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## NOTIFICATION OF LAWS AND REGULATIONS UNDER ARTICLE 63.2 OF THE AGREEMENT

### Ireland

By means of communications, dated 29 February, 14 March 1996 and 24 June 1996, Ireland has notified its laws and regulations under Article 63.2 of the Agreement.

Annex I lists the main dedicated intellectual property laws and regulations as notified by Ireland. Annex II contains the listing of "other laws and regulations". In accordance with the procedures for the notification of laws and regulations, notably paragraph 4 of document IP/C/2, Ireland has stated that the full texts of its laws and regulations can be found in the WIPO collections, with the exception of the laws and regulations in the areas of plant variety protection and geographical indications as well as the Government Orders extending provisions of Irish legislation in the areas of copyright and related rights, trademarks, industrial designs and patents to WTO Members.

## ANNEX I

### **MAIN DEDICATED INTELLECTUAL PROPERTY LAWS AND REGULATIONS**

1. Copyright and related rights<sup>1</sup>

Copyright Act, 1963	(No. 10 of 1963)
Copyright Act 1963 (Commencement) Order, 1964	(S.I. No. 177 of 1964)
Copyright (Amendment) Act, 1987	(No. 24 of 1987)
Performers Protection Act, 1968	(No. 19 of 1968)
Performers Protection Act 1968 (Commencement) Order, 1968	(S.I. No. 201 of 1968)

2. Trademarks<sup>2</sup>

Trade Marks Act, 1963	(No. 9 of 1963)
Trade Marks Act 1963 (Commencement) Order, 1964	(S.I. No. 34 of 1964)
Trade Marks Act, 1996	(No. 6 of 1996)

3. Industrial designs<sup>3</sup>

Industrial and Commercial Property (Protection) Act, 1927	(No. 16 of 1927)
Industrial and Commercial Property (Protection) Act 1927 (Commencement) Order, 1927	(No. 60 of 1927)

4. Patents<sup>4</sup>

Patents Act, 1992	(No. 1 of 1992)
Patents Act 1992 (Commencement) Order, 1992	(S.I. No. 181 of 1992)
Patents Act, 1964	(No. 12 of 1964)
Patents Act 1964 (Commencement) Order, 1964	(S.I. No. 91 of 1966)

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<sup>1</sup>The text of these laws and regulations can be found in document IP/N/1/IRL/C/1

<sup>2</sup>The text of these laws and regulations can be found in document IP/N/1/IRL/T/1

<sup>3</sup>The text of these laws and regulations can be found in document IP/N/1/IRL/D/1

<sup>4</sup>The text of these laws and regulations can be found in document IP/N/1/IRL/P/1

## ANNEX II

### OTHER LAWS AND REGULATIONS

TITLE, DATE OF ADOPTION AND ENTRY INTO FORCE	DESCRIPTION
<p><b>Copyright and Related Rights</b></p> <p><u>Dublin City University Act, 1989</u> (No. 15 of 1989)</p> <p><u>University of Limerick Act, 1989</u> (No. 14 of 1989)</p> <p><u>Copyright Act 1963 (Commencement) Order, 1964</u>, (S.I. No. 177 of 1964), adopted on 29 July 1964, entry into force on 1 October 1964</p> <p><u>Copyright (Customs) Regulations, 1964</u> (S.I. No. 231 of 1964) adopted on 23 September 1964, entry into force on 1 October 1964</p> <p><u>Copyright (Register of Dramatic Works) Rules, 1964</u> (S.I. No. 178 of 1964), adopted on 20 July 1964, entry into force on 1 October 1964</p>	<p>This Act contains provisions relating to the delivery of copies of books to the Dublin City University.</p> <p>This Act contains provisions relating to the delivery of copies of books to the University of Limerick.</p> <p>This Order appoints 1 October 1964 as the date on which the Copyright Act 1963 (No. 10 of 1963) comes into operation.</p> <p>These Regulations replace the Regulations, dated 22 March 1928, made by the Commissioners under Section 165 of the Industrial and Commercial Property (Protection) Act 1927 which section was repealed by the Copyright Act 1963.</p> <p>The effect of the Regulations is:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>(a) to prescribe the form of notices requesting the Commissioners to treat as prohibited goods copies of copyright works or recordings made outside the State which, if made in the State, would be infringing copies;</li> <li>(b) to prescribe the fee payable in respect of the notice;</li> <li>(c) to set out the requirements as to furnishing information and indemnifying the Commissioners against any liability or expense arising out of the detention of copies.</li> </ul> <p>These Rules provide for the keeping in places of entertainment of a register of dramatic works performed therein.</p>

