

INFORMATION NOTICE NO. 6/2014

Madrid Agreement and Protocol Concerning the International Registration of Marks

Entry into force of the 2014 version of the tenth edition of the Nice Classification

- 1. The purpose of the present notice is to inform of the practice followed by the International Bureau of the World Intellectual Property Organization (WIPO) after the entry into force of a new version of the tenth edition of the International Classification of Goods and Services for the Purposes of the Registration of Marks (Nice Classification).
- 2. A new version of the tenth edition of the Nice Classification entered into force on January 1, 2014. The new version is available on the web site of WIPO, at the following address: www.wipo.int/classifications/en/.
- 3. The International Bureau of WIPO applies the latest version of the Nice Classification to all international applications that have been received by the Office of origin as from January 1, 2014.
- 4. Following a standing practice, the International Bureau of WIPO will not reclassify, in accordance with the latest version of the Nice Classification, the list of goods and services of international registrations with a date prior to January 1, 2014.
- 5. Notifications sent to designated Contracting Parties, registration certificates and publications of international registrations for which the list of goods and services has been classified according to the latest version of the Nice Classification display the abbreviation "NCL(10-2014)" next to the list of goods and services.
- 6. Finally, the Madrid Goods & Services Manager (MGS) (available at: www.wipo.int/mgs/) has been updated to reflect the changes introduced by the latest version of the Nice Classification.