



Madrid System Webinar

Examination and Refusal Procedures before
the IP Australia, as Designated Office

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Australia & The Madrid System

- Joined on July 11, 2001
- 9th in the world as filers
- 7th in the world as designated

Madrid Member Profiles

Madrid Member Profiles

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Australia

Last update on : May 18, 2017

General information and contact details

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Official holidays:

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Membership in Madrid Union, date of entry into force

Treaty: Madrid Protocol
Entry into force: 11 July 2001

Declarations and notifications made by Contracting Party

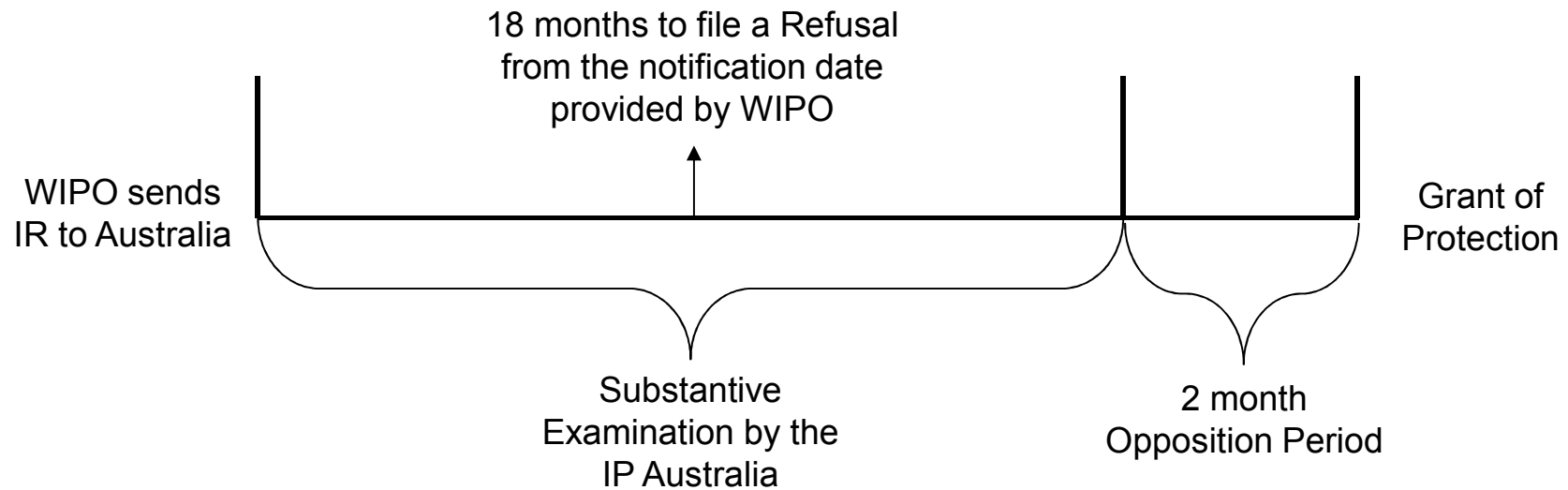
Declarations and Notifications:

<http://www.wipo.int/madrid/memberprofiles/>

Australia Overview

- Same treatment for international registrations and national applications
- Granted rights are equal
- Legislation:
 - Trade Marks Act 1995
 - Trade Marks Regulations
- Single register for (a) international registrations designating Australia and (b) national applications

Timeline for Substantive Examination



Substantive Examination

- Conducted on **absolute** and **relative** grounds
- Examiner will:
 - Consider distinctiveness of the mark
 - Conduct similar trade mark searches

Absolute Grounds – examples

Panko

Class 29: Fish, including cooked fish and chips (potatoes); fresh, frozen and cooked seafood and seafood products; seafood...