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<p><u>Copyright (Royalties on Records) Regulations, 1964</u> (S.I. No. 179 of 1964) adopted on 20 July 1964, entry into force on 1 October 1964</p>	<p>These Regulations prescribe certain matters relating to the circumstances specified in the Copyright Act 1963 in which record manufacturers may make records of musical works without infringing the copyright in the works. They replace part of the Copyright Regulations 1927.</p>
<p><u>Copyright (Publication of Certain Works) Regulations, 1964</u> (S.I. No. 180 of 1964), adopted on 20 July 1964, entry into force on 1 October 1964</p>	<p>These Regulations prescribe the conditions under which certain old copyright manuscripts may be published.</p>
<p><u>Copyright (Exemption from Delivery of Books to certain Libraries) Regulations, 1964</u> (S.I. No. 181 of 1964), adopted on 20 July 1964, entry into force on 1 October 1964</p>	<p>These Regulations specify publications exempted from the provisions of Section 56 of the Copyright Act 1963 which require publishers to deliver copies of books to certain libraries.</p>
<p><u>Copyright (Proceedings before the Controller) Rules, 1964</u> (S.I. No. 204 of 1964), adopted on 11 August 1964, entry into force on 1 October 1964</p>	<p>These Rules prescribe the procedure to be followed in hearings before the Controller in relation to certain matters arising under the Copyright Act 1963.</p>
<p><u>Copyright (Proceedings before the Controller) Rules 1964 (Amendment) Rules, 1993</u> (S.I. No. 218 of 1993), adopted on 27 July 1993, entry into force on 16 August 1993</p>	<p>These Rules revise the fees payable in relation to the Copyright (Proceedings before the Controller) Rules 1964 (No. 204 of 1964).</p>
<p><u>Copyright (Foreign Countries) Order, 1978</u> (S.I. No. 132 of 1978), adopted on 5 May 1978, entry into force on 5 May 1978</p>	<p>The effect of this Order is to extend the benefits of the Copyright Act 1963 other than those provided by Sections 17 and 19 to the countries of the Berne Union and of the Universal Copyright Convention.</p>
<p><u>Copyright (Foreign Countries) (No. 2) Order, 1978</u> (S.I. No. 133 of 1978), adopted on 5 May 1978, entry into force on 5 May 1978</p>	<p>The effect of this Order is to extend the benefits of Sections 17 and 19 of the Copyright Act 1963 to countries of the Berne Union, of the Universal Copyright Convention and of the Rome Convention.</p>
<p><u>Copyright (Foreign Countries) (Amendment) (No. 2) Order, 1963</u> (S.I. No. 274 of 1963), adopted on 31 December 1963, entry into force on 31 December 1963</p>	<p>The Order adds Republic of Upper Volta to the countries of the Berne Union as listed in Part I of the First Schedule to the Copyright (Foreign Countries) Order 1959 and Finland and Paraguay to the countries of the Universal Copyright Convention listed in Part II of the said Schedule.</p>

