

ELECTRONIC FILING OF INTERNATIONAL APPLICATIONS

Table of Requirements or Options Notified under Als Section 710(a) or (b)

Notifications	Receiving Offices																								ISA/IPEA		
	EP	FR	FI	KR	ES	IB	JP	GB	NL	AU	SE	SK	DK	PL	RO	PH	DE	MY	CN	CA	IS	AT	IL	NO		KR	
Internet Services																											
File inspection	X ¹⁰	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Online payment	-	-	-	X	-	-	-	-	-	X	-	-	X	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	X	-

Table of Transitional Reservations Notified under Als Section 703(f)

AU	CA	US	JP
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FOOTNOTES

- 1 This requirement is mandatory to any Office or Authority which has notified the IB that it is prepared to receive international applications or other documents in electronic form but to those Offices or Authorities which have informed the IB, under Als Section 703(f), that this is incompatible with their application national law and technical systems (JPO, USPTO, Canadian Office, and IP Australia as far as the interoperability protocol is concerned), unless section 564s of Annex F is applied (allowed alternative protocols) in the case of online transmission.
- 2 One of these two options is mandatory for Offices or Authorities which have notified the IB, under Section 710, that they accept the filing of applications or other documents by physical means.
- 3 Electronic filing with WAD is only possible for filing on physical media, with the exception of RO/JP.
- 4 RO/FR is not yet ready to accept PCT-SAFE filings.
- 5 This requirement is mandatory to all Offices and Authorities which have notified the IB that they are prepared to receive international applications and other documents in electronic form (see Als Section 704(a)).
- 6 RO/JP does not accept international applications which include tables related to sequence listings.
- 7 RO/EP does not accept the filing of backup copies on paper. However, preparatory files may be attached to the international application at the time of filing (so-called pre-conversion files).
- 8 This RO accepts the filing of backup copies on paper or on one of the physical media accepted by the Office.
- 9 RO/FR is not ready to accept certificates issued by the WIPO customer CA.
- 10 RO/EP has put in place the epoline® File Inspection (see <http://www.epoline.org>).
- 11 RO/KR accepts PDF format for all acceptable documents filed in electronic form but for international applications.
- 12 Including any document filed together with the international application.
- 13 RO/JP put in place a protocol based on ISDN.
- 14 IPEA/KR accepts the filing of any document in electronic form with the exception of demands.
- 15 RO/KR accepts the filing of any document in electronic form that may be prepared with KEAPS software.
- 16 RO/JP only accepts electronic filing with WAD for online filings (no electronic filing on physical media is accepted by this Office) (see transitional reservation under Als Section 703(f))
- 17 E-filing at RO/AU is only possible via IP Australia's Online Lodgement System. Applications in excess of 20 MB in size are not accepted and need to be filed under PCT-SAFE's EASY mode.
- 18 PaTrAS filing software
- 19 For the PaTrAS filing software the DPMA will accept only qualified signatures according to the German *Signaturgesetz*
- 20 For filings using PCT-SAFE filing software
- 21 The WASP is prepared using the PCT-SAFE software, however it is then uploaded and submitted to the receiving Office through the CIPO website (www.cipo.gc.ca)
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