Pacific West Foods Australia Pty Ltd [2008] ATMO 47

CRANBERRY CLASSIC

Class 32: Fruit juices, fruit drinks and soft drinks

Ocean Spray Cranberries Inc v Registrar of Trade Marks (2000) 47 IPR 579

Relative Grounds – examples

BED BATH N' TABLE vs **BED BATH & BEYOND**



vs



Relevant Grounds of Refusal

Grounds of Refusal as set out in Regulation 17A.28 of the Trade Marks Regulations 1995

- Section 39: Trade mark containing certain signs
- Section 40: Trade marks that cannot be represented graphically
- Section 41: Trade mark not capable of distinguishing applicant's goods or services
- Section 42: Trade mark scandalous or contrary to law
- Section 43: Trade mark likely to deceive or cause confusion
- Section 44: Identical trade marks
- Regulation 4.15 "Trade Marks containing certain signs"

Substantive Examination

- IR is examined and either:
 - accepted for protection for all goods / services
 - or
 - provisionally refused for some or all of the goods / services
- Accepted trade marks are subject to opposition period (2 months from date of advertisement)
- 15 months to respond to refusals

Provisional Refusals

- Report contains:
 - grounds of refusal
 - which goods / services are refused
 - deadline for the refusal to be overcome
 - applicable provisions of the legislation

Provisional Refusals

- Can be full or partial
- For partial refusal, pending amendment set up to remove the refused goods and/or services
- If refusal not overcome by acceptance deadline, amendment is actioned and refused goods / services removed
- Trade mark then accepted for remaining goods and/or services

Overcoming Provisional Refusals

- Additional information
- Evidence of Use of acquired distinctiveness
- Letter of Consent
- Non-substantial amendments to goods / services

- Holder Requirements:
 - Address for service in Australia/New Zealand (Reg17A.17(3))
 - 15 month time limit
 - English responses

Avoiding Provisional Refusals

- 12,500 international registrations received in 2016
- 81% designations granted protection at first report
- Usually refused on relative grounds
- Know the examination practice and procedure!

General Information & Tips

- Guarantee Marks cannot be protected; instead, consider Collective Marks or Certification Marks
- Geographical Indications = Certification Marks
- Non-Traditional Trade Marks
- Transliteration & translation for non-Roman/non-English
- Classification: specific, definite, accurate, clear, concise

http://xeno.ipaustralia.gov.au/tmgns/facelets/tmggoods.xhtml



Trade Marks Classification Search

Search term

Search

Clear

[advanced search](#)

Search Tips

Classes of Goods

Classes of Services

- This is a full term or part word search, so searching for "car body" will only return results containing the full phrase as written. In order to search for each word individually, add the "and" keyword, so "car and body" will search for goods and services containing both of those words.
- You can also append an "*" character to the end of your search term to search for all descriptors containing a word that begins with the search term. For example, "car*" will return results containing "carbon", "cartridge", etc.
- The "or" keyword can be used to separate search terms and search for goods and services with any of the words separated by "or". For example "car or filler" will return "Filler for rubber" and "Car paints".
- Search for singulars - plurals will be searched for automatically. Searching for "car" will look for "car" or "cars"; searching for "car or body" will search for "car", "cars", "body" or "bodies".
- Goods and Services are divided into 45 classes. You can view the complete lists of Trademark classes using the tabs above.
- Please do not copy and paste items from the list into the application form.
- If after using the Classification Search and consulting the full list of classes, you are unsure of the correct class for your goods and/or services, please contact Customer Support Centre Helpline during business hours on 1300 65 10 10.

General Information & Tips

- Absolute Grounds: Australian Manual of Practice and Procedure: Grounds for rejection include common surnames, descriptive terminology
- Relative Grounds: Australian Trade Mark Search & Australian Manual of Practice and Procedure
- Other Grounds:
 - Prohibited and Prescribed Signs
 - Scandalous
 - Contrary to Law









Australian Trade Mark Search

■ <https://search.ipaustralia.gov.au/trademarks/search/quick>



Search for words in trade marks, owner names or trade mark numbers  

[advanced search »](#)

					
Disclaimer summary Please note that the results of any search you conduct should not be relied upon, because any subsequent application you make will still be subject to a search by a trade mark.	Quick search You should search for slight variations of your trade mark, including plurals, common misspellings and words that sound similar. When searching for images, consider images.				



Word

dog

Part

AND

Part

+

Image

image terms

dog

Part

AND

Part

+

Word phrase

Single

Class

classification search

9

Associated ...

