



TRADEMARK
PATENT
DESIGN
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DOMAIN NAME

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REGISTRATION

Information:

MEMBERSHIP

Paris Convention and Madrid Protocol (Denounced)

CLASSIFICATION

10th edition – single class application

CLAIMING PRIORITY

Possible

SEARCH

Possible for word and device marks

EXAMINATION

On formal, absolute, and relative grounds

EXTENSION OF TIME

Not possible for filing oppositions, counter oppositions, and responding to office actions

VALIDITY

10 years as from the filing date

RENEWAL

For unlimited period of 10 years each

GRACE PERIOD

6 months from the protection's expiry date

USE

Vulnerable to cancellation by any interested party if there has been no effective use of the mark for a period of 3 consecutive years preceding the date of filing for cancellation

Requirements:

1. A Power of Attorney duly legalized up to the Syrian Consulate;
2. A copy of the home or foreign application/registration of the mark; and
3. Twenty prints of the mark.

- It is possible to proceed and file a trademark application without submitting the corresponding home registration. However, the Registrar has discretion to request the applicant after filing the application to submit the said certificate in case he believes the trademark is indistinctive or for any other reason.
- It is possible to file the application without the POA, however, there will be an official fee for late filing of the POA for every month delay in addition to our charges.
- The applicant is required to declare on the application form the date of actual use of the mark in Syria or the intention of use of the mark in the country within 3 years from filing date.

Time frame:

- 1) Filing up to Examination: 4-5 months
- 2) Examination up to Publication: 1-2 months
- 3) Opposition Period: 90 days from the publication date
- 4) End of opposition period up to issuance of registration certificate: 2 months
- 5) Total estimated time frame: 8-10 months

The above time frame is for a normal/smooth processing of a trademark application, in case of no objections by the trademark examiner or no oppositions from a third party.

RENEWAL

Filing Requirements:

1. A Power of Attorney duly legalized up to the Syrian Consulate.

CHANGE OF NAME OR ADDRESS

Filing Requirements:

1. A Power of Attorney duly legalized up to the Syrian Consulate; and
 2. Certificate of change of name/address, legalized.
- May be recorded for registrations only.
 - Must be recorded within 3 months from effective date otherwise a surcharge is levied.

ASSIGNMENT

Filing Requirements:

1. A Power of Attorney duly legalized up to the Syrian Consulate; and
2. Deed of assignment, legalized.

- Trademarks may be assigned with or without the goodwill of the business concerned.
- May be recorded for registrations only.
- Must be recorded within 3 months from effective date otherwise a surcharge is levied.

MERGER

Filing Requirements:

1. A Power of Attorney duly legalized up to the Syrian Consulate;
 2. Certificate of merger, legalized.
- May be recorded for registrations only.
 - Must be recorded within 3 months from effective date otherwise a surcharge is levied.

LICENSE

Filing Requirements:

1. A Power of Attorney duly legalized up to the Syrian Consulate;
 2. License agreement, legalized.
- License recordal is not compulsory but advisable in order to be effective against third parties.
 - May be recorded for registrations only.
 - Must be recorded within 3 months from effective date otherwise a surcharge is levied.

PATENT

Information:

EQUIVALENT SEARCH

Searchable by title, applicant, priority/PCT number

EXAMINATION

As to form and novelty, inventiveness and industrial applicability

PUBLICATION

Published in the Official Gazette after substantive examination and pre-grant

OPPOSITION

May be filed within 6 months from publication in the Official Gazette

ANNUITIES

Due annually on the anniversary of the filing date and payable prior to grant.

6 - month grace period for late payment with a surcharge

PROTECTION TERM

20 years from the filing date (15 years if patent was granted prior to 2012)

Requirements:

1. A Power of Attorney duly legalized up to the Syrian Consulate;
2. An Assignment Deed duly legalized up to the Syrian Consulate, if the applicant is not the inventor;
3. A certified copy of the corresponding basic or foreign application duly legalized up to the Syrian Consulate; and
4. Two copies of the specifications, claims, abstract and drawings.

CHANGE OF NAME OR ADDRESS**Filing Requirements:**

1. A Power of Attorney duly legalized up to the Syrian Consulate (If new name); and
2. Certificate of change/address, legalized.

ASSIGNMENT**Filing Requirements:**

1. A Power of Attorney duly legalized up to the Syrian Consulate (From assignor and/or assignee); and
2. Deed of Assignment, legalized.

MERGER**Filing Requirements:**

1. A Power of Attorney duly legalized up to the Syrian Consulate (If new moral entity formed); and
2. Certificate of merger, legalized.

LICENSE**Filing Requirements:**

1. A Power of Attorney duly legalized up to the Syrian Consulate (From licensor and/or licensee); and
2. License agreement, legalized.

DESIGN

Information:**DURATION**

5 years from filing date

EXAMINATION

As to form and novelty

RENEWAL

Allowed for two consecutive terms of 5 years each

Requirements:

1. A Power of Attorney duly legalized up to the Syrian Consulate;
2. An Assignment Deed duly legalized up to the Syrian Consulate, if the applicant is not the designer;
3. A certified copy of the corresponding basic or foreign application duly legalized up to the Syrian Consulate; and
4. Three copies of formal drawings.

- All documents must be submitted within 6 months of filing date.

COPYRIGHT

Information:

MEMBER OF BERNE CONVENTION

Yes

REGISTRATION

Possible for nationals and foreigners

DURATION

In general, the duration is the artist's life with the addition of 50 years following the artist's date of passing

WORKS PROTECTED

Books, booklets, brochures, pamphlets, manuscripts, lectures and similar written material; Theatrical and musical activities, "whether in a digital encrypted form or not", and whether accompanied by words or not, in addition to cinematography, broadcast, televised, lyrical, eurythmic, pantomime and music composing works; Works of plastic and applied arts and photography; Works of drawings, geographic maps and designs related to topography, architecture or science; Works of computer software including design documents and data.

LIMITATIONS ON PROTECTIONS

Official documents such as laws, decrees, regulations, international agreements, judicial judgments, decisions of the administrative authorities, and all other official documents and their official translations; Daily news whether published, broadcast, or publicly announced

PENALTIES

Penalties include payment of fines of up to 100,000 Liras (approximately 2,000 US Dollars), as well as legal prosecution resulting in a maximum of 2-years imprisonment terms

Requirements:

1. A Power of Attorney duly legalized up to the Syrian Consulate;
2. Three copies of the work on a CD;
3. A written Declaration from the Author or his/her successor evidencing the ownership of the work, duly legalized up to the Syrian Consulate; and
4. An Assignment Deed duly legalized up to the Syrian Consulate, if the applicant is not the author.

DOMAIN NAME

Requirements:

1. A Power of Attorney duly legalized up to the Syrian Consulate; and
2. An Extract from the Commercial Register or Articles of Incorporation, if the application is a corporate body.