

Canadian Intellectual Property Office (CIPO) increasing official fees effective January 1, 2024

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CIPO is set to substantially increase official fees for patents, trademarks, industrial designs and copyrights on January 1, 2024.

CIPO does not receive funding for its operations from the Government of Canada and is fully funded through revenues generated through service fees. The upcoming increases in official fees are intended to address revenue deficiencies and adjust for inflation.

The official fees will increase by at least about 25%, with some fee increases being more substantial, such as for example, requests for examination and payment of final fees on patent applications which will see increases of about 36% for standard entities. With respect to patents, the substantial fee increases primarily effect standard fees; most small entity fees will be subject to only modest increases.

The table below summarizes the CIPO official fee increases for commonly paid fees:

PATENTS	2023	2024
Application Filing	\$421.02	\$555.00
Request for Examination	\$816.00	\$1110.00
Final Fee	\$306.00	\$416.00
Maintenance Fees:		
Each of 2 nd to 4 th year	\$100.00	\$125.00
Each of 5 th to 9 th year	\$210.51	\$277.00
Each of 10 th to 14 th year	\$263.14	\$347.00
Each of 15 th to 19 th year	\$473.65	\$624.00
INDUSTRIAL DESIGN		
Application Filing	\$430.30	\$567.00
Renewal	\$376.50	\$496.00
COPYRIGHT		
Application Filing	\$50.00	\$63.00
TRADEMARK		
Application Filing	\$347.35	\$458.00
+ each additional class of goods/services	\$105.26	\$139.00
Renewal	\$421.02	\$555.00
+ each additional class of goods/services	\$131.58	\$173.00
Registration fee	\$210.51	\$277.00

Given the upcoming increase in fees, intellectual property owners may wish to undertake certain actions requiring payment of official fees prior to January 1, 2024 to take advantage of the current fees and avoid the upcoming fee increases.

Please contact a member of our Intellectual Property Group if you require further information, or have questions about how these fee increases will affect you or your clients' Canadian intellectual property matters (<https://www.osler.com/en/expertise/services/intellectual-property>).