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**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: THE TRADE MARKS AND TRADE MARKS AND  
PATENTS (FEES) (AMENDMENT) RULES 2009

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

<b>Title</b>	The Trade Marks and Trade Marks and Patents (Fees) (Amendment) Rules 2009
<b>Subject matter</b>	Trademarks; 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_5774_00_e.pdf">https://ip-documents.info/2020/IP/GBR/20_5774_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/GBR/58</a> , <a href="#">IP/N/1/GBR/T/36</a> ; <a href="#">IP/N/1/GBR/17</a> , <a href="#">IP/N/1/GBR/T/11</a>
<b>Brief description of the notified legal text</b>	
<p>The Rules amend the Trade Marks Rules 2008, the Trade Marks (Fees) Rules 2008 and the Patents (Fees) Rules 2007. The Rules revise some of the fees and services that the UK IPO charges/offers in relation to its trade marks and patent registration functions:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Examination policy change: introduces a system whereby the IPO examines a trade mark application for payment of half the fees.</li><li>• E-filing discount introduced for trade marks and patent filings.</li><li>• Brings in powers to suspend the fast-track trade mark service.</li><li>• Introduces new fees for applications for series of 3 or more marks and caps the number of marks that can be filed as a series (6).</li><li>• Removes rules that permit applicants to divide unsuccessful applications for series into separate applications.</li><li>• Fee for extension of time in trade marks proceedings increased.</li></ul>	
<b>Language(s) of notified legal text</b>	English
<b>Entry into force</b>	1 October 2009; <a href="http://www.legislation.gov.uk/uksi/2009/2089/contents/made">http://www.legislation.gov.uk/uksi/2009/2089/contents/made</a>

<b>Other date</b>	
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<b>Other information</b>	<a href="http://www.legislation.gov.uk/uksi/2009/2089/contents/made">http://www.legislation.gov.uk/uksi/2009/2089/contents/made</a> - Amends/replaces: The Trade Marks Rules 2008 (SI 2008/1797); The Trade Marks (Fees) Rules 2008 (SI 2008/1958); The Patents (Fees) Rules 2007 (SI 2007/3292)
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