

## CHANGES TO FILING FEES FOR INTELLECTUAL PROPERTY REGISTRATIONS IN SINGAPORE

### INTELLECTUAL PROPERTY OFFICE OF SINGAPORE (“IPOS”) Press Release Alert (2 February 2017)

Effective **1 April 2017**, IPOS will be adjusting some of the official fees charged for patent and trade mark filings/renewals in Singapore.

Some of the key changes include the following:

#### Trade Marks

- Official fees for Singapore applications for trade marks using IPOS’ pre-approved list of goods and services will be reduced by 30% to SGD 240 per mark/class.

The prevailing filing fees (SGD 341 per mark/class) will continue to apply to applications made with specifications not found on IPOS’ pre-approved goods and services.

- The fees for Madrid Protocol international registrations (“IRs”) designating Singapore will be reduced by 9% to SGD341 per mark/class, from the current SGD374 per mark/class.

#### Patents

- A 14% fee reduction for a request for a search report/supplementary search report, so a search will now cost SGD1650, instead of the usual SGD1925.
- Request for a search and examination will be reduced by 25% to SGD1950, instead of the current SGD2600. In addition, there will be a further SGD300 reduction on the fee to request for a search and examination report if a report under the Patent Co-operation Treaty has been established by IPOS for patent applications entering national phase into Singapore.

**Increased Fees for Renewals**

- The renewal fee for a patent from the 8<sup>th</sup> – 10<sup>th</sup> year of the patent will be revised upwards to SGD370 from the current SGD270.
- At the same time, patent owners who are willing to offer their patents for licensing will continue to enjoy a 50% discount in patent renewal fees.
- The renewal of a trade mark registration will also see an increase to SGD380 per class up from the current SGD250 per class.

The full text of IPOS' circular which includes annexes setting out the specific fee revisions may be accessed [here](#).

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