

# CPC COOPERATIVE PATENT CLASSIFICATION

**B61L** **GUIDING RAILWAY TRAFFIC; ENSURING THE SAFETY OF RAILWAY TRAFFIC**  
(power supply lines for electrically-propelled vehicles [B60M](#); vehicle signalling in general [B60Q](#); brakes or auxiliary equipment [B61H](#), [B61K](#); point or crossing construction [E01B](#); insulated rail joints [E01B 11/54](#); optical devices in general [G02](#); controlling in general [G05](#); electric communication technique [H04](#))

1/00	<b>Devices along the route controlled by interaction with the vehicle or vehicle train, {e.g. pedals}</b> (detonators <a href="#">B61L 5/20</a> ; operation of points or signals by passage of the vehicle <a href="#">B61L 11/00</a> , <a href="#">B61L 13/00</a> ; central traffic control systems controlled by train <a href="#">B61L 27/04</a> ; operation of gates, or gates and signals, by approaching vehicle <a href="#">B61L 29/18</a> )	1/20	. Safety arrangements for preventing or indicating malfunction of the device, e.g. by leakage current, by lightning ({remote indicating means for abnormal operations conditions <a href="#">G08B 21/00</a> , <a href="#">G08B 23/00</a> ; detectors for indicating the overheating of axle bearings <a href="#">B61K 9/00</a> )}
1/02	. Electric devices associated with track {, e.g. rail contacts}	3/00	<b>Devices along the route for controlling devices on the vehicle or vehicle train, e.g. to release brake, to operate a warning signal</b>
1/025	. . {actuated by variation of resistance or by piezo-electricity}	3/002	. {Recorders on the vehicle}
1/04	. . mechanically actuated by a part of the vehicle	3/004	. {Memory means reproducing during the running of the vehicle or vehicle train, e.g. smart cards}
1/045	. . . {actuated by fluid-pressure}	3/006	. {On-board optimisation of vehicle or vehicle train operation (track-side optimisation of operation <a href="#">B61L 27/0027</a> )}
1/06	. . actuated by deformation of rail; actuated by vibration in rail	3/008	. {On-board target speed calculation or supervision (track-side control of safe travel <a href="#">B61L 27/0038</a> ; speed control circuitry <a href="#">B60L 3/08</a> ; speed control of electric drives <a href="#">B60L 15/20</a> )}
1/08	. . magnetically actuated; electrostatically actuated	3/02	. at selected places along the route, e.g. intermittent control {simultaneous mechanical and electrical control}
1/10	. . actuated by electromagnetic radiation; actuated by particle radiation	3/04	. . controlling mechanically {(arrangements of making elements acting directly on tread <a href="#">B60T 1/04</a> )}
1/12	. Electric devices associated with overhead trolley wires	3/06	. . controlling by electromagnetic or particle radiation, e.g. by light beam (using radio waves <a href="#">B61L 3/12</a> )
1/14	. Devices for indicating the passing of the end of the vehicle or vehicle train	3/065	. . . {controlling optically}
1/16	. Devices for counting axles; Devices for counting vehicles (counting moving objects in general <a href="#">G06M</a> )	3/08	. . controlling electrically
1/161	. . {characterised by the counting methods}	3/10	. . . using current passing between devices along the route and devices on the vehicle train
1/162	. . {characterised by the error correction}	3/103	. . . . {Details of current transmitting conductors or contact brushes}
1/163	. . {Detection devices}	3/106	. . . . {with mechanically controlled electrical switch on the vehicle}
1/164	. . . {Mechanical}	3/12	. . . using magnetic or electrostatic induction; using radio waves
1/165	. . . {Electrical}	3/121	. . . . {using magnetic induction}
1/166	. . . {Optical}	2003/122	. . . . {German standard for inductive train protection, called "Induktive Zugsicherung"[INDUSI]}
1/167	. . {Circuit details}	2003/123	. . . . {French standard for inductive train protection, called "Contrôle de vitesse par balises" [KVB]}
1/168	. . {Specific transmission details}	3/125	. . . . {using short-range radio transmission (long-range radio transmission <a href="#">B61L 15/0027</a> , <a href="#">B61L 27/0005</a> )}
1/169	. . {Diagnosis}	3/126	. . . . {Constructional details}
1/18	. Railway track circuits (automatically-operated track circuits specially adapted for section blocking for controlling traffic <a href="#">B61L 23/00</a> ; rail joints <a href="#">E01B 11/00</a> )	3/127	. . . . {for remote control of locomotives (remote control of locomotives within a train consist <a href="#">B61C 17/12</a> )}
1/181	. . {Details}		
1/182	. . . {Use of current of indifferent sort or a combination of different current types}		
1/183	. . . . {Use of means on the vehicle for improving short circuit, e.g. in vehicles with rubber bandages}		
1/184	. . . . {Use of additional conductors for examining leakages between rails}		
1/185	. . . {Use of direct current}		
1/186	. . . {Use of rectified alternating current}		
1/187	. . . {Use of alternating current}		
1/188	. . . {Use of coded current}		

