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#### Access Advance VVC Advance Patent Pool



# **Patent Marking Guidelines**

## **Specifications**

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## **Product Usage Instructions**

#### **Patent Marking Guidelines**

Ensure compliance with the following guidelines for patent marking:

- 1. **Obligation:** Follow the specified obligations for patent marking.
- 2. General Guidelines: Adhere to the general patent marking guidelines.
- 3. **Software Guidelines:** Specific guidelines for software products.
- 4. **Trademark Licensees:** Guidelines for combining the logo with a patent marking notice.
- 5. **Combined Logo:** For licensees of both HEVC Advance and VVC Advance Patent Pools.

#### **Minimum Dimensions**

To ensure legibility of the patent marking notice, the minimum dimensions are as follows:

- Minimum width of combined horizontal logo and notice: 58mm
- Minimum height of combined vertical logo: 30mm for trademark licensees and 43mm for both pools licensees

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- These Guidelines do not modify or replace the obligations in the PPL, but instead provide examples of how to meet them.
- These Guidelines may be updated from time to time, and our Licensees will be afforded a reasonable amount of time to update their patent markings.
- If you have any questions or concerns about these Guidelines, please contact us at <a href="mailto:licensing@accessadvance.com">licensing@accessadvance.com</a>.

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- In addition to the General Requirement, for VVC Software, a Licensee must also display the marking during software installation, on a splash screen, or on a loading screen.
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#### **Patent Marking Guidelines: For Trademark Licensees**

 To ensure legibility of the patent marking notice, the minimum width of the combined horizontal logo and patent marking notice is 58mm, and the minimum height of the combined vertical logo is 30mm.

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#### **Patent Marking Guidelines**

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obligations of both pools can be met by marking Licensed VVC+HEVC Products as follows:

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Q: Are the logos protected under intellectual property laws?

A: Yes, the logos are proprietary and protected under intellectual property laws.

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Q: Can the patent marking guidelines change?

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## **Documents / Resources**



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