422	.....	{hydraulically }
F03C 1/0425	....	{Disconnecting the pistons from the actuated cam (in general <a href="#">F01B 31/24</a> ) }
F03C 1/0428	....	{Supporting and guiding means for the pistons }
F03C 1/0431	....	{Draining of the engine housing; arrangements dealing with leakage fluid }
F03C 1/0435	....	{Particularities relating to the distribution members ( <a href="#">F03C 1/0472</a> , <a href="#">F03C 1/0531</a> , and <a href="#">F03C 1/0538</a> take precedence) }
F03C 1/0438	.....	{to cylindrical distribution members }
F03C 1/0441	.....	{to conical distribution members }
F03C 1/0444	.....	{to plate-like distribution members }
F03C 1/0447	...	{Controlling }
F03C 1/045	....	{by using a valve in a system with several pump or motor chambers, wherein the flow path through the chambers can be changed, e.g. series-parallel }
F03C 1/0454	....	{by changing the effective cross sectional piston working surface }
F03C 1/0457	....	{by changing the effective piston stroke }
F03C 1/046	.....	{by changing the excentricity of one element relative to another element }
F03C 1/0463	....	{by changing the phase relationship between two actuated cams }
F03C 1/0466	....	{by changing the phase relationship between the actuated cam and the distributing means }
F03C 1/047	...	the pistons co-operating with an actuated element at the outer ends of the cylinders
F03C 1/0472	....	{with cam-actuated distribution members }
F03C 1/0474	....	{with two or more radial piston/cylinder units in series }
F03C 1/0476	.....	{directly located side by side }
F03C 1/0478	.....	{having several cylinder barrels coupled together }
F03C 1/053	...	the pistons co-operating with an actuated element at the inner ends of the cylinders
F03C 1/0531	....	{with cam-actuated distribution members }
F03C 1/0533	.....	{each piston being provided with channels coacting with the cylinder and being used as a distribution member for another cylinder }
F03C 1/0535	....	{with two or more radial piston/cylinder units in series }
F03C 1/0536	.....	{directly located side by side }
F03C 1/0538	....	{the piston-driven cams being provided with inlets or outlets }
F03C 1/06	..	with cylinder axes generally coaxial with, or parallel or inclined to, main shaft axis

F03C 1/0602	...	{Component parts, details }
F03C 1/0605	....	{Adaptations of pistons ( <a href="#">pump pistons F04B 1/124</a> , <a href="#">F04B 53/14</a> ) }
F03C 1/0607	....	{Driven means }
F03C 1/061	...	{having stationary cylinders }
F03C 1/0613	....	{having two or more sets of cylinders or pistons }
F03C 1/0615	....	{distributing members }
F03C 1/0618	.....	{cylindrical distribution members }
F03C 1/0621	.....	{conical distribution members }
F03C 1/0623	....	{Details, component parts }
F03C 1/0626	.....	{Cylinders }
F03C 1/0628	.....	{Casings, housings }
F03C 1/0631	.....	{Wobbler or actuated element }
F03C 1/0634	.....	{Actuated element bearing means or driven axis bearing means }
F03C 1/0636	...	{having rotary cylinder block }
F03C 1/0639	....	{having two or more sets of cylinders or pistons }
F03C 1/0642	.....	{inclined on main shaft axis }
F03C 1/0644	....	{Component parts }
F03C 1/0647	.....	{Particularities in the contacting area between cylinder barrel and valve plate }
F03C 1/0649	.....	{Bearing means }
F03C 1/0652	....	{Cylinders }
F03C 1/0655	.....	{Valve means }
F03C 1/0657	.....	{Cylindrical valve means }
F03C 1/066	.....	{Conical valve means }
F03C 1/0663	.....	{Casings, housings }
F03C 1/0665	.....	{Cylinder barrel bearing means }
F03C 1/0668	.....	{Swash or actuated plate }
F03C 1/0671	.....	{Swash or actuated plate bearing means or driven axis bearing means }
F03C 1/0673	....	{Connection between rotating cylinder and rotating inclined swash plate }
F03C 1/0676	....	{Arrangement for pressing the cylinder barrel against the valve plate }
F03C 1/0678	...	{Control }
F03C 1/0681	....	{using a valve in a system with several motor chambers, wherein the flow path through the chambers can be changed }
F03C 1/0684	....	{using a by-pass valve }
F03C 1/0686	....	{by changing the inclination of the swash plate }
F03C 1/0689	.....	{using wedges }
F03C 1/0692	....	{by changing the phase relationship between the actuated element and the distribution means, e.g. turning the valve plate; turning the swash plate }
F03C 1/0694	....	{by changing the inclination of the axis of the cylinder barrel in relation to the axis of the actuated element }
F03C 1/0697	....	{responsive to the speed }
F03C 1/08	.	Distributing valve-gear peculiar thereto ( <a href="#">for engines with positive-displacement in general F01L</a> ) ; { <a href="#">F03C 1/06</a> takes precedence }