3/128	. . . . {for control of tilting trains by external control devices, e.g. by Eurobalise (tilting details <a href="#">B61F 5/22</a> )}	5/14	. . Form signals, e.g. semaphore arms {(illumination for points, form signals <a href="#">B61L 9/00</a> )}
3/14	. . to cut-off the power supply to traction motors of electrically-propelled vehicles	5/16	. . . Local operating mechanisms for form signals
3/16	. Continuous control along the route	5/161	. . . . {using electromotive driving means}
3/18	. . using electric current passing between devices along the route and devices on the vehicle or vehicle train	5/162	. . . . . {Wiring diagrams}
3/185	. . . {using separate conductors}	5/163	. . . . . {Driving mechanisms}
3/20	. . . employing different frequencies or coded pulse groups {, e.g. using currents carried by traction current (operating and signalling systems using network power supply <a href="#">H02J 13/00</a> )}	5/165	. . . . {using electromagnetic driving means}
3/22	. . using magnetic or electrostatic induction; using electromagnetic radiation	5/166	. . . . {using electrically controlled gravity operated driving means}
3/221	. . . {using track circuits}	5/167	. . . . {using electrically controlled fluid-pressure operated driving means}
3/222	. . . . {Arrangements on the track only}	5/168	. . . . {using funicular driving means}
2003/223	. . . . {French cab signaling system, called "Transmission Voie-Machine" [TVM]}	5/18	. . Light signals; Mechanisms associated therewith, e.g. blinders
3/225	. . . {using separate conductors along the route}	5/1809	. . . {Daylight signals}
2003/226	. . . . {German inductive continuous train control, called 'Linienzugbeeinflussung' [LZB]}	5/1818	. . . . {using mobile coloured screen}
3/227	. . . {using electromagnetic radiation}	5/1827	. . . . {using light sources of different colours and a common optical system}
2003/228	. . . {Constructional details}	5/1836	. . . . {using light sources of different colours and separate optical systems}
3/24	. . . employing different frequencies or coded pulse groups {, e.g. in combination with track circuits}	5/1845	. . . . {Optical systems, lenses}
3/243	. . . . {using alternating current}	5/1854	. . . . {Mounting and focussing of the light source in a lamp, fixing means (focussing of the light source in reflecting mirrors <a href="#">F21S 48/00</a> )}
3/246	. . . . {using coded current}	5/1863	. . . . {Lamp mountings on a mast}
<b>5/00</b>	<b>Local operating mechanisms for points or track-mounted scotch-blocks (track-mounted scotch-blocks per se <a href="#">B61K</a>); Visible or audible signals; Local operating mechanisms for visible or audible signals (<a href="#">B61L 11/00</a> takes precedence)</b>	5/1872	. . . . {Mobile mounting arrangements on a mast; Arrangements for hoisting of the lamp along the mast}
5/02	. Mechanical devices for operating points or scotch-blocks {, e.g. local manual control}	5/1881	. . . . {Wiring diagrams for power supply, control or testing}
5/023	. . {using funicular driving means}	5/189	. . . {using flashing light sources (visible signalling in general using flashing light sources <a href="#">G08B 5/38</a> ; thermal switches operating intermittently <a href="#">H01H 61/06</a> , <a href="#">H01H 61/08</a> )}
5/026	. . {fixing switch-rails to the driving means}	5/20	. Audible signals, e.g. detonator {audible signalling}
5/04	. Fluid-pressure devices for operating points or scotch-blocks	5/203	. . {Detonators; Track mounting means; Composition of the detonative product}
5/045	. . {using electrically controlled fluid-pressure operated driving means}	5/206	. . {Signalling means for special purposes}
5/06	. Electric devices for operating points or scotch-blocks {, e.g. using electromotive driving means}	5/22	. . Devices for initiating the release of detonators in a certain position of a signal
5/062	. . {Wiring diagrams}	5/24	. . Replacement of detonators
5/065	. . {Construction of driving mechanism}	<b>7/00</b>	<b>Remote control of local operating means for points, signals, or trackmounted scotch-blocks (<a href="#">B61L 11/00</a> takes precedence; interlocking arrangements <a href="#">B61L 19/00</a>; transmission per se, see the relevant classes)</b>
5/067	. . {using electromagnetic driving means}	7/02	. using mechanical transmission; e.g. wire, lever
5/08	. Underground actuating arrangements, e.g. for tramways	7/021	. . {Driving wheels or supports for traction wires}
5/10	. Locking mechanisms for points; Means for indicating the setting of points	7/022	. . {Guiding means or supporting foundations in beton}
5/102	. . {Controlling electrically}	7/024	. . {Coupling for wires or traction bars}
5/105	. . {Controlling funicularly}	7/025	. . {Bracing or compensating arrangements}
5/107	. . {electrical control of points position}	7/027	. . {Control levers}
5/12	. Visible signals {(signalling means on the vehicle <a href="#">B61L 15/00</a> ; signalling means for classification yards, or the like, with multiple indicating means <a href="#">B61L 17/023</a> ; signalling means for road crossings <a href="#">B61L 29/24</a> ; lighting in general <a href="#">F21</a> ; visible signalling arrangements in general <a href="#">G08B 5/00</a> )}	7/028	. . {Indicating or fixing arrangements in the event of breaking or tension difference of transmission wires for points, signals or similar}
5/125	. . {Fixed signals, beacons, or the like}	7/04	. using fluid-pressure transmitting
		7/06	. using electrical transmission
		7/061	. . {using electromotive driving means}
		7/062	. . . {Wiring diagrams}
		7/063	. . . {Construction of driving mechanism}
		7/065	. . {using electromagnetic driving means}

