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Abstract (en)

The invention provides a dispensing container, particularly a toilet block holder for delivering a chemical product to a liquid, said container [1] comprising a outer shell [2] to contain the chemical product, a hinged closure element and latch means [4] for releasably securing said closure element so as to retain said product within said shell, wherein said latch means are so configured that said latch means can be released by a force indirectly applied to said latch means. Preferably the latch means is configured such that it opens, releasing the closure element, when the container is knocked against a hard surface and said latch means can be secured again therafter. Opening in this manner facilitates replacement of a spent block without undue handling of the container and reduces soiling of the hands.

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