

CPC**COOPERATIVE PATENT CLASSIFICATION****E02D**

FOUNDATIONS; EXCAVATIONS, EMBANKMENTS (specially adapted for hydraulic engineering [E02B](#)); **UNDERGROUND OR UNDERWATER STRUCTURE** (tunnels, tunnelling, mining [E21](#))

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:

[E02D 29/09](#) covered by [E02D 29/06](#)

E02D 1/00

Investigation of foundation soil in situ (investigation involving boring or specially adapted to earth drilling [E21B 25/00](#), [E21B 49/00](#); investigating or analysing materials by determining their chemical or physical properties, in general [G01N](#), e.g. sampling [G01N 1/00](#))

[E02D 1/02](#)

. before construction work

[E02D 1/022](#)

.. {by investigating mechanical properties of the soil ([E02D 1/027](#) takes precedence)}

[E02D 1/025](#)

... {combined with sampling}

[E02D 1/027](#)

.. {by investigating properties relating to fluids in the soil, e.g. pore-water pressure, permeability (sampling of groundwater [E02D 1/06](#))}

[E02D 1/04](#)

.. Sampling of soil {([E02D 1/025](#) takes precedence)}

[E02D 1/06](#)

.. Sampling of ground water

[E02D 1/08](#)

. after finishing the foundation structure {(testing of piles [E02D 33/00](#))}

E02D 3/00

Improving or preserving soil or rock, e.g. preserving permafrost soil (securing of slopes or inclines [E02D 17/20](#); damming or interrupting passage of underground water [E02D 19/12](#); improving soil for agricultural purposes [A01](#); soil stabilisation for road building or like purposes [E01C 21/00](#), [E01C 23/10](#); setting rock anchoring bolts [E21D](#))

[E02D 3/005](#)

. {Soil-conditioning by mixing with fibrous materials, filaments, open mesh or the like}

[E02D 3/02](#)

. Improving by compacting ([E02D 3/11](#) takes precedence; compacting soil locally before or while forming foundations [E02D 27/26](#), [E02D 27/28](#))

[E02D 3/026](#)

.. by rolling with rollers usable only for or specially adapted for soil compaction, e.g. sheepfoot rollers (rollers for soil working in agriculture [A01B 29/00](#); rollers for road paving, such rollers usable also for compacting soil [E01C 19/23](#))

[E02D 3/0265](#)

... {Wheels specially adapted therefor; Cleats for said wheels}

[E02D 3/032](#)

... Trench rollers

[E02D 3/039](#)

... Slope rollers

[E02D 3/046](#)

.. by tamping or vibrating, e.g. with auxiliary watering of the soil ([E02D 3/026](#), [E02D 3/08](#) take precedence; generating or transmitting mechanical vibrations for performing mechanical work in general [B06B](#); tamping or vibrating apparatus for working ballast or railways [E01B 27/00](#), for consolidating paving materials [E01C 19/30](#), for consolidating concrete in general [E04G 21/06](#))

[E02D 3/054](#)

