

Plant Variety Protection Office

Services and Fees

Total cost of protection: The total cost of protection is \$5,150. This price includes \$4,382 for the application and examination; and the certificate fee of \$768 upon issuance of the certificate. These fees are subject to change. Complete list of itemized fees are below.

Fees are payable in advance: Fees and charges shall be paid at the time of making application or at the time of submitting a request for any action by the office for which a fee or charge is payable and established. Make checks and money orders payable to "Treasurer of the United States." We also accept VISA, Master Card, Discover, and American Express credit cards. ([Credit Card Users \(pdf\)](#)).

Description	Fee
Filing the application and notifying the public of filing	\$518.00
Search or examination	3,864.00
Submission of new application data, after notice of allowance, prior to issuance of certificate	432.00
Allowance and issuance of certificate and notifying public of issuance	768.00
Revive an abandoned application	518.00
Reproduction of records, drawings, certificates, exhibits, or printed material (copy per page of material)	1.80
Authentication (each page)	1.80
Correcting or re-issuance of a certificate	518.00
Recording assignments, any revisions of an assignment, or withdrawal or revocation of an assignment (per certificate or application)	41.00
Copies of 8" x 10" photographs in color.	41.00
Additional fee for reconsideration	518.00
Additional fee for late payment	41.00
Fee for handling replenishment seed sample (applicable only for certificates issued after June 20, 2005)	38.00
Additional fee for late replenishment of seed	41.00
Filing a petition for protest proceeding	4,118.00
Appeal to Secretary (refundable if appeal overturns the Commissioner's decision)	4,942.00
Granting of extensions for responding to a request	89.00
Any other services not covered by this schedule contact PVPO	

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- ✓ Appeal to Secretary is refundable if appeal overturns the Commissioner's decision
- ✓ Field inspections by a representative of the Plant Variety Protection Office made at the request of the applicant shall be reimbursable in full (including travel, per diem or subsistence, salary, and administrative costs) in accordance with Standardized Government Travel Regulations. Any other service not covered above will be charged for at rates prescribed by the Commissioner, but in no event shall they exceed \$107 per employee-hour. Charges also will be made for materials, space, and administrative costs.