Commerce and Employment

States of Guernsey

The Registered Patent and Biotechnical Inventions (Bailiwick of Guernsey) Ordinance, 2009

Fees Proposal

The Intellectual Property Office (IP Office), under the authority of the Registrar of Intellectual Property, is mandated to provide a wide range of IP registration services & public service information to residents & professional clients of the Islands and the wider intellectual property, business & entrepreneurial communities.

In pursuance of the Resolution made by the States on 27th November 2002 and in exercise of the powers conferred on them by sections 1&3 of the Intellectual Property (Enabling Provisions) (Bailiwick of Guernsey) Law 2004, The Registered Patents & Biotechnological Inventions (Bailiwick of Guernsey) Ordinance, 2009 was made on 28th January 2009.

The existing patents register resides under the authority of HM Greffier at the Royal Court. It is proposed that the patents registration process be migrated over to the IP Office with effect from 1 November 2011.

The Registrar of Intellectual Property, on behalf of the Commerce & Employment Department, has developed the attached schedule of fees for this new service.

Whilst this is not a formal consultation exercise, the Registrar welcomes any feedback and comment on the proposed fees which should be sent, preferably by email, to the contact details shown overleaf.

Final date for receipt of comments: Friday 14 October 2011

John Ogier Registrar of Intellectual Property 14 September 2011

Contacts

Preferably by email to:

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Please send any written responses to these fee proposals to:

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For any further information please telephone:

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What happens next?

The feedback deadline is 14 October 2011.

After the feedback deadline has passed the Commerce and Employment Department will approve the fee schedule for the patent service in advance of the new system going live on 1 November 2011.

Proposed Fees Schedule – Patents

Schedule of Patent Fees & Services - 2011

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	 Proposed	
Patent Application Type	Bailiwick Fee	Description/Policy Proposal
Registration of Oversea Patent	£300	Single application & registration fee and YR1 renewal.
Renewal of Oversea Patent Yr1 to 20	£100 p.a.	No charge for patent renewals during Period 1 (Yr 1) effective from the date of filing/protection in Guernsey
Late Renewal Fee	£10 per month	6 months after the renewal due date
Restoration of Patent	£150	After the 6-month late renewal period, clients have a further 13 months during which you can apply to restore your patent.
Assignment of Title of Patent (Full/Partial)	£50	This will be charged for each oversea patent being assigned
Change of Patent Proprietor Details	£25	This will be charged for each oversea patent being changed
Application to correct an error in the register	£25	Initial grace period for data validation - 6mths after which time fees & charges will be due for each request to change the registration of an oversea patent
Application for entry of a licence of right or cancellation	£25	
Notice of observations in relation to published patent	£50	
Copy/extract Patent Document (uncertified)	£25	
Copy/extract Patent Document (certified)	£50	
Copy certificate (certified)	£50	
Copy certificate (uncertified)	£25	
Notice of revocation/cancellation or expiry of registration in oversea jurisdiction	£O	This is a formality required by the Office to ensure that the Patent Register is maintained and accurate. No charge
Request to extend the right in an oversea registered patent	£500	This service relates to the communication of a supplementary protection certificate or patent of addition to the Office of the Registrar of Intellectual Property
Notice to withdraw an application for patent registration	D£0	Notification required with statement that all interested parties have been notified of the withdrawal.
Any other service or request to the Registrar	£100	Includes search requests, notice of limitation, prohibit or restrict publication, appeal overseas etc.
Application for registration as an attorney	£1000p.a.	This fee will be implemented by Regulations made by the Commerce & Employment Department.