... involving penetration of the soil, e.g. vibroflotation

- E02D 3/061 . . . Tampers with directly acting explosion chambers ([pile drivers with explosion chambers E02D 7/12](#))
- E02D 3/068 . . . Vibrating apparatus operating with systems involving reciprocating masses ([E02D 3/054, E02D 3/061 take precedence](#))
- E02D 3/074 . . . Vibrating apparatus operating with systems involving rotary unbalanced masses ([E02D 3/054 takes precedence](#))
- E02D 3/08 . . by inserting stones or lost bodies, e.g. compaction piles ([sand drains for soil compaction E02D 3/10; stressing soil while forming foundations E02D 27/28](#))
- E02D 3/10 . . by watering, draining, de-aerating or blasting, e.g. by installing sand or wick drains ([E02D 3/11 takes precedence; soil-penetrating vibrators with auxiliary watering E02D 3/054; drainage of soil in general E02B 11/00](#))
- E02D 3/103 . . . {[by installing wick drains or sand bags](#)}
- E02D 3/106 . . . {[by forming sand drains containing only loose aggregates \(sand piles E02D 3/08\)](#)}
- E02D 3/11 . by thermal, electrical or electro-chemical means ([freezing soil for interrupting passage of underground water E02D 19/14](#))
- E02D 3/115 . . by freezing
- E02D 3/12 . Consolidating by placing solidifying or pore-filling substances in the soil ([making piles E02D 5/46; soil-conditioning or soil-stabilising materials C09K 17/00; consolidation of ground around boreholes or wells E21B 43/025](#))
- E02D 3/123 . . {[and compacting the soil \(E02D 3/126 takes precedence\)](#)}
- E02D 3/126 . . {[and mixing by rotating blades](#)}
- E02D 5/00 Bulkheads, piles, or other structural elements specially adapted to foundation engineering ([engineering elements in general F16](#))**
- E02D 5/02 . Sheet piles or sheet pile bulkheads {([foundations made with sheet pile bulkheads E02D 27/30; cofferdams E02D 19/04](#))}
- E02D 5/03 . . Prefabricated parts ([e.g. composite sheet piles](#))
- E02D 5/04 . . . made of steel
- E02D 5/06 Fitted piles or other elements specially adapted for closing gaps between two sheet piles or between two walls of sheet piles
- E02D 5/08 Locking forms; Edge joints; Pile crossings; Branch pieces
- E02D 5/10 . . . made of concrete or reinforced concrete {([moulds therefor E02D 5/70](#))}
- E02D 5/105 {[of prestressed concrete \(E02D 5/12 takes precedence\)](#)}
- E02D 5/12 Locking forms; Edge joints; Pile crossings; Branch pieces
- E02D 5/14 . . Sealing joints between adjacent {[sheet](#)} piles ([sealing joints not restricted to foundation piles E04B 1/68](#))
- E02D 5/16 . . Auxiliary devices rigidly or detachably arranged on sheet piles for facilitating assembly {([as parts of driving or pulling apparatus E02D 7/00, E02D 13/00](#))}
- E02D 5/18 . Bulkheads or similar walls made solely of concrete in situ {([moulds therefor E02D 5/68; making foundation slots E02D 17/13; sealing diaphragms other than those made of concrete E02D 19/18](#))}
- E02D 5/182 . . {[using formworks to separate sections](#)}
- E02D 5/185 . . {[with flexible joint members between sections \(joints in foundation structures E02D 29/16; flexible joints in hydraulic engineering E02B 3/16, in building E04B 1/68\)](#)}

- E02D 5/187 . . {the bulkheads or walls being made continuously, e.g. excavating and constructing bulkheads or walls in the same process, without joints}
- E02D 5/20 . Bulkheads or similar walls made of prefabricated parts and concrete, including reinforced concrete, in situ
- E02D 5/22 . Piles (sheet piles, {i.e. elements shaped to mutually lock or mate} [E02D 5/02](#); {pile shoes [E02D 5/72](#); foundations on piles [E02D 27/12](#), [E02D 27/20](#)})
- E02D 5/223 . . {Details of top sections of foundation piles([E02D 5/54](#) takes precedence)}
- E02D 5/226 . . {Protecting piles (piles with protecting cases [E02D 5/60](#))}
- E02D 5/24 . . Prefabricated piles

NOTE

Documents covered both by [E02D 5/26](#) to [E02D 5/32](#) and by one or several of the groups [E02D 5/48](#) to [E02D 5/64](#) are classified in all relevant groups unless specific priority rules to the contrary are given

- E02D 5/26 . . . made of timber with or without reinforcement; Means affording protection against spoiling of the wood (cases [E02D 5/60](#); [impregnating agents B27K 3/16](#)); Self-cleaning of piles placed in water
- E02D 5/28 . . . made of steel {or other metals ([E02D 5/52](#) takes precedence)}
- E02D 5/285 . . . {tubular, e.g. prefabricated from sheet pile elements (sheet pile boxes [E02D 27/30](#); concrete piles with metal casings [E02D 5/30](#))}
- E02D 5/30 . . . made of concrete or reinforced concrete or made of steel and concrete {([E02D 5/50](#) takes precedence; assembled from segments [E02D 5/523](#); prestressed concrete [E02D 5/58](#))}
- E02D 5/32 . . . with arrangements for setting {or assisting in setting} in position by fluid jets {(placing piers by using fluid jets in general [E02D 7/24](#))}
- E02D 5/34 . . Concrete or concrete-like piles cast in position; {Apparatus for making same ([E02D 5/50](#) takes precedence; moulds [E02D 5/665](#); placing, removing moulds [E02D 7/00](#) to [E02D 11/00](#); placing the concrete [E02D 15/04](#))}
- E02D 5/36 . . . making without use of mouldpipes or other moulds

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Documents covered both by [E02D 5/34](#) to [E02D 5/46](#) and by one or several of the groups [E02D 5/48](#) to [E02D 5/64](#) are classified in all relevant groups unless specific priority rules to the contrary are given

