

# Filing requirements for patent applications in Australia.

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## PCT Cases (National Phase)

Minimum Requirements:

- Details about the PCT application (applicant, serial number and international filing date).
- A verified translation, if the PCT specification is not in English, is needed at filing. A verified translation requires a certificate from the translator of the specification.

## For our File

- A copy of the PCT specification.
- Indications as to whether there are Article 19 and/or Article 34 amendments with a copy of the amendments.
- A copy of the International Search Report and International Preliminary Report on Patentability (if any).
- Copies of Notifications of Recordal of Changes of Applicant Name and Address (PCT/IB306).

## Convention and All Other Cases

Minimum Requirements:

- Information about the applicant (name, address, details of incorporation if the applicant is a corporation).
- If the applicant is other than the inventor(s), name(s) of the inventor(s).

- A specification, claims, abstract and drawings (if any), with all text in English.
- If priority is to be claimed, details of the priority application including country, serial number and filing date are required. A certified copy of the priority application is not required unless requested by the Commissioner of Patents.

## Applications Involving Microorganisms

- Where the invention concerns a micro-organism, evidence of deposit of the microorganism in a prescribed depository institution will also be required.

## No Power of Attorney Required

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