

7.5.3 Height of the numbers and letters in the drawings

R. 11.13(h)
PCT AG I 5.153

The height of the numbers and letters must not be less than 0.32 cm. For the lettering of drawings, the Latin or, where customary, the Greek alphabet must be used.

7.5.4 Consistent use of reference signs in the description, claims and drawings

R. 11.13(l), (n)
PCT AG I 5.154

Reference signs must be used in a manner which is consistent in the description, claims and drawings. In particular, reference signs not mentioned in the description must not appear in the drawings, and vice versa.

R. 11.13(m)
PCT AG I 5.155

A feature denoted by a reference sign must be denoted by the same sign throughout the international application.

In the case of international applications dealing with complex subjects and incorporating a large number of drawings, a separate sheet listing all the reference signs should be included at the end of the description as a part of it.

7.5.5 Consistent use of reference signs in the drawings

R. 11.13(m)
PCT AG I 5.155

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7.6 Variations in proportions

R. 11.13(g)

Each element of each figure must be in proper proportion to each of the other elements in the figure, except where the use of a different proportion is indispensable for the clarity of the figure.

8. Text matter in drawings

R. 11.11
R. 11.9
PCT AG I 5.156

The drawings must not contain text matter, except a single word or words when absolutely indispensable, such as "water", "steam", "open", "closed", "section on AB" and, in the case of electric circuits and block schematic or flow sheet diagrams, a few short catchwords indispensable for understanding. Any words used must be so placed that, if translated, they may be pasted over without interfering with any lines of the drawings.

Any text matter which is indispensable must comply with the requirements for the writing of text matter.

For indications of the type "section on AB", see GL/PCT-EPO A-V. 7.3.1.

Art. 3(4)(i)
GL/RO 55, 57, 62 and 63

Where any text matter of the drawings is filed in a language which is different from the language of the description and the claims, the receiving Office will invite the applicant to furnish a translation of the text matter of the drawings into the language in which the international application is to be published (Rule 26.3ter). The receiving Office decides whether the correction was submitted within the two-month time limit under Rule 26.2 and, if so, whether the international application so corrected is or is not to be considered withdrawn. However, no international application may be considered withdrawn for lack of compliance with the physical requirements