7/066	. . {using electrically controlled fluid-pressure operated driving means}	15/0045	. {Destination indicators, identification panels or distinguishing signs on the vehicles ( <a href="#">displaying in general G09F</a> )}
7/067	. . {Supply for electric safety arrangements}	15/0054	. {Train integrity supervision, e.g. end-of-train [EOT] devices}
7/068	. . {Protection against eddy-currents, short-circuits, or the like, for electric safety arrangements}	15/0063	. {Multiple on-board control systems, e.g. "2 out of 3"-systems ( <a href="#">trackside multiple control systems B61L 27/0061</a> )}
7/08	. . Circuitry	15/0072	. {On-board train data handling ( <a href="#">trackside train data handling B61L 27/0077</a> )}
7/081	. . . {Direct line wire control}	15/0081	. {On-board diagnosis or maintenance ( <a href="#">trackside diagnosis or maintenance B61L 27/0083</a> )}
7/083	. . . {Common line wire control using currents of different amplitudes, polarities, frequencies, or the like}	15/009	. {On-board display devices}
7/085	. . . {Common line wire control using synchronous distributors}	15/02	. Head or tail indicators, e.g. light
7/086	. . . {Common line wire control using relay distributors}	<b>17/00</b>	<b>Switching systems for classification yards (rail brakes <a href="#">B61K</a>)</b>
7/088	. . . {Common line wire control using series of coded pulses}	17/02	. Details, e.g. indicating degree of track filling
7/10	. . . for light signals, e.g. for supervision, back-signalling	17/023	. . {Signalling; Signals with multiple indicating means}
7/103	. . . . {Electric control of the setting of signals}	17/026	. . {Brake devices}
7/106	. . . . {for form signals}	<b>19/00</b>	<b>Arrangements for interlocking between points and signals by means of a single interlocking device, {e.g. <a href="#">central control B61L 7/00</a>; <a href="#">station block arrangements B61L 21/00</a>}</b>
<b>9/00</b>	<b>Illumination specially adapted for points, form signals, or gates (<a href="#">lighting in general F21</a>)</b>	19/02	. Interlocking devices having mechanical or fluid-pressure operation
9/02	. non-electric	19/023	. . {purely mechanical ( <a href="#">control levers B61L 7/027</a> )}
9/04	. electric	19/026	. . {using fluid-pressure operated points or signals}
<b>11/00</b>	<b>Operation of points from the vehicle or by the passage of the vehicle</b>	19/04	. . Detail- e.g. hand lever, back-signalling device
11/02	. Using mechanical interaction between vehicle and track	19/06	. Interlocking devices having electrical operation
11/04	. . Trailable point locks	2019/065	. . {with electronic means}
11/06	. . with fluid-pressure transmission	19/08	. . Special arrangements for power supply for interlocking devices
11/08	. using electrical or magnetic interaction between vehicle and track	19/10	. . with mechanical locks
11/083	. . {Magnetic control}	19/12	. . . Details
2011/086	. . {German radio based operations, called "Funkfahrbetrieb" [FFB]}	19/14	. . with electrical locks
		19/16	. . . Details
<b>13/00</b>	<b>Operation of signals from the vehicle or by the passage of the vehicle</b>	<b>21/00</b>	<b>Station blocking between signal boxes in one yard (<a href="#">interlocking between points and signals by means of a single interlocking device B61L 19/00</a>)</b>
13/002	. {actuated by the passage of the vehicle}	21/02	. Mechanical locking and release of the route; Repeat locks; Coupling of semaphores
13/005	. {optically actuated}	21/04	. Electrical locking and release of the route; Electrical repeat locks ({ <a href="#">central interlocking B61L 19/00</a> })
13/007	. {acoustically actuated}	21/06	. Vehicle-on-line indication; Monitoring locking and release of the route
13/02	. using mechanical interaction between vehicle and track ({ <a href="#">pedals B61L 1/00</a> })	21/065	. . {for signals, including signals actuated by the vehicle}
13/04	. using electrical or magnetic interaction between vehicle and track {, e.g. by conductor circuits using special means or special conductors}	21/08	. Order transmission and reception arrangements for giving or withholding permission
13/042	. . {using isolated rail sections}	21/10	. Arrangements for trains which are closely following one another ( <a href="#">automatic central traffic control systems B61L 27/04</a> )
13/045	. . {using separated rail contacts, pedals or similar ( <a href="#">B61L 1/02 takes precedence</a> )}	<b>23/00</b>	<b>Control, warning, or like safety means along the route or between vehicles or vehicle trains</b>
13/047	. . {controlling inductively or magnetically}	23/002	. {Control or safety means for heart-points and crossings of aerial railways, funicular rack-railway (points or safety systems for model railways <a href="#">A63H</a> ; points, crossings or hearts for aerial railway, funicular rack railway <a href="#">E01B 25/12</a> )}
<b>15/00</b>	<b>Indicators provided on the vehicle or vehicle train for signalling purposes; {On-board control or communication systems}</b>	23/005	. . {Automatic control or safety means for points for operator-less railway, e.g. transportation systems}
15/0009	. {wiring diagrams for start- or stop-signals on vehicles having one or more carriages and having electrical communication lines between the carriages}		
15/0018	. {Communication with or on the vehicle or vehicle train ( <a href="#">line transmission systems H04B 3/00</a> )}		
15/0027	. . {Radio-based, e.g. using GSM-R}		
15/0036	. . {Conductor-based, e.g. using CAN-Bus, train-line or optical fibres}		