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<p><u>Copyright (Republic of Indonesia) Order, 1988</u> (S.I. No. 155 of 1988), adopted on 30 June 1988, entry into force on 30 June 1988</p>	<p>The effect of this Order is to extend the benefits of Section 17 of the Copyright Act 1963 to the Republic of Indonesia.</p>
<p><u>Copyright (Extended Application) Order, 1991</u> (S.I. No. 101 of 1991), adopted on 23 April 1991, entry into force on 23 April 1991</p>	<p>The purpose of the Government Order is to bestow on independent broadcasting services provided for in the Radio and Television Act of 1988 copyright protection similar to that given to Radio Telefis Eireann under the Copyright Act 1963.</p>
<p><u>Performers' Protection Act 1968 (Commencement) Order, 1968</u> (S.I. No. 201 of 1968), adopted on 19 September 1968, entry into force on 1 October 1968</p>	<p>This Order appoints 1 October 1968 as the date on which the Performers' Protection Act 1968 (No. 19 of 1968) comes into operation.</p>
<p><u>Performers' Protection (Foreign Countries) Order, 1978</u> (S.I. No. 134 of 1978), adopted on 5 May 1978, entry into force on 5 May 1978</p>	<p>The effect of this Order is to extend the protection for performances provided for in the Performers' Protection Act 1968 to performances made in the countries of the Rome Convention.</p>
<p><u>European Communities (Legal Protection of Computer Programs) Regulations, 1993</u> (S.I. No. 26 of 1993), adopted on 2 February 1993, entry into force on 31 December 1992</p>	<p>The purpose of these Regulations is to give legal effect to the European Communities Council Directive (No. 91/250/EEC) on the legal protection of computer programs (O.J. No. L122 of 17 May 1991). The effect of the Regulations is to provide explicit copyright protection for computer programs as literary works. This is without prejudice to any protection which may have existed prior to the signing of these Regulations. The Regulations, when read in conjunction with the Copyright Acts 1963 and 1987 give legal effect to all the requirements imposed under the Directive for the protection of computer programs.</p>
<p><u>European Communities (Term of Protection of Copyright) Regulations, 1995</u> (S.I. No. 158 of 1995), adopted on 23 June 1995, entry into force, 1 July 1995</p>	<p>The purpose of these Regulations is to harmonize the term of protection of copyright and certain related rights with that of other EU member States in accordance with Council Directive 93/98/EEC adopted on 29 October 1993.</p>
<p><u>Copyright (Foreign Countries) Order, 1996</u> (S.I. No. of 1996)</p>	<p>The purpose of this Order is to extend the provisions of Irish Copyright legislation to WTO countries.</p>

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<p><u>Performers' Protection (Foreign Countries) (Amendment) Order, 1996</u> (S.I. No. of 1996)</p> <p><b>Trademarks</b></p> <p><u>Trade Marks Act 1963 (Commencement) Order, 1964</u> (S.I. No. 34 of 1964), adopted on 25 February 1964, entry into force on 1 April 1964</p> <p><u>Register of Trade Mark Agents Rules, 1964</u> (S.I. No. 35 of 1964), adopted on 25 February 1964, entry into force on 1 April 1964</p> <p><u>Trade Marks Rules, 1963</u> (S.I. No. 268 of 1963), adopted on 19 December 1963, entry into force on 19 December 1963</p> <p><u>Register of Trade Mark Agents (Amendment) Rules, 1985</u> (S.I. No. 371 of 1985), adopted on 22 November 1985, entry into force on 1 December 1985</p> <p><u>Trade Mark Rules 1963 (Amendment) Rules, 1992</u> (S.I. No. 313 of 1992), adopted on 27 October 1992, entry into force on 12 November 1992</p> <p><u>Patents, Designs and Trade Marks (International Arrangements) (Amendment) Order, 1968</u> (S.I. No. 32 of 1968), adopted on 6 February 1968, entry into force on 6 February 1968</p> <p><u>Patents, Designs and Trade Marks (International Arrangements) (Amendment) Order, 1963</u> (S.I. No. 275 of 1963), adopted on 31 December 1963, entry into force on 31 December 1963</p>	<p>The purpose of this Order is to extend the provision of Irish Performers' Protection legislation to WTO countries.</p> <p>The Order appoints 1 April 1964 as the date on which the Trade Marks Act 1963 (No. 9 of 1963) comes into operation. By virtue of Rule 3 of the Trade Marks Rules 1963 the date of commencement of those Rules is also 1 April 1964.</p> <p>These Rules prescribe matters relating to the registration of Trade Mark Agents pursuant to Section 69 of the Trade Marks Act 1963 (No. 9 of 1963).</p> <p>These Rules are made under Section 3 of the Trade Marks Act 1963. They come into operation on such date as may be appointed for the commencement of the Act. They replace the Rules (other than Rules 20, 21 and 22 of the Industrial Property Rules 1927) relating to trademarks made under the Industrial and Commercial Property (Protection) Act 1927.</p> <p>These Rules provide for certain revisions in fees and other matters relating to the registration of Trade Mark Agents pursuant to Section 69 of the Trade Marks Act 1963 (No. 9 of 1963).</p> <p>These Rules revised the level of fees set down in the original 1963 Rules.</p> <p>This Amendment extends the effect of the principal Order to Argentina, Cyprus, Dahomey, Malta, Togo, Puerto Rico, Virgin Islands (US), Samoa (US), Guam and Uruguay.</p> <p>The Amendment extends the effect of the principal Order to the Central African Republic, Republic of Chad, Republic of the Congo (Brazzaville), Republic of the Ivory Coast, Kingdom of Laos, Federal Republic of Nigeria and Republic of Upper Volta.</p>

