

Chapter 2500: Maintenance Fees
PatentEducationSeries.com

2501 Introduction

- I. MAINTENANCE FEE BRANCH
- II. OFFICE OF PATENT APPLICATION PROCESSING

2504 Patents Subject to Maintenance Fees

2506 Times for Submitting Maintenance Fee Payments

2510 Submission of Maintenance Fee Payments and Documents

- I. SUBMISSION OVER THE INTERNET
- II. SUBMISSION BY MAIL
- III. SUBMISSION BY FACSIMILE
- IV. SUBMISSION BY HAND DELIVERY

2515 Information Required for Submission of Maintenance Fee Payment

2520 Maintenance Fee Amounts

2522 Methods of Payment

2530 Special Acceptance of Maintenance Fee Payments Containing Informalities

- I. PATENT NUMBER SUPPLIED BUT NO APPLICATION NUMBER SUPPLIED
- II. PATENT NUMBER AND APPLICATION NUMBER SUPPLIED BUT THEY DO NOT CORRESPOND
- III. NO PATENT NUMBER SUPPLIED BUT APPLICATION NUMBER SUPPLIED

2531 Payment Late or Insufficient

2532 Duplicate Payments

2595 Forms

2591 Intervening Rights in Reinstated Patents

2590 Acceptance of Delayed Payment of Maintenance Fee in Expired Patent to Reinstatement Patent

- I. UNAVOIDABLE DELAY
- II. UNINTENTIONAL DELAY

2580 Review of Decision Refusing to Accept and Record Payment of a Maintenance Fee Filed Prior to Expiration of Patent

2575 Notices

- I. PREPRINTED STANDARD NOTICES
- II. OFFICIAL GAZETTE NOTICE
- III. MAINTENANCE FEE REMINDERS
- IV. RECEIPT NOTICES
- V. EXPIRATION NOTICES

2570 Maintenance Fee Payment Status Requests

2560 Revocation of Power of Attorney and Withdrawal of Attorney

2550 Small Entity Status

2542 Change of Correspondence Address

2540 Fee Address for Maintenance Fee Purposes