

HOW TO FIND OUT MORE

Different resources are available free of charge on the website
<http://historico.oepm.es/>:

- Databases which offer bibliographic data for the files:

- Invention privileges 1826-1878
- Patents 1878-1940 (data from the files)
- Patents 1930-1966 (data from the Industrial Property Official Bulletin, BOPI)*
- Trademarks 1865-1913

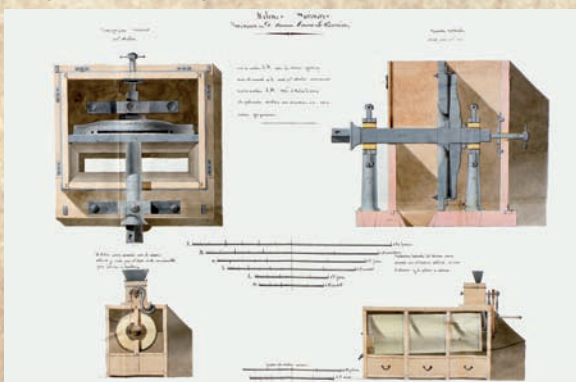
- Virtual Museum:

- Subject galleries: biographical and about railway history
- Exhibition rooms.



- Other resources:

- Digitalised Industrial Property Official Bulletin history: 1886-1965
- Patent and trademark requesters search through geo-positioning systems*



*Spanish Official Industrial Property Gazette

WHAT SERVICES DO WE OFFER?

Information and access:

Enquiries by post or by email Advice and guidance regarding the archives and databases.

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Sale of prints:

Reproductions of digitalised trademarks and privileges in paper format are accessible to the general public.

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Spanish Patent
and Trademark Office

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The Spanish Patent and Trademark Office (SPTO) is an autonomous body attached to the Ministry of Energy, Tourism and the Digital Agenda which is responsible for the State's administration regarding industrial property.

As a result of this activity, an archive has been created with the aim of collecting, preserving and disseminating all the documents produced by the SPTO and the institutions which acted as its predecessors as of the adoption of the first Spanish law on patents: the Royal Decree of 27 March 1826 on industrial privileges. Two main fonds make up the SPTO archive:

- The historical fonds: contain documents dated between 1826 and 1939
- The administrative fonds: contain the documents dated between 1940 and the present day

Since 1999, the SPTO collaborates actively with the Universidad Autónoma de Madrid to collect bibliographic data and study the historical archival fonds of the Patent and Trademark Office.



A BRIEF HISTORY

The SPTO is the result of a long institutional change whose origins could be considered to be the Royal General Board of Trade, created in 1679, responsible for examining inventions and proposing to the King the granting of letters patent.

The Board was succeeded by the following entities and institutions:

- The Royal Cabinet of Machines of the Buen Retiro (1792-1824),
- Royal Conservatory of Arts and Crafts (1824-1850),
- Royal Institute of Industry (1850-1887), which later became the Royal Conservatory of Arts and Crafts integrated into the new institution,
- The Special Directorate for Patents, Trademarks and Industry of the Ministry of Development (1887-1888),
- Department of Patents and Trademarks belonging to the Ministry of Development (1888-1902),
- The Industrial Property Register (1902-1975), integrated into the different ministries responsible for this area,
- The Industrial Property Register (1975-1992), an autonomous body,
- The Spanish Patent and Trademark Office from 1992 to the present.

At the same time as this evolution, developments in legislations and the appearance of new modalities of industrial property also came about.



WHAT WILL YOU FIND IN THE SPTO ARCHIVES?

A total of 430,895 files together with their corresponding record books make up the historical fonds.

The documents are classified as administrative files, specifications, maps, record books (entry, registration and payment), and albums.

They also include objects and three-dimensional designs, and material and metal as well as chemical product samples.

The fonds are classified according to the following scheme:

1. Inventions

- Royal Privileges (1826-1878)
- Patents (1878-1939)
- Utility Models (1929-1939)

2. Industrial Design

- Industrial models and designs (1902-1929)
- Industrial and artistic models (1929-1939)
- Industrial and artistic designs (1929-1939)

3. Distinctive signs

- National trademarks (1866-1939)
- International trademarks (1893-1939)
- Trade names (1902-1939)
- Business signs (1929-1939)
- Cinema signs (1929-1989)