- E02D 5/38 . . . making by use of mould-pipes or other moulds
- E02D 5/385 . . . {with removal of the outer mould-pipes (documents also covered by one or several of the groups [E02D 5/40](#) to [E02D 5/44](#) are classified in all the relevant groups)}
- E02D 5/40 . . . in open water
- E02D 5/42 . . . by making use of pressure liquid or pressure gas for compacting the concrete
- E02D 5/44 . . . with enlarged footing or enlargements at the bottom of the pile
- E02D 5/445 . . . {by application of pyrotechniques}

- E02D 5/46 . . . making in situ by forcing bonding agents into gravel fillings or the soil
(consolidating soil in general [E02D 3/12](#))
- E02D 5/48 . . Piles varying in construction along their length, {i.e. along the body between head and shoe, e.g. made of different materials along their length ([E02D 5/50](#), [E02D 5/52](#) take precedence)}
- E02D 5/50 . . Piles comprising both precast concrete portions and concrete portions cast in situ
{([E02D 5/523](#) takes precedence)}
- E02D 5/52 . . Piles composed of separable parts, e.g. telescopic tubes {Piles composed of segments}
- E02D 5/523 . . . {composed of segments}
- E02D 5/526 . . . { Connection means between pile segments}
- E02D 5/54 . . Piles with prefabricated supports or anchoring parts; Anchoring piles {([E02D 5/44](#) takes precedence; ground anchors [E02D 5/80](#); anchored foundations [E02D 27/50](#))}
- E02D 5/56 . . Screw piles {(placing piles by screwing down [E02D 7/22](#))}
- E02D 5/58 . . Prestressed concrete piles {(segmental piles [E02D 5/523](#))}
- E02D 5/60 . . Piles with protecting cases
- E02D 5/62 . . Compacting the soil at the footing or in {or along} a casing by forcing cement or like material through tubes
- E02D 5/64 . . Repairing piles
- E02D 5/66 . Mould-pipes or other moulds {(for plant use [B28B](#))}
- E02D 5/665 . . {for making piles}
- E02D 5/68 . . for making bulkheads or elements thereof
- E02D 5/70 . . for making sheet piles {not used}
- E02D 5/72 . Pile shoes
- E02D 5/74 . Means for anchoring structural elements or bulkheads (anchoring piles [E02D 5/54](#); anchored foundations [E02D 27/50](#))
- E02D 5/76 . . Anchoring for bulkheads or sections thereof {in as much as specially adapted therefor}
- E02D 5/765 . . . {removable}
- E02D 5/80 . . Ground anchors {(for galleries, tunnels or shafts [E21D 21/00](#))}
- E02D 5/801 . . . {driven by screwing}
- E02D 5/803 . . . {with pivotable anchoring members}
- E02D 5/805 . . . {with deformable anchoring members}
- E02D 5/806 . . . {involving use of explosives}
- E02D 5/808 . . . {anchored by using exclusively a bonding material}

- E02D 7/00** **Methods or apparatus for placing sheet pile bulkheads, piles, mouldpipes, or other moulds** (for both placing and removing [E02D 11/00](#); {accessories for coupling driver to piles or the like [E02D 13/10](#); for trees or other plants [A01G 17/16](#); placing posts [E04H 17/26](#))
- E02D 7/02 . Placing by driving {([E02D 7/18](#) to [E02D 7/24](#) take precedence)}
- E02D 7/04 . . Hand {(-actuated)} pile-drivers
- E02D 7/06 . . Power-driven drivers {(tamperers [E02D 3/061](#))}
- E02D 7/08 . . . Drop drivers with free-falling hammer {([E02D 7/10](#) takes precedence)}

- E02D 7/10 . . . with pressure-actuated hammer, {i.e. the pressure fluid acting directly on the hammer structure (E02D 7/12 takes precedence; vibrating drivers E02D 7/18)}
- E02D 7/12 . . . Drivers with explosion chambers
- E02D 7/125 {Diesel drivers}
- E02D 7/14 . . . Components for drivers {inasmuch as not specially for a specific driver construction}
- E02D 7/16 Scaffolds {or supports} for drivers {(guide frames for the elements to be driven per se E02D 13/04; supports of the artificial island type E02B 17/00)}
- E02D 7/165 { of variable length, e.g. foldable or telescopic}
- E02D 7/18 . Placing by vibrating {(vibrators for soil compacting E02D 3/046)}
- E02D 7/20 . Placing by pressure or pulling power
- E02D 7/22 . Placing by screwing down {(screw piles per se E02D 5/56)}
- E02D 7/24 . Placing by using fluid jets {(prefabricated concrete piles with arrangements therefor E02D 5/32)}
- E02D 7/26 . Placing by using several means simultaneously
- E02D 7/28 . Placing of hollow pipes or mould pipes by means arranged inside the piles or pipes {(E02D 13/08 takes precedence)}
- E02D 7/30 . . by driving cores

