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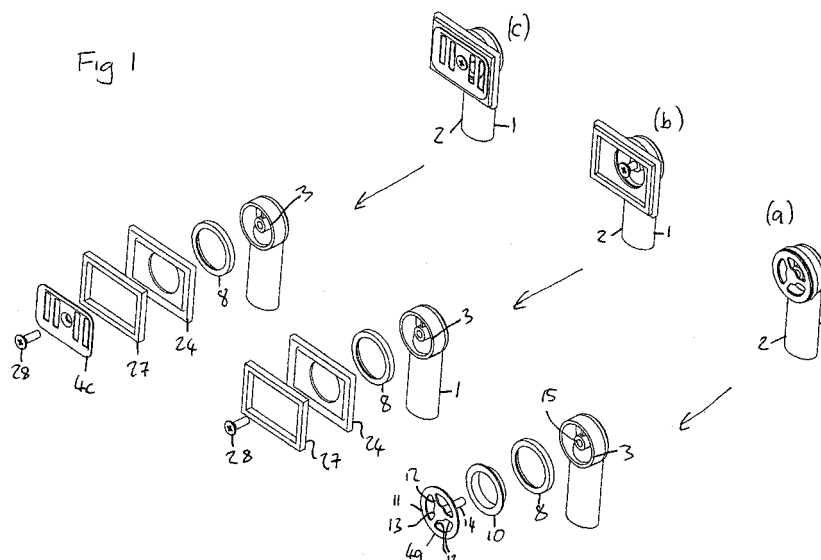
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(54) **Overflow apparatus for sanitary fixtures**

(57) A kit of parts for forming an overflow assembly, the kit of parts comprising a first part (3) arranged so as to be positioned about an external side of an overflow orifice in a sanitary fixture and to be connected to a drain, and a plurality of second parts (4a, 4c) each arranged to be positioned on the internal side of the overflow orifice and to interchangeably engage the first part (3). The kit of parts may further comprise an adaptor (24), arranged

to engage the first part (3), in which, without the adaptor, the first part is sized and shaped to sealably engage an overflow orifice of a first size and/or shape and in which, with the adaptor engaged, the first part (3) and adaptor (24) combined can sealably engage an orifice of a second, different size and/or shape that would not be possible without the adaptor (24). The sanitary fixture may be a bath, sink, washbasin or the like.





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A kit for an overflow and a method for mounting the kit

2. claims: 13, 14

An adaptor for a kit to form an overflow

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