

BELIZE:

**TRADE MARKS (MADRID PROTOCOL)(AMENDMENT)
REGULATIONS, 2023**

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STATUTORY INSTRUMENT

No. 106 of 2023

REGULATIONS made by the Minister responsible for Intellectual Property in exercise of the powers conferred upon her by section 71A of the Trade Marks Act, Chapter 257 of the Substantive Laws of Belize, Revised Edition 2020, and all other powers thereunto him enabling.

(Gazetted 6th October, 2023)

1. These Regulations may be cited as the

Citation,

**TRADE MARKS (MADRID PROTOCOL)
(AMENDMENT) REGULATIONS, 2023,**

and shall be read and construed as one with the Trade Marks (Madrid Protocol) Regulations, which, as amended, is hereinafter referred to as the principal Regulations.

S.I. 16 of 2023.

2. Regulation 5 of the principal Regulations is repealed.

Repeal of
Regulation 5.

3. The principal Regulations are amended in regulation 6-

Amendment of
regulation 6.

(a) in sub-regulation (1), by deleting the words “or to pay the handling fee”;

(b) by deleting sub-regulation (2); and

(c) in sub-regulation (3), by deleting the words “or pay the handling fee”.

4. The principal Regulations are amended in regulation 7 by deleting the words “including payment of the handling fee”.

Amendment of
regulation 7.

Amendment of regulation 9.

5. The principal Regulations are amended in regulation 9 by deleting the words “9(4)(xiii)” and substituting the words “9(4)(a)(xiii)”.

Repeal and replacement of regulation 13.

6. Regulation 13 of the principal Regulations is repealed and replaced with the following–

“Collective and certification marks.

13.–(1) The provisions of this Regulation apply to collective marks subject to the provisions of the First Schedule in the Act.

(2) The provisions of this Regulation apply to certification marks subject to the provisions of the Second Schedule in the Act.”

Amendment of regulation 16.

7. The principal Regulations are amended in regulation 16–

(a) in sub-regulation (3), by deleting the words “counter-statement” and substituting the words “answer to opposition”;

(b) in sub-regulation (4), by deleting the words “request for review” and substituting the words “answer to opposition”;

(c) in sub-regulation (5), by deleting the words “counter-statement” and substituting the words “answer to opposition”; and

(d) by repealing sub-regulation (6) and substituting the following–

“(6) Part III of Trademarks (General Procedures) Administrative Instructions, 2005 shall apply, with the necessary modifications, to this Regulation.”

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- 8.** The principal regulations are amended in regulation 23(2) by deleting the words “a prescribed fee” and replacing them with the words “the prescribed fee in Schedule II”. **Amendment of regulation 23.**
- 9.** The principal regulations are amended in regulation 24 as follows– **Amendment of regulation 24.**
- (a) in sub-regulation (3), by deleting the words “the Schedule” and replacing them with the words “in Schedule I”; and
 - (b) in sub-regulation (4), deleting the words “prescribed fees” and replacing them with the words “fees prescribed in Schedule II”.
- 10.** The Schedule to the principal Regulations is amended by renumbering that Schedule as Schedule I. **Amendment of Schedule.**
- 11.** The principal Regulations are amended by inserting immediately after Schedule I, the following new Schedule– **Insertion of Schedule II.**

“ SCHEDULE II
[reg. 23(3) and 24(4)]

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On application for replacement of the basic registration by an international registration.....100.00

On application to transform an international registration into a national application..... 475.00

Commencement. **10.** These Regulations shall come into force on the 6th day of October, 2023.

MADE by the Minister responsible for intellectual property this 6th day of October, 2023.



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