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

IRELAND: PATENTS (AMENDMENT) RULES 2011  
(S.I. NO. 79/2011)

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

<b>Title</b>	Patents (Amendment) Rules 2011 (S.I. No. 79/2011)
<b>Subject matter</b>	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/2023/IP/IRL/23_14778_00_e.pdf">https://ip-documents.info/2023/IP/IRL/23_14778_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>	<a href="#">IP/N/1/IRL/1</a>
<b>Brief description of the notified legal text</b>	
<p>These amendments to the Patent Rules 1992 align the Patent Rules with the European Economic Agreement (EEA) for the purposes of registering an Address for Service from EEA countries and to allow EEA patent agents to represent patent applications in this country. In addition, this instrument amends the Patents Office Form 1 (Request for the Grant of a Patent), to allow applicants to communicate with the Patents Office by e-mail, with extra sheets for supplementary information relating to additional applicants and inventors also included in the form.</p>	
<b>Language(s) of notified legal text</b>	English
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<b>Submission date of notification</b>	21 April 2023
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<b>Other information</b>	See also: <a href="#">IP/N/1/IRL/P/26</a> <i>Patents (Amendment) Rules 2009 (S.I. No. 194 of 2009)</i>
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