

Vietnam (VN) Coverage

Patent Office Details

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Kinds of Protection

Patents of Invention	Granted for a term of 20 years from date of filing of application
Utility Models	Referred to as Utility Solutions. Granted for 10 years from filing date of application
Industrial Designs and Models	May be registered

Convention & Treaty Membership

Patent Cooperation Treaty	10.03.1993
Signatory of:	Paris Convention (Stockholm wording) World Intellectual Property Organization World Trade Organization

Filing for Patents

Patents are granted for any invention that is new, involves an inventive step and has industrial application. Utility solutions are granted for less complex inventions.

Applications may be made, in Vietnamese, by the inventor or his successor. If the application is filed in a language other than Vietnamese, the applicant has to submit a Vietnamese translation to the Patent Office within 3 months from the date of filing. Applications by non-Vietnamese residents must be filed via recognised Vietnamese patent agents.

Under the *Patent Cooperation Treaty*, applications claiming priority must be filed within 3 months of the earliest filing date. If priority is not claimed, the application may be filed directly, within 18 months from the earliest filing date. A Vietnamese translation of the basic foreign application is also required.

Applications are examined as to form, inventive step, patentability and novelty.

The application is laid open to public inspection after the 18th month from the earliest priority date. Request for substantive examination must be filed within 42 months of the earliest priority date for patents of invention and within 36 months of the earliest priority date for utility solutions. If the invention is found to be patent-worthy after examination, it will be accepted for grant. The patent will be published in the *Industrial Property Gazette*.

Opposition may be filed during the substantive examination phase and will be considered alongside the examination process.

DWPI Coverage

Coverage commenced with the first publications in 2010

Kind	DWPI Start Dates
A Application	25 January 2010
B Granted patent	25 January 2010

DWPI Data elements online	Notes
✓ Bibliographic data	
✓ English value-add title and abstract	
✓ Original title and abstract	
✓ Claims	Main claim (Granted patents)
✓ Manual Codes	Chemical (CPI) and Electrical (EPI)
✓ Chemical Indexing	DCR, Chemical Fragmentation, Polymer and Markush

Numeration

Kind Code – A

Publication Numbers				
Original Data	Derwent Innovation	Dialog	Questel	STN
VNnnnnn	VNnnnnn	VN nnnnn	VNnnnnn	VNnnnnn
VN21644	VN21644	VN 21644	VN21644	VN21644

nnnnn 5 digit serial number

Application Numbers				
Original Data	Derwent Innovation	Dialog	Questel	STN
1-YYYY-NNNNN	VNYYYYNnnA	VN YYYYNnn	YYYYVN-nnnnnnn	VNYYYY-Nnn
	VN20082548A	VN 20082548	2008VN-0002548	VN2008-2548

YYYY 4 digits representing the year of application
Nnn 1-5 digit serial number
NNNNN 5 digit serial number
nnnnnnn 7 digit serial number

Kind Code – B

Publication Numbers				
Original Data	Derwent Innovation	Dialog	Questel	STN
VN1-nnnnnnn	VN1nnnnnnn	VN 1nnnnnnn	VN1nnnnnnn	VN1nnnnnnn
VN1-0008080	VN10008080	VN 10008080	VN10008080	VN10008080

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