

MINISTRY OF ECONOMY BRAZILIAN PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE OFFICE OF TRADEMARKS, INDUSTRIAL DESIGNS, AND GEOGRAPHICAL INDICATIONS

RELEASE

Regarding the enforcement of Resolution No. 232/2019 (which establishes the Industrial Design Guide), in effect as of March 9, 2019, the Office of Trademarks, Industrial Designs, and Geographical Indications communicates that:

- a) The initial examination of the Industrial Design application is performed pursuant to the prevailing rule at the moment of the examination, regardless of the date of filing of the application.
- b) The examination of the Submission of Amendments is performed pursuant to the prevailing rule at the moment of the examination. This does not depend on the date of publication of the Request of Amendment or the date of the petition for Submission of Amendments.
- c) During the examination of the Submission of Amendments, the designs and pictures of the initial petition compliant with the provisions in the prevailing rule at the moment of the examination will be taken in consideration. The use of pictures of the initial petition does not prevent the publication of a new Request of Amendment regarding adjustments related to other aspects of the proceeding not compliant with the prevailing rule.
- d) If the Submission of Amendments published by March 26, 2019 entails loss of the date of Unionist Priority or refusal of the application under the examination during the effectiveness of Resolution No. 232/2019, a new Request of Amendment will be published, enabling the adjustment of the application.

Rio de Janeiro, May 10, 2019

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