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<p><u>Patents, Designs and Trade Marks (International Arrangements) (Amendment) Order, 1966</u> (S.I. No. 30 of 1966), adopted on 15 February 1966, entry into force on 15 February 1966</p>	<p>The Amendment extends the effect of the principal Order to Algeria, Gabon, Kenya, Malawi, Mauritania, Philippines, Senegal, South Africa, Southern Rhodesia, Trinidad and Tobago, Uganda, Union of Soviet Socialist Republics and Zambia.</p>
<p><u>Designs and Trade Marks (International Arrangements) (Amendment) Order, 1996</u> (S.I. No. 37 of 1996)</p>	<p>The purpose of this Order is to extend the provision of Irish design and trademark legislation to WTO countries.</p>
<p><u>Patents, Designs and Trade Marks (International Arrangements) (Amendment) Order, 1976</u> (S.I. No. 316 of 1976), adopted on 20 December 1976, entry into force on 20 December 1976</p>	<p>The amendment extends the effect of the principal Order to Benin, Cameroon, Egypt, German Democratic Republic, Iraq, Jordan, Sri Lanka and Zaire.</p>
<p><b>Geographical Indications</b></p>	
<p><u>European Communities (Definition, Description and Presentation of Spirit Drinks) Regulations, 1995</u> (S.I. No. 300 of 1995), adopted on 16 November 1995</p>	<p>The principal effects of these Regulations are to provide penalties for breaches of certain provisions of EC Regulations 1576/89 and 1014/90 which relate to the definition, description and presentation of spirit drinks and to confer powers of entry to premises on authorised officers.</p>
<p><b>Industrial Designs</b></p>	
<p><u>Industrial Property (Amendment) Rules, 1964</u> (S.I. No. 176 of 1964), adopted on 20 July, entry into force on 20 July 1964</p>	<p>These Rules repeal Rule 17 of the Industrial Property Rules 1927 which deals with days and hours of business at the Office. They provide that, subject to certain exceptions, the Office will be open to the public from Monday to Friday of each week between 9.45 a.m. and 4.15 p.m.</p>
<p><u>Industrial Property (Amendment) (No. 2) Rules 1980</u> (S.I. No. 412 of 1980), adopted on 30 December 1980, entry into force on 1 January 1981</p>	<p>These Rules provide for revision of the classes and subclasses in the classification of goods for the purposes of the registration of designs.</p>
<p><u>Industrial Property Rules 1927 (Amendment) Rules, 1987</u> (S.I. No. 332 of 1987), adopted on 18 December 1987, entry into force on 1 January 1988</p>	<p>These Rules provide for certain revisions of the fees payable in respect of designs.</p>

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<p><u>Industrial Property (Amendment) Rules, 1969</u> (S.I. No. 190 of 1969), adopted on 6 October 1969, entry into force on 1 November 1969</p>	<p>These Rules provide for amendment of the Industrial Property Rules 1927 by the substitution of a list of the classes and subclasses of the International Classification for Industrial Designs in accordance with the Locarno Agreement of October 1968 for the list of Classification of Goods for the Registration of Designs in the Third Schedule to the Industrial Property Rules 1927.</p>
<p><u>Industrial and Commercial Property (Protection) Act 1927 (Section 152) (Declaration) Order, 1976</u> (S.I. No. 315 of 1976), adopted on 20 December 1976, entry into force on 20 December 1976</p>	<p>The Order declares that the provisions of Section 152 of the Industrial and Commercial Property (Protection) Act 1927 apply to India.</p>
<p><u>Patents, Designs and Trade Marks (International Arrangements) Order, 1959</u> (S.I. No. 22 of 1959), adopted on 13 February 1959, entry into force on 13 February 1959</p>	<p>This Order applies the provisions of Section 152 of the Industrial and Commercial Property (Protection) Act 1927 as amended (which provides for the granting of priority to a person who has applied for protection for any invention, design or trademark in a foreign State) to the States listed in the Schedule. These are the States which, with Ireland, are bound by the International Convention for the Protection of Industrial Property. All previous Orders made under the Section are revoked.</p>
<p><u>Patents, Designs and Trade Marks (International Arrangements) (Amendment) Order, 1966</u> (S.I. No. 30 of 1966), adopted on 15 February 1966, entry into force on 15 February 1966</p>	<p>The Amendment extends the effect of the principal Order to Algeria, Gabon, Kenya, Malawi, Mauritania, Philippines, Senegal, South Africa, Southern Rhodesia, Trinidad and Tobago, Uganda, Union of Soviet Socialist Republics and Zambia.</p>
<p><u>Patents, Designs and Trade Marks (International Arrangements) (Amendment) Order, 1968</u> (S.I. No. 32 of 1968), adopted on 6 February 1968, entry into force on 6 February 1968</p>	<p>The Amendment extends the effect of the principal Order to Argentina, Cyprus, Dahomey, Malta, Togo, Puerto Rico, Virgin Islands (US), Samoa (US), Guam and Uruguay.</p>
<p><u>Patents, Designs and Trade Marks (International Arrangements) (Amendment) Order, 1976</u> (S.I. No. 316 of 1976), adopted on 20 December 1976, entry into force on 20 December 1976</p>	<p>The Amendment extends the effect of the principal Order to Benin, Cameroon, Egypt, German Democratic Republic, Iraq, Jordan, Sri Lanka and Zaire.</p>



