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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**

NEW ZEALAND: NEW ZEALAND BUSINESS NUMBER ACT 2016

Notifying Member	NEW ZEALAND
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Details of the notified legal text

Title	New Zealand Business Number Act 2016
Subject matter	Trademarks; Industrial designs; Patents (including plant variety protection)
Nature of notification	<input type="checkbox"/> Main dedicated intellectual property law or regulation <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Other law or regulation
Link to legal text*	https://ip-documents.info/2021/IP/NZL/21_1821_00_e.pdf
Notification status	<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)
Previous notification(s) referred to	IP/N/1/NZL/P/5 , IP/N/1/NZL/5 ; IP/N/1/NZL/T/1/Add.2 ; IP/N/1/NZL/T/4 ; IP/N/1/NZL/D/1/Add.1 ; IP/N/1/NZL/D/1
Brief description of the notified legal text	
Provides the Commissioner of Designs, Commissioner of Patents and Commissioner of Trade Marks with the power to update information on the designs, patents and trade marks register to be consistent with information recorded on the New Zealand Business Number Register.	
Language(s) of notified legal text	English
Entry into force	15 April 2016; 2 Commencement (1) This Act comes into force for all purposes, except the purposes referred to in subsections (2) and (3), 28 days after the date on which it receives the Royal assent. (2) This Act comes into force for the purpose of applying to unincorporated entities on a date to be appointed by the Governor-General by Order in Council, and 1 or more orders may be made appointing different dates for the purposes of the Act applying to different types of unincorporated entities.

	(3) If, in respect of 1 or more types of unincorporated entity, no order under subsection (2) appointing a date is made before 12 December 2016, the Act comes into force, for the purpose of applying to those unincorporated entities, on that date.
Other date	

Notification details

Submission date of notification	5 March 2021
Other information	
Agency or authority responsible	Ministry for Business, Innovation and Employment (ip.policy@mbie.govt.nz)

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