

IPC 8 (IPC R) in Derwent World Patents Index® (DWPISM) and DWPI First ViewSM

IPC R codes, introduced in January 2006, first appear in both *DWPI* and *DWPI First View* in update 200603 on Dialog, Questel.Orbit and STN.

Until the enhanced version of *DWPI* becomes available later in quarter one 2006, the IPC R Codes will be dealt with as follows:

IPC Format

The IPCR Main Groups, which contain 4 digits, will be automatically truncated to three digits by removing the leading zero.

Example: A03K-0111/01 becomes A03K-111/01

If the Main Group is 4 digits long and the leading digit is not zero, this will be evaluated by our analysts and dealt with on an individual basis.

IPCR Attributes

IPC 7 codes are classed as Main, Secondary, Index or Additional IPCs. They are indexed online in each of these classes and also in an IPC super-index to allow searching of all IPCs regardless of this sub-classification.

IPC R codes are no longer classed in this way but contain attributes stating whether they are invention or non-invention based.

Until the enhanced version of *DWPI* becomes available, the IPC R attributes will not be present in *DWPI*. The IPC R codes will be mapped to the nearest equivalent IPC 7 classification as follows and will also be included in the IPC super-index:

IPC 7	IPCR Attribute
Main	First invention information
Secondary	Later invention information
Additional	Non-invention information / additional information

We recommend that you review search strategies containing IPCs to add in new classifications from IPCR to ensure you continue to receive the information you require.

Enhanced and Reloaded DWPI

Once the enhanced and reloaded versions of *DWPI* become available later in quarter one 2006, IPC R will be available in full with all appropriate attributes included. Further details will follow nearer the time of release concerning the exact structure on each host.