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INFORMATION SHEET FOR INVENTION PATENT APPLICATION IN CHINA

Document required	Patent specification document, inventor and applicant particulars, priority document (if priority is claimed) and Power of Attorney form
Language	Chinese
Examination	Formality and Substantive examination
Application Procedures	1) Filing the application; 2) Publication; 3) Substantive examination; 4) Office actions; 5) Granting or rejecting the application; 6) If the application is rejected, the applicant may appeal at the Court
Processing time for registration	2 – 3 years from date of filing the application
Patent Renewal and duration	Patent remains valid subject to yearly attendance to annuity payment. The maximum protection period for invention patent registration in China is 20 years.
Assignment	Original assignment deed & power of attorney form
Licensing	Original license agreement and power of attorney

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INFORMATION SHEET FOR UTILITY MODEL PATENT APPLICATION IN CHINA

Documents required	Patent specification document, inventor and applicant particulars, priority document (if priority is claimed) and Power of Attorney form
Language	Chinese
Examination	Formality examination and novelty assessment
Application procedure	Filing the application; 2) Examination; 3) Office Action; 4) Granting or rejecting the application; 5) If rejected, the applicant may appeal at the Court
Processing time for registration	1 year from date of filing the application
Patent renewal and Duration	Patent remains valid subject to yearly attendance to annuity payment. The maximum protection period for utility model registration in China is 10 years.
Assignment	Original or certified copy of assignment deed and power of attorney form
Licensing	Original or certified copy of license agreement and power of attorney

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