- E02D 9/00** **Removing sheet piles bulkheads, piles, mould-pipes or other moulds {or parts thereof}** (for both placing and removing E02D 11/00)
- E02D 9/005 . {removing the top of placed piles of sheet piles (E02D 9/04 takes precedence)}
- E02D 9/02 . by withdrawing
- E02D 9/04 . by cutting-off under water

- E02D 11/00** **Methods or apparatus {specially adapted} for both placing and removing sheet pile bulkheads, piles, or mould-pipes** (features relating to placing only E02D 7/00, to removing only E02D 9/00; {placing apparatus which without special provisions, can be operated to remove, e.g. vibrating drivers E02D 7/00})

- E02D 13/00** **Accessories for placing or removing piles or bulkheads, {e.g. noise attenuating chambers}**
- E02D 13/005 . { Sound absorbing accessories in piling}
- E02D 13/02 . specially adapted for placing or removing bulkheads
- E02D 13/04 . Guide devices; Guide frames {(as parts of the driver scaffold E02D 7/16)}
- E02D 13/06 . for observation while placing
- E02D 13/08 . Removing obstacles
- E02D 13/10 . Follow-blocks of pile-drivers or like devices

NOTE

The IPC wording is replaced by the following wording: Devices adapted to, e.g. interposed on, the top of the pile to be driven, e.g. follow-blocks or the like caps, rings

E02D 15/00	Handling building or like materials for hydraulic engineering or foundations (soil-shifting E02F ; conveying or working-up concrete or similar masses in general E04G 21/02)
E02D 15/02	. Handling of bulk concrete specially for foundation { or hydraulic engineering } purposes { (lining canals E02B 5/02; banks of the bodies of water E02B 3/121) }
E02D 15/04	.. Placing concrete in mould-pipes, pile tubes, bore-holes or narrow shafts
E02D 15/06	.. Placing concrete under water { (for surfacing the bottom of bodies of water E02B 3/121) }
E02D 15/08	. Sinking workpieces into water or soil { inasmuch as not provided for elsewhere }
E02D 15/10	. Placing gravel or light material under water { inasmuch as not provided for elsewhere }
E02D 17/00	Excavations; Bordering of excavations; Making embankments (soil-shifting apparatus E02F ; earth drilling E21)
E02D 17/02	. Foundation pits
E02D 17/04	.. Bordering { surfacing } or stiffening the sides of foundation pits
E02D 17/06	. Foundation { trenches } ditches or narrow shafts
E02D 17/08	.. Bordering or stiffening the sides of ditches { trenches } or narrow shafts for foundations
E02D 17/083	... { Shoring struts }
E02D 17/086	... { Travelling trench shores }
E02D 17/10	.. Covering trenches for foundations
E02D 17/12	.. Back-filling of foundation trenches or ditches { (apparatus therefor E02F 5/12, E02F 5/22) }
E02D 17/13	. Foundation slots { or slits }; Implements for making these slots { or slits }
E02D 17/16	. Loosening of soil or rock, under water (for correcting streams E02B 3/02 ; by dredgers or excavators E02F)
E02D 17/18	. Making embankments, { e.g. dikes, dams } (E02D 17/20 takes precedence; foundations for dams E02D 27/40)
E02D 17/20	. Securing of slopes or inclines { (by soil E02D 3/12; protection against snowslides or avalanches E01F 7/04, E01F 15/00; securing banks or like surfaces facing on bodies of water E02B 3/12) }
E02D 17/202	.. { with flexible securing means }
E02D 17/205	.. { with modular blocks, e.g. pre-fabricated }
E02D 17/207	.. { with means incorporating sheet piles or piles }
E02D 19/00	Keeping dry foundation sites or other areas in the ground (sheet piles or bulkheads E02D 5/02)
E02D 19/02	. Restraining of open water
E02D 19/04	.. by coffer-dams { e.g. made of sheet piles (permanent sheet piling boxes E02D 27/30) }
E02D 19/06	. Restraining of underground water
E02D 19/08	.. by employing open ditches arranged below the level of the water
E02D 19/10	.. by lowering level of ground water { (installation for obtaining or collecting drinking water E03B 3/00) }

