

CHANGES TO COMMUNITY TRADE MARK OFFICE FEES

As of 22 October 2005 the Community Trade Mark Office will be reducing the official fees relating to trademark applications and registrations. We will in future be filing applications electronically to take advantage, on behalf of our clients, of the greater reduction in fees offered for online filing of applications.

Outlined below is a schedule showing the reductions that have been made.

We are pleased to announce that we are also reducing our professional fees.

	Old Fees	New Fees
Filing application (3 classes)	975€	750€
Additional class	200€	150€
Registration fee (3 classes)	1,100€	850€
Additional class	200€	150€

If you wish to file a Community trademark application based on an earlier priority and the six months deadline for claiming priority expires after 22 October 2005 then we recommend, all things being equal, delaying the filing of that application until after the decrease in the official fees so as to take advantage of the reduced fees.

Should you require any further information or advice relating to the above please contact Ian Buchan, Sanjay Kapur or John Peacock.

The information in this Newsletter was correct at the date of release. More up to date information is available by contacting Eric Potter Clarkson. All comments contained here are of a general nature and full professional advice should be sought on any specific problem.

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