FINDING INFORMATION ON DIVISIONAL APPLICATIONS ON THE JPO'S J-PLATPAT

[Image of J-PlatPat's website]

NOTE: Divisional applications can be found in the legal status information

https://www.j-platpat.inpit.go.jp/web/all/top/BTmTopPage
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1. Move your mouse over here to open the drop-down menu

1a. Click on option «1» to access the JPO's legal status information by number search

https://www.j-platpat.inpit.go.jp/
2. Select intellectual property type

3. Select the kind of document*

4. Enter the number*

5. Search

*See following slides for explanation of kinds of documents and number formats

https://www.j-platpat.inpit.go.jp/
1. application number
2. laid open publication number
3. international publication number (non - JP priority)
4. examined publication number
5. registration number
6. trial / opposition number
7. trial number (2nd instance)
8. priority country / number
9. international application number
10. international publication number
JAPANESE NUMBER FORMATS

**Input of numbers**

*publication numbers:*
- Syy-nnnnnnn
- Hyy-nnnnnnn
- yyyy-nnnnnnn (from 2000)

*patent numbers:*
- nnnnnnn

y... 2-digit Japanese year*
y... 4-digit Western year
n... serial number

* Conversion rule:
  - Showa year (S) + 25 = Western year
  - Heisei year (H) + 88 = Western year

**Japanese imperial years:**

- **SHOWA (S)** 昭和
  - reign of Emperor Hirohito
  - (1926 to 1989)

- **HEISEI (H)** 平成
  - reign of Emperor Akihito
  - (1989 to date)

**NOTE:** Showa 64 = Heisei 01 = 1989!
SEARCHING FOR DIVISIONALS (FIRST RESULTS SCREEN)

6. Click here to access the legal status information

https://www.j-platpat.inpit.go.jp/
SEARCHING FOR DIVISIONALS
(SECOND RESULTS SCREEN)

NOTE: Information on divisional applications does not exist in all cases

7. Click here for information on divisional applications

https://www.j-platpat.inpit.go.jp/

Basic information and latest legal status
DIVISIONAL APPLICATION INFORMATION

8. Click here to access the legal status of the divisional application

https://www.j-platpat.inpit.go.jp/
Alternatively, the EPO can search on your behalf and supply you with an annotated legal status report including divisional information.

More information on this service can be found at www.epo.org/asia

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