



**Council for Trade-Related Aspects of  
Intellectual Property Rights**

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**NOTIFICATION OF LAWS AND REGULATIONS  
UNDER ARTICLE 63.2 OF THE TRIPS AGREEMENT**

UNITED KINGDOM: PATENTS, TRADE MARKS AND DESIGNS (ADDRESS FOR  
SERVICE AND TIME LIMITS, ETC) RULES 2006

<b>Notifying Member</b>	<b>UNITED KINGDOM</b>
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**Details of the notified legal text**

<b>Title</b>	Patents, Trade Marks and Designs (Address for Service and Time Limits, etc) Rules 2006
<b>Subject matter</b>	Trademarks; Industrial designs; Patents (including plant variety protection)
<b>Nature of notification</b>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Main dedicated intellectual property law or regulation <input type="checkbox"/> Other law or regulation
<b>Link to legal text*</b>	<a href="https://ip-documents.info/2020/IP/GBR/20_5587_00_e.pdf">https://ip-documents.info/2020/IP/GBR/20_5587_00_e.pdf</a>
<b>Notification status</b>	<input type="checkbox"/> First notification <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Amendment or revision to notified legal text <input type="checkbox"/> Replacement or consolidation of notified legal text(s)
<b>Previous notification(s) referred to</b>	The Registered Designs (Amendment) Rules 2001 <a href="#">IP/N/1/GBR/22, IP/N/1/GBR/D/11</a>  The Trade Marks (Amendment) Rules 2001 <a href="#">IP/N/1/GBR/19, IP/N/1/GBR/T/13</a>  The Trade Marks Rules 2000 <a href="#">IP/N/1/GBR/8, IP/N/1/GBR/T/7</a>  The Registered Designs (Amendment) Rules 1999 <a href="#">IP/N/1/GBR/3, IP/N/1/GBR/D/4</a>  Registered Designs Rules 1995 <a href="#">IP/N/1/GBR/D/2</a>  Patents Rules 1955 <a href="#">IP/N/1/GBR/P/2</a>  The Design Right (Proceedings before Comptroller) Rules 1989, SI 1989, No. 1130 The Design Right (Proceedings before Comptroller) (Amendment) Rules 1990, SI 1990, No.1453 The Design Right (Proceedings before Comptroller) (Amendment) Rules 1992, SI 1992, No. 615 <a href="#">IP/N/1/GBR/1</a>

**Brief description of the notified legal text**

The Rules amend the Design Right (Proceedings before Comptroller) Rules 1989 as amended, the Patents Rules 1995 as amended, the Registered Design Rules 1995 as amended and the Trade Marks Rules 2000 as amended. In each case, the amendments made allow for applicants for registered rights to provide an address for service in the UK, another EEA State or the Channel Islands. During any proceedings before the comptroller or registrar an address for service in the UK is required unless the comptroller or registrar directs. The Rules liberalize provisions relating to delays caused by 'interrupted days', amend provisions in the Registered Designs Rules 1995 relating to the registration of interests, and insert a provision into the Trade Marks Rules 2000 which facilitates electronic communications by the registrar.

<b>Language(s) of notified legal text</b>	English
<b>Entry into force</b>	6 April 2006; <a href="http://www.legislation.gov.uk/uksi/2006/760/contents/made">http://www.legislation.gov.uk/uksi/2006/760/contents/made</a>
<b>Other date</b>	

**Notification details**

<b>Submission date of notification</b>	20 August 2020
<b>Other information</b>	<a href="http://www.legislation.gov.uk/uksi/2006/760/contents/made">http://www.legislation.gov.uk/uksi/2006/760/contents/made</a> - Amends/replaces: The Design Right (Proceedings before Comptroller) Rules 1989 (SI 1989/1130, as amended); The Patents Rules 1995 (SI 1995/2093); The Registered Design Rules 1995 (SI 1995/2192, as amended); The Trade Marks Rules 2000 (SI 2000/136, as amended)
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