

# **INTERNATIONAL CENTER FOR PATENT REGISTRATION, MINISTRY OF ECONOMY (UNITED ARAB EMIRATES)**

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### **List of abbreviations:**

Office: International Center for Patent Registration, Ministry of Economy (United Arab Emirates)

IPL: Federal Law No. 31 of 2006 Pertaining to the Industrial Regulation and Protection of Patents, Industrial Drawings and Designs

**SUMMARY****Designated  
(or elected) Office****SUMMARY****AE****INTERNATIONAL CENTER FOR PATENT  
REGISTRATION, MINISTRY OF ECONOMY  
(UNITED ARAB EMIRATES)****AE****Summary of requirements for entry into the national phase**

Time limits applicable for entry into the national phase:	Under PCT Article 22(1): 30 months from the priority date Under PCT Article 39(1)(a): 30 months from the priority date
Translation of international application required into: <sup>1</sup>	Arabic or English
Required contents of the translation for entry into the national phase: <sup>1</sup>	Under PCT Article 22: Request, description, claims (if amended, both as originally filed and as amended), any text matter of drawings, abstract Under PCT Article 39(1): Request, 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: <sup>1</sup>	Currency: United Arab Emirates dirham (AED) For patent and utility model: Filing fee: AED 2,000 (1,000) <sup>2</sup>
Exemptions, reductions or refunds of the national fee:	None
Special requirements of the Office (PCT Rule 51 <i>bis</i> ): <sup>3</sup>	Name and address of the inventor if they have not been furnished in the "Request" part of the international application <sup>4</sup> Appointment of an agent if the applicant is not resident in the United Arab Emirates International application and translation thereof to be furnished in two copies Instrument of transfer or assignment of the international application
Who can act as agent?	Any patent attorney or patent agent registered to practice before the Office
Does the Office accept requests for restoration of the right of priority (PCT Rule 49 <i>ter.2</i> )?	Yes, please refer to the Office for the applicable criteria and/or any fee payable for such requests

<sup>1</sup> Must be furnished or paid within the time limit applicable under PCT Article 22 or 39(1).

<sup>2</sup> The amount in parentheses is applicable in case of filing by a natural person.

<sup>3</sup> 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.

<sup>4</sup> This requirement may be satisfied if the corresponding declaration has been made in accordance with PCT Rule 4.17.

## THE PROCEDURE IN THE NATIONAL PHASE

**AE.01 TRANSLATION (CORRECTION).** Errors in the translation of the international application can be corrected with reference to the text of the international application as filed (see National Phase, paragraphs 6.002 and 6.003).

**AE.02 FEES (MANNER OF PAYMENT).** The manner of payment of the fees indicated in the Summary and in this Chapter is outlined in Annex AE.I.

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| IPL Art.             | 7.3<br>12<br>13      | <b>AE.03 EXAMINATION.</b> The Office examines international patent applications as to substance. Within 60 days after publication of the decision to grant a patent, any interested party may file a petition to oppose the grant before a Committee set up in accordance with IPL Art. 66.1. If there is no opposition petition the patent shall be granted.   |
| IPL Art.             | 14<br>38             | <b>AE.04 ANNUAL FEES.</b> Annual fees are payable in advance each year on the anniversary of the international filing date, beginning with the second year. Annual fees not paid within the applicable time limit may still be paid within six months from the expiration of that time limit but will be subject to payment of a surcharge. If annual fees are not paid within six months from the due date the patent shall lapse. The amounts of the annual fees are indicated in Annex AE.I. |
| PCT Art.<br>PCT Rule | 25<br>51<br>82ter    | <b>AE.05 REVIEW UNDER ARTICLE 25 OF THE PCT.</b> The applicable procedure is outlined in paragraphs 6.018 to 6.021 of the National Phase.   |
| IPL Art.             | 12<br>67             | <b>AE.06 APPEALS.</b> In case of a negative decision of the Office during the national phase, such decision may be appealed to the competent Court within a period of 60 days from the date of the notification.  |
| PCT Art.<br>PCT Rule | 24(2)<br>48(2)<br>51 | <b>AE.07 EXCUSE OF DELAYS IN MEETING TIME LIMITS.</b> Reference is made to paragraphs 6.022 to 6.027 of the National Phase.   |
| IPL Art.             | 5                    | <b>AE.08 UTILITY MODEL.</b> If the applicant wishes to obtain a utility certificate instead of a patent or in addition to a patent, the applicant must, within the time limit applicable for the entry into the national phase, so indicate to the Office and pay the fees (see Annex AE.I).  |

**FEES****(Currency: United Arab Emirates dirham)****Patents**

Filing fee . . . . .	2,000	(1,000) <sup>1</sup>
Appeal fee: . . . . .	1,000	(500) <sup>1</sup>
Publication fee: . . . . .	800	(400) <sup>1</sup>
Correction fee: . . . . .	400	(200) <sup>1</sup>
Annual fees:		
— for the 2 <sup>nd</sup> year . . . . .	800	(400) <sup>1</sup>
— for the 3 <sup>rd</sup> year . . . . .	840	(420) <sup>1</sup>
— for the 4 <sup>th</sup> year . . . . .	880	(440) <sup>1</sup>
— for the 5 <sup>th</sup> year . . . . .	920	(460) <sup>1</sup>
— for the 6 <sup>th</sup> year . . . . .	960	(480) <sup>1</sup>
— for the 7 <sup>th</sup> year . . . . .	1,000	(500) <sup>1</sup>
— for the 8 <sup>th</sup> year . . . . .	1,040	(520) <sup>1</sup>
— for the 9 <sup>th</sup> year . . . . .	1,080	(540) <sup>1</sup>
— for the 10 <sup>th</sup> year . . . . .	1,120	(560) <sup>1</sup>
— for the 11 <sup>th</sup> year . . . . .	1,160	(580) <sup>1</sup>
— for the 12 <sup>th</sup> year . . . . .	1,200	(600) <sup>1</sup>
— for the 13 <sup>th</sup> year . . . . .	1,240	(620) <sup>1</sup>
— for the 14 <sup>th</sup> year . . . . .	1,280	(640) <sup>1</sup>
— for the 15 <sup>th</sup> year . . . . .	1,320	(660) <sup>1</sup>
— for the 16 <sup>th</sup> year . . . . .	1,360	(680) <sup>1</sup>
— for the 17 <sup>th</sup> year . . . . .	1,400	(700) <sup>1</sup>
— for the 18 <sup>th</sup> year . . . . .	1,440	(720) <sup>1</sup>
— for the 19 <sup>th</sup> year . . . . .	1,480	(740) <sup>1</sup>
— for the 20 <sup>th</sup> year . . . . .	1,520	(760) <sup>1</sup>
Surcharge for late payment of the annual fee. . . . .	400	(200) <sup>1</sup>

**Utility certificates**

Filing fee . . . . .	2,000	(1,000) <sup>1</sup>
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**How can payment of fees be effected?**

All fees must be paid to the Office in United Arab Emirates dirhams, by online payment. All payments must indicate the application number (national, if already known; international, if the national number is not yet known), the name of the applicant and the category of fee being paid.

<sup>1</sup> The amount in parentheses is applicable in case of filing by a natural person.