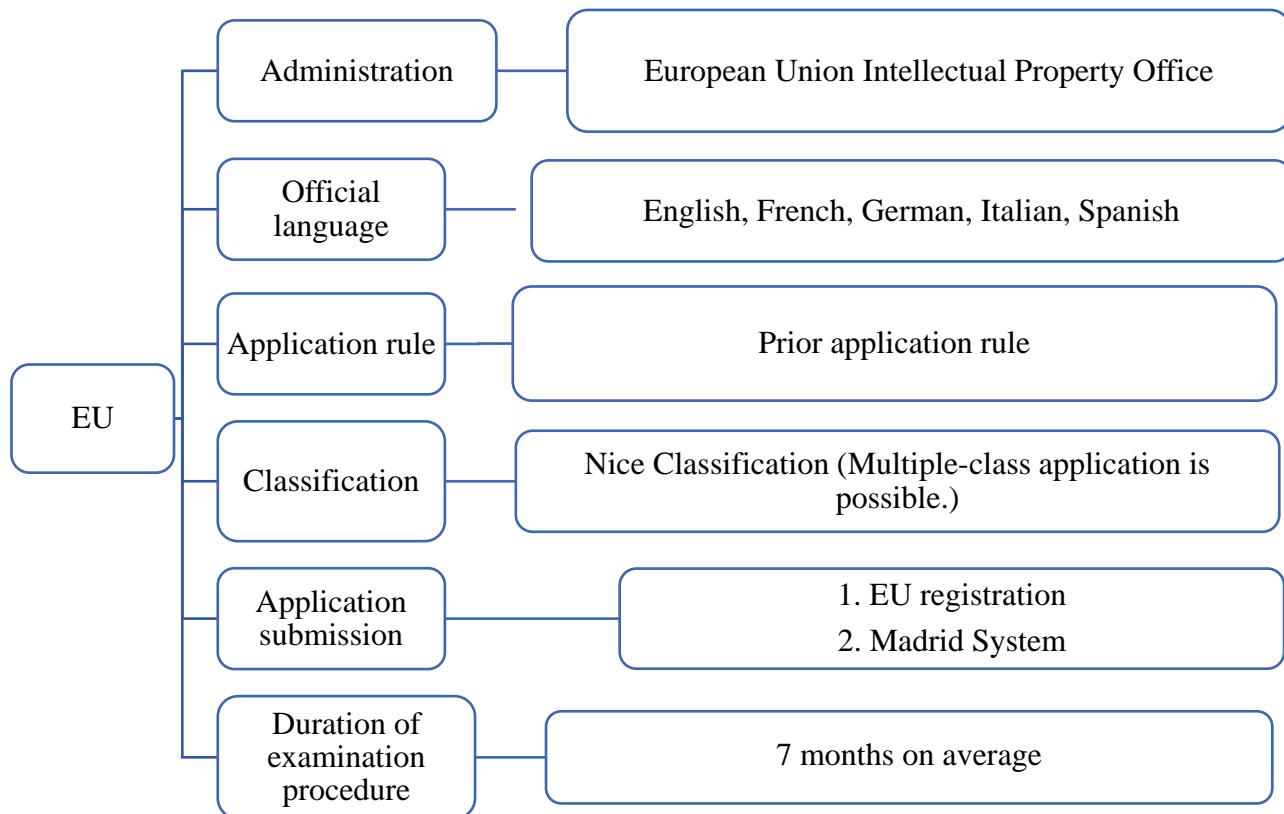


Guidance on Trademark Application in EU

I. Overview



II. Application Documents Requested

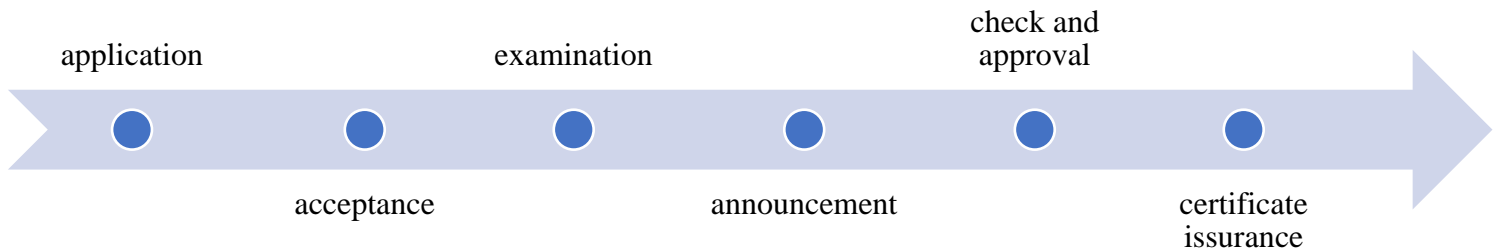
Document set on application

- request for registration of a trademark;
- applicant's details;
- list of the goods and/or services;
- representation of the trade mark.
- if the application was filed not in one of the official languages, the translation in the chosen official language should be provided to the Office.

A certified copy of the **Priority Document**



III. Application Process



IV. Validity Term

- EU trademark is valid for 10 years from the filing date and can be renewed for successive 10-year periods an indefinite number of times.
- The proprietor of the trademark may request the renewal of the term during a six-month period prior to expiry date of trademark protection.

VI. Note

- Registration of the trademark in the European Union can be cancelled on the grounds of non-use upon a third party's request if it **has not been used for 5 years** from registration of a trademark.
- In case the application fulfils all formal requirements established by the legislation, and **there are no absolute grounds for refusal**, the application shall be published in the EU Trademark Bulletin.



- **Fast track could be used in EU Trademark examination**, which saves up to 2 months and does not require additional expedited examination fees, subject to the following conditions:
 - The trade mark must be one of the following types: word, figurative, shape, or sound; If the trade mark is a figurative or shape mark, colour claims are no longer possible; If the trade mark is a figurative, shape or sound mark, the relevant valid attachments must be included;
 - All the terms in the list of goods and services must be selected from the database of terms already accepted by the EUIPO;
 - Payment must be made upfront.
- Registration of the European Union trademark (former Community Trademark) is conducted via filing one application directly with the European Union Intellectual Property Office (EUIPO) and **is valid in 27 European Union countries**: Austria, Belgium, Bulgaria, Croatia, Cyprus, Czech Republic, Denmark, Estonia, Finland, France, Germany, Greece, Hungary, Ireland, Italy, Latvia, Lithuania, Luxembourg, Malta, the Netherlands, Poland, Portugal, Romania, Slovakia, Slovenia, Spain and Sweden.

