

**CPC****COOPERATIVE PATENT CLASSIFICATION****A01C**

**PLANTING; SOWING; FERTILISING** (combined with general working of soil [A01B 49/04](#); parts, details or accessories of agricultural machines or implements, in general [A01B 51/00](#) to [A01B 75/00](#); {apparatus for spreading sand or salt [E01C](#) ; sowing and fertilising with aircraft [B64D 1/16](#) to [B64D 1/20](#) } )

**Guidance heading:****A01C 1/00**

**Apparatus, or methods of use thereof, for testing or treating seed, roots, or the like, prior to sowing or planting** (chemicals therefor [A01N 25/00](#) to [A01N 65/00](#) { irradiation in general [B01J 19/08](#) } )

**A01C 1/005**

- . {Potato seed cutters }

**A01C 1/02**

- . Germinating apparatus; Determining germination capacity of seeds or the like ([germinating in preparation of malt \[C12C 1/027\]\(#\)](#))

**A01C 1/025**

- .. { Testing seeds for determining their viability or germination capacity }

**A01C 1/04**

- . Arranging seeds on carriers, e.g. on tapes, on cords { [Carrier compositions](#) }

**A01C 1/042**

- .. {Tapes, bands or cords }

**A01C 1/044**

- .. {Sheets, multiple sheets or mats }

**A01C 1/046**

- .. {Carrier compositions }

**A01C 1/06**

- . Coating or dressing seed { ([encapsulated embryos or artificial seeds \[A01H 4/006\]\(#\)](#); [Seed coating compositions \[C09D\]\(#\)](#) ) }

**A01C 1/08**

- . Immunising seed

**A01C 3/00**

**Treating manure; Manuring** ( { [ploughs with additional arrangements for putting manure under the soil \[A01B 17/002\]\(#\)](#) }; [dung forks \[A01D 9/00\]\(#\)](#); { [treating of waste water, sewage or sludge \[C02F\]\(#\)](#) } [organic fertilisers from waste or refuse \[C05F\]\(#\)](#) )

**A01C 3/02**

- . Storage places for manure, e.g. cisterns for liquid manure; Installations for fermenting manure ([sewerage structures \[E03F 5/00\]\(#\)](#); [silos, bunkers \[E04H 7/22\]\(#\)](#))

**A01C 3/021**

- .. {for composted manure }

**A01C 3/023**

- .. {Digesters }

**A01C 3/025**

- .. {with heat recuperation means }

**A01C 3/026**

- .. {with mixing or agitating devices }

**A01C 3/028**

- .. {Covers, roofs or other structures for covering manure storage places ([production of methane or biogas \[C02F 11/04\]\(#\)](#); [coverings for swimming or splash baths or pools \[E04H 4/10\]\(#\)](#)) }

**A01C 3/04**

- . Manure loaders ([loaders in general \[B65G\]\(#\)](#) )

**A01C 3/06**

- . Manure distributors, e.g. dung distributors

**A01C 3/063**

- .. {Side-spreaders }

- A01C 3/066 . . {Spreading by using worm or screw conveyors }
- A01C 3/08 . . for manure already laying on the soil

## **A01C 5/00 Making or covering furrows or holes for sowing, planting or manuring**

- A01C 5/02 . Hand tools for making holes for sowing, planting or manuring ([transplanting devices for trees A01G 23/02](#))
- A01C 5/04 . Machines for making or covering holes for sowing or planting
- A01C 5/045 . . {with [piercing buckets](#) ([devices for laying-out or removing protective coverings for plants A01G 13/02](#)) }
- A01C 5/06 . Machines for making or covering drills or furrows for sowing or planting ( { [seeders depositing seeds in rows A01C 7/08](#) }; [ploughs for making ridges A01B 13/02](#); { [lifting devices for agricultural machines A01B 63/00](#) } )
- A01C 5/062 . . { [Devices for making drills or furrows](#) }
- A01C 5/064 . . . {with rotating tools }
- A01C 5/066 . . { [Devices for covering drills or furrows](#) }
- A01C 5/068 . . . { [Furrow packing devices, e.g. press wheels](#) }
- A01C 5/08 . Machines for both manuring and sowing or both manuring and planting

