

# USPTO Revises Email Address Requirement for Trademark Owners

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## FAQs

### **Q: Are the email addresses confidential?**

A: At this time, no. The email address will be posted in the USPTO’s online public repository of documents filed in trademark applications/registrations. The USPTO is considering masking these email addresses, but the timeline for this development is unknown.

**Q: What correspondence will the USPTO send to the trademark owner?**

A: The USPTO will continue to correspond via the email address of the appointed attorney, if there is one. The USPTO will use this new email address ONLY if the attorney is no longer handling the case. In the normal course, the trademark owner should not expect to receive any email from the USPTO, other than notices of maintenance deadlines for the registration (at the 5th year and 9th year anniversaries of the registration). However, due to the email's inclusion in the USPTO's online repository, the trademark owner may receive spam and misleading solicitations from others.

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