

Benelux Office for Intellectual Property

EXPLAINER: TRADEMARK MODIFICATIONS HOW TO REPORT CHANGES?

Save time & avoid common mistakes with these tips from team BOIP

Includes easy tips & handy reminders!



Keep in mind: All documents submitted to substantiate a modification are available to third parties.

Copies of such documents may always be requested from BOIP.

Often, a specific document is drawn up between the parties for the purpose of the recordal, thereby omitting confidential information, concerning the transfer, pledge or license.

> Next: 5 changes you can make directly via your MyBoip account!

You can make the following changes directly via your MyBoip account:

1. Designation or change of the authorised representative

2. Change of name or address of the trademark holder

3. Change of name or address of the authorised representative

4. Transfer, unless you want to request a partial transfer, namely for some goods or services, in which case you should use the modifications form

5. Change of e-mail address or account details

Next: for these7 recordals you must (still) use the modification form

For the following recordals, you must (still) use the modifications form:

1. Limitation of the list of goods and services

2. Recordal of a seizure

3. Cancellation of a trademark, unless the trademark is cancelled following a decision resulting from cancellation proceedings with BOIP, in which case the Office will proceed to cancel the trademark

4. Cancellation of a license, pledge or seizure

5. Recordal of a licence agreement

6. Recordal of a right of pledge

7. Amendment of the regulations governing use and supervision of a collective or a certification mark

Pay attention to the difference between a transfer and a change of name of the trademark holder.

When a change of name is requested, only the statutory name of the company changes. The company itself does not change; only the name is being modified.

However, in the event of a transfer, the situation is different. In that case, the actual holder of a trademark changes, not just their name.



More information about possible modifications, how to report them to us and the costs involved?

Check this <u>page</u> on our website.

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