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Registry of Trade Marks

Circular No. 10/2022: International Classification of Goods and Services – Nice Classification
– 12th Edition, Version 2023

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1. Entry into force of the Nice Classification, 12th Edition, Version 2023

The 12th Edition, Version 2023 of the Nice Classification (hereinafter abbreviated as "NCL (12-2023)") will enter into force on 1 January 2023.

An advance electronic publication of NCL (12-2023) is now available on WIPO's Nice Classification Electronic Publication ([NCLPUB](#)). Changes made to the current 11th Edition, Version 2022 of the Nice Classification (hereinafter abbreviated as "NCL (11-2022)") can be viewed using the "Modifications" function in NCLPUB, including the changes made to the Class Headings of Class 36 and Class 45.

2. Application of the NCL (12-2023)

The current NCL (11-2022) shall continue to apply to all applications filed from 1 January 2022 to 31 December 2022. Thereafter, applications filed on or after 1 January 2023 will be classified in accordance with NCL (12-2023).

For the avoidance of doubt, there will be no reclassification of goods and services for applications filed before 1 January 2023.

3. Online classification tools

Upon the entry into force of NCL (12-2023), IPOS' online classification search database that is available in both the electronic Form TM4 and the "Trade Mark Goods and Services Search" page on the IPOS Digital Hub will be duly updated.