Associated classes: 9, 11, 14, 16, 28, 37, 38, 41, 42, 45

Status (upper)

Pending, Registered and Refused

Status (lower)

All

Date

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Class

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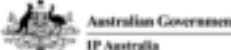
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IR	Number	Trade mark	Class	Status	All
1	167446	 AUGIE DOGGIE BABA LOOEY BLABBER DOGGIE DADDY QUICK DRAW MCGRAW SNOOPER	9	Registered Registered/Protected	🚩
2	415732	 BULLDOGS ; V ; FOOTSCRAY FOOTBALL CLUB	16, 25, 41	Registered Registered/Protected	🚩
3	489867	 CANTERBURY-BANKSTOWN BULLDOGS	41	Registered Registered/Protected	🚩
4	490410	 FOOTSCRAY BULLDOGS	16, 25, 28, 41	Registered Registered/Protected	🚩
5	560085	 BULLDOGS	41	Registered Registered/Protected - Renewal Due	🚩
6	653659	 USES THE ELECTRICAL WATCHDOG	9	Registered Registered/Protected	🚩
7	664603	 FOOTSCRAY BULLDOGS	14, 16, 25, 28, 41	Registered Registered/Protected	🚩

Absolute Grounds for Rejection

■ Manual of Practice and Procedure

http://manuals.ipaustralia.gov.au/trademarks/trade_marks_examiners_manual.htm

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Trade Marks Office Manual of Practice and Procedure

The following is a list of the updates that have been issued since 1999 in relation to the Manual of Practice and Procedure. The list is in reverse chronological order. To assist users, new and changed (but not deleted) text in the Manual is highlighted in yellow for one month following publication, except where a part or subpart has been extensively revised and re-written, which will be indicated in the below change summary.

Year	Part/s & details	Printed version footer
2017	Part 51 - reviewed with minor updates to 51.1	1 September 2017
2017	Part 10 - 10.1.1.2 - Joint Owners - details as to how to capture joint owners added Part 22 - 18 Uncommon surname updated. Part 26 - 26.4 correction to the links and link address; duplicated links deleted	15 August 2017
2017	Part 1 - Additional pages added for quality management; pages renumbered	1 August 2017
2017	Part 14 - ATMOSS updated to RIO Search; 11th edition of classification added. Part 22 - 22.15.2 minor update Part 28 - 28.2, 28.3, 28.6 - The words 'In Australia' added	17 July 2017

Absolute Grounds for Rejection

■ Example: Surnames

Part 22 - Section 41 - Capable of Distinguishing Trade Marks Office Manual of Practice & Procedure

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16. Surnames

When deciding whether a trade mark consisting of a surname is capable of distinguishing the designated goods and / or services of an applicant from those of other traders, it is necessary to first consider the extent to which the trade mark is inherently adapted to distinguish those goods and / or services. The commonness of a surname is an indicator of the extent to which the trade mark is inherently adapted to distinguish the applicant's goods and / or services.

16.1 Searching For Australian Surnames

The *Trade Mark Research Facility* offers search results for a word which is also an understood surname within Australia (see *Australian Surnames* field). If the word is an understood Australian surname, this field will indicate how common it may be considered (in number value). Most surnames shared by a significant portion of the Australian population are likely to be found in the search results and no search is made of foreign directories.

Resources

- WIPO Member Profiles Database
 - <http://www.wipo.int/madrid/memberprofiles>
- Australian Trade Marks Act 1995
 - <https://www.legislation.gov.au/Details/C2017C00046>
- Australian Classification Search
 - <http://xeno.ipaustralia.gov.au/tmgns/facelets/tmgoods.xhtml>
- Madrid Goods and Services Manager (MGS)
 - <https://webaccess.wipo.int/mgs/?lang=en>
- Australian Trade Mark Search
 - <https://search.ipaustralia.gov.au/trademarks/search/quick>
- Australian Manual of Practice and Procedure
 - http://manuals.ipaustralia.gov.au/trademarks/trade_marks_examiners_manual.htm



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Examination and Refusal Procedures before
the Intellectual Property Office of Singapore
(IPOS), as Designated Office