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<p><u>Patents, Designs and Trade Marks (International Arrangements) Order, 1987</u> (S.I. No. 223 of 1987), adopted on 2 September 1987, entry into force on 2 September 1987</p>	<p>This Order discharges Ireland's obligations under the International Convention for the Protection of Industrial Property in respect of patent, design and trademark applications made in the Convention countries listed in the Schedule.</p>
<p><u>Industrial and Commercial Property (Protection) Act, 1927, No. 16</u> (Part III: Designs; Part IV: General Provisions Relating to ... Designs) (F) PI 1928, 214</p>	<p>This Act makes provision for the granting of patents for inventions, the registration of designs and trade marks, and the definition and protection of copyright in the Republic of Ireland.</p>
<p><u>Industrial and Commercial Property (Protection) Act 1927 (Commencement) Order, 1927</u> (No. 60 of 1927), adopted on 27 July 1927, entry into force: Part VI and VII on 1 August 1927 and Parts I to V and, "Preliminary" and First and Second Schedules on 1 October 1927</p>	<p>This Order provides that the 1927 Act shall come into operation on 1 October 1927 in respect of designs.</p>
<p><u>Industrial and Commercial Property (Protection) (Amendment) Act, 1949</u> (No. 32. of 1929)</p>	<p>This Act repeals certain provisions of the Industrial and Commercial Property (Protection) Act 1927</p>
<p><u>Industrial and Commercial Property (Protection) (Amendment) Act, 1957</u> (No. 13. of 1957)</p>	<p>This Act amends the Industrial and Commercial Property (Protection) Acts 1927 and 1929, so as to implement the revised Industrial Property Convention signed at London in 1934, the revised Berne Copyright Convention signed at Brussels in 1948 and the Universal Copyright Convention signed at Geneva in 1952 and to provide for other matters connected with the matters aforesaid.</p>
<p><u>Industrial and Commercial Property (Protection) (Amendment) Act 1958 (Commencement) Order, 1958</u> (S.I. No. 182 of 1958), adopted on 26 August 1958, entry into force on 1 October 1958</p>	<p>This Order brings the Industrial and Commercial Property (Protection) (Amendment) Act 1958 into operation from 1 October 1958.</p>
<p><b>Patents (Including Plant Variety Protection)<sup>5</sup></b></p>	
<p><u>Patents Act, 1964 (Section 93) (Declaration) Order, 1976</u> (S.I. No. 314 of 1976), adopted on 20 December 1976, entry into force on 20 December 1976</p>	<p>The Order declares India to be a Convention country for the purposes of the Patents Act 1964.</p>

<sup>5</sup>*Note: Notification of laws and regulations under this category have also been forwarded by the Department of Agriculture.*

