

Turkish Patent Institute Introduces New Official Fees

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The Turkish Patent Institute has revised the official fees for trademark applications and proceedings. With the Communiqué no: 2011/1, the Turkish Patent Institute accepted a new official fee tariff which has come into effect as of December 31st, 2010 and will be in effect through 2011.

With this change, the official fees of any trademark related matter are reduced between 7- 50%. Also, according to the new tariff, the official fees for “recordal of change of address”, “pledging the trademark as a security”, “removal of license, pledge or security” and “abandonment of a trademark” are abolished.

Beside a significant reduction in official fees, the Turkish Patent Institute has changed the fee system of the trademark applications. Before the change, the Institute determined the trademark application fees for one class- two classes- three classes and for each additional class after third class. With the change, the Institute only determined a basic one-class application fee and an additional class fee for extra classes (which are both 120.00 Turkish Liras- approx. 59.00 EUR). Now, the cost of a multi-class trademark application is approximately 50% lower than before, for each additional class.

Also, in 2011, Turkish Patent Institute will drop by 20.00 Turkish Liras (approx. 10.00 EUR) from the official fee of a trademark application regardless of the number of classes covered when it is filed online. The aim of the reduction in online application fees is to encourage the applicants and increase the number of online trademark applications in Turkey.

To enter the website of the Turkish Patent Institute in order to check the current trademark fees, please click on the link: http://www.tpe.gov.tr/portal/default_en.jsp?sayfa=133

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