INTELLECTUAL PROPERTY CORPORATION OF MALAYSIA (MyIPO)



CONSULTATION PAPER - PROPOSED TRADE MARKS AND PATENTS (INCLUDING UTILITY INNOVATIONS) FEES REVISION

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INTRODUCTION

This consultation paper seeks feedback on the proposed changes from our stakeholders. The Intellectual Property Corporation of Malaysia (MyIPO) welcomes any interested parties to make written submissions in response to the proposed changes as stated herein.

Those interested in submitting written submissions are invited to submit it via email to lawreview@myipo.gov.my latest by 31st of December 2014.

Please note that, unless requested otherwise, written submissions submitted to MyIPO may be made publicly available.

BACKGROUND

Over the years, MyIPO constantly strived to improve the delivery system in processing the patents and trade marks applications for registrations. In this regard, MyIPO is taking step to upgrade and enhance our ICT system for the benefits of the users.

The escalating costs of upgrading the ICT system, makes it inevitable for MyIPO to revise its fees with respect to trade marks and patents. In order to incentivize applicants to utilize the online filing system, we are introducing much lower online filing fees as compared to the manual filing fees.

The revision introduces certain changes, which includes the waiver of certain patents searching fees (online) and the reduction of certain fees for trade marks and patents. Meanwhile for certain patents and trademarks fees, an increase at an average of 5% to 50% is also proposed.

The following summary outlines the fee revision proposed to be implemented. All changes to fees are proposals only at this stage.

1 THE PROPOSED FEES REVISION

(A) TRADE MARKS

Under the current Regulation 33 of the Trade Marks Regulations 1997 (TMR 1997), before an application for the registration of a trade mark required or permitted to be advertised by section 27 of the Trade Marks Act 1976 is advertised in the Gazette by the Registrar (for opposition), an applicant is required to file with the Registrar Form TM31 (together with the prescribed fee) within 2 months from the receipt of the Registrar's request (Regulation 33 (2) TMR 1997). In order to shorten the process of the registration period, as well to avoid abandonment due to non-response to office action for request for advertisement of a trade mark, it is proposed that Regulation 33 (2) of TMR 1997 to be deleted (including the need to file Form TM31 and to pay the prescribed fee). Therefore, it is proposed that an 'upfront fee' for application for registration for a trade mark will be introduced by incorporating both the application fee and request for advertisement of a trade mark.

FORM	MATTER	EXISTING	FEE (RM)		D REVISED	REMARKS
		0.111.115			(RM)	
		ONLINE	MANUAL	ONLINE	MANUAL	
TM2	Application for registration	1300.00	1350.00	1400.00	1400.00	
	of trade marks agent					
TM5	Application for registration	330.00	370.00	990.00	1140.00	Note: Form
	for a mark					TM31 to be
TM31	Request for advertisement	600.00	650.00			deleted and
	of a trade mark					the fee is
						incorporated
						with TM 5
TM6	Request for statement of	650.00	700.00	1000.00	1000.00	
	grounds of decision					
TM7	Notice of opposition	600.00	650.00	900.00	950.00	
TM9A	Notice to the registrar of	150.00	170.00	230.00	280.00	
	attendance at ex-parte					
	hearing					
TM12	Application for renewal of	550.00	600.00	830.00	880.00	
	registration of a trade					
	mark					
TM13	Application for late	820.00	870.00	1230.00	1280.00	
	renewal of registration of a					
	trade mark					
TM14	Application for restoration	880.00	930.00	1320.00	1370.00	
	and renewal of registration					
TM15	Application and	240.00	260.00	310.00	460.00	
	declaration of an					
	assignment / a					
	transmission for registration					
	as proprietor of a trade					
	mark					
TM17	Request by registered	130.00	140.00			For
	proprietor of a registered					cancellation
	trade mark for making, or					of an entry,
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FORM	MATTER	EXISTING FEE (RM)		PROPOSE	D REVISED	REMARKS
				FEE	(RM)	
		ONLINE	MANUAL	ONLINE	MANUAL	
	varying of an entry in the					new form
	Register					TM17A will be
						introduced
*TM17A	Request by registered	130.00	140.00	10.00	10.00	
	proprietor of a registered					
	trade mark for cancelling					
	an entry in the Register					
TM21	Application by registered	160.00	180.00	240.00	290.00	
	proprietor for an addition					
	to or alteration of a					
	registered trade mark					
TM23	Application for registration	240.00	260.00	310.00	460.00	
	of a registered user					
TM26	Request for correction of a	130.00	140.00	20.00	20.00	
	clerical error in an					
	application or for					
	permission to amend an					
	application for registration					
	(other than amend					
	representation)					
*TM26A	Request to amend an			300.00	300.00	New form
	application for registration					TM26A is
						introduced
						for
						amendment
						of an
						application
						for
						registration
						other than
						TM26

