

**MINOR AMENDMENTS**

<b>General Part</b>	<u>General Part, 2.1</u>	Clarified terminology regarding the sections and subsections of the PCT-EPO Guidelines
<b>PART A</b>	<u>A-III, 4.1</u>	Amended in view of the EPO Notice dated 24 January 2019 (OJ EPO 2019, A6)
	<u>A-IV, 2.1</u>	Clarified that any withdrawal is free of charge
<b>PART B</b>	<u>B-VII, 3</u>	Clarified practice regarding examination of inventions for which no additional search fees were requested
	<u>B-VIII, 3.1(i)</u>	Clarified practice concerning restriction of the international search when the claims on file lack support
	<u>B-XI, 2.1</u>	Clarified practice regarding the effect of an incorporation by reference pursuant to <u>Rules 4.18</u> and <u>20.6 PCT</u>
	<u>B-XI, 2.2</u>	Clarified practice regarding applications filed in Dutch
<b>PART C</b>	<u>C-II, 4</u>	Clarified practice regarding applicant's entitlement to file a demand for international preliminary examination at the EPO
	<u>C-III, 2</u>	Clarified practice regarding the effect of an incorporation by reference pursuant to <u>Rules 4.18</u> and <u>20.6 PCT</u>
	<u>C-IV, 2.2</u>	Clarified practice regarding issuance of the IPER if the applicant has not submitted any reply to a negative WO-ISA
	<u>C-VII, 1</u>	Clarified practice regarding requests for an interview or telephone consultation
<b>PART F</b>	<u>F-II, 5.1; F-II, 5.2</u>	Amended in view of new PCT-EPO Guidelines chapter <u>A-V</u>
	<u>F-IV, 3.8.2;</u> <u>F-IV, 3.8.3;</u> <u>F-IV, 4.6; F-IV, 4.7;</u> <u>F-IV, 4.9;</u> <u>F-IV, 4.12.1;</u> <u>F-IV, 4.13</u>	Aligned with the EPC Guidelines
	<u>F-IV, 4.11</u>	Sub-section <u>F-IV, 4.18</u> of PCT-EPO Guidelines 2018 has been integrated in sub-section <u>F-IV, 4.11</u>
<b>PART G</b>	<u>G-II, 4; G-II, 4.1;</u> <u>G-VII, 5.4.1</u>	Aligned with the EPC Guidelines
	<u>G-II, 5.5</u>	Clarified practice regarding microbiological processes