

Annual Technical Report  
on Patent Information Activities of the Kazpatent  
in 1998

1. The procedure for filing applications and granting the titles of industrial property protection remains the same.

2. The Kazpatent publishes:

- an official bulletin «Onerkasyp menshigy» - «Industrial Property» in the Kazakh and English languages;
- full descriptions of inventions and utility models (in filing language);
- normative, legislative and instruction-methodical materials regulating industrial property protection (in separate brochures);
- Publication is implemented both on paper and CD - ROM.
- Announcements, advertising information is published in an official bulletin, republican newspapers and magazines.

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Techniques used for the production of patent information (printing, recording, etc.) is the following: a network printer HP5SI, a device for CD - ROM recording.

The Kazpatent does not deal with microfilming or photo composing activities.

3. Abstraction, review and translation of patent information is done mainly for the use by the Office specialists.

Classification, reclassification and hybrid system indexing are effected by the Kazpatent using the International Patent Classification (IPC) only.

4. For searching purposes CD - ROM of the EPO and bibliographic database of patent documents of Kazakhstan are used.

5. The Kazpatent has at its disposal the following applied functional complexes: registration, examination, fee payment, state register, publishing, archives and office activity.

All the functional complexes are operated under WINDOWS 95.

The equipment used is the following: 42 computers of the IBM PC type, including 486/33 - 3

Pentium 75 - 25

Pentium 133 - 5

Pentium 166 - 9

The computers are connected with the INTERNET network in a wounded pair and work under INDOWS 95.

For the purpose of storage and transfer the data the following types of carriers are used:

- CD - ROM;
- magnetic optical discs OMRD 5,25'' of 2,6 Gb volume;
- floppy discs 3,25'' of 1,44 Mb volume.

6. Since 1965 there is the Republican Patent Fund (RPF) operating in Kazakhstan which enters the structure of the Republican Scientific Technical library (RSTL). The Kazpatent has an agreement with the RSTL under which all the editions of its own and those received through interchange are forwarded free of charge to the RPF for public use by the Kazpatent. In addition to, the Kazpatent supplies with its publications both all the regional scientific and technical libraries of Kazakhstan and various academic and educational establishments of the country.

The Kazpatent renders different reference-information services deals with the patent documents copies if requested by applicants.

7. The Kazpatent has mutual exchange with the editions of all patent offices of the CIS countries as well as Austria, Germany, Mongolia and Japan under the long-term agreements. Mutual exchange is accomplished both on paper and machine-readable carriers (CD-ROM).

Application documentation should be done in a traditional form, i.e. on paper. Filing the application material on machine-readable carriers makes it possible to facilitate record-keeping.

8. There is a Center under the supervision of the Kazpatent responsible for training courses and conducting various seminars and consultations.

At the request of the governmental organizations the Kazpatent prepares different statistical reports, reviews and recommendations.

Administration staff and leading specialists of the Office make speeches in mass media (press, radio, TV) explaining the acting legislation in the field of industrial property protection in Kazakhstan.

For this very purpose seminars in industrial centers of Kazakhstan are held.