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Abstract (en)
The present invention relates to a vending machine of the kind described for use in combination with a disposable cup (13) having a generally reflective outer surface, said machine including at least one radiation transmitter and sensor (24, 25, 26), so arranged that the sensor is adapted to receive radiation reflected from the external surface of the cup within the machine, the arrangement being such that if no positive indication of cup presence is received in the correct control sequence of the control means then the control means is disenabled to prevent further function of the machine until the deficiency has been rectified.

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