

## Maintenance Fees

The Industrial Property Office of the Slovak Republic charges the maintenance fees for a patent, for an European patent with the designation of the Slovak Republic, for a supplementary protection certificate for medicinal products and for a plant protection products according to the **Act No 495/2008 Coll.**

Payment of maintenance fees shall be made by **money order** or **transfer** to the bank account.

Payments of maintenance fees are made **without** prior notice and are due at the date, when the previous year of validity expires, at the latest.

Maintenance fees for patents, for European patents with the designation of the Slovak Republic, for a supplementary protection certificates for medicinal products and for a plant protection products are paid to the following bank account of the Industrial Property Office of the Slovak Republic

<b>Bank name:</b>	<b>Štátna pokladnica</b>
	Radlinského 32
	810 05 Bratislava
<b>Name of the account:</b>	<b>Účet udržiavacích poplatkov ÚPV SR</b>
<b>Account No.</b>	<b>7000119169/8180</b>
<b>Constant Symbol:</b>	<b>0558</b>

**Cross-border transfer of maintenance fees** shall be made to the following bank account of the Industrial Property Office of the Slovak Republic:

<b>Bank name:</b>	<b>Všeobecná úverová banka, a.s.</b>
	Mlynské Nivy 1
	829 90 Bratislava

<b>Name and address of beneficiary:</b>	<b>Úrad priemyselného vlastníctva SR,</b>
	ul. Jána Švermu 43,
	974 04 Banská Bystrica
	IBAN code: <b>SK53 8180 0000 0070 0011 9169</b>
	SWIFT code: <b>SUBASKBX</b>

**Variable symbol:**

Variable symbol is always created of 10-digit number code. This code starts from the left side with 1-digit prefix **X** specifying relevant type of an application/request as follows:

1	PP	(patent application)
4	PDO	(request for supplementary protection certificate)
9	EP	(translation of patent claims of European patent application, translation of European patent file and maintenance fees for European patent)

Prefix **X** is followed by 9-digit **number of an application/request, granted by the Office.**

In the case of maintenance fees for patents and supplementary protection certificates (**prefixes: 1, 4**) the number of an application/request shall have a following form: **n5 n4 n3 n2 n1 – YYYY**

Where:

**n5 n4 n3 n2 n1** - 5-digit code for upward line of numbers of relevant application/request (starts with 00000 every year);

**YYYY** - 4-digit code for the year of filing of relevant application/request

**When creating a variable symbol it is necessary to start from the number of the relevant application/request.**

Variable symbol starts from the left with relevant prefix **X** followed by 5-digit code **n5 n4 n3 n2 n1** for upward line of numbers of relevant application/request. This code is followed with 4-digit code **YYYY** for the year of filing of relevant application/request.

Note: Code with less than 5 digit **n5 n4 n3 n2 n1** of an application/request shall be completed with zeros from the left. (E.g. number 21 shall be related to 5-digit code 00021, number 5011 shall be related to 5-digit code 05011.)

Number's form of a national application/request: **n5 n4 n3 n2 n1 – YYYY**

Variable symbol composition: **X n5 n4 n3 n2 n1 Y Y Y Y**

In case of maintenance fees for European patents (prefix 9) the number form of granted European patent shall be as follows: **EP n7 n6 n5 n4 n3 n2 n1**

Where:

**n7 n6 n5 n4 n3 n2 n1** is 7-digits code for upward line of numbers of relevant granted European patent

Variable symbol starts from the left with prefix 9, then from the right starts 7-digit code **n7 n6 n5 n4 n3 n2 n1** for upward line of numbers of relevant granted European patent. Remaining empty places shall be completed with zeros from the left.

Number's form: **EP n7 n6 n5 n4 n3 n2 n1**

Variable symbol composition: 9 0 0 **n7 n6 n5 n4 n3 n2 n1**

**Examples :**

<b>Subject-matters of industrial rights</b>	<b>Application number</b>	<b>Variable symbol</b>
Patents	PP 1748-2006	1017482006
	PP 50001-2008	1500012008
Supplementary protection certificates	PDO 34-2006	4000342006
European patents	EP 1909981	9001909981

**Schedule of maintenance fees:**

**Item 1**

Maintenance fees for Patents, maintenance fees for European patents for

a) 3 <sup>rd</sup> year	<b>66 €</b>
b) 4 <sup>th</sup> year	<b>82,50 €</b>
c) 5 <sup>th</sup> year	<b>99,50 €</b>
d) 6 <sup>th</sup> year	<b>116 €</b>
e) 7 <sup>th</sup> year	<b>132,50 €</b>
f) 8 <sup>th</sup> year	<b>149 €</b>
g) 9 <sup>th</sup> year	<b>165,50 €</b>
h) 10 <sup>th</sup> year	<b>199 €</b>
i) 11 <sup>th</sup> year	<b>232 €</b>
j) 12 <sup>th</sup> year	<b>265,50 €</b>
k) 13 <sup>th</sup> year	<b>298,50 €</b>
l) 14 <sup>th</sup> year	<b>331,50 €</b>
m) 15 <sup>th</sup> year	<b>365 €</b>
n) 16 <sup>th</sup> year	<b>398 €</b>
o) 17 <sup>th</sup> year	<b>464,50 €</b>
p) 18 <sup>th</sup> year	<b>531 €</b>
q) 19 <sup>th</sup> year	<b>597 €</b>

r) 20 <sup>th</sup> year	<b>663,50 €</b>
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## **Item 2**

Maintenance fees for Supplementary Protection Certificates for

a) 1 <sup>st</sup> year	<b>995,50 €</b>
b) 2 <sup>nd</sup> year	<b>1 327,50 €</b>
c) 3 <sup>rd</sup> year	<b>1 659,50 €</b>
d) 4 <sup>th</sup> year	<b>1 991,50 €</b>
e) 5 <sup>th</sup> year	<b>2 323,50 €</b>

## **Item 3**

Maintenance fees for Supplementary Protection Certificates during extended period<sup>6)</sup> . . . **829,50 €**

<sup>6)</sup> Article 13(1) of Council Regulation (EEC) No 1768/92 and Article 13(1) of Regulation (EC) No 1610/96.