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(54) Housing for a sanitizing block

(57) A housing for a toilet sanitising block comprises a base (2) for supporting a sanitizing block. An upwardly extending wall section (18) defines an enclosure for the sanitising block. A cap (20) is connected to the wall section (18) to cover the enclosure. At least one aperture (6) is provided in the housing which is spaced from the base (2) to permit the release of fragrance from a sanitizing block contained within the housing.

The cap (20) has no apertures such that the sanitising block is protected from liquid and/or urine. The housing is intended to be installed in the drain of an urinal.

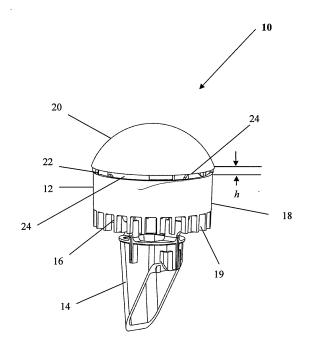


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The Search Division considers that the present European patent application does not comply with the requirements of unity of invention and relates to several inventions or groups of inventions, namely:

1. claims: 1-9

Housing for a toilet sanitising block, comprising a base, a wall section and a cap whereby apertures are arrange to permit the release of fragrance from the sanitizing block

2. claims: 10-15

Housing for a toilet sanitizing block, comprising an inner body element, an outer cover element and a display element disposed therebetween, whereby the outer cover element is partly transparent

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