

INFORMATION SHEET FOR STANDARD PATENT APPLICATION IN HONG KONG (RE-REGISTRATION SYSTEM)

Pre-requisite	Based on the patent registration filed in China, or in
	the United Kingdom or European Patent Office
Documents required	Patent document published in China, UK or EU
Language	Chinese or English
Examination	Formality examination only
Application procedures	A request to record the designated patent application,
	that is the Chinese, EP(UK) or UK published patent
	application (stage 1) is required to be filed within 6
	months after the patent is published in the designating
	office. A request for registration and grant in Hong
	Kong, China of the Chinese, EP(UK) or UK granted
	patent (stage 2) is required to be filed within 6 months
	after the patent is granted in the designating office.
Processing time for	Depends on the progress of the designating patent
Registration	office; it usually takes about 3 years to complete
Registration Duration	3 years from Registration Date
Renewal Term	renewable annually for a maximum term of 20 years
Assignment	Mere copy of the deed of assignment is required
Licensing	Mere copy of the licensing document is required
Power of Attorney	Not required

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INFORMATION SHEET FOR SHORT-TERM PATENT APPLICATION IN HONG KONG

Documents required	The grant of a short-term patent in Hong Kong, China
	is based on a search report from an international
	searching authority or one of three designated patent
	offices.
Language	Chinese or English
Examination	Formality examination only
Time from Filing to	6 months for straight forward cases
Registration	
Registration Duration	4 years from the filing date
Renewal Term	Short-term patents are renewable for four more years
	after four years from filing, for a maximum term of
	eight years.
Assignment	Mere copy of the deed of assignment is required
Licensing	Mere copy of the licensing document is required
Power of Attorney	Not required

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