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Trade marks

The trade mark registration process in Australia

IP Australia is responsible for the national database of trade marks.

This is an overview of the process you follow to register a trade mark in Australia.

Up to 4 months

Application

You file a trade mark application with IP Australia

Up to 15 months from date of examination

Examination

IP Australia examines your application and may issue an official examination report

Objection

If IP Australia raises any objections to your trade mark being registered, you need to

Rejection

If objections cannot be overcome, your trade mark application will be rejected

Acceptance

IP Australia issues a note of acceptance

Advertisement

IP Australia advertises your trade mark in the official trade mark journal

Opposition

Another party may oppose registration of your trade mark within two months of the advertisement

Decision

After hearing both yours and the other party's arguments, IP Australia will decide whether to register your trade mark

Registration

IP Australia issues a certificate of registration for your trade

10 years

Renewal

You need to renew your trade mark every 10 years

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