
Appendix 10 Procedure of Issuing the Certificate of Exhibition

In order to facilitate the exhibitors of the China International Import Expo (the CIIE) in a grace period of six months without loss of primary exposure when applying for patents in China for newly exhibited inventions, and to ensure priority in applying for trademark registration in China for trademarks on exhibited goods (or services) used for the first time, the organizer of the CIIE (hereafter referred to as the Organizer), after reviewing the written applications submitted by exhibitors, will issue the *Certificate of Exhibition* for relevant eligible exhibits and trademarks exhibited at the CIIE .

1. Applicants

- 1.1 Exhibitors whose exhibits are shown for the first time at the CIIE without patent applications submitted in China, and exhibitors whose trademarks of goods are used for the first time at the CIIE have the right to apply for the *Certificate of Exhibition*.

2. Application Procedures

- 2.1 Time: November 5th - November 10th, 2020 (from 9:00am to 5:00pm).
- 2.2 Location: The Service Center for IPR Protection and Commercial Dispute Resolution (hereinafter referred to as the “Service Center”).
- 2.3 Materials required:
 - 1) The *Application Form for the Certificate of Exhibition* (including an appendix of the *Description of Exhibit / Description of Trademark*) (in triplicate) completed, signed and stamped by the applicant.
 - 2) The copy of the qualification certificate of the main body of the exhibitor (one copy) which must be signed by the applicant and stamped with an official seal.
 - 3) For entrusted application, the original copy of the power of attorney, and a copy of the identity certificate of the trustee (one copy) must be provided.
 - 4) Other relevant supporting materials.
 - 5) All the above materials must be submitted as hard copies, and the Service Center will not accept electronic documents.
- 2.4 Procedures:
 - 1) The applicant should submit materials in hard copy on site at the Service Center.
 - 2) After the Service Center reviews the materials and confirms that the materials meet the requirements, two or more staff members will conduct site visits and fill out a *Registration Form for Site Visits*.
 - 3) If the demonstration is verified, an *Acceptance Receipt* will be issued. Otherwise, the Service Center will return all application materials.
 - 4) The Organizer will issue the *Certificate of Exhibition* within 15 days after the conclusion of the CIIE to the applicants who have received the Acceptance Receipt, which will be provided to the applicants by regular mail

3.3. Relevant Matters

- 3.1 All documents and materials must be made in Chinese. For documents in foreign languages, Chinese versions with an official seal of a translation agency with relevant translation qualifications should be provided as a complete set. The applicant must guarantee the accuracy of the Chinese translation.
- 3.2 The Service Center will regard the time of site visit as the exhibition time of the exhibit and trademark on CIIE.
- 3.3 The Service Center only accepts the applications submitted on site during the application time.
- 3.4 The applicant should retain all documents and materials collected, collated and obtained as a result of their application properly. Barring judicial and administrative compulsory requirements, the Service Center will not provide inquiry or photocopying services.

Please visit the official website of China International Import Expo (<https://www.ciee.org/>) to download relevant appendix. During the CIIE, an intellectual property protection and complaint body will be set up in the Service Center to accept and deal with the intellectual property disputes and provide advice on intellectual property-related issues for the reference of consultants.

Flow Chart of Application of the Certificate of Exhibition

