

Saudi Arabia's Madrid Protocol Individual Fees Confirmed

WIPO Information Notice No. 37/2026 sets the fee schedule, effective 8 October 2026

WIPO has issued Information Notice No. 37/2026, confirming the individual fees payable to Saudi Arabia under the Madrid Protocol. The notice follows the Kingdom's accession to the Protocol and settles what it costs to designate Saudi Arabia in an international trademark application or renewal. The fees take effect on 8 October 2026 and apply to all international designations and renewals processed on or after that date.

Background

Under the Madrid System, a trademark owner can seek protection in many member jurisdictions through a single international application filed through WIPO. Members may declare an “individual fee” for designations of their territory, replacing the standard designation fee. The amount is set by the designated member and paid to WIPO in Swiss francs, which WIPO then passes on to that member’s office.

Saudi Arabia’s declaration under Information Notice No. 37/2026 gives the Kingdom’s individual fee for the first time. It follows WIPO’s earlier circular on the Kingdom’s accession to the Protocol.

Fee schedule

The notice sets three separate fees; all charged per class:

Type of filing	Fee per class (CHF)	Approx. USD
Standard application and renewal	1,397	1,734
Collective or certification mark application	1,719	2,134
Late renewal paid during the grace period	1,612	2,001

The Swiss franc amounts are the figures set in the notice. The US dollar amounts are approximate conversions and will vary with exchange rates. All three USD figures reflect a rate of about 1.24 USD per CHF.

How the fees compare

The three fees are set at different levels:

- Collective and certification marks cost 322 CHF more per class than the standard fee, an increase of about 23%.
- Late renewals paid during the grace period cost 215 CHF more per class than the standard renewal fee, an increase of about 15%.
- Collective and certification mark applications cost 107 CHF more per class than a late renewal.

The standard fee applies to both new applications and renewals, so a timely renewal costs the same as a new designation.

Cost by number of classes

Because the fee applies per class, the total for Saudi Arabia grows with the breadth of the specification. At the standard rate:

- 1 class: 1,397 CHF (approx. 1,734 USD)
- 2 classes: 2,794 CHF (approx. 3,468 USD)
- 3 classes: 4,191 CHF (approx. 5,202 USD)
- 5 classes: 6,985 CHF (approx. 8,670 USD)

For a collective or certification mark, the same numbers of classes come to 1,719, 3,438, 5,157 and 8,595 CHF. A late renewal in three classes comes to 4,836 CHF, compared with 4,191 CHF for a timely renewal in the same classes.

These figures cover the Saudi Arabian individual fee only. Other charges under the Madrid System are separate.

Scope and effective date

The notice states that the rates apply to all international designations and renewals processed on or after 8 October 2026. The relevant date is the date of processing, not the date of filing, so the schedule turns on when the designation or renewal is processed.

Implications for Brand Owners

The notice gives the first confirmed costs for designating Saudi Arabia through the Madrid System, which allows Saudi Arabia to be included in an international application alongside other member jurisdiction. Three points stand out from the fee structure:

- The fee is charged per class. Total cost depends on the number of classes in the specification.
- Collective and certification marks are priced higher than standard marks.
- Late renewals carry their own rate. The grace-period fee sits above the standard renewal fee but below the collective and certification mark fee.

Source

The figures in this article come from WIPO Information Notice No. 37/2026, which is the official source for the individual fee schedule.

