

INFORMAL SESSION FOR PAPER A

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 Date : 26 August 2005
 Time : 6 pm to 7:20 pm
 Venue : IPOS Promise Room

The highlights below are intended to assist candidates in their preparation for the Singapore Patent Agents Qualifying Examination. Common points raised by all the speakers at all the informal sessions include:

- use of clear, concise and consistent language;
- application of relevant citations in the Patents legislations;
- handwriting;
- use of dark colour ink;
- time management; and
- practice: to study past question papers from SG, EPO, UK and AU and to take every opportunity to apply what the candidates have learned in the course of daily work under the supervision of their supervisor(s).

DOs	DON'Ts
<p>Technology Understand the technology in question. The invention in question will be a kind of simple, everyday-used mechanical device.</p> <p>Reading of instructions Read the instructions in the question carefully before attempting to answer. For QE2005, two copies of the questions will be made available for candidates to cut and paste onto the Answer Booklets, if necessary.</p> <p>Technical problem and its solution Find the technical problem and remember to provide the solution to that problem. Be consistent in the claim.</p>	<p>Answer Do not answer what is not asked and not covered in the question.</p> <p>Patents claim Avoid drafting invalid, ambiguous claims. Such a claim will result in the fail.</p> <p>Repetition of description Do not repeat the full description in your answer if it has been reflected in the question, in order to save time.</p> <p>Drawings on the answers If your description refers to a drawing from the question, do not forget to paste that drawing onto your Answer Booklets.</p>