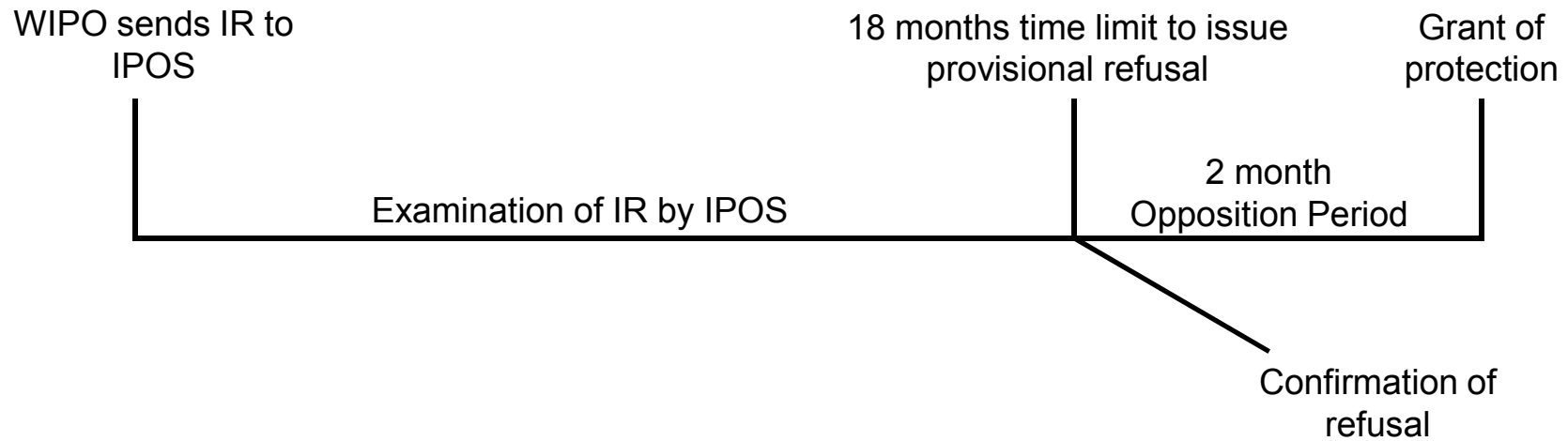
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Singapore Overview

- Designated Contracting Party to the Madrid Protocol since 31 October 2000
- Protects marks including Certification and Collective marks but not guarantee marks
- Charges individual fees (CHF 242/class)
- 18 months to issue partial or full refusals
- Refusals issued in English
- Madrid Member Profiles database

Timeline from designation to grant of protection or confirmation of refusal



IPOS Examination of international registrations

- International registrations examined the same way as national applications

- Basis:
 - Singapore Trade Marks Act
 - Singapore Trade Marks Rules
 - Trade Marks (International Registration) Rules
 - IPOS' circulars and practice directions

IPOS Examination of international registrations

- Absolute and relative grounds
- Classification of goods and services
- Others

IPOS Examination of international registrations

Absolute grounds

- Non-distinctive trademarks
- Exclusively descriptive trademarks
- Deceptive trademarks
- Trademarks contrary to public policy or morality
- Trademarks containing any geographical indication, Article 6ter of Paris Convention, name of a person living or dead, etc

IPOS Examination of international registrations

Absolute grounds

- Sign must be capable of being represented graphically
- Capable of distinguishing goods and/or services
- Cannot be exclusively descriptive of goods and/or services

IPOS Examination of international registrations

Relative grounds – Similarity with earlier mark(s)

- Trade mark should not be identical or similar to an earlier trademark on the Singapore register

IPOS Examination of international registrations

Classification of goods and/or services

- Applies current version of the Nice Classification
- Accepts all class heading descriptions except “*personal and social services rendered by others to meet the needs of individuals*” in Class 45
- Vague descriptions and broad claims are not acceptable

IPOS Examination of international registrations

Others – Translation/transliteration, mark description

- Requires translation of non-English words and transliteration for non-Roman characters in the mark
- Mark description required for 3D shape marks, aspect of packaging, colour(s) as a trade mark, sound marks, movement marks and holograms

Provisional Refusals – What now?

Rules for responding:

- 4 months from the date of issue
- Possible extension(s) of time – 3 months via Form CM5
- First two extension requests are free

Provisional Refusals – What now?

When responding:

- You must have an address for service in Singapore
- Not compulsory to respond through a representative
- Holders can create an IP²SG account using an email address and an authorised local address for service

Account Login -

Log In with Email Address:
(Only for users without SingPass ID or CorpPass ID)

Password:

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Date	Title
16/10/2017	System Maintenance Downtime on 21 October 2017 Saturday from 1300hrs to 1700hrs
17/10/2017	Singpass and CorpPass system maintenance notice (22 October 2017 Sunday - 0000hrs to 0800hrs)
14/10/2017	Launch of MyInfo Postponed to 2 November 2017
02/10/2017	MyInfo will be launched for IP2SG on 13 October 2017

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Last Updated: 2017-10-07

Registration of Account

Estimated Time:


- This form may take approximately 3-5 minutes to complete.

