
STATUTORY INSTRUMENTS

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The Patents, Trade Marks and Designs (Address for Service) (Amendment) (EU Exit) Rules 2020

Citation, commencement and interpretation

1.—(1) These Rules may be cited as the Patents, Trade Marks and Designs (Address for Service) (Amendment) (EU Exit) Rules 2020 and come into force on 1st January 2021 (the “Commencement Date”).

(2) In these Rules—

“address for service rules” means—

- (a) rule 103 of the Patents Rules;
- (b) rule 11 of the Trade Marks Rules;
- (c) rule 42 of the Designs Rules;
- (d) rule 23(1A) of and Schedule 1 to the Design Right Rules;

“Designs Rules” means the Registered Designs Rules 2006(1);

“Design Right Rules” means the Design Right (Proceedings before Comptroller) Rules 1989(2);

“EEA address for service” means an address for service in an EEA state outside the United Kingdom;

“Patents Rules” means the Patents Rules 2007(3);

“Trade Marks Rules” means the Trade Marks Rules 2008(4).

(3) In the definition of “EEA address for service”, “EEA state” has the meaning it had for the purposes of the address for service rules immediately prior to IP completion day.

(1) S.I. 2006/1975; relevant amending instruments are S.I. 2009/546, 2013/444, 2019/638 and 2020/1050.

(2) S.I. 1989/1130; relevant amending instruments are S.I. 2006/760, 2009/546 and 2019/638.

(3) S.I. 2007/3291; relevant amending instruments are S.I. 2009/546, 2011/2052 and 2019/801.

(4) S.I. 2008/1797; relevant amending instruments are S.I. 2009/546, 2019/269 and 2020/1050.