23/007	• {Safety arrangements on railway crossings}	25/06	• Indicating or recording the setting of track apparatus, e.g. of points, of signals
23/02	• for indicating along the route the failure of brakes	25/065	• • {for signalling systems on the vehicle using current conduction}
23/04	• for monitoring the mechanical state of the route	25/08	• • Diagrammatic displays
23/041	• • {Obstacle detection}	<b>27/00</b>	<b>Central traffic control systems; {Track-side control or specific communication systems}</b>
23/042	• • {Track changes detection}	27/0005	• {Details of track-side communication}
23/044	• • • {Broken rails}	27/0011	• {Regulation, e.g. scheduling, time tables}
23/045	• • • {Rail wear}	27/0016	• • {Preparing schedules}
23/047	• • • {Track or rail movements}	27/0022	• • {Following schedules}
23/048	• • • {Road bed changes, e.g. road bed erosion}	27/0027	• • {Track-side optimisation of vehicle or vehicle train operation (on-board optimisation <a href="#">B61L 3/006</a> )}
23/06	• for warning men working on the route	27/0033	• • {Crew rosters and itineraries}
23/08	• for controlling traffic in one direction only (station blocking between signal boxes in one yard <a href="#">B61L 21/00</a> )	27/0038	• {Track-side control of safe travel of vehicle or vehicle train, e.g. braking curve calculation (on-board target speed calculation and supervision <a href="#">B61L 3/008</a> )}
23/10	• • manually operated (, e.g. block arrangements)	2027/0044	• • {using European Train Control System [ETCS]}
23/12	• • partly operated by train	2027/005	• • {using Communication-based Train Control [CBTC]}
23/14	• • automatically operated	27/0055	• {Testing or simulation}
23/16	• • • Track circuits specially adapted for section blocking	27/0061	• {Track-side multiple control systems, e.g. switch-over between different systems, "2 out of 3"-systems (on-board multiple control systems <a href="#">B61L 15/0063</a> )}
23/161	• • • • {using current of indifferent sorte or a combination of different current types}	27/0066	• • {Backup systems, e.g. switching when failures occur}
23/163	• • • • {using direct current}	27/0072	• • {Migration, e.g. parallel installations running simultaneously}
23/165	• • • • {using rectified alternating current}	27/0077	• {Track-side train data handling, e.g. vehicle or vehicle train data, position reports (on-board train data handling <a href="#">B61L 15/0072</a> )}
23/166	• • • • {using alternating current}	27/0083	• {Track-side diagnosis or maintenance, e.g. software upgrades (on-board diagnosis or maintenance <a href="#">B61L 15/0081</a> )}
23/168	• • • • {using coded current}	27/0088	• • {for track-side elements or systems, e.g. trackside supervision of trackside control system conditions}
23/18	• • • specially adapted for changing lengths of track sections in dependence upon speed and traffic density	27/0094	• • {for vehicles or vehicle trains, e.g. trackside supervision of train conditions}
23/20	• • • with transmission of instructions to stations along the route	27/02	• Manual systems
23/22	• for controlling traffic in two directions over the same pair of rails (station blocking between signal boxes in one yard <a href="#">B61L 21/00</a> )	27/04	• Automatic systems, e.g. controlled by train; Change-over to manual control
23/24	• • using token systems, e.g. train staffs, tablets	<b>29/00</b>	<b>Safety means for rail/road crossing traffic</b>
23/26	• • with means for actuating signals from the vehicle or by passage of the vehicle	29/02	• Guards or obstacles for preventing access to the route (cattle guards connected to the permanent way <a href="#">E01B 17/00</a> )
23/28	• • using non-automatic blocking from a place along the route	29/023	• • {Special gates}
23/30	• • using automatic section blocking	29/026	• • • {Preventing access by means of obstacles raising across the route}
23/32	• • • with provision for the blocking or passing sidings	29/04	• Gates for level crossings
23/34	• Control, warnings or like safety means indicating the distance between vehicles or vehicle trains by the transmission of signals therebetween	29/06	• • yielding to vehicles in one direction but operated in a different direction
<b>25/00</b>	<b>Recording or indicating positions or identities of vehicles or vehicle trains or setting of track apparatus</b>	29/08	• Operation of gates; Combined operation of gates and signals
25/02	• Indicating or recording positions or identities of vehicles or vehicle trains	29/10	• • Means for securing gates in their desired position
25/021	• • {Measuring and recording of train speed}	29/12	• • Manual operation
25/023	• • {Determination of driving direction of vehicle or vehicle train}	29/14	• • • mechanically
25/025	• • {Absolute localisation, e.g. providing geodetic coordinates}	29/16	• • • electrically
25/026	• • {Relative localisation, e.g. using odometer}	29/18	• • Operation by approaching rail vehicle or rail vehicle train
25/028	• • {Determination of vehicle position and orientation within a train consist, e.g. serialisation}		
25/04	• • Indicating or recording train identities		
25/041	• • • {using reflecting tags}		
25/043	• • • {using inductive tags}		
25/045	• • • {using reradiating tags}		
25/046	• • • {using magnetic tags}		
25/048	• • • {using programmable tags}		

