

Key USPTO resources for inventors, startups, and entrepreneurs

PATENT RESOURCES

Basic information about patents and the patenting process

Patents homepage	www.uspto.gov/patents
Inventor and entrepreneur resources	www.uspto.gov/inventors
Inventors Assistance (Call) Center	www.uspto.gov/inventors/iac
IP Awareness Tool	www.uspto.gov/inventors/assessment
Patent process flow chart	www.uspto.gov/patents/process/index.jsp
Pro Bono Program — general description	www.uspto.gov/inventors/proseprobono

Details of the patenting process

EFS-Web — filing patent applications via the web	www.uspto.gov/patents-application-process/applying-online/about-efs-web
Track One Prioritized Examination information and FAQs	www.uspto.gov/patents/init_events/Track_One.jsp
Micro entity status information (Search “Micro” in FAQs)	www.uspto.gov/patent/laws-and-regulations/america-invents-act-aia/america-invents-act-aia-frequently-asked

Patent search and examination guidance

Patent search tutorial	www.uspto.gov/patents/process/search/index.jsp
Patent examination guidance	www.uspto.gov/patents/law/exam/examguide.jsp

TRADEMARK RESOURCES

Trademarks homepage	www.uspto.gov/trademark
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