

# CPC COOPERATIVE PATENT CLASSIFICATION

## F MECHANICAL ENGINEERING; LIGHTING; HEATING; WEAPONS; BLASTING (NOTE omitted)

### LIGHTING; HEATING

#### F22 STEAM GENERATION (NOTE omitted)

#### F22D PREHEATING, OR ACCUMULATING PREHEATED, FEED-WATER FOR STEAM GENERATION; FEED-WATER SUPPLY FOR STEAM GENERATION; CONTROLLING WATER LEVEL FOR STEAM GENERATION; AUXILIARY DEVICES FOR PROMOTING WATER CIRCULATION WITHIN STEAM BOILERS

##### WARNING

In this subclass non-limiting references (in the sense of paragraph 39 of the Guide to the IPC) may still be displayed in the scheme.

1/00	<b>Feed-water heaters, i.e. economisers or like preheaters</b>	1/325	. . {Schematic arrangements or control devices therefor}
1/003	. {Feed-water heater systems (F22D 1/325, F22D 1/36 and F22D 1/40 take precedence)}	1/34	. . and returning condensate to boiler with main feed supply
1/006	. {with heating tubes (F22D 1/24 takes precedence)}	1/36	. Water and air preheating systems
1/02	. with water tubes arranged in the boiler furnace, fire tubes, or flue ways (heat-exchange tubes in general F28F)	1/38	. . Constructional features of water and air preheating systems
1/04	. . the tubes having plain outer surfaces, e.g. in vertical arrangement	1/40	. Combinations of exhaust-steam and smoke-gas preheaters (for locomotives F22D 1/42)
1/06	. . . in horizontal arrangement	1/42	. specially adapted for locomotives
1/08	. . the tubes having fins, ribs, gills, corrugations, or the like on their outer surfaces, e.g. in vertical arrangement	1/44	. . Smoke-gas preheaters
1/10	. . . in horizontal arrangement (hollow fire-bars, grates, or the like used as water tubes F23H 3/02)	1/46	. . Exhaust-steam preheaters
1/12	. . Control devices, e.g. for regulating steam temperature	1/48	. . Details
1/14	. . Safety or venting devices (safety devices for boilers in general F22B 37/42)	1/50	. incorporating thermal de-aeration of feed-water (de-aeration produced in the course of direct heat transfer F22D 1/28; thermal de-aeration of water per se B01D 19/00, C02F 1/20; valves for venting F16K 24/04)
1/16	. with water tubes arranged otherwise than in the boiler furnace, fire tubes, or flue ways	<b>3/00</b>	<b>Accumulators for preheated water</b>
1/18	. . and heated indirectly	3/02	. arranged within combustion chambers
1/20	. . and directly connected to boilers	3/04	. combined with steam accumulators
1/22	. . and provided for rotary movements	3/06	. directly connected to boilers
1/24	. with fire tubes or flue ways traversing feed-water vessels	3/08	. specially adapted for locomotives (locomotives boilers F22B 13/06)
1/26	. with means, other than tubes, to separate water and heating medium, e.g. bulk heaters without internal flues or tubes, jacketed smoke-boxes or flue or flues	3/10	. . Control devices (controlling water feed to boilers, or water level F22D 5/00)
1/28	. for direct heat transfer, e.g. by mixing water and steam	<b>5/00</b>	<b>Controlling water feed or water level; Automatic water feeding or water-level regulators (steam traps F16T; measuring or indicating instruments G01; for indicating water level G01F; level control in general G05D 9/00)</b>
1/30	. . with stages, steps, baffles, dishes, circular troughs, or other means to cause interrupted or cascading fall of water (de-aeration apparatus C02F)	5/02	. with an intermediate compartment from which the water is fed by gravity after mechanically moving the compartment, the movement being controlled according to water level
1/32	. arranged to be heated by steam, e.g. bled from turbines	5/04	. with pivoting buckets
		5/06	. with receptacles external to, but in free communication with, the boilers and adapted to move up and down in accordance with change in water level

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- 5/08 . with float-actuated valves
- 5/10 . . and with pistons or membranes unitary with the feed inlet valves
- 5/12 . . and with dipping tubes
- 5/14 . responsive to thermal expansion and contraction, e.g. of solid elements
- 5/16 . . of fluids
- 5/18 . for varying the speed or delivery pressure of feed pumps
- 5/20 . . without floats
- 5/22 . . with floats
- 5/24 . with electric switches
- 5/26 . Automatic feed-control systems ([automatic safety devices F22B 37/42](#); [controlling in general G05](#))
- 5/28 . . responsive to amount of steam withdrawn; responsive to steam pressure
- 5/30 . . responsive to both water level and amount of steam withdrawn or steam pressure
- 5/32 . . influencing the speed or delivery pressure of the feed pumps
- 5/34 . . Applications of valves ([valves per se F16K](#))
- 5/36 . . for feeding a number of steam boilers designed for different ranges of temperature and pressure

### **7/00** **Auxiliary devices for promoting water circulation** ([adaptation of boilers for promoting water circulation F22B 37/34](#))

- 7/02 . Saddles or like directing plates fitted to furnace tubes
- 7/04 . Injectors for water or steam
- 7/06 . Rotary devices, e.g. propellers
- 7/08 . . Arrangements of pumps, e.g. outside the boilers
- 7/10 . . . within the boilers
- 7/12 . Control devices
- 7/14 . specially adapted for locomotive boilers

### **11/00** **Feed-water supply not provided for in other main groups**

- 11/003 . {[Emergency feed-water supply \(safety devices for boilers in general F22B 37/42\)](#)}
- 11/006 . {[Arrangements of feedwater cleaning with a boiler](#)}
- 11/02 . Arrangements of feed-water pumps ([F22D 11/06 takes precedence](#); [pumps per se F04](#))
- 11/04 . . with means to eliminate steam formation
- 11/06 . . for returning condensate to boiler