

NEW REGIME FOR TRANSFERS OF OWNERSHIP AND CHANGES OF NAME IN ARGENTINA

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Dear Sirs,

Please be informed that the National Institute of Industrial Property (INPI) issued Resolution No. 162/2026 on May 28, 2026, which establishes a new Regulation for the Recordal of Transfers of Ownership and Changes of Name. The main points of the new regulation are summarized below.

As the application and practical impact of these changes may vary on a case-by-case basis, we remain available to provide a specific assessment and recommendations for any particular matter upon request.

Application

- ✓ **Industrial Property Rights:** Trademarks; Patents, Utility Models; Industrial models and designs filed or granted ("IP Rights").
- ✓ **Changes of company name:** modification / change of the name of a natural or legal person, while the same person continues as owner of the "IP Rights".
- ✓ **Transfer of ownership:** New owner - Total or partial modification of the ownership of "IP Rights".

Main changes

- **Sworn Declaration Principle:** Established for all declarations made, instruments or documents submitted by the Applicant. This principle results in more flexible formalities and requirements.
- **Removal of Apostille and Consular Legalization requirements for foreign documents.**
- **Abbreviated procedure for multiple transfers:** Foresees as **exception** a single application and fee, for successive transfers carried out in the same act and evidenced in a single document.
- **Reduction of the deadline for responding to INPI office actions:** The 10 business day term (extendable for 3 equal consecutive terms) will begin to run 30 calendar days after its publication in the Bulletin instead of 60.

Documents and Requirements

1- Documents:

- a) Document evidencing the total or partial transfer of IP rights or the change of company name.
- b) Power of Attorney (PoA). Simply signed.

2- Requirements:

Translation: For foreign-language documents, translation into Spanish by a certified Argentine translator is required.

Transfer of ownership / Assignment: If the document is private (such as a contract), the ASSIGNOR's signature must be certified by a Notary Public. No need that the notary attests the assignor's faculties for the act. In case the assignor is married, the spouse's certified signature is also required.

The requirement for legalization by Apostille or Consular of documents in point 1, granted/executed abroad was expressly eliminated.

The Resolution does not expressly require PoA to be notarized, nor certified copies of the documents evidencing an assignment or change of name, suggesting a more flexible documentary approach.