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STATUTORY INSTRUMENTS

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**2006 No. 1975**

**The Registered Designs Rules 2006**

**PART 4**

**PROCEEDINGS HEARD BEFORE THE REGISTRAR**

*Conduct of proceedings*

**Procedure for applying for a declaration of invalidity**

- 15.**—(1) An application for a declaration of invalidity under section 11ZB shall—
- (a) be made on Form DF19A; and
  - (b) include a statement of the grounds on which the application is made.
- (2) The statement of grounds shall include a concise statement of the facts and grounds on which the applicant relies and shall be verified by a statement of truth.
- (3) The registrar shall send a copy of Form DF19A and the statement of case to the registered proprietor.
- (4) The registrar shall specify a period within which the registered proprietor shall file a counter-statement.
- (5) The registered proprietor, within that period, shall—
- (a) file his counter-statement on Form DF19B; and
  - (b) send a copy of it to the applicant,
- otherwise the registrar may treat him as not opposing the application.
- (6) In his counter-statement the registered proprietor shall—
- (a) include a concise statement of the facts on which he relies;
  - (b) state which of the allegations in the statement of grounds he denies;
  - (c) state which of the allegations he is unable to admit or deny, but which he requires the applicant to prove;
  - (d) state which allegations he admits,
- and it shall be verified by a statement of truth.
- (7) In this Part—
- (a) “statement of case” means the statement of grounds filed by the applicant or the counter-statement filed by the registered proprietor; and
  - (b) references to the statement of case include part of the statement of case.

**Changes to legislation:**

There are currently no known outstanding effects for the The Registered Designs Rules 2006, Section 15.