

# Article 40

Citation: OJ EPO 2025, A40

Online publication date: 30.6.2025

## EUROPEAN PATENT OFFICE

### Information from the EPO

### Notice from the European Patent Office dated 10 June 2025 concerning the days on which EPO filing offices are closed in 2026

1. Under [Rule 134\(1\) EPC](#), time limits expiring on a day on which **at least one** EPO filing office is not open for receipt of documents (closing days) are extended until the first day thereafter on which **all** the filing offices are open for receipt of documents and on which ordinary mail is delivered.
2. In 2026, as hitherto, the EPO's filing offices in Munich, The Hague and Berlin will be closed for the receipt of documents on every Saturday and Sunday. The other closing days in 2026 are listed below.
3. For PCT proceedings, the list below applies *mutatis mutandis* for the purposes of [Rule 80.5 PCT](#).

Days		Munich	The Hague	Berlin
New Year's Day	01.01.2026	■	■	■
Epiphany	06.01.2026	■		
Good Friday	03.04.2026	■	■	■
Easter Monday	06.04.2026	■	■	■
King's Day	27.04.2026		■	
Labour Day	01.05.2026	■		■
Liberation Day	05.05.2026		■	
Ascension Day	14.05.2026	■	■	■
Whit Monday	25.05.2026	■	■	■
Corpus Christi	04.06.2026	■		
Christmas Eve	24.12.2026	■	■	■
Christmas Day	25.12.2026	■	■	■
Bridging day	28.12.2026	■	■	■
Bridging day	29.12.2026	■	■	■
Bridging day	30.12.2026	■	■	■
New Year's Eve	31.12.2026	■	■	■