

Patent/Publication Number Searching

Step 1

Enter File WPINDEX to access Derwent's World Patents Index database.

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=> file wpindex
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Step 2a

Search for a Patent/Publication Number that does not include the publication year. Enter a space between the country code and serial number for all Patent/Publication Numbers.

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=> s ep 234/pn
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L1 1 EP 234/PN  
      (EP234/PN)
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Step 2b

Search for a Patent/Publication Number that includes the publication year and has a five-digit serial number. If there are less than five digits, backfill with zeros.

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=> s wo 8500268/pn
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L2 1 WO 8500268/PN  
      (WO8500268/PN)
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Step 2c

Search for a Patent/Publication Number that has a seven- or eight-digit serial number.

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=> s us 5123456/pn
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L3 1 US 5123456/PN  
      (US5123456/PN)
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Tip

If you are unsure of the Patent/Publication Number format, use the Expand (E) command to verify that you are using the correct format. Example:

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=> e ep 234/pn
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Ref Items	Index-term
E1 1	EP233998/PN
E2 1	EP233999/PN
E3 1	→EP234/PN
E4 1	EP2340/PN
E5 1	EP23400/PN
=>	s e3

Step 3

Display your search results using the Display (D) command.

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=> d 13 bib 1
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L3 ANSWER 1 OF 1 WPINDEX COPYRIGHT 1999 DERWENT
INFORMATION LTD
AN      1992-116338 [15]    WPINDEX
DNN     N1992-086992
TI      Hand banding tool which tensions and clamps
        band and cuts off tail - has handle containing
        mechanism with pivot lever operated action for
        gripping and tensioning band and crimping lock
        buckle with tail cut-off.
DC      P52 P62 Q31
IN      JANSEN, G A
PA      (BAND-N) BAND-IT-IDEX INC
CYC     4
PI      EP 479623 A 19920408 (199215)* 18p
        R: DE GB IT
        US 5123456 A 19920623 (199228) 18p
ADT     EP 479623 A EP 1991-309148 19911004;
        US 5123456 A US 1990-593124 19901005
PRAI    US 1990-593124 19901005
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