

Leaflet Trademarks in the Benelux countries

Territory

The Benelux trademark covers the territories of all three Benelux (Belgium, Netherlands, Luxembourg) countries in Europe.

Duration

The duration of the trademark registration is ten years from the date of filing. It is indefinitely renewable with further ten year periods upon payment of renewal fees.

Compulsory use

A registered Benelux mark should be used in order to prevent the lapse of the exclusive rights to the mark. The exclusive rights to a Benelux mark may be declared lapsed by the competent Court on request of an interested party, even though the registration is maintained, in so far as, without legitimate reasons, the mark has not been normally used within the Benelux territory either by the registered owner or by another person with consent of the owner within a period of 5 consecutive years from the date of registration, or such use of the mark, without legitimate reasons, has been discontinued for 5 consecutive years or longer.

Marking

There are no provisions as to marking. Possible marking: '®'.

License

A licence under a Benelux trademark must be officially recorded in order to be effective against third parties. We suggest that you contact us if you intend to grant a license under your Benelux trademark.