

INFORMATION NOTICE NO. 12/2023

Hague Agreement Concerning the International Registration of Industrial Designs

Amendments to the Schedule of Fees

1. The Assembly of the Hague Union (hereinafter referred to as the "Assembly"), at its fortythird (24th ordinary) session, held in Geneva from July 6 to 14, 2023, adopted the following amendments to the Schedule of Fees¹:

- Increase in the amount of the basic fee for each additional design included in an international application from 19 Swiss francs to 50 Swiss francs² (item 1.2 of the Schedule of Fees);
- Deletion of a surcharge fee for the communication of extracts, copies, information or search reports by telefacsimile (item 23 of the Schedule of Fees).

2. Regarding the amendment adopted with respect to Item 1.2 of the Schedule of Fees, it is recalled that the basic fees had remained unchanged since 1996.

3. Item 23 of the Schedule Fees has been deleted because the use of facsimile for communications with the International Bureau has been discontinued with effect from January 1, 2019³.

¹ For further information, see documents H/A/43/1 "Proposed Amendments to the Schedule of Fees Annexed to the Common Regulations Under the 1999 Act and the 1960 Act of the Hague Agreement" and H/A/43/2 "Report". ² Accordingly, for international applications filed by applicants from least developed countries (LDCs), the basic fee for each additional design included in the same international application has been increased from 2 to 5 Swiss francs.

³ See Information Notice No. 17/2018.

4. In accordance with the decision of the Assembly, the amendments are as follows:

Fee Items		Current Amounts (in Swiss francs)	New Amounts (in Swiss francs)
1.	Basic fee for international applications		
	1.2 For each additional design included in the same international application ⁴	19	50
23.	Surcharge for the communication of extracts, copies, information or search reports by telefacsimile (per page)	4	deleted

5. The above amendments to the Schedule of Fees, as set out in the Annex to the present Information Notice, will enter into force on January 1, 2024.

November 9, 2023

Swiss francs

Common Regulations Under the 1999 Act and the 1960 Act of the Hague Agreement

SCHEDULE OF FEES (as in force on January 1, 2024)

I.	International Applications			
1.	Basic f 1.1 1.2	ee [*] For one design For each additional design included in the same international application	397 50	
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VI.	Information Concerning Published International Registrations			

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- 23. [Deleted]
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[End of Annex]

For international applications filed by applicants whose sole entitlement is a connection with a Least Developed Country (LDC), in accordance with the list established by the United Nations, or with an intergovernmental organization the majority of whose member States are LDCs, the fees intended for the International Bureau are reduced to 10% of the prescribed amounts (rounded to the nearest full figure). The reduction also applies in respect of an international application filed by an applicant whose entitlement is not solely a connection with such an intergovernmental organization, provided that any other entitlement of the applicant is a connection with a Contracting Party which is an LDC or, if not an LDC, is a member State of that intergovernmental organization and the international application is governed exclusively by the 1999 Act. If there are several applicants, each must fulfill the said criteria.

Where such fee reduction applies, the basic fee is fixed at 40 Swiss francs (for one design) and 5 Swiss francs (for each additional design included in the same international application), the publication fee is fixed at 2 Swiss francs for each reproduction and 15 Swiss francs for each page, in addition to the first, on which one or more reproductions are shown, and the additional fee where the description exceeds 100 words is fixed at 1 Swiss franc per group of five words exceeding 100 words.