* denotes required field

PART 1: Types Of Account

You may wish to register for a CorpPass Account or Other IP2SG Accounts.



Singapore Corporate Access (CorpPass) is a user-centric, self-service login platform for business users to access Government e-Services. It is designed to better protect personal information of your staff and allow better internal control in your company. Click  to know more about CorpPass and proceed with registration.

Other IP2SG Accounts

Corporate Account (For entities registered in Singapore)

You are encouraged to create a CorpPass Account as IP2SG Corporate Account will not be available from August 2017. From this date, all IP2SG Corporate Account users must use CorpPass Account to access IPOS e-service, IP2SG.

Pre-Requisites:

- UEN ID - UEN stands for Unique Entity Number. It is a standard identification number for Singapore corporate entities to interact with government agencies.
- SingPass ID - SingPass stands for Singapore Personal Access. It is used by residents to access e-services offered by government agencies.

Individual Account via SingPass

Pre-Requisites:

- SingPass ID - SingPass stands for Singapore Personal Access. It is used by residents to access e-services offered by government agencies.

Account via Email Address

Pre-Requisites:

- Valid email address.

PART 2: Account Information

Cancel

Submit

Email Address (for log in)*	<input type="text"/>
Salutation*	Please Select... ▾
Name*	<input type="text"/>
Address*	<p>Postal Code <input type="text"/> Enter Postal Code to auto retrieve Block/House No. and Street Name</p> <p>Block/ House No. ▾</p> <p>Level - Unit No. # <input type="text"/> - <input type="text"/> <i>(If applicable) Please enter the Level - Unit No.</i></p> <p>Building Name <input type="text"/> <i>(If applicable)</i></p> <p>Street Name <input type="text"/></p>
Nationality*	Please Select... ▾
Email alerts to be sent to*	<input type="text"/> An alert will be sent to this email address when you receive any correspondence in your IP2SG account. Therefore, please ensure a valid email address is entered.
Security Question?*	<input type="text"/>
Security Answer*	<input type="text"/>
Office/ Home No.	+ <input type="text"/> Only numbers are allowed. Spaces and any other characters will be ignored.
Mobile No.*	+ <input type="text"/> Enter Country Code, Area Code and Mobile Number. For Singapore mobile numbers, country code is not required. Only numbers are allowed. Spaces and any other characters will be ignored.

Provisional Refusals – What now?

Responding

Absolute grounds – Non-distinctive and exclusively descriptive marks

- Submissions by holder to justify waiver of objections
- Submit evidence of acquired distinctiveness through use
- Amending of mark representation is not allowed

Provisional Refusals – What now?

Responding

Relative grounds – Similarity with earlier mark(s)

- Submissions by holder to justify waiver of objections
- Deletion of overlapping goods and/or services (if applicable)
- Consent from earlier proprietor/applicant
- Assignment of mark(s) to same ownership
- Submit evidence of Honest Concurrent Use with earlier mark(s)

Provisional Refusals – What now?

Responding

Classification of goods and/or services

- Submissions by holder to agree with proposed amendments, counter-propose or justify waiver of objections
- Submitting Form MM6 (Request for the Recordal of a Limitation of the List of Goods and Services) to WIPO is **not sufficient** as a response to a provisional refusal

Provisional Refusals – What now?

Responding

Others

- Translation of non-English words/characters required
- Invalid priority date – will be removed by IPOS

Provisional Refusals

What if you don't reply?

- Partial refusals:

- Mark will be accepted for goods and/or services not refused

- Full refusals:

- Refusal becomes final for all goods and/or services

Avoiding refusals

Resources

- IPOS' website – www.ipos.gov.sg
 - Guidelines/Trade Marks Work Manual
 - Circulars
 - Practice Directions

- E-services portal IP²SG – <https://www.ip2.sg>
 - Online tools



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On this page, you can access all the relevant documents related to applications to register a trade mark. Please refer to the Trade Marks Work Manual (under "Guidelines and Useful Information") to aid in your registration process.

