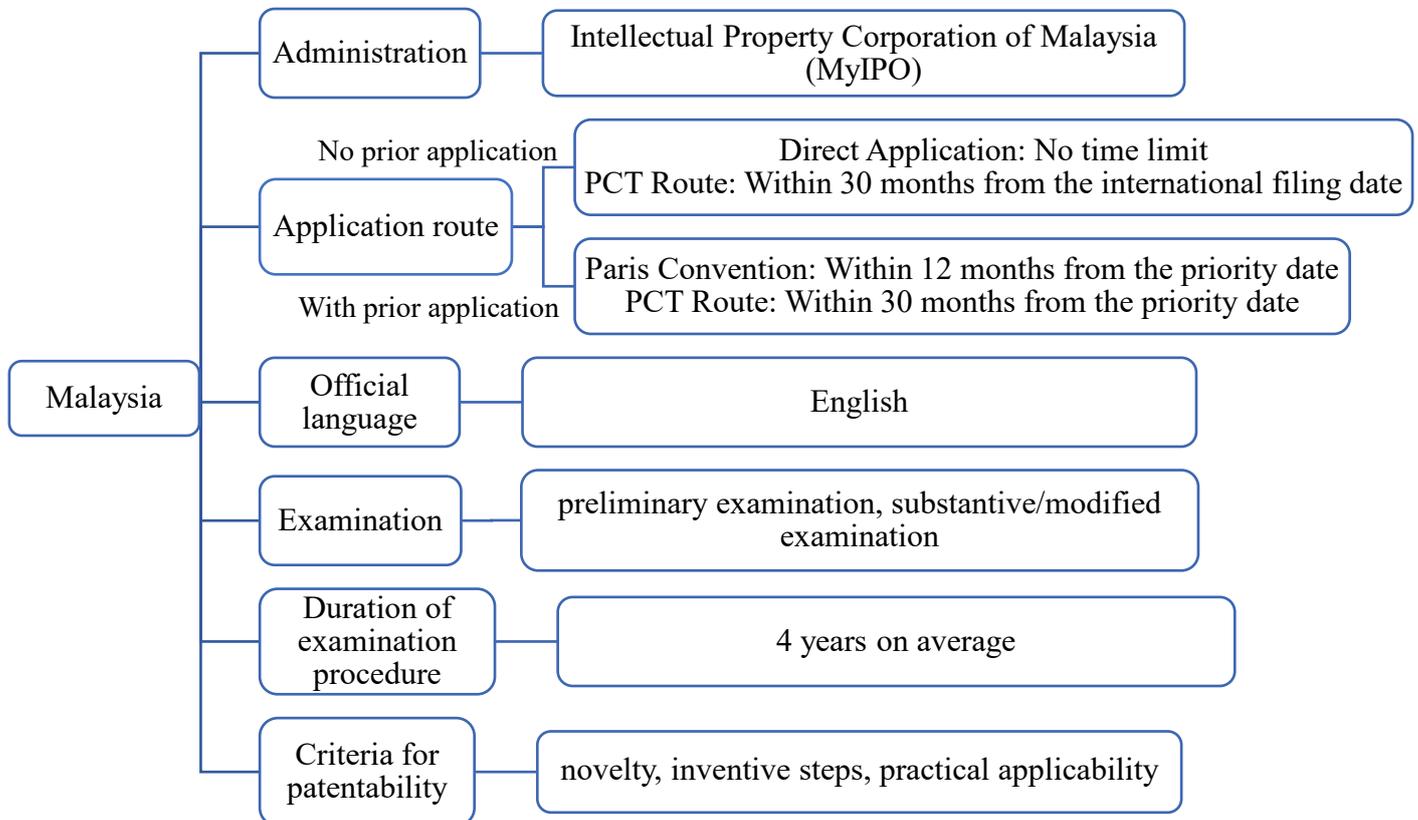


Guidance on Invention Patent Application in Malaysia

I. Overview



II. Application Documents Requested

Request for grant of patent

Specification

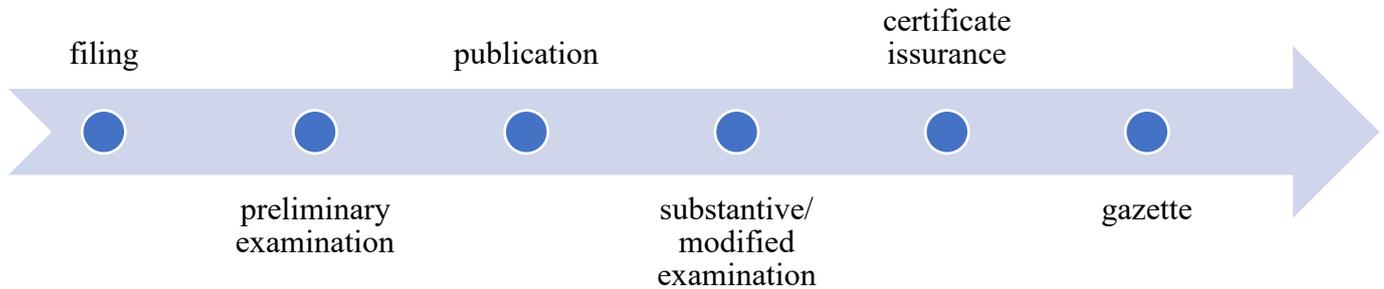
- Description
- Claims
- Abstract
- Drawings (if any);

Appointment or change of patent agent;

Statement justifying the applicant's rights to patent/certificate.



III. Application Process



IV. Validity Term

- The protection period for a patent shall be 20 years as of the date of filing the application in Malaysia.
- A progressive annual fee shall also be paid as of the second year until the expiration of the patent protection period.

V. Note

- Substantive examination carried out by the Patent Examiner to examine technical contents of your patent application. The Examiner shall search documents available worldwide relating to the invention in order to determine whether your application fulfil the substantive requirements under the Patent Act and Regulations.
- Modified substantive examination is an effective short-cut to process a patent application through to grant by making as much use as possible of any search or examination already carried out by a foreign Patent Office that is Australia, United Kingdom, United States of America, Japan and Korea on a corresponding patent application for the same invention. It can only be requested if the patent has been granted in the mentioned countries.

