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**Summary of requirements for entry into the national phase**

| Time limits applicable for entry into the national phase: | Under PCT Article 22(3): 31 months from the priority date  
Under PCT Article 39(1)(b): 31 months from the priority date |
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<td>Translation of international application required into:</td>
<td>Spanish</td>
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| Required contents of the translation for entry into the national phase: | Under PCT Article 22: Description, claims (if amended, as amended only, together with any statement under PCT Article 19), any text matter of drawings, abstract  
Under PCT Article 39(1): Description, claims, any text matter of drawings, abstract (if any of those parts has been amended, only as amended by the annexes to the international preliminary examination report) |
| Is a copy of the international application required? | No |
| National fee: | Currency: US dollar (USD) |
| For patent: | Filing fee: USD 500 |
| For utility model: | Filing fee: USD 75 |
| Exemptions, reductions or refunds of the national fee: | Refunds of up to 50% may be possible |
| Special requirements of the Office (PCT Rule 51bis): | Name and address of the inventor if they have not been furnished in the “Request” part of the international application  
Instrument of assignment or transfer of the right to the application  
Evidence of entitlement to claim priority where the applicant is not the applicant who filed the earlier application  
Evidence concerning non-prejudicial disclosures or exceptions to lack of novelty, such as disclosures resulting from abuse, disclosures at certain exhibitions and disclosures by the applicant during a certain period of time  
Appointment of an agent or address for notification in Costa Rica  
Translation of the international application or any document relating to it to be furnished in two copies  
Verified translation of the international application, where deemed necessary |

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1 Must be furnished or paid within the time limit applicable under PCT Article 22 or 39(1).
2 See Law No. 6867 on Patents, Industrial Designs and Utility Models, Article 33(a) and Regulations to the Law on Patents, Industrial Designs and Utility Models, Article 47.
3 This fee is reduced by 30% where the application is filed by an inventor who is a natural person, by a small or medium-sized enterprise, by a public academic institution or by a public sector scientific and technological research institute.
4 See Regulations to the Law No. 6867 on Patents, Industrial Designs and Utility Models, Article 14.
5 If not already complied with within the time limit applicable under PCT Article 22 or 39(1), the applicant must comply with the requirement within 90 days after entry into the national phase. The Office will not issue an invitation to this effect.
6 This requirement may be satisfied if the corresponding declaration has been made in accordance with PCT Rule 4.17.
7 Only if the validity of the priority claim is relevant to the determination of whether the invention concerned is patentable.
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<th>Who can act as agent?</th>
<th>Any attorney registered in Costa Rica(^8)</th>
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<td>Does the Office accept requests for restoration of the right of priority (PCT Rule 49ter.2)?</td>
<td>Yes, the Office applies the “due care” criterion to such requests</td>
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\(^8\) See Law No. 6867 on Patents, Industrial Designs and Utility Models, Article 34.

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