E02D 19/12	..	by damming or interrupting the passage of underground water
E02D 19/14	...	by freezing the soil (in connection with sinking shafts E21D 1/12)
E02D 19/16	...	by placing or applying sealing substances ({E02D 19/18 takes precedence}; consolidating by placing solidifying or pore-filling pore-filling substances in the soil E02D 3/12; {improving soil by chemical substances C09K 17/00})
E02D 19/18	...	by making use of sealing aprons, {e.g. diaphragms made from bituminous or clay material} ({concrete diaphragms E02D 5/18}; sealing or joints for {hydraulic} engineering work E02B 3/16)
E02D 19/185	{Joints between sheets constituting the sealing aprons}
E02D 19/20	...	by displacing the water, e.g. by compressed air {(pneumatic caissons E02D 23/04)}
E02D 19/22	.	Lining sumps in trenches {or other foundation pits}
E02D 23/00		Caissons; Construction or placing of caissons (tunnels submerged into or built in open water E02D 29/063; {moles, piers, quays, breakwaters incorporating caissons E02B 3/06; foundation formed by caissons E02D 27/18 to E02D 27/22; caisson-like artificial islands E02B 17/00})
E02D 23/02	.	Caissons able to be floated on water and to be lowered into water in situ {(floating caisson foundations E02D 27/06)}
E02D 23/04	.	Pneumatic caissons {(sinking of same E02D 23/10)}
E02D 23/06	..	bringing persons or material into or out of compressed air caissons {(air locks in mines E21F 1/14)}
E02D 23/08	.	Lowering or sinking caissons {(sinking mine shaft E21D 1/00)}
E02D 23/10	..	Caisson filled with compressed air {(E02D 23/06 takes precedence)}
E02D 23/12	..	inclined lowering
E02D 23/14	..	Decreasing the skin friction while lowering
E02D 23/16	.	Jointing caissons to the foundation soil, specially to uneven foundation soil
E02D 25/00		Joining caissons, sinkers, or other units to each other under water
E02D 27/00		Foundations as substructures
E02D 27/01	.	Flat foundations
E02D 27/013	..	{ Shuttering specially adapted therefor}
E02D 27/016	..	{ made mainly from prefabricated concrete elements}
E02D 27/02	..	Flat foundations without substantial excavation (E02D 27/04, E02D 27/08 take precedence)
E02D 27/04	..	in water or on quicksand
E02D 27/06	...	Floating caisson foundations
E02D 27/08	..	Reinforcements for flat foundations {E02D 27/48 takes precedence}
E02D 27/10	.	Deep foundations
E02D 27/12	..	Pile foundations
E02D 27/14	...	Pile framings, {i.e. piles assembled to form the substructure}
E02D 27/16	...	Foundations formed of separate piles
E02D 27/18	..	Foundations formed by making use of caissons

- E02D 27/20 . . Caisson foundations combined with pile foundations
- E02D 27/22 . . Caisson foundations made by starting from fixed or floating artificial islands by using protective bulkheads
- E02D 27/24 . Foundations constructed by making use of diving-bells ([equipment for dwelling or working under water B63C 11/00](#))
- E02D 27/26 . Compacting soil locally before forming foundations; Construction of foundation structures by forcing binding substances into gravel fillings ([consolidating foundation soil in general E02D 3/02 to E02D 3/12; {for piles E02D 5/02, E02D 5/46}](#))
- E02D 27/28 . Stressing the soil or the foundation structure while forming foundations
- E02D 27/30 . Foundations made with permanent use of sheet pile bulkheads, walls of planks, or sheet piling boxes
- E02D 27/32 . Foundations for special purposes ([{for paving of roads E01C 3/00}](#))
- E02D 27/34 . . Foundations for sinking or earthquake territories ([building constructions with protection arrangements against earthquakes E04H 9/02](#))
- E02D 27/35 . . Foundations formed in frozen ground, e.g. in permafrost soil
- E02D 27/36 . . Foundations formed in moors or bogs
- E02D 27/38 . . Foundations for large tanks, e.g. oil tanks
- E02D 27/40 . . Foundations for dams across valleys or for dam constructions ([{dams per se E02B 3/10, E02B 7/04}](#))
- E02D 27/42 . . Foundations for poles, masts or chimneys ([{sockets or holders for poles or masts per se E04H 12/22}](#))
- E02D 27/425 . . . { [specially adapted for wind motors masts \(wind motors per se F03D 1/00\)](#)}
- E02D 27/44 . . Foundations for machines, engines or ordnance ([special lay-out of foundations with respect to machinery to be supported F16M 9/00](#))
- E02D 27/46 . . Foundations for supply conduits or other canals ([{bridges for supporting conduits E01D 18/00; elevated canals E02B 5/005; penstocks E02B 9/06}](#))
- E02D 27/48 . . Foundations inserted underneath existing buildings or constructions ([{making a new substructure subsequent to lifting or moving of buildings E04G 23/06}](#))
- E02D 27/50 . . Anchored foundations
- E02D 27/52 . . Submerged foundations, [{i.e. submerged in open water \(E02D 27/12 to E02D 27/24 take precedence\)}](#)
- E02D 27/525 . . . { [using elements penetrating the underwater ground \(sinking work pieces E02D 15/08, sinking caissons E02D 23/02\)](#)}