## **A01C 7/00 Sowing ( {with centrifugal wheels [A01C 17/00](#) } arrangements for driving working parts [A01C 19/00](#) )**

- A01C 7/002 . { [Dibble seeders](#) }
- A01C 7/004 . {using liquid seeding techniques }
- A01C 7/006 . { [Minimum till seeding](#) }
- A01C 7/008 . { [Sod or grassland seeding \(\[A01C 7/08\]\(#\) takes precedence\)](#) }
- A01C 7/02 . Hand sowing implements { ([fertiliser distributors for hand use A01C 15/02](#); tools for cultivation [A01G 1/12](#)) }
- A01C 7/04 . Single-grain seeders with or without suction devices { ([regulation A01C 7/10](#); for quantities of seed [A01C 7/18](#)) }
- A01C 7/042 . . {using pneumatic means }
- A01C 7/044 . . . { [Pneumatic seed wheels](#) }
- A01C 7/046 . . . . {with perforated seeding discs }
- A01C 7/048 . . { [Seed tape planters](#) }
- A01C 7/06 . Seeders combined with fertilising apparatus ( { [conducting and depositing seed A01C 7/20](#); apparatus for two kinds of fertiliser [A01C 15/00](#) }; combinations with soil working tools [A01B 49/04](#) )
- A01C 7/08 . Broadcast seeders; Seeders depositing seeds in rows { ([machines for making furrows A01C 5/06](#); combination of seed machines with other soil-working tools [A01B 49/06](#); foldable apparatus [A01B 73/00](#)) }

- A01C 7/081 .. {Seeders depositing seeds in rows using pneumatic means }
- A01C 7/082 ... { Ducts, distribution pipes or details thereof for pneumatic seeders (non-pneumatic seed pipes [A01C 7/206](#)) }
- A01C 7/084 ... { Pneumatic distribution heads for seeders }
- A01C 7/085 .. {Broadcast seeders }
- A01C 7/087 .. {Tramlining }
- A01C 7/088 .. {Sectional seeding }
- A01C 7/10 .. Devices for adjusting the seed-box {Regulation of machines for depositing quantities at intervals }
- A01C 7/102 ... {Regulating or controlling the seed rate }
- A01C 7/105 .... {Seed sensors }
- A01C 7/107 ... {Calibration of the seed rate }
- A01C 7/12 .. Seeders with feeding wheels
- A01C 7/121 ... {for sowing seeds of different sizes }
- A01C 7/122 .... {using more than one feeding wheel; using double-run feeding wheels }
- A01C 7/123 ... {Housings for feed rollers or wheels }
- A01C 7/124 .... {with top delivery of the seeds }
- A01C 7/125 .... {with bottom delivery of the seeds }
- A01C 7/126 ... {Stubbed rollers or wheels }
- A01C 7/127 ... {Cell rollers, wheels, discs or belts }
- A01C 7/128 .... {Cell discs }
- A01C 7/14 ... Seeders with spoon or bucket wheels
- A01C 7/16 .. Seeders with other distributing devices, e.g. brushes, discs, screws, slides ( {with distributing slots [A01C 15/06](#); with slides [A01C 15/124](#) }; with chains [A01C 15/18](#) ) }
- A01C 7/163 ... {Gravity distributors }
- A01C 7/166 ... {Centrifugal distributors (pneumatic distributors [A01C 15/04](#)) }
- A01C 7/18 . Machines for depositing quantities of seed at intervals { (dibble seeders [A01C 7/002](#); single-grain seeders [A01C 7/04](#); regulation [A01C 7/102](#); ridge marking [A01B 69/02](#)) }
- A01C 7/185 .. {Foot valves }
- A01C 7/20 . Parts of seeders for conducting and depositing seed { (combined with fertilising apparatus [A01C 7/06](#)) }
- A01C 7/201 .. {Mounting of the seeding tools }
- A01C 7/203 ... {comprising depth regulation means }
- A01C 7/205 ... {comprising pressure regulation means }
- A01C 7/206 .. {Seed pipes }
- A01C 7/208 .. {Chassis; Coupling means to a tractor or the like; Lifting means; Side markers (hoppers for seeders or spreaders [A01C 15/006](#)) }
- A01C 9/00** **Potato planters** ( {planting by hand [A01C 7/02](#) }; combinations with soil working tools [A01B 49/04](#) )
- A01C 9/02 . with conveyer belts
- A01C 9/04 . with bucket wheels { (with other distributing devices [A01C 9/08](#)) }