- [Forms & Fees](#)
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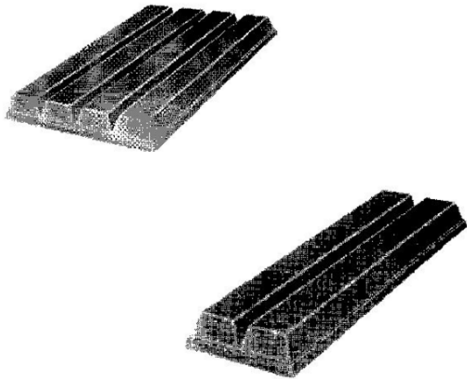
Avoiding refusals

Absolute grounds

- Trade Marks Work Manual
- Chapters 1-6, 9-12 and 14

MARVELOUS!

T1403479I
Mark refused for various electronics, games, paper products, entertainment services.



T0000003Z and T0000002A
3D shape marks were refused for chocolate confectionery.

Avoiding refusals

Relative grounds

- Trade Marks Work Manual
 - Chapter 7
 - Citation practices



ST. REGIS

T9512253G

Both marks found to be similar for hotel services



T0409636H



T8201892B

NUTELLA

T7048827I

“Nutello” used on coffee and chocolate beverages was found to be similar to registered marks “Nutella” for chocolate products

Avoiding refusals

Relative grounds

- Trade Marks Work Manual
 - Chapter 7
 - Citing practices

- Similar marks search tool

Search Type


- IP Journals Trade Marks Classification of Goods or Services Trade Marks Similar Mark Patents Abstract and Specification
 Design International Registrations

This search system attempts to retrieve marks that are similar to the search criteria you enter by a set of algorithms that would be applicable in most scenarios. Although efforts have been made for the system to retrieve the relevant results, we cannot ensure that it will be complete. If you wish to carry out the search according to your own set of rules, you may do so using "Boolean Search".

* Due to the heavy system requirements needed to perform the search, the results will not be immediately available. For your convenience, you may provide your email address to be notified when the search result is ready. The expected waiting time can take up to one hour, depending on the volume of search requests received.

For features of the search system and tips on searching, please click [here](#).

Search Query

Search Criteria	Mark <input type="text"/> Maximum of 5 words.
	Chinese Character <input type="text"/> Maximum of 5 characters.
Class No.	<input checked="" type="radio"/> Text <input type="radio"/> CheckBox <input type="text"/> eg. "1,3,5-8" for classes 1, 3, 5, 6, 7 and 8. Leave it blank if you wish to search for all classes. Cross-class search is enabled.
Non-conventional Mark Type	Use this section if you wish to restrict the search to non-conventional marks only. Leave it unchecked if you wish to retrieve all mark types. <input type="checkbox"/> All Non-conventional Mark Type <input type="checkbox"/> 3-dimensional shape <input type="checkbox"/> Colour(s) as a Trade Mark <input type="checkbox"/> Movement Mark <input type="checkbox"/> Other non-conventional Mark <input type="checkbox"/> Aspect of packaging <input type="checkbox"/> Hologram Mark <input type="checkbox"/> Sound Mark
Email address for notification (optional)	<input type="text"/>
Captcha*	 What is BotDetect.NET CAPTCHA Control? <input type="text"/> Input Above Characters
	<input type="button" value="Clear"/> <input type="button" value="Submit Search Query"/>

Search Results Retrieval

Search Query Ref. No.:

Avoiding refusals

Classification of goods and/or services

- Use clear and concise descriptions
- Trade Marks Work Manual
 - Chapter 18
- Circulars and practice directions
- Classification tool

Avoiding refusals

Classification of goods and/or services – examples of common errors

- Vague descriptions
- “Sale of ...” in Class 35
- Use instead: “retail sale of ...” or “wholesale of ...”