FORM	MATTER	EXISTING FEE (RM)		PROPOSE	D REVISED	REMARKS
					(RM)	
		ONLINE	MANUAL	ONLINE	MANUAL	
TM 27	Application for extension	70.00	80.00	80.00	80.00	
	of time					
	Extension of time for every	130.00	140.00	170.00	220.00	
	month or part of month					
TM27A	Application for extension	70.00	80.00	100.00	100.00	
	of time (for Opposition					
	proceedings)					
	Extension of time for every	130.00	140.00	250.00	300.00	
	month or part of month					

Part II

NO.	MATTER	EXISTING FEE	PROPOSED RE	VISED FEE (RM)
		(RM)	ONLINE	MANUAL
2	Request to conduct public search	10.00 per	To be deleted	
		hour		

(B) (I) PATENTS

		EXISTING	FEE (RM)	PROPOSED	REVISED FEE	REMARKS
FORM	MATTER			(R	M)	
		ONLINE	MANUAL	ONLINE	MANUAL	
						Online fees
						remain
						unchanged
1	Request for grant of	260.00	290.00	260.00	410.00	but increase in
	patent					manual fees to
						encourage the
						usage of online
						filing
	Claims – more than 10 claims	20.00	20.00	30.00	50.00	
2.4		2/0.00	200.00	240.00	400.00	
2A	Entering national Phase	260.00	290.00	340.00	490.00	
	Request for reinstatement					
2A	under Section 780A	650.00	690.00	850.00	1000.00	
	(per month of delay fee)					
5	Request for substantive	950.00	1100.00	1240.00	1390.00	
	examination					
5A	Request for modified	600.00	640.00	780.00	930.00	
	substantive examination					
51	Request for expedited	2000.00	2200.00	3000.00	3150.00	
	examination					
21	Request for extension of	260.00	290.00	390.00	540.00	
	time					
	Extension of time for every	70.00	80.00	110.00	260.00	
	month or part of month					

FORM	MATTER	EXISTING FEE (RM) PF			REVISED FEE	REMARKS
1 Gittivi	III) WEEK	ONLINE	MANUAL	ONLINE	MANUAL	
Annual fe	e for patent:					
	For second year after grant of patent	260.00	290.00	340.00	490.00	
	For third year after grant of patent	330.00	360.00	430.00	580.00	
	For fourth year after grant of patent	390.00	420.00	590.00	740.00	
	For fifth year after grant of patent	460.00	490.00	700.00	850.00	
	For sixth year after grant of patent	520.00	560.00	780.00	950.00	
	For seventh year after grant of patent	600.00	640.00	900.00	1050.00	
	For eighth year after grant of patent	650.00	690.00	980.00	1130.00	
	For ninth year after grant of patent	720.00	760.00	1080.00	1230.00	
	For tenth year after grant of patent	780.00	820.00	1170.00	1320.00	
	For eleventh year after grant of patent	850.00	890.00	1280.00	1430.00	
	For twelfth year after grant of patent	900.00	940.00	1350.00	1500.00	
	For thirteenth year after grant of patent	1050.00	1100.00	1580.00	1730.00	
	For fourteenth year after grant of patent	1200.00	1250.00	1800.00	1950.00	
	For fifteenth year after	1300.00	1350.00	1950.00	2100.00	

		EXISTING	EXISTING FEE (RM)		REVISED FEE	REMARKS
FORM	MATTER			(RI	M)	
		ONLINE	MANUAL	ONLINE	MANUAL	
	grant of patent					
	For sixteenth year after grant of patent	1600.00	1660.00	2400.00	2550.00	
	For seventeenth year after grant of patent	1850.00	1900.00	2780.00	2930.00	
	For eighteenth year after grant of patent	2100.00	2200.00	3150.00	3300.00	
	For nineteenth year after grant of patent	2400.00	2500.00	3600.00	3750.00	
	For twentieth year after grant of patent	2600.00	2700.00	3900.00	4050.00	