- E02D 29/00** **[{Independent}](#) underground or underwater structures** ([underground tanks B65D 88/76; hydraulic engineering, e.g. sealings or joints, E02B; underground garages E04H 6/00; underground air-raid shelters E04H 9/12; burial vaults E04H 13/00;](#)
Retaining walls
- E02D 29/02 . Retaining or protecting walls ([piers or quay walls E02B 3/06](#))
- E02D 29/0208 . . {[Gabions](#)}
- E02D 29/0216 . . {[Cribbing walls](#)}
- E02D 29/0225 . . {[comprising retention means in the backfill](#)}
- E02D 29/0233 . . . {[the retention means being anchors \(details of anchors E02D 5/80\)](#)}
- E02D 29/0241 . . . {[the retention means being reinforced earth elements](#)}
- E02D 29/025 . . {[made up of similar modular elements stacked without mortar](#)}

- E02D 29/0258 .. {not used, see subgroups ([E02D 29/0208](#) to [E02D 29/025](#) take precedence)}
- E02D 29/0266 ... {made up of preformed elements}
- E02D 29/0275 ... {cast in situ}
- E02D 29/0283 ... {of mixed type}
- E02D 29/0291 ... {made up of filled, bag-like elements}
- E02D 29/04 . Making large underground spaces, e.g. for underground plants, { e.g. stations of underground railways}; Construction or layout thereof ([E02D 29/10](#) takes precedence; { water-supply or sewerage plants [E03](#); layout of water power plants [E02B 9/00](#); making large underground chambers by underground methods only [E21D 13/00](#))
- E02D 29/045 . Underground structures, e.g. tunnels or galleries, built in the open air or by methods involving disturbance of the ground surface all along the location line; Methods of making them
- E02D 29/05 .. at least part of the cross-section being constructed in an open excavation or from the ground surface, e.g. assembled in a trench
- E02D 29/055 ... further excavation of the cross-section proceeding underneath an already installed part of the structure, e.g. the roof of a tunnel
- E02D 29/06 . Constructions, or methods of constructing, in water {([E02D 15/00](#) takes precedence; submerged foundations [E02D 27/52](#))}
- E02D 29/063 . Tunnels submerged into, or built in, open water (construction or placing of caissons in general [E02D 23/00](#); joining caissons to each other under water, in general [E02D 25/00](#))
- E02D 29/067 .. Floating tunnels; Submerged bridge-like tunnels, i.e. tunnels supported by piers or the like above the water-bed (pontoon or floating bridges [E01D 15/14](#))
- E02D 29/07 .. Tunnels or shuttering therefor preconstructed as a whole or continuously made, and moved into place on the water-bed, e.g. into a preformed trench
- E02D 29/073 .. Tunnels or shuttering therefor assembled from sections individually sunk onto, or laid on, the water-bed, e.g. in a preformed trench (caisson-type sections lowered onto the water-bed [E02D 29/077](#))
- E02D 29/077 .. Tunnels at least partially built beneath the water-bed characterised by being made by methods involving disturbance thereof all along the location line, e.g. by cut-and-cover or caisson methods
- E02D 29/08 . Siphons (for sewerage [E03F 5/20](#); siphon weirs [E02B 7/18](#); { siphons in general [F04F 10/00](#)})
- E02D 29/10 . Tunnels or galleries specially adapted to house conduits, e.g. oil pipe-lines, sewer pipes (for pressure water conduits [E02B 9/06](#); { for cables [H02G 9/02](#); layout of tunnels or galleries in general [E21D 9/14](#); road kerbs with housings for pipes or the like [E01C 11/222](#)); Making conduits in situ, e.g. of concrete (combined with digging of trenches or ditches [E02F 5/10](#); { making or lining tunnels or galleries [E21D](#); constructing tunnels or galleries in open excavations [E02D 29/045](#); in open water [E02D 29/063](#)); Casings, { i.e. manhole shafts, access or inspection chambers} or coverings of boreholes or narrow wells (wells for drinking water [E03B 3/08](#); boreholes or wells formed by deep drilling [E21B](#); shafts [E21D](#))
- E02D 29/12 . Manhole shafts; Other inspection or access chambers; Accessories therefor (for underground tanks [B65D 90/10](#); for sewerage [E03F 5/02](#); { climbing irons or ladders [E06C 9/00](#)})
- E02D 29/121 .. { characterised by the connection between shaft elements, e.g. of rings forming said shaft}
- E02D 29/122 .. { Steps or handrails for shafts}