- Use of Geographical Indications (GIs) in goods
- “Champagne” in Class 33
- Use instead: “sparkling white wine” or “wines with the geographical indication “Champagne””

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Designs Patents/Patents Open Dossier Trade Marks

General Notes

1. The International Classification of Goods and Services for the Purposes of the Registration of Marks (also known as the Nice Classification) serves to determine the scope of protection of trade marks. The Nice Classification divides goods and services into 45 classes. Classes 1 to 34 relate to goods, while Classes 35 to 45 relate to services. For more general information relating to the Nice Classification, please click on this [link](#).
2. This search database contains items as listed in the current Nice Classification that is in force, and additional items determined by IPOS to be in conformity with the International Classification of Goods and Services. For past editions and versions of the Nice Classification, please refer to this [link](#).
3. You can conduct a search by selecting at least one class number and source, and entering a search term.
4. If you do not know the class to which your goods or services relate, please tick the box beside the word "ALL" and enter the description(s) of your goods or services in the "Search Criteria" field. A list of relevant descriptions will be generated for your reference.

Class No.

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Source

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| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> All | |
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> ASEAN TMclass | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> IPOS List |
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Nice Classification | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> TMS ID List |

Search Criteria

Notes:

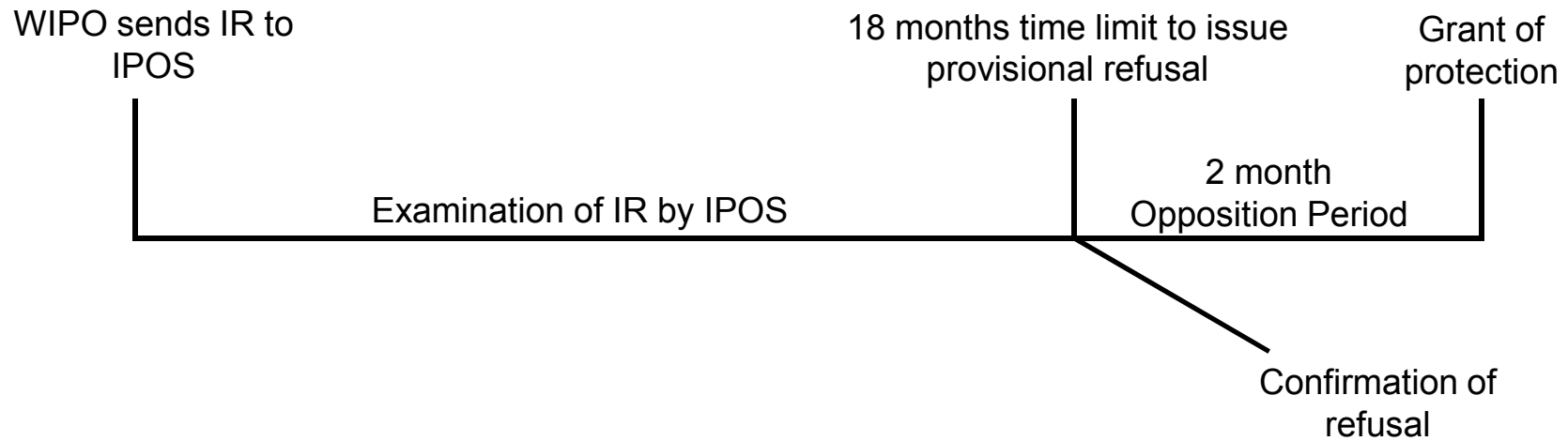
1. You can widen your search by entering a partial term in the "Search Criteria" field. For example, if "medic" is entered, the system will search for descriptions that contain words such as "medical", "medicine" or "medicinal".
2. If multiple words are entered for the search, results returned will be based on all the words entered. For example, if "computer equipment" is entered, the system will search for descriptions that contain both the words "computer" and "equipment" and not "computer" or "equipment". That is to say, if an item consists of only the word "computer", it will not be retrieved.
3. If you wish to search for descriptions containing any of the words you have entered, please separate each word with the term "OR". For example, if "computer OR equipment" is entered, the system will search for descriptions that contain either of the words "computer" and "equipment". That is, the search results will display descriptions such as "computer analysis" and "audio equipment".

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Search

Timeline from designation to grant of protection or confirmation of refusal



Publication of IR and Final mark status

- Accepted applications are published in online Trade Marks Journal
- Interim Status notification issued
- Interested parties may challenge registration within 2 months from date of publication
- Statement on final mark status will be issued

Post-registration

- Renewal of protection
 - Through WIPO, not IPOS
- Transformation of IR into national application
 - Possible only for IR cancelled by the Office of Origin, if filed within 3 months from the date of cancellation
- Replacement of national registration by an IR

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