- 29/20 . . . mechanically
- 29/22 . . . electrically
- 29/222 . . . . {using conductor circuits with separate contacts or conductors}
- 29/224 . . . . . {using rail contacts}
- 29/226 . . . . . {using track-circuits, closed or short-circuited by train or using isolated rail-sections}
- 29/228 . . . . . {using optical means}
- 29/24 . Means for warning road traffic that a gate is closed or closing, or that rail traffic is approaching, e.g. for visible or audible warning
- 29/243 . . {Transmission mechanism or acoustical signals for gates}
- 29/246 . . {Signals or brake- or lighting devices mounted on the road vehicle and controlled from the vehicle train}
- 29/26 . . mechanically operated
- 29/28 . . electrically operated
- 29/282 . . . {magnetic or inductive control by the vehicle}
- 29/284 . . . {using rail-contacts, rail microphones, or the like, controlled by the vehicle}
- 29/286 . . . {using conductor circuits controlled by the vehicle}
- 29/288 . . . {Wiring diagram of the signal control circuits}
- 29/30 . . . Supervision, e.g. monitoring arrangements
- 29/32 . . . Timing, e.g. advance warning of approaching train

**99/00 Subject matter not provided for in other groups of this subclass**

**2201/00 Control methods**

- 2201/02 . Fuzzy control

**2205/00 Communication or navigation systems for railway traffic**

- 2205/02 . Global system for mobile communication - railways (GSM-R)
- 2205/04 . Satellite based navigation systems, e.g. GPS

**2207/00 Features of light signals**

- 2207/02 . using light-emitting diodes (LEDs)

**2210/00 Vehicle systems**

- 2210/02 . Single autonomous vehicles
- 2210/04 . Magnetic elevation vehicles (maglev)