- A01C 9/06 . with piercing or grasping devices
- A01C 9/08 . with other distributing devices e.g. flaps, screws, horizontal turning plates { (with bucket wheels [A01C 9/04](#)) }
- A01C 11/00** **Transplanting machines** ( {hand sowing [A01C 7/02](#) }; carriers for supporting persons [A01B 75/00](#); transplanting devices for trees [A01G 23/02](#))
- A01C 11/003 . {for aquatic plants; for planting underwater, e.g. rice }
- A01C 11/006 . {Other parts or details or planting machines }
- A01C 11/02 . for seedlings
- A01C 11/025 . . {Transplanting machines using seedling trays; Devices for removing the seedlings from the trays }
- A01C 11/04 . for deeper setting or shifting of plants
- A01C 13/00** **Machines or apparatus for consolidating soil around plants**
- A01C 14/00** **Methods or apparatus for planting not provided for in other groups of this subclass**
- A01C 15/00** **Fertiliser distributors** (7/06 takes precedence; {combined with seeders [A01C 7/06](#) }; arrangements for driving working parts [A01C 19/00](#); {harrows with special additional arrangements [A01B 19/00](#) }; sand, gravel or salt spreaders for roads [E01C 19/20](#))
- A01C 15/001 . {with slowly turning wheels }
- A01C 15/002 . {with oscillating distributing spouts }
- A01C 15/003 . {Bulk fertiliser or grain handling in the field or on the farm }
- A01C 15/005 . {Undercarriages, tanks, hoppers, stirrers specially adapted for seeders or fertiliser distributors }
- A01C 15/006 . . {Hoppers }
- A01C 15/007 . . . {with agitators in the hopper }
- A01C 15/008 . . {Aprons; Deflecting plates; Band-spreading attachments }
- A01C 15/02 . for hand use { (hand sowing [A01C 7/02](#)) }
- A01C 15/04 . using blowers
- A01C 15/06 . with distributing slots, {i.e. for dosing, e.g. adjustable openings }
- A01C 15/08 . . with pushers or stirrers in the slots
- A01C 15/10 . . . with reciprocating pushers {or stirrers in front of the slots (with endless chains [A01C 15/18](#)) }
- A01C 15/12 . with movable parts of the receptacle

