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1. USPTO Web Patent Database - Full text of all U.S. patents issued since January 1, 1976 and images and PDFs of every patent issued since 1790.
2. General Information Concerning Patents – In print and on the USPTO Web site
5. The Seven-Step Strategy - Outlines a suggested procedure for patent searching
6. Patents: The Collection for All Reasons
7. Cooperative Patent Classification (CPC) System (CPC Website)
8. International Patent Classification (IPC) System (WIPO Website)
10. PubEAST - The "public" version of the Examiner's Automated Search Tool provides seamless access for searching patent databases. (Access via a PTRC Workstation)
11. PubWEST - The "public" version of the Web-based Examiner's Search Tool offers a server-based application tool for searching patent databases. (Access via a PTRC Workstation)

**Trademarks**

1. Trademark Electronic Search System (TESS) - Text and image database of trademarks
2. Basic Facts About Trademarks - – In print and on the USPTO Web site
3. Seven Step Federal Trademark Search Strategy - Outlines a suggested procedure for trademark searching
4. Trademark Manual of Examining Procedure (TMEP)
5. Trademark Trial and Appeal Board (TTAB) Manual of Procedure (TBMP) - USPTO guide to examination practice
6. Trademark Acceptable Identification of Goods and Services Manual - An alphabetical index of goods and services identified by International class
7. International Schedule of Classes of Goods and Services - International trademark classification and the headings of the international trademark classes

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