## Galendar Dates 2022

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## 1. Identification page

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## 2. Questions page

1. How does your office order calendar date components in published documents when using dates consisting only of numbers? Select all that apply.

Day first, such as 01.09.1997 (DD.MM.CCYY)

**Comments:** Since 1996 DD.MM.CCYY has been the date format on published patent documents. On previously published patent documents the format DD.MM.YY was used

2. How does your office separate date components in published documents? Select all that apply.

dot, as in CCYY.MM.DD

Comments:

3. Are leading zeroes omitted from any date components?

Consider the date September 1, 1997. Select all that apply.

No omissions, leading zeroes are always included in the date, such as 1997.09.01

Comments:

4. Does your office ever spell out the names of months in published dates? Select all that apply.

No, we do not spell out month names in any dates

**Comments:** 

5. If your office spells out months, which languages do you use for month names? Select all that apply. If a language has multiple variations of month names, indicate in the comments which variation your office uses.

Comments:

6. Please select all the date formats used by your office below. If multiple formats or separators are selected, indicate what types of documents or data use each one.

Format - Year first

		5	Used for			
	dot	dash	slash	space	none	
CCYY.MM.DD (e.g. 1997.09.01)		Χ				Espacenet
CCYY.(M)M.(D)D (e.g. 1997.9.1)						
YY.MM.DD (e.g. 97.09.01)						
YY.(M)M.(D)D (e.g. 97.9.1)						

### Comments:

7. Please select all the date formats used by your office below. If multiple formats or separators are selected, indicate what types of documents or data use each one.

## Format - Day first

	Separator(s)					Used for
	dot	dash	slash	space	none	
DD.MM.CCYY (e.g. 01.09.1997)	Χ					European Register
DD.MM.YY (e.g. 01.09.97)						
(D)D.MM.YY (e.g. 1.09.97)						
(D)D.(M)M.YY (e.g. 1.9.97)						

### Comments:

8. Please select all the date formats used by your office below. If multiple formats or separators are selected, indicate what types of documents or data use each one.

### Format - Month names

	Name format		Used for
	full month name	abbreviated	
DD [month] CCYY (e.g. 01 September 1997)			
(D)D [month] CCYY (e.g. 1 September 1997)			
[month] DD CCYY (e.g. September 01, 1997)			
[month] (D)D CCYY (e.g. September 1, 1997)			
Other format - specify using C, Y, M, D, and [month] (specify in comments)			

## Comments:

9. In your IT systems, what format(s) are dates for IP documents and data stored in?

Please select all formats used by your various IT systems for dates related to IP documents and data.

### Comments:

10. What is the maximum year your systems are capable of storing? If your systems use multiple digital date storage formats, select all that apply.

Note - when the "maximum date" is exceeded in affected systems, the date rolls back to the beginning of the time period,

such as January 1, 1970. The result is similar to Y2K issues. For references on this topic, see <a href="https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Time\_formatting\_and\_storage\_bugs">https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Time\_formatting\_and\_storage\_bugs</a>.

### Comments:

- 11. Are there any other considerations that users should be aware of with dates in your published documents? If so, please provide an explanation and examples. For instance, Japanese documents often indicate the year of the Emperor's reign, as explained in the current Part 7.1.
- 12. Optional If you wish to provide any file attachments with examples from your other answers (such as question 11), please do so here.

# 4. Thank You!

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