

**Common regulations
under the Lisbon agreement for the protection of appellations of origin and their
international registration and the Geneva act of the Lisbon agreement on appellations of
origin and geographical indications**

(as in force on July 1, 2026)

**Chapter I
Introductory and General Provisions**

**Rule 1
Definitions**

(1) [*Abbreviated Expressions*] For the purposes of these Regulations, unless expressly stated otherwise:

[...]

(vi) “Official Form” means a form drawn up by the International Bureau or an electronic interface made available by the International Bureau on the website of the Organization;

[...]

**Chapter II
Application and International Registration**

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**Rule 8
Fees**

[...]

(9) [*Change in the Amount of the Fees*]

(a) Where the amount of the fees payable in respect of an application referred to in Rule 5(2)(c) is changed between the date of filing the application and the date of payment, the fee that was valid on the first date shall be applicable.

(b) Where the amount of the fees payable in respect of a request for entry of a modification referred to in Rule 15(2)(a) is changed between the date on which the request was presented and the date of payment, the fee that was valid on the first date shall be applicable.

(c) Where the amount of the fees to be paid in relation to a modification or as an individual fee, in the case referred to in Rule 7(4)(a) and (d), is changed between the date of entry into force of the Geneva Act with respect to a State that is party to the 1967 Act and the date of payment, the fee that was valid on the first date shall be applicable.

(d) Where the amount of any fee other than the fees referred to in subparagraphs (a), (b) and (c) is changed, the amount valid on the date on which the fee was received by the International Bureau shall be applicable.

[...]

Rule 15 Modifications

(1) [*Permissible Modifications*] The following modifications may be recorded in the International Register:

[...]

- (vii) a modification relating to the appellation of origin or the geographical indication;
- (viii) a modification relating to the good or goods to which the appellation of origin or the geographical indication applies;
- (ix) a modification relating to the particulars as referred to in Rule 5(3)(a) or the information referred to in Rule 5(6)(a)(vi).

[...]

(5) [*Application of Rules 9 to 12*]

(a) Where the modification concerns the appellation of origin or the geographical indication, or the good or goods to which the appellation of origin or the geographical indication applies, the Competent Authority of a Contracting Party has the right to declare that it cannot ensure the protection of the appellation of origin or geographical indication because of the modification. The declaration shall be addressed to the International Bureau by such Competent Authority within a period of one year from the date of receipt of the notification by the International Bureau of the modification. Rules 9 to 12 shall apply *mutatis mutandis*.

(b) Where the modification concerns the particulars as referred to in Rule 5(3)(a), the Competent Authority of a Contracting Party that has made the notification under Rule 5(3), has the right to declare that it cannot ensure the protection of the appellation of origin or geographical indication because of the modification. The declaration shall be addressed to the International Bureau by such Competent Authority within a period of one year from the date of receipt of the notification by the International Bureau of the modification. Rules 9 to 12 shall apply *mutatis mutandis*.

[...]

Rule 18 Corrections Made to the International Register

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(4) [*Application of Rules 9 to 12*] Where the correction of an error concerns the appellation of origin or the geographical indication, or the good or goods to which the appellation of origin or the geographical indication applies, the Competent Authority of a Contracting Party has the right to declare that it cannot ensure the protection of the appellation of origin or geographical indication because of the correction. The declaration shall be addressed to the International

Bureau by such Competent Authority within a period of one year from the date of receipt of the notification by the International Bureau of the correction. Rules 9 to 12 shall apply *mutatis mutandis*.

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