

INTELLECTUAL PROPERTY CENTER (ISLAMIC REPUBLIC OF IRAN)

AS
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List of abbreviations:

Office: Intellectual Property Center (Islamic Republic of Iran)

PA: Patents, Industrial Designs and Trademarks Registration Act, 2008

PR: Executive Regulations of the Patents, Industrial Designs and Trademarks Registration Act, 2009

SUMMARY**Designated
(or elected) Office****SUMMARY****IR****INTELLECTUAL PROPERTY CENTER
(ISLAMIC REPUBLIC OF IRAN)****IR****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: ¹	Farsi
Required contents of the translation for entry into the national phase: ¹	Under PCT Article 22: Description, claims (if amended, both as originally filed and as amended, 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, both as originally filed and as amended by the annexes to the international preliminary examination report)
Is a copy of the international application required?	The applicant should only send a copy of the international application if he/she has not received Form PCT/IB/308 and the Office has not received a copy of the international application from the International Bureau under PCT Article 20. This may be the case where the applicant expressly requests an earlier start of the national phase under PCT Article 23(2).
National fee: ¹	Currency: Iranian rial (IRR) or equivalent in euro (EUR) or US dollar (USD) ² Filing fee: IRR 100,000 (10,000) ³
Exemptions, reductions or refunds of the national fee:	Reductions of the national fee are indicated above and in Annex IR.I.
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 ^{4, 5} Declaration as to the applicant's entitlement to apply for and be granted a patent ^{4, 5} Document evidencing a change of name of the applicant if the change occurred after the international filing date and has not been reflected in a notification from the International Bureau (Form PCT/IB/306) ⁴ Appointment of an agent if the applicant is not a resident of the Islamic Republic of Iran ⁴ Instrument appointing the agent (authorization or power of attorney) ⁴ Translation of the international application to be furnished in three copies

*[Continued on next page]*¹ Must be furnished or paid within the time limit applicable under PCT Article 22 or 39(1).² For non-residents of the Islamic Republic of Iran, payment should be effected in euro or US dollar.³ The amount in parentheses is applicable in case of filing by a natural person.⁴ If not already complied with within the time limit applicable under PCT Article 22 or 39(1), the Office will invite the applicant to comply with the requirement within a time limit of 60 days from the date of receipt of the invitation.⁵ This requirement may be satisfied if the corresponding declaration has been made in accordance with PCT Rule 4.17.

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Who can act as agent?

Any agent authorized to practice before the Office

Does the Office accept requests for
restoration of the right of priority
(PCT Rule 49ter.2)?

Yes, the Office applies the “due care” criterion to such requests

THE PROCEDURE IN THE NATIONAL PHASE

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| PA Art. 6
PR Art. 3 | IR.01 | LANGUAGE OF PROCEEDINGS. The language of proceedings is Farsi. |
| | IR.02 | TRANSLATION (CORRECTION). Errors in the translation of the international application can be corrected with reference to the text of the international application as originally filed (see National Phase, paragraphs 6.002 and 6.003). |
| PR Art. 6(8) | IR.03 | FEES (MANNER OF PAYMENT). The applicant must attach the receipt showing payment of the national fee to his application. The manner of payment of the fees indicated in the Summary and in this Chapter is outlined in Annex IR.I. |
| PR Art. 8 | IR.04 | LACK OF UNITY OF INVENTION. In case of lack of unity of invention, the applicant shall file divisional applications in respect of the additional inventions claimed in the international application and pay filing fees for each divisional application. |
| PR Art. 66 | IR.05 | ANNUAL FEES. Annual fees are payable two months prior to the first anniversary of entry into the national phase and each subsequent year thereafter. If an annual fee is not paid within the prescribed time limit, the patent will cease to have effect. The amounts of the annual fees are indicated in Annex IR.I. |
| PA Art. 51 | IR.06 | APPOINTMENT OF AN AGENT. If the applicant does not reside in the Islamic Republic of Iran, an agent shall be appointed by filing a legalized power of attorney, signed by the applicant. |
| PR Art. 28 | IR.07 | EXAMINATION. A patent will be granted only after examination. Examination takes place within six months of entry into the national phase. |
| PA Art. 8(a) | IR.08 | AMENDMENT OF THE APPLICATION. The applicant may, at any time before the patent is granted, make amendments to his application, provided that the amendment does not go beyond the original disclosure. The amount of the fee for amendment is indicated in Annex IR.I. |
| PA Art. 14(c) | IR.09 | FEE FOR GRANT. The Office shall provide the original Letters Patent to the applicant after the fee for grant has been paid. |
| PCT Art. 24(2)
48(2)
PCT Rule 82 <i>bis</i> | IR.10 | EXCUSE OF DELAYS IN MEETING TIME LIMITS. Reference is made to paragraphs 6.022 to 6.027 of the National Phase. |
| | IR.11 | REVIEW UNDER ARTICLE 25 OF THE PCT. The applicable procedure is outlined in paragraphs 6.018 to 6.021 of the National Phase. |
| PCT Rule 49.6 | IR.12 | REINSTATEMENT OF RIGHTS. Reinstatement of rights may be requested where the applicant, in spite of due care required by the circumstances having been taken, failed to perform the acts referred to in Article 22 within the applicable time limit. A request for reinstatement must be presented in writing within two months from the removal of the cause of the failure to observe the time limit, or 12 months from the date of expiration of the applicable time limit, whichever time limit expires earlier. Within the said time limit, the omitted action must be completed and the fee for reinstatement of rights must be paid. |

PCT Rule 49*ter*.2

IR.13 RESTORATION OF THE RIGHT OF PRIORITY. Where the international application was filed within two months from the end of the period for claiming priority of an earlier application, a request for restoration of the right of priority may be made to the Office in accordance with the national law (see National Phase, paragraphs 6.006 to 6.011). Such a request will be allowed if the Office is satisfied that the failure to file the application within the 12-month priority period occurred in spite of due care required by the circumstances. The time limit for filing the request is one month from the date of entry into the national phase.

A declaration or other evidence in support of a request for restoration of the right of priority should be filed within the time limit set out in PCT Rule 49*ter*.2(b)(i).

FEES**(Currency: Iranian rial (IRR) or equivalent in euro (EUR) or US dollar (USD))¹**

Filing fee	100,000	(10,000) ²
Fee for amendment	500,000	(50,000) ²
Grant fee	150,000	(15,000) ²
Annual fees:		
– from the 1 st to the 5 th year, per year	1,000,000	(100,000) ²
– from the 6 th to the 10 th year, per year	2,000,000	(200,000) ²
– from the 11 th to the 15 th year, per year	3,000,000	(300,000) ²
– from the 16 th to the 20 th year, per year	4,000,000	(400,000) ²
Surcharge for the late payment of annual fees	50% of the amount due	

How can payment of fees be effected?

The payment of fees should be effected in Iranian rial or the equivalent in euro or US dollar¹. All payments must indicate the application number (national, if already known; international, if the national application number is not yet known), the name of the applicant and the type of fee being paid.

Payments by bank transfer should be made to the following bank:

Bank Melli Iran
 Argentin Square
 Bucharest Street, Ninth Alley
 Armita Towers, Branch of Armita Towers, Code 1033
 Tehran, Iran

Bank Account No.: 2103310000042

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