- E02D 29/124 .. { Shaft entirely made of synthetic material}
- E02D 29/125 .. { characterised by the lining of the shaft}
- E02D 29/127 .. { with devices for impeding fall or injuries of persons}
- E02D 29/128 .. { Repairs of manhole shafts}
- E02D 29/14 .. Covers for manholes or the like; Frames for covers {(gully gratings [E03F 5/06](#))}
- E02D 29/1409 ... { adjustable in height or inclination}
- E02D 29/1418 ... { with implements to assist in lifting, e.g. counterweights, springs (lifting devices for covers [B66F 19/005](#))}
- E02D 29/1427 ... { Locking devices (of bayonet type [E02D 29/14](#))}
- E02D 29/1436 ... { with overflow or explosion control means, e.g. check or relief valves}
- E02D 29/1445 ... { Tools for positioning or removing cover frames}
- E02D 29/1454 ... { Non-circular covers, e.g. hexagonal, elliptic}
- E02D 29/1463 ... { Hinged connection of cover to frame}
- E02D 29/1472 ... { Cover entirely made of synthetic material}
- E02D 29/1481 ... { Security devices, e.g. indicating unauthorised opening ([E02D 29/1427](#) takes precedence)}
- E02D 29/149 ... { Annular gaskets}
- E02D 29/16 . Arrangement or construction of joints in foundation structures {(for hydraulic engineering [E02B 3/16](#)); sealing joints not restricted to foundation structures [E04B 1/68](#))}

- E02D 31/00** **Protective arrangements for foundations or foundation structures {(protective casings for piles [E02D 5/60](#))}; Ground foundation measures for protecting the soil or the subsoil water, e.g. preventing or counteracting oil pollution (spillage retaining means for tanks [B65D 90/24](#))}**
- E02D 31/002 . {Ground foundation measures for protecting the soil or subsoil water, e.g. preventing or counteracting oil pollution (not used, see subgroups and [E02D 31/00](#))}
- E02D 31/004 .. {Sealing liners}
- E02D 31/006 .. {Sealing of existing landfills, e.g. using mining techniques}
- E02D 31/008 . {against entry of noxious gases, e.g. Radon}
- E02D 31/02 . against ground humidity or ground water {([E02D 31/06](#) takes precedence; arrangements other than according to [E02D 31/04](#); against hydraulic pressure of groundwater [E02D 31/10](#))}
- E02D 31/025 .. { Draining membranes, sheets or fabric specially adapted therefor, e.g. with dimples}
- E02D 31/04 .. Watertight packings for use under hydraulic pressure {(sealings for hydraulic engineering in general [E02B 3/16](#); for building structures in general [E04B 1/66](#))}
- E02D 31/06 . against corrosion by soil or water
- E02D 31/08 . against transmission of vibrations or movements in the foundation soil {([E02D 27/34](#) takes precedence; foundations for machines, engines or ordnance [E02D 27/44](#); for road foundations [E01C 3/06](#))}
- E02D 31/10 . against soil pressure or hydraulic pressure {(anchored foundations [E02D 27/50](#); joint sealings for use under hydraulic pressure [E02D 31/04](#))}
- E02D 31/12 .. against upward hydraulic pressure
- E02D 31/14 .. against frost heaves in soil

E02D 33/00	Testing foundations or foundation structures (testing methods and apparatus, see the relevant subclasses of class G01 ; testing structures or apparatus as regards function, in general, G01M ; testing or determining chemical or physical properties, in general G01N)
E02D 35/00	Straightening, lifting, or lowering of foundation structures or of constructions erected on foundations {(foundations for sinking territories with incorporated means for remedying settlement E02D 27/34 ; lifting or moving buildings E04G 23/06)}
E02D 35/005	. { Lowering or lifting of foundation structures}
E02D 37/00	Repair of damaged foundations or foundation structures {(renewing piles E02D 5/64 ; roads E01C 11/005 ; bridges E01D 22/00 ; repairing buildings E04G 23/02)}
E02D 2200/00	Geometrical or physical properties
E02D 2200/11	. Height being adjustable
E02D 2200/115	. . with separate pieces
E02D 2200/12	. corrugated
E02D 2200/13	. having at least a mesh portion
E02D 2200/14	. resilient or elastic
E02D 2200/143	. . helically or spirally shaped
E02D 2200/146	. . Springs
E02D 2200/15	. including at least a hinge
E02D 2200/16	. Shapes
E02D 2200/1607	. . round, e.g. circle
E02D 2200/1614	. . . made from single element
E02D 2200/1621	. . . made from multiple elements
E02D 2200/1628	. . rectangular
E02D 2200/1635	. . . made from single element
E02D 2200/1642	. . . made from multiple elements
E02D 2200/165	. . polygonal
E02D 2200/1657	. . . made from single element
E02D 2200/1664	. . . made from multiple elements
E02D 2200/1671	. . helical or spiral
E02D 2200/1678	. . triangular
E02D 2200/1685	. . cylindrical
E02D 2200/1692	. . conical or convex
E02D 2200/17	. including an electric conductive element
E02D 2220/00	Temporary installations or constructions
E02D 2250/00	Production methods
E02D 2250/0007	. using a mold
E02D 2250/0015	. using extrusion
E02D 2250/0023	. Cast, i.e. in situ or in a mold or other formwork

