

Client Advisory
Community Trade Mark Fees Reduced

The Community Trade Mark (CTMs) was introduced in 1996 to cover all 27 countries that comprise the European Union (Member States). In order to maintain a CTM, use of the mark in just one country (however minimal) is enough to sustain a mark.

As of May 1, 2009, the fees for filing a Community Trade Mark application have been reduced significantly - down by 40%, or 44% for electronic filings. There has also been a simplification of the fee structure with the removal of the registration fee altogether.

SERVICE	OLD FEE (€)	NEW FEE (€)	TAKES EFFECT
CTM application fee (paper)	1050	900	Application date
CTM application fee (e-filing)	900	750	Application date
CTM application fee - collective mark	1800	1300	Application date
CTM registration fee	850	0	Date of registration letter
Madrid Protocol registration fee	1450	870	3 months after EC notifies WIPO

If you have any questions about this recent development or need any assistance with related issues, we are here to help.

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