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IP roadmap

Your path to trademark registration

Filing

You can start the application process by filing your application with the Canadian Intellectual Property Office (CIPO) online, by mail or by fax.

A complete application must include the following:

- your name and address • your trademark
- the goods or services
- associated with the trademark • the application filing fee

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Filing date issued

If everything is in order with your application, **CIPO** assigns a filing date and an application number.

Your application will be entered into the Canadian Trademarks Database.

When will I be issued a filing date?

To find out when you can expect to be issued a filing date, consult the timelines in CIPO's trademarks performance targets.

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Response

You will have the opportunity to respond to any of the examiner's concerns.

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Examiner's report

If there are any issues with your application, such as confusion with an existing trademark, the examiner will let you know in their report.

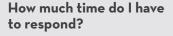
When will I receive the examination report?

To find out when you can expect to receive your report, consult the timelines in CIPO's trademarks performance targets.

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Examination: **Checking for** registrability

A trademark examiner will review your application to make sure that your trademark is registrable.



Within 6 months of the examiner's report

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Approval

If your application is approved, CIPO will send you a formal notice of approval to let you know.

OR

Refusal

If your application is refused, CIPO will send you a report explaining the reasons why.

If your application is refused, you have the right to appeal to the Federal Court of Canada.

If the opposition is successful, your application could be completely or partially refused.

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Opposition

If someone opposes your application, the Trademarks Opposition Board will let you know and you will receive a copy of the statement of opposition.

You and the party opposing your application will then have a chance to file evidence and written arguments.

For how long will my application be advertised? 2 months

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If CIPO approves your application, it will be published in the Trade-marks Journal on CIPO's website.

This will give others the opportunity to oppose your application.

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Registration

If there is no opposition to your application, or if an opposition is rejected, your application will proceed to registration.

CIPO will send you a certificate of registration and enter the trademark in the Register of Trademarks.

When will I receive the examination report?

To find out when you can expect to receive your report, consult the timelines in CIPO's trademarks performance targets.



Renewal

To maintain your registration, you will have to pay a renewal fee every 10 years.

Expectation: Service standards met 90% of the time

