

Inspecting the DPMA register

If you need information on the current legal and procedural status of patents, utility models or trade marks, you can carry out online searches in the "DPMAregister" service.

Competent Department

• Deutsches Patent- und Markenamt (DPMA)

Basic information

The "DPMAregister" database is provided by the German Patent and Trade Mark Office (DPMA). You can search bibliographic data as well as legal and procedural status data on various publications online. In the DPMAregister you will find information on

- patents and utility models
 - published patent applications as well as granted patents and registered utility models as of January 1, 1981
 - disclosed and granted patents of the GDR as of January 1, 1981
 - supplementary protection certificates for medicinal products and plant protection products
 - European patents
 - Topographies of microelectronic semiconductor products that were pending or in force on or after December 31, 2010
- Trademarks
 - German trademarks applied for since January 1, 1998
 - German trademarks registered since October 1894, provided they were not canceled before January 1, 1995
 - German trade marks refused and withdrawn (excerpt)
 - European Union trade marks of the European Union Intellectual Property Office (EUIPO)
 - internationally registered (IR) trademarks of the World Intellectual Property Organization (WIPO), if Germany or the European Union are designated
- designs
 - Register data for all registered and canceled designs with a filing date as of 01.07.1988
 - $\circ\,$ procedural data for all registered and canceled designs as of January 1, 1998
 - Complete representations of designs registered on or after June 1, 2004

• Geographical indications of source

The link to the "DEPATISnet" document archive also shows you the published documents for the individual entries. You can view patent and utility model specifications and disclosure documents.

In addition, the official publications of the DPMA - the Patent Gazette, the Trade Mark Gazette and the Design Gazette - are available online or can be downloaded as documents. DPMAregister also offers the option of electronic file inspection in patent and utility model procedures.

You can choose from various search options, from beginner to expert searches. The register and procedural status data are updated daily, the publication data weekly, parallel to the patent, trade mark and design gazette.

Requirements

There are no prerequisites.

What documents do I need?

• No documents are required.

Procedure

You can use DPMAregister online and free of charge without registration.

- You can choose from various search modes, from beginner to expert search.
- The search results are configurable, sortable and downloadable result lists. The current register information with the respective legal and procedural status is displayed for the individual hits.
- You can print or download the register entry. This provides you with a complete extract from the register.
- By linking to the "DEPATISnet" database, the published documents, such as patent and utility model specifications and disclosure documents, are also displayed for the individual entries.
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- DPMAregister is updated daily. The legally prescribed publications of disclosure or patent specifications, the registration of utility models, trade marks or designs and the publication of the official patent, trade mark and design gazettes take place on fixed official publication days: for patents and utility models, as a rule, on Thursdays, for trade marks and designs, as a rule, on Fridays.

Online portal of the DPMA register [https://register.dpma.de]

Legal bases

- §§ 30 ff. Patentgesetz (PatG)
- § 8 Gebrauchsmustergesetz (GebrMG)
- <u>§ 33 Markengesetz (MarkenG)</u>
- <u>§ 41 Markengesetz (MarkenG)</u>
- <u>§§ 23 ff. Markenverordnung (MarkenV)</u>
- <u>§§ 19 ff. Designgesetz (DesignG)</u>
- <u>§ 4 Halbleiterschutzgesetz</u>

More information

No legal remedies are provided for.

What deadlines must be paid attention to?

There are no deadlines.

How long does it take to process

No processing time.

What are the costs?

There are no costs.