

INFORMATION SHEET FOR INVENTION PATENT APPLICATION IN TAIWAN

Document required	Patent specification, inventor and applicant particulars and original certified copy of priority document (if priority is claimed)
Language	Traditional Chinese
Examination	Formality and Substantive examination
Application procedure	1) Filing the application; 2) Publication; 3) Substantive examination; 4) Office actions; 5) Granting or rejecting the application; 6) If reexamination still rejects the application, then filing appeal at the Court
Processing time for registration	2 – 4 years from date of filing the application
Patent renewal and duration	Patent annual fees must be paid to maintain the validity of the patent. The first annuity fee during which the patent right is granted shall be paid before the publication of grant. Subsequent annuities shall be paid in advance prior to the commencing date of the subsequent year
Assignment	An original assignment contract
Licensing	An original license agreement

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INFORMATION SHEET FOR UTILITY MODEL APPLICATION IN TAIWAN

Document required	Utility model specification, inventor and applicant particulars, original certified copy of priority document (if priority is claimed)
Language	Traditional Chinese
Examination	Formality examination and no substantive examination
Application procedure	1) Filing the application;2) Formality examination;3) Office Action;4) Granting or rejecting the application;5) If rejected, filing appeal or abandon the application
Processing time for registration	1 – 2 years from date of filing the application
Patent renewal and duration	Utility model annual fees must be paid to maintain the validity of the utility model. The first annuity fee during which the utility model right is granted shall be paid before the publication of grant. Subsequent annuities shall be paid in advance prior to the commencing date of the subsequent year. The term of a utility model is 10 years from the filing date of the application
Assignment	An original assignment contract
Licensing	An original license agreement

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