

NICHOLLS LEGAL: TRADE MARK REGISTRATION FEES

A. Australian trade mark applications

1. Search fees:

- (a) word marks: typically around \$400-\$600 (ex GST), depending on complexity;
- (b) device (logo) marks: typically around \$600-\$900 (ex GST), depending on complexity.

2. Trade Marks Office (IP Australia) fees:

- (a) lodging application: \$160 (per mark, per class);
- (b) registration: \$300 (per mark, per class (from 1 July 2012)).

3. **Professional fees:** Nicholls Legal offers a “flat rate” fee of \$2,200 (ex GST) for straight forward trade mark applications, which covers providing preliminary advice, preparing and lodging the application and incidental correspondences with the Trade Marks Office through to registration. We invoice this amount in two stages: \$1,100 prior to lodging the application and \$1,100 upon receiving the first trade mark examiner’s report. If the application involves additional matters such as detailed advice, detailed correspondences with the Trade Marks Office (*e.g.* dealing with objections) or third party oppositions, we charge these in addition at our usual hourly rates.

Note: all fees are based on a single mark in a single class of the trade marks register. Additional fees apply in relation to multiple trade mark applications and/or applications in multiple classes.

B. International trade mark applications

We are happy to provide an estimate of fees, based on the countries in which you wish to seek registration.