

BELIZE:

PATENTS (AMENDMENT) REGULATIONS, 2022

ARRANGEMENT OF REGULATIONS

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STATUTORY INSTRUMENT

No. 26 of 2022

REGULATIONS made by the Minister responsible for patents in exercise of the powers conferred upon her by section 68 of the Patents Act, Chapter 253 of the Substantive Laws of Belize, Revised Edition 2020, and all other powers thereunto her enabling.

(Gazetted 12th February, 2022)

1. These Regulations may be cited as the

Citation.

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and shall be read and construed as one with the Patents Regulations, 2002, which is hereinafter referred to as the principal Rules.

S.I. 2 of 2002.

2. The principal Regulations are amended in regulation 3 by–

Amendment of regulation 3.

(a) renumbering the regulation as sub-regulation (1); and

(b) inserting the following as sub-regulation (2)–

“(2) Subject to regulations 5, 6 and 7, the fees prescribed in Schedule I shall not be refundable.”.

3. The principal Regulations are amended by repealing Schedule I and replacing it with the following–

Repeal and replacement of Schedule I.

“SCHEDULE I
[regulation 3]

FEES

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| On application for the grant of a Patent | \$450.00 (including 1st annuity fee) |
| For publication and grant of a patent | \$550.00 |
| On application for a change to application for grant of a patent | \$50.00 |
| before the 1st anniversary of filing | \$100.00 |
| before the 2nd anniversary of filing | \$200.00 |
| before the 3rd anniversary of filing | \$300.00 |
| before the 4th anniversary of filing | \$400.00 |
| before the 5th anniversary of filing | \$500.00 |
| before the 6th anniversary of filing | \$600.00 |
| before the 7th anniversary of filing | \$700.00 |
| before the 8th anniversary of filing | \$800.00 |
| before the 9th anniversary of filing | \$900.00 |
| before the 10th anniversary of filing | \$1000.00 |
| before the 11th anniversary of filing | \$1100.00 |
| before the 12th anniversary of filing | \$1200.00 |
| before the 13th anniversary of filing | \$1300.00 |
| before the 14th anniversary of filing | \$1400.00 |
| before the 15th anniversary of filing | \$1500.00 |
| before the 16th anniversary of filing | \$1600.00 |
| before the 17th anniversary of filing | \$1700.00 |
| before the 18th anniversary of filing | \$1800.00 |
| before the 19th anniversary of filing | \$1900.00 |

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| For making late payment of the annual fee | \$100.00 |
| For preparation of an extract under section 7(2) of the Act | \$25.00 |
| For recognizing the transfer of an application for a patent under Section 31 of the Act | \$25.00 |
| For registration of a contract and publication of reference to contract in Journal under section 37(2) of the Act | \$350.00 |
| For transfer of a voluntary licence | \$350.00 |
| For requesting a non-voluntary licence under section 38(1) of the Act | \$1000.00 |
| For examining or making extracts or copies of records in the register under section 7(2) of the Act | \$5.00 per page or part of a page |
| For a copy of a document or any other document | \$10.00 |
| For a certified copy of a patent certificate or any other document | \$25.00 |
| For an electronic search of the Register | \$20.00 |
| For a statutory licence under section 38 of the Act | \$350.00 |
| For a transfer of a statutory licence under section 35(8) of the Act | \$350.00 |
| For requesting that the Registrar extend the time limit for doing any thing | \$50.00 |

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| For recording an address for service | \$200.00 |
| For recording a change of name or address in the Register | \$250.00 |
| For surrender of a patent | \$200.00 |
| For transferring registration of a patent | \$200.00 |
| On application for approval of the transfer of a patent | \$200.00 |
| For filing an application for a utility model certificate | \$350.00 |
| For publication of a utility model certificate | \$250.00 |
| For conversion of application under section 22(1) and 53(1) of the Act | \$200.00 |
| For amendment of the text or drawing of the patent | \$100.00 |
| For filing international application with Office as Receiving Office | \$300.00 |
| For any one-off publication | \$100.00 |
| For restoration of a patent | \$750.00 (plus any out- standing annui- ties and late fees) |

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| On submitting a notice of opposition to an application for restoration of a patent | \$250.00 |
| On submitting an answer to notice of opposition to an application for restoration of a patent | \$250.00 |
| For recording any other change in the Register | \$250.00 |
| For cancellation of a licence-contract | \$350.00 |
| For recording the transfer of a licence-contract | \$350.00 |
| For recording a sub-licence-contract | \$350.00 |
| For cancellation of a sub-licence-contract | \$350.00 |
| For recording the transfer of a sub-licence-contract | \$350.00 |
| For a replacement of a patent certificate | \$50.00 |
| For transferring application for a patent | \$200.00 |
| On application for approval of the transfer of an application for a patent | \$200.00 |
| On application for amendment to any other application | \$50.00 (if not yet published) |
| on submitting a withdrawal of application | \$50.00 (if not yet published) |

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| On submitting a notice of opposition to an application for a surrender of a patent | \$250.00 |
| On submitting an answer to notice of opposition for a surrender of a patent | \$250.00 |
| For participating in opposition and revocation proceedings | \$350.00 |

4. These Regulations shall come into force on March 1, 2022.

MADE by the Minister responsible for patents this 4th day of February, 2022.



MAGALI MARIN YOUNG SC
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(*Minister responsible for patents*)