- A01C 15/122 . . {with moving floor parts (with endless chains [A01C 15/18](#)) }
- A01C 15/124 . . {with adjustable shutters or slits }
- A01C 15/126 . . . {with pushers or stirrers in the slits }
- A01C 15/128 . . . {with pushers or stirrers in front of the slits (with endless chains [A01C 15/18](#)) }
- A01C 15/14 . with means for lifting out the fertiliser { (feeding wheels, cell wheels, discs [A01C 7/12](#), bucket wheels [A01C 7/14](#)) }
- A01C 15/16 . with means for pushing out the fertiliser, e.g. by a roller
- A01C 15/18 . with endless chains, {i.e. side transporting elements, e.g. auger or screw conveyers, swash plates }
- A01C 17/00** **Fertilisers or seeders with centrifugal wheels** ( {hand-used implements [A01C 7/02](#), [A01C 15/02](#); fertiliser distributors [A01C 15/00](#) }; mechanical throwing machines for articles or solid bulk materials, in general [B65G 31/00](#); sand, gravel or salt spreaders [E01C 19/20](#))
- A01C 17/001 . {Centrifugal throwing devices with a vertical axis }
- A01C 17/003 . {Centrifugal throwing devices with a horizontal axis }
- A01C 17/005 . {Driving mechanisms for the throwing devices }
- A01C 17/006 . {Regulating or dosing devices }
- A01C 17/008 . . {Devices controlling the quantity or the distribution pattern }
- A01C 19/00** **Arrangements for driving working parts of fertilisers or seeders** { ([A01C 17/005](#) takes precedence) }
- A01C 19/02 . by a motor
- A01C 19/04 . by a ground-engaging wheel
- A01C 19/045 . . {the drive coupling being controlled by lifting or lowering of the seeding tools }
- A01C 21/00** **Methods of fertilizing, { sowing or planting }** (fertilisers [C05](#) ; soil-conditioning or soil-stabilising materials [C09K 17/00](#))
- A01C 21/002 . {Apparatus for sowing fertiliser; Fertiliser drill }
- A01C 21/005 . { Following a specific plan, e.g. pattern (precision agriculture in general [A01B 79/005](#); steering or guiding agricultural machines or implements [A01B 69/00](#)) }
- A01C 21/007 . { Determining fertilization requirements }
- A01C 23/00** **Distributing devices specially adapted for liquid manure or other fertilising liquid, including ammonia, e.g. transport tanks, sprinkling wagons** (watering fields in general [A01G 25/00](#); spraying or applying liquids or other fluent materials in general [B05](#) )
- A01C 23/001 . {Sludge spreaders, e.g. liquid manure spreaders }

- A01C 23/002 . . {provided with auxiliary arrangements, e.g. pumps, agitators, cutters }
- A01C 23/003 . . {Distributing devices, e.g. for rotating, throwing }
- A01C 23/005 . . . {Nozzles, valves, splash plates }
- A01C 23/006 . {Distribution of liquid fertilisers by gravity flow (distribution of liquid ammonia in or on the soil [A01C 23/024](#); under pressure [A01C 23/04](#) ) }
- A01C 23/007 . {Metering or regulating systems }
- A01C 23/008 . {Tanks, chassis or related parts }
- A01C 23/02 . Special arrangements for delivering the liquid directly into the soil
- A01C 23/021 . . {Sludge injectors, i.e. liquid manure injectors }
- A01C 23/022 . . . {Continuous injection tools (devices for making drill or furrows [A01C 5/066](#) ) }
- A01C 23/023 . . {for liquid or gas fertilisers }
- A01C 23/024 . . . {for ammonia }
- A01C 23/025 . . . {Continuous injection tools }
- A01C 23/026 . . . {Localised non-continuous injection tools, e.g. pal injectors, spike wheels }
- A01C 23/027 . . {Other methods for delivering fertiliser into the soil (sowing granular fertiliser [A01C 21/002](#); subirrigation [A01G 25/06](#) ) }
- A01C 23/028 . . . {Contactless injection into the soil }
- A01C 23/04 . Distributing under pressure; Distributing mud; Adaptation of watering systems for fertilising-liquids
- A01C 23/042 . . {Adding fertiliser to watering systems (adding insecticides or herbicides [A01M 7/00](#) ) }
- A01C 23/045 . . {Filling devices for liquid manure or slurry tanks (arrangements for connecting hoses of the quick-acting type [F16L 37/00](#) ) }
- A01C 23/047 . . {Spraying of liquid fertilisers (gravity flow [A01C 23/006](#); watering gardens, fields, sports grounds or the like [A01G 25/00](#) ) }

#### Guidance heading:

- A01C 2001/00 **Apparatus, or methods of use thereof, for testing or treating seed, roots, or the like, prior to sowing or planting** (chemicals therefor [A01N 25/00](#) to [A01N 65/00](#) { irradiation in general [B01J 19/08](#) })
- A01C 2001/04 . Arranging seeds on carriers, e.g. on tapes, on cords { Carrier compositions }
- A01C 2001/048 . . Machines