

# **Patents (Amendment) Rules 2004**

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## PATENTS (AMENDMENT) RULES 2004

In exercise of the powers conferred by sections 42, 110 and 115 of the Patents Act, the Minister for Law, after consulting with the Intellectual Property Office of Singapore, hereby makes the following Rules:

### Citation and commencement

1. These Rules may be cited as the Patents (Amendment) Rules 2004 and shall come into operation on 1st July 2004.

### Amendment of rule 2

2. Rule 2(1) of the Patents Rules (R 1) is amended —

(a) by deleting the definition of “certificate” and substituting the following definition:

““certificate of grant” means a certificate for the purposes of section 35(1);” and

(b) by deleting the definition of “international preliminary examination report”.

### Amendment of rule 3

3. Rule 3 of the Patents Rules is amended by deleting paragraph (2) and substituting the following paragraph:

“(2) Unless —

(a) otherwise provided for in these Rules; or

(b) the Registrar permits or directs otherwise,

where a fee is specified in the First Schedule in respect of any matter, the fee shall be paid at the same time as the filing of the form corresponding to the matter.”.

### Amendment of rule 4

4. Rule 4 of the Patents Rules is amended —

(a) by deleting paragraph (1) and substituting the following paragraph:

“(1) The Registrar shall publish in the journal —

(a) the forms to be used for any purpose relating to —

- (i) any application for or grant of a patent;
    - (ii) any proceedings before the Registrar under the Act or these Rules; or
    - (iii) any other matter under the Act or these Rules;
  - (b) the Registrar's directions relating to the use of any form; and
  - (c) any amendment or modification of any such form or direction.”; and
- (b) by inserting, immediately after paragraph (2), the following paragraph:
- “(3) Any reference in these Rules to a numbered form shall be construed as a reference to the current version of the form bearing the corresponding number which is —
- (a) described in the Second Schedule; and
  - (b) published in the journal.”.

### **Amendment of rule 6**

**5.** Rule 6 of the Patents Rules is amended by deleting paragraph (1) and substituting the following paragraph:

“(1) Where the Registrar has made an order for costs in favour of a party to proceedings before the Registrar and the party wishes to have party and party costs taxed by the Registrar, the party shall, within one month from the date of the order for costs —

- (a) apply for the costs to be taxed by filing a copy of the bill of costs; and
- (b) send at the same time a copy of the bill of costs to every other person entitled to be heard in the taxation proceedings.”.

### **Amendment of rule 9**

**6.** Rule 9 of the Patents Rules is amended —

- (a) by deleting paragraphs (2A) to (5) and substituting the following paragraphs:

“(2A) Where the Registrar, by notice sent to the applicant or proprietor, requires him to furnish to the Registry, in respect of any