- F03C 1/10 . . . actuated by piston or piston-rod
- F03C 1/12 . . . . . mechanically ([F03C 1/18](#) takes precedence)
- F03C 1/14 . . . by driving liquid of engine ([F03C 1/18](#) takes precedence)
- F03C 1/16 . . . Speed controlling, equalising or cushioning
- F03C 1/20 . . . specially adapted for engines generating vibration only
  
- F03C 1/22 . . with movable cylinders {or cylinder }
- F03C 1/223 . . . {having cylinders in star or fan arrangement, the connection of the pistons with an actuated element being at the inner ends of the cylinders }
- F03C 1/226 . . . . . {with cam actuated distribution members }
- F03C 1/24 . . . in which the liquid exclusively displaces one or more pistons reciprocating in rotary cylinders { ([F03C 1/0636](#) takes precedence) }
- F03C 1/2407 . . . . {having cylinders in star or fan arrangement, the connection of the pistons with an actuated element being at the outer ends of the cylinders }
- F03C 1/2415 . . . . . {cylinder block and actuated cam both rotating ([F03C 1/2431](#) and [F03C 1/2446](#) take precedence) }
- F03C 1/2423 . . . . . {with two or more series radial piston-cylinder units }
- F03C 1/2431 . . . . . {cylinder block and actuated cam both rotating ([F03C 1/2446](#) takes precedence) }
- F03C 1/2438 . . . . . {directly located side by side }
- F03C 1/2446 . . . . . {cylinder block and actuated cam both rotating }
- F03C 1/2454 . . . {having cylinders in star or fan arrangement, the connection of the pistons with an actuated element being at the inner ends of the cylinders }
- F03C 1/2462 . . . {the rotary cylinder being provided with only one piston reciprocating within this cylinder }
- F03C 1/247 . . . with cylinders in star- or fan-arrangement, {the connection of the pistons with an actuated element being at the outer ends of the cylinders }
  
- F03C 1/26 . . . adapted for special use or combined with apparatus driven thereby (aspects predominantly concerning the driven apparatus see the relevant classes for such apparatus)

**F03C 2/00** **Rotary-piston engines** (in which the liquid exclusively displaces one or more piston reciprocating in rotary cylinders [F03C 1/24](#))

#### **NOTE**

Group [F03C 2/30](#) takes precedence over groups [F03C 2/02](#) to [F03C 2/24](#).

- F03C 2/02 . . of arcuate-engagement type, i.e. with circular translatory movement of co-operating members, each member having the same number of teeth or tooth-equivalents
- F03C 2/08 . . of intermeshing-engagement type, i.e. with engagement of co-operating members similar to that of toothed gearing
- F03C 2/22 . . of internal-axis type with equidirectional movement of co-operating members at the points of engagement, or with one of the co-operating members being stationary, the inner member having more teeth or tooth-equivalents than the outer member
- F03C 2/24 . . of counter-engagement type, i.e. the movement of co-operating members at the points

of engagement being in opposite directions

- F03C 2/30
  - . having the characteristics covered by two or more of groups [F03C 2/02](#), [F03C 2/08](#), [F03C 2/22](#), [F03C 2/24](#) or having the characteristics covered by one of these groups together with some other type of movement between co-operating members
- F03C 2/302
  - .. {having both the movements defined in sub-groups [F03C 2/02](#) and relative reciprocation between members }
- F03C 2/304
  - .. {having both the movements defined in sub-group [F03C 2/08](#) or [F03C 2/22](#) and relative reciprocation between members }
- F03C 2/306
  - .. {having both the movements defined in sub-groups [F03C 2/22](#) and [F03C 2/24](#) }
- F03C 2/308
  - .. {having the movement defined in [F03C 2/08](#) and having a hinged member }
- F03C 4/00**

**Oscillating-piston engines**
- F03C 7/00**

**Engines of flexible-wall type**
- F03C 99/00**

**Subject matter not provided for in other groups of this subclass**
- F03C 99/005
  - . { Free-piston type engines }