- E02D 2250/003 . Injection of material
- E02D 2250/0038 . using an auger, i.e. continuous flight type
- E02D 2250/0046 . using prestressing techniques
- E02D 2250/0053 . using suction or vacuum techniques
- E02D 2250/0061 . for working underwater
- E02D 2250/0069 .. Welding
- E02D 2250/0076 .. Drilling
- E02D 2250/0084 .. using pneumatical means
- E02D 2250/0092 .. using hydraulical means

E02D 2300/00**Materials**

- E02D 2300/0001 . Rubbers
- E02D 2300/0003 .. Car tires
- E02D 2300/0004 . Synthetics
- E02D 2300/0006 .. Plastics
- E02D 2300/0007 ... PVC
- E02D 2300/0009 ... PE
- E02D 2300/001 ... PP
- E02D 2300/0012 ... recycled
- E02D 2300/0014 ... PU
- E02D 2300/0015 ... HDPE
- E02D 2300/0017 ... thermoplastic
- E02D 2300/0018 .. Cement used as binder
- E02D 2300/002 ... Concrete
- E02D 2300/0021 ... Mortar
- E02D 2300/0023 ... Slurry
- E02D 2300/0025 .. Adhesives, i.e. glues
- E02D 2300/0026 . Metals
- E02D 2300/0028 .. Copper
- E02D 2300/0029 .. Steel; Iron
- E02D 2300/0031 ... in cast iron form
- E02D 2300/0032 ... in sheet form, i.e. bent or deformed plate-material
- E02D 2300/0034 ... in wire form
- E02D 2300/0035 .. Aluminium
- E02D 2300/0037 . Clays
- E02D 2300/0039 .. mixed with additives
- E02D 2300/004 .. Bentonite or bentonite-like
- E02D 2300/0042 ... being modified by adding substances
- E02D 2300/0043 ... with other ingredients
- E02D 2300/0045 . Composites

E02D 2300/0046	. Foams
E02D 2300/0048	.. PU
E02D 2300/005	.. PE
E02D 2300/0051	. Including fibers
E02D 2300/0053	.. made from glass
E02D 2300/0054	.. made from plastic
E02D 2300/0056	... PVC
E02D 2300/0057	... PE
E02D 2300/0059	... PP
E02D 2300/006	... being recycled
E02D 2300/0062 Shredded car tires
E02D 2300/0064	.. made from metal
E02D 2300/0065	.. made from textile
E02D 2300/0067	.. made from cellulose
E02D 2300/0068	.. made from carbon
E02D 2300/007	. Resins including glasfibers
E02D 2300/0071	. Wood
E02D 2300/0073	. Explosives
E02D 2300/0075	. Textiles
E02D 2300/0076	.. non-woven
E02D 2300/0078	.. woven
E02D 2300/0079	. Granulates
E02D 2300/0081	. Ceramics
E02D 2300/0082	. Cellulose
E02D 2300/0084	. Geogrids
E02D 2300/0085	. Geotextiles
E02D 2300/0087	.. woven
E02D 2300/0089	.. non-woven
E02D 2300/009	.. with multi-layer structure
E02D 2300/0092	... including a liquid tight layer
E02D 2300/0093 including bentonite
E02D 2300/0095 including a plastic membrane
E02D 2300/0096	.. with external friction enhancement features
E02D 2300/0098	. Bitumen
E02D 2450/00	{Gaskets}
E02D 2450/10	. Membranes
E02D 2450/101	.. permeable
E02D 2450/102	... for liquids
E02D 2450/103	... for gases

- E02D 2450/105 . . impermeable
- E02D 2450/106 . . . for liquids
- E02D 2450/107 . . . for gases
- E02D 2450/108 . . multi-layered

E02D 2600/00**Miscellaneous**

- E02D 2600/10 . comprising sensor means
- E02D 2600/20 . comprising details of connection between elements
- E02D 2600/30 . comprising anchoring details
- E02D 2600/40 . comprising stabilising elements