

Germany – East (DD) Coverage

Patent Office Details

See Germany (DE)

Official gazette was *Bekanntmachungen*.

On October 3, 1990, the Patent Office in the German Democratic Republic ceased accepting new patent applications and became a subsidiary of the German Patent Office in Munich.

Kinds of Protection

Patents of Invention Granted for a term of 18 years from submission date along with economic patents

Extensions There were no provisions for extensions

Convention & Treaty Membership

Signatory of: Paris Convention (Stockholm wording)
 Budapest Treaty
 World Intellectual Property Organization

Filing for Patents

Inventions were patentable. Inventions were technical solutions which were new, capable of industrial application, advanced in the art and involved an inventive step.

Applications could be made, in German and Russian, by the inventor or his legal successor. Foreigners could apply on the basis of reciprocity or an international agreement to which both the German Democratic Republic and the applicant's country adhered.

Under the International Convention applications claiming priority had to have been filed within 12 months of the earliest filing in a Convention country. Details of the Convention application had to have been submitted within two months of filing. A certified copy of the basic foreign application could be requested by the patent office.

Applications were subjected to a formal examination. However, a patent could be granted after a favorable examination protection was granted provisionally.

Applications were not published. If the patent was granted provisionally the specification would be printed and notice of grant published in the official gazette. Upon confirmation of the patent after substantive examination, notice would again be published in the official gazette.

There was no formal opposition period. After a patent is granted provisionally objections could be filed with the patent office.

DWPI Coverage

Kind		DWPI Start Dates
A	Examined granted patent	1964*
A3	Economic patent (searched and examined)	12 April 1985
A4	Economic patent (additional)	14 May 1992
A5	Exclusive patent	24 February 1990
A7	Exclusive patent (searched)	19 December 1991
A8	Exclusive patent of addition (searched and examined)	2 July 1992
A9	OPI application (after 1 May 1992)	22 April 1993
B	Re-examined after grant	20 November 1969*
B1	Economic patent, searched and examined	23 January 1992
B3	Exclusive patent, searched and examined	16 January 1992
B5	Patent specification following A7 after objection	8 April 1993
C	Examined granted patent	24 January 1990
C2	Economic patent (Section 19) or corrected/amended (Section 23)	2 July 1992
C4	Granted examined exclusive patent	27 February 1992
C5	Patent specification, 3rd publication	3 February 1994
T9	Translation under Havana agreement	7 October 1993

*Note that pre-1974 DWPI coverage is limited by subject area as follows:

Coverage starts	Subject coverage
1963	Pharmaceuticals
1965	Agrochemicals
1966	Polymers
1970	All chemistry covered
1974	All technologies covered

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

Numeration

Kind Codes – A, A3, A4, A5, A7, A8, A9, B, B1, B3, B5, C, C4, C5, T9

Publication Numbers			
Original Data	Derwent Patent Search	Dialog	STN
DDnnnnnn	DDNNNNNN	DD NNNNNN	DDNNNNNN
DD299844	DD299844	DD 299844	DD299844

NNNNNN 6 digit serial number

Application Numbers*			
Original Data	Derwent Patent Search	Dialog	STN
DDnnnnnn	DDNNNNNNA	DD YYYYNNNNNN	DDYYYY-NNNNNN
DD243688	DD243688A	DD 1982243688	DD1982-243688

YYYY 4 digit year

NNNNNN 6 digit serial number

nnnnnnn 7 digit serial number

**Full coverage of application numbers commenced from DWPI update 199216*