Annex 2 to Procedures for
Filing Eurasian Applications
Containing Nucleotide and/or
Amino Acid Sequences,
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Requirements to the Presentation of Machine-Readable Files Containing Nucleotide or Amino Acid Sequence Listings

1. Physical Data Carriers

1.1 Eurasian application documents, containing nucleotide and/or amino acid sequence listings in electronic form, shall be accepted on optical discs of CD-R format, conforming to ISO 9660 standard. Information about other types of admissible machine-readable carriers is published in the EAPO Bulletin and on the EAPO web site.

1.2 Marking of Machine-Readable Carriers

1.2.1 The machine-readable carrier shall have a permanently attached label or an inscription on its surface, which does not affect the readability of the carrier, stating in printed letters the following:

- title of the invention;
- name (title) of the applicant;
- the applicant's or his representatives (where appropriate) dossier number;
- date of recording the data onto the machine-readable carrier;
- filing date and number of the Eurasian application, if the machine-readable carrier is filed after the filing date of the application.

1.2.2 In the event, that changes, amendments or corrections have been introduced into the sequence listing, the label on the machine-readable carrier shall have a respective statement (for example, "Amended sequence listing" or "Corrected sequence listing"), in addition to the above specified data.

1.2.3 In cases when a sequence listing is presented on more than one machine-readable carrier, the label on each carrier or the inscription on its surface shall bear its number (for example, "Disc 1 of 3", "Disc 2 of 3", "Disc 3 of 3" or "Disc 1/3", Disc 2/3", "Disc 3/3").

1.2.4 When a sequence listing on a machine-readable carrier is presented in several copies, the label on the machine-readable carrier or the inscription on its surface shall indicate the number of each copy (for example, "Copy 1", "Copy 2", "Copy 3").

2. Data Presentation Formats

2.1 It is recommended to create sequence listings, using the special software application PatentIn or other applications with similar formats of output data. A sequence listing, created with the use of PatentIn, shall be recorded in one file.

2.2 Permitted presentation of sequence listings in document format Microsoft Word or in Rich Text Format (RTF).

Note: From July 1, 2013 shall come into force a new redaction of Subparagraph 2.2, approved by EAPO order №5 on 07.02.2013 : "Sequence listings presented in TXT format".

2.3 File Identifier

2.3.1 A file identifier shall consist of two parts –the file name and the file extension.

2.3.2 A file, containing a sequence listing, shall be titled as : **sqN_M** Where N is the date of recording the data onto the machine-readable carrier, in the format: YYYYMMDD, and it shall correspond to the recording date, stated on the carrier's label or on its surface inscription. M is the number of the sequence in the application.

2.3.3 A file, containing an amended, changed or corrected sequence listing, shall be titled as: **csqN_M.**

Where N is the date of recording the data onto the machine-readable carrier, in the format: YYYYMMDD, and it shall correspond to the recording date, stated on the carrier's label or on its surface inscription.M is the number of the sequence in the application.

2.3.4 A file, containing a sequence listing, or an amended, changed or corrected sequence listing, shall have a file extension, corresponding to the format of the presented data.

2.4 Information about other types of admissible data formats is published in the EAPO Bulletin and on the EAPO web site.