

Entry into the national phase of PCT in New Zealand

New Zealand allows 31 months from the earliest priority date for entry into the national phase under chapter I/II of the treaty.

Minimum requirements

1. PCT international application number and filing date.
2. Full name of the international applicant(s) or, if the international application has been assigned, the full name of the assignee(s).
3. Copy of the international application (only if communication of the international application, PCT publication, from the International Bureau to the Intellectual Property Office of New Zealand, as required by Article 20 of the PCT, has not already taken place).

Full requirements

1. Request for entry into national phase including the following.
 - a. PCT international application number and filing date.
 - b. Full name and street address of the International applicant.
 - c. If the international application has been assigned, the full name and street address of the assignee and advice as to whether the assignment has been recorded at the International Bureau.
 - d. If the assignment has not been recorded at the International Bureau, an original or notarially certified copy of the assignment document is required.

- e. Declaration of inventorship including full name, nationality and street address of inventor(s) as at the date of entry into national phase. If the inventor is not the international applicant, details of how the international applicant obtained the right to the international application from the inventor(s), or from the basic applicant(s) where the International application claims convention priority.

- f. Authorisation of Agent.

- g. The national phase request can be filed by A J Park, with a formal copy signed by the applicant due within 15 months from the date of entry into national phase (extendible by a further three months).

2. Copy of the international application (PCT publication).
3. A verified English translation of the PCT publication, if it is in a language other than English. This document is due within three months of the entry into national phase (extendible only in genuine and exceptional circumstances).
4. Copies of any amendments filed at the International Bureau or the International Preliminary Examination Authority under Articles 19 and 34 of the PCT, or a verified English translation of these amendments if they are in another language. The verified English translation of any amendments is due within three months (extendible only in genuine and exceptional circumstances).