

Egypt Patent & Utility Model Filing Proposal

Important Tips

- ✓ The governing national law for patent and utility models in Egypt is the Egyptian IP law no. 82 for the year 2002; book 1.
- ✓ Egypt is a member of the Patent Cooperation Treaty (**PCT**) (*since September 6th, 2003*).
- ✓ Egypt is a member of Strasbourg Agreement Concerning the International Patent Classification (*since October 17, 1975*).
- ✓ Protection period of a registered patent in Egypt is **20 years** as of the application's national filing date, after which it turns to fall in public domain. While the period of a registered utility model (petty patent) in Egypt is **7 years** as of the national filing date.
- ✓ The normal time frame for a patent/model application to mature into final registration is around 24 to 30 months passing a normal registration course without official rejections or third party's opposition actions.
- ✓ Priority is acceptable to be claimed in Egypt, provided that the priority claim is within (12) months as of the parent application's filing date (based on Paris Convention).
- ✓ The deadline to nationally enter a PCT application in Egypt is **30-month** as of the parent patent application's date.
- ✓ Use of patent is compulsory in Egypt. If the owner of a patented invention did not use the same within 3 years as of the date of the grant, or within 4 years from the filing date, which of the two periods is longer, or if working ceases for one year without an acceptable reason, then the patent will be subject to compulsory licensing under the provisions of the law. If within 2 years as of the grant of the compulsory license, the



licensee does not exploit the patented invention, any interested party may apply to the Patent Office demanding the cancellation of the subject patent for non-working.

- ✓ Worldwide novelty requirement is requested.
- ✓ Software must be accompanied with hardware to be patented in Egypt.
- ✓ Assignment of patents is acceptable at any stage (*i.e., for granted patents as well as pending application*).
- ✓ Infringement of the rights of a patentee is punishable under the provisions of the current IP law.

Documents Required

❖ For filing a national Patent/model in Egypt:

- 1- A Power of Attorney duly signed by the applicant.
- 2- A deed of assignment signed by both: the inventor and the applicant.
- 3- An extract of the entry of the applicant company in the commercial register, or a copy of the certificate of incorporation

** These documents are to be legalized up to the Egyptian Consulate at you end; however, are acceptable to be lately submitted within **4 months** as of the application's filing date.*
- 4- Arabic translation of the patent's specifications, which can be submitted lately at the EPO within **6 months** as of the application's filing date.
- 5- The specification in English or French for preparing the Arabic translation. The specification must be subdivided as follows:
 - a. Prior art,
 - b. Drawbacks of the prior art,
 - c. What is new about the invention (improvements),
 - d. Detailed description,
 - e. Mode of exploitation of the invention,
- 6- A summary of the invention (*abstract*) in English and Arabic + One clear set of the formal drawings.
- 7- A certified copy of the priority document if claimed, which can be submitted within **3 months** as of the application's filing date.



❖ For National Phase Entry of PCT in Egypt:

- 1- A Power of Attorney duly signed by the applicant & legalized up to the Egyptian Consulate (*proposed form attached*); which can be lately submitted within **4 months** as of the application's filing date.
- 2- Arabic translation of the patent's specifications, which can be submitted lately at the EPO within **6 months** as of the application's filing date.

Total Registration Fees

➤ **For COMPANY Applicants:**

Our **total costs** (official fees inclusive) for filing (*up to grant*) are **USD 1,900.00**:

Item	Official	Professional	Total Costs
National Filing or PCT National Phase Entry	3.16	596.84	600.00
Official Examination fees (conducted by EGIPA)	1,052.63	147.37	1,200.00
Claiming priority	00.00	70.00	70.00
Payment of 2 nd annuity fee (for corporate applicants)	00.42	29.58	30.00
Grand Total	1,056.21	843.79	USD 1,900.00

➤ **For individual (or Research Center) Applicants:**

Our **total costs** (official fees inclusive) for filing (*up to grant*) are **USD 1,710.00**:

Item	Official	Professional	Total Costs
National Filing or PCT National Phase Entry	3.16	496.84	500.00
Official Examination fees (conducted by EGIPA)	1,052.63	77.37	1,130.00
Claiming priority	00.00	50.00	50.00
Payment of 2 nd annuity fee (for corporate applicants)	00.21	29.79	30.00
Grand Total	1,056.00	654.00	USD 1,710.00



Important Notes:

- Official Examination fees are acceptable to be **paid within 3 months** as of the application's filing date, at no extra cost.
- After passing the three-month grace period, an extra official fee would be applied by our EGIPA, costing an additional surcharge of **USD 530.00**.

Annuity Fees

✓ If applicant is a corporate:

Year	Official fee	Professional charge	Total costs
Payment of 2 nd Annuity	0.42	29.58	30
Payment of 3 rd Annuity	0.84	29.16	30
Payment of 4 th Annuity	1.68	28.32	30
Payment of 5 th Annuity	2.11	27.89	30
Payment of 6 th Annuity	3.16	46.84	50
Payment of 7 th Annuity	4.21	45.79	50
Payment of 8 th Annuity	5.26	44.74	50
Payment of 9 th Annuity	6.32	43.68	50
Payment of 10 th Annuity	7.37	42.63	50
Payment of 11 th Annuity	8.42	51.58	60
Payment of 12 th Annuity	10.53	49.47	60
Payment of 13 th Annuity	12.63	47.37	60
Payment of 14 th Annuity	14.74	45.26	60
Payment of 15 th Annuity	16.84	43.16	60
Payment of 16 th Annuity	18.95	51.05	70
Payment of 17 th Annuity	21.05	48.95	70
Payment of 18 th Annuity	21.05	48.95	70
Payment of 19 th Annuity	21.05	48.95	70
Payment of 20 th Annuity	21.05	48.95	70

✓ If applicant is an individual:

Year	Official fee	Professional charge	Total costs
Payment of 2 nd Annuity	0.21	29.79	30
Payment of 3 rd Annuity	0.42	29.58	30
Payment of 4 th Annuity	0.84	29.16	30
Payment of 5 th Annuity	1.05	28.95	30
Payment of 6 th Annuity	1.58	48.42	50
Payment of 7 th Annuity	2.11	47.89	50
Payment of 8 th Annuity	2.63	47.37	50
Payment of 9 th Annuity	3.16	46.84	50
Payment of 10 th Annuity	3.68	46.32	50
Payment of 11 th Annuity	4.21	55.79	60



Payment of 12 th Annuity	5.26	54.74	60
Payment of 13 th Annuity	6.32	53.68	60
Payment of 14 th Annuity	7.37	52.63	60
Payment of 15 th Annuity	8.42	51.58	60
Payment of 16 th Annuity	9.47	60.53	70
Payment of 17 th Annuity	10.53	59.47	70
Payment of 18 th Annuity	10.53	59.47	70
Payment of 19 th Annuity	10.53	59.47	70
Payment of 20 th Annuity	10.53	59.47	70

Miscellaneous Fees

- Arabic translation fees of Patent's specification: **USD 10.00/ per page** (i.e., page = 200 words). Noting that the Arabic translated version will be already attested by the Patent Office. Thus, no further attestation fees shall be requested in future steps as before.
- Upon passing examination & publication procedures successfully, the invention will mature into registration, and a circulation of **5 certified copies** of our client's invention shall be requested by the Patent Office; the total costs for the same are **USD 10.00 /per page** (i.e., this charge already covers 5 printed-out hard copies. Thus, each page for each copy separately costs \$3.00 only).
- Forwarding the letter patent together with a certified & officially stamped copy of the registered patent specification (in Arabic) via courier to your kind end, are all **for USD 70.00.**

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