(B) (II) UTILITY INNOVATIONS

		EXISTING I	FEE (RM)	PROPOSED	REVISED FEE	REMARKS
FORM	MATTER			(R	M)	
		ONLINE	MANUAL	ONLINE	MANUAL	
14	Application for grant of certificate of utility innovations	130.00	140.00	130.00	280.00	Online fee remain unchanged but increase in manual fee to encourage the usage of online filing
21	Request for extension of time	260.00	290.00	390.00	540.00	

FORM	MATTER	EXISTING FEE (RM)			REVISED FEE	REMARKS
1 Oktivi	WATER	ONLINE	MANUAL	ONLINE	MANUAL	
	Extension of time for every month or part of month	70.00	80.00	110.00	260.00	
Annual fe	ee for certificate for utility i	nnovations:				
	For third year after grant of certificate	160.00	170.00	210.00	360.00	
	For fourth year after grant of certificate	210.00	240.00	270.00	420.00	
	For fifth year after grant of certificate	210.00	240.00	320.00	470.00	
	For sixth year after grant of certificate	260.00	290.00	390.00	540.00	
	For seventh year after grant of certificate	260.00	290.00	390.00	540.00	
	For eighth year after grant of certificate	320.00	350.00	480.00	630.00	
	For ninth year after grant of certificate	320.00	350.00	480.00	630.00	
	For tenth year after grant of certificate	370.00	400.00	560.00	710.00	
	For eleventh year after grant of certificate	520.00	560.00	780.00	930.00	
	For twelfth year after grant of certificate	780.00	820.00	1170.00	1320.00	
	For thirteenth year after grant of certificate	910.00	950.00	1370.00	1520.00	
	For fourteenth year after grant of certificate	1050.00	1100.00	1580.00	1730.00	

FORM	MATTER	EXISTING FEE (RM)		PROPOSED REVISED FEE (RM)		REMARKS
		ONLINE	MANUAL	ONLINE	MANUAL	
	For fifteenth year after grant of certificate	1300.00	1350.00	1950.00	2100.00	
	For sixteenth year after grant of certificate	1450.00	1500.00	2180.00	2330.00	
	For seventeenth year after grant of certificate	1600.00	1650.00	2400.00	2550.00	
	For eighteenth year after grant of certificate	1700.00	1750.00	2560.00	2710.00	
	For nineteenth year after grant of certificate	1850.00	1900.00	2700.00	2930.00	
	For twentieth year after grant of certificate	1950.00	2000.00	2930.00	3080.00	

Part II

NO.	MATTER	EXISTING FEE	PROPOSED	REVISED FEE	REMARKS
		(RM)	(R	M)	
			ONLINE	MANUAL	
1	Copy of patent	40.00	NIL	60.00	
2	Copy of search report	30.00	NIL	40.00	
	(by applicant/owner)				
3	Examination of	15.00 per	NIL	20.00 per	
	Register	hour		hour	
4	Certified copies or	15.00 per	N/A	30.00 per	
	extract from Register	page		page	
5	Copy or extract from	3.00 per	NIL	5.00 per	
	Register	page		page	

NO.	MATTER	EXISTING FEE	PROPOSED	REVISED FEE	REMARKS
		(RM)	(RI	M)	
			ONLINE	MANUAL	
6	Certified copies or	100.00 per	N/A	300.00	Flat rate of RM300
	extract of any	page			per request
	information				
7	Copy of document	3.00 per	NIL	5.00 per	
	(S.34)	page		page	
8	Permitted information				
	(upon request)				
	- for 1st 10 pages	140.00	200	0.00	
	- for subsequent	7.00 per	10.00 pe	er page	
	pages	page			

Note: NIL = fees is proposed to be waived

2LEGAL CHANGES REQUIRED

The proposed fees revision will require amendments to the Trade Marks Regulations 1997 and the Patents Regulations 1986.

3 THE PROPOSED PERIOD OF COMMENCEMENT

It should be noted that the fees revision is proposed to come into force in second quarter of 2015. However, this is subject to the actual date of coming into force of the said amendments to the Trade Marks Regulations and the Patents Regulations.

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