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<p><u>European Communities (Supplementary Protection Certificate) Regulations, 1993</u> (S.I. No. 125 of 1993), adopted on 5 May 1993, entry into force on 2 January 1993</p>	<p>These Regulations lay down the fees and procedural requirements which apply to requests for supplementary protection certificates and to certificates granted. The Regulations are for the purpose of giving full effect to Council Regulation (EEC) No. 1768/92 concerning the creation of a supplementary protection certificate for medicinal products with effect from 2 January 1993.</p>
<p><u>Patents Act, 1992 (Commencement) Order, 1992</u> (S.I. No. 181 of 1992), adopted on 17 June 1992, entry into force on 1 August 1992</p>	<p>This Order appoints 1 August 1992 as the date on which the Patents Act 1992 comes into operation. The Patent Rules 1992 and the Register of Patent Agents Rules 1992 come into operation on the same date.</p>
<p><u>Patents Rules, 1992</u>, (S.I. No. 179 of 1992), adopted on 2 July 1992, entry into force on 2 July 1992</p>	<p>These Rules, made under the Patents Act 1992, come into operation on 1 August 1992 which is the date the Minister has appointed for the commencement of the Act. The Rules prescribe the forms to be used, the fees payable and the procedures to be observed in connection with patents granted under the provisions of the Act. They also contain certain provisions relating to European patent applications and European patents designating the State and to international patent applications filed at the Patent Office.</p>
<p><u>Patents (Amendment) (No. 2) Rules, 1987</u> (S.I. No. 330 of 1987), adopted on 18 December 1987, entry into force on 1 January 1988</p>	<p>These Rules provide for certain revisions of the fees payable in respect of patents.</p>
<p><u>Registers of Patent Agents and Clerks (Amendment) Rules, 1987</u> (S.I. No. 285 of 1987), adopted on 3 November 1987, entry into force on 9 November 1987</p>	<p>These Rules revise the fees payable in relation to the registration of patent agents and clerks pursuant to Sections 86 and 96 of the Patents Act 1964 (No. 12 of 1964).</p>
<p><u>Patents (Amendment) Rules, 1986</u> (S.I. No. 76 of 1986), adopted on 27 March 1986, entry into force on 1 April 1986</p>	<p>These Rules provide for certain revisions of the fees payable in respect of patents.</p>
<p><u>Patents (Amendments) Rules, 1985</u> (S.I. No. 45 of 1985), adopted on 27 February 1985, entry into force on 1 March 1985</p>	<p>These Rules provide for certain revisions of the fees payable in respect of patents.</p>

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<u>Patents (Amendment) Rules, 1983</u> (S.I. No. 198 of 1983), adopted on 13 July 1983, entry into force on 1 August 1983	These Rules provide for certain revisions of the fees payable in respect of patents.
<u>Patents (Amendment) Rules, 1982</u> (S.I. No. 199 of 1982), adopted on 25 June 1982, entry into force on 1 July 1982	These Rules provide for certain revisions of the fees payable in respect of patents.
<u>Patents (Amendment) Rules, 1980</u> (S.I. No. 186 of 1980), adopted on 18 June 1980, entry into force on 1 July 1980	These Rules provide for certain revisions of the fees payable in respect of patents.
<u>Patents (Amendment) (No. 2) Rules, 1979</u> (S.I. No. 300 of 1979), adopted on 4 September 1979, entry into force on 4 September 1979	These Rules provide for amendment of the Patents Rules 1965 by modifying the requirements for the filing of divisional applications.
<u>Patents (Amendment) Rules, 1979</u> (S.I. No. 52 of 1979), adopted on 19 February 1979, entry into force on 19 February 1979	These Rules provide for amendment of the Patents Rules 1965 by allowing the filing of uncertified copies of printed accepted complete British specifications as evidence of novelty.
<u>Patents (Amendment) (No. 2) Rules, 1978</u> (S.I. No. 241 of 1978), adopted on 23 August 1978, entry into force on 23 August 1978	These Rules provide for amendment of the Patents Rules 1965 by allowing the filing of certain types of evidence of prior publication.
<u>Patents (Amendment) Rules, 1978</u> (S.I. No. 110 of 1978), adopted on 5 April 1978, entry into force on 1 July 1978	These Rules provide for certain revisions of the fees payable in respect of patents.
<u>Patents (Amendment) Rules, 1976</u> (S.I. No. 165 of 1976), adopted on 15 July 1976, entry into force on 1 November 1976	These Rules provide for certain revisions of the fees payable in respect of patents.
<u>Patents (Amendments) Rules, 1974</u> (S.I. No. 20 of 1974), adopted on 11 February 1974, entry into force on 1 April 1974	These Rules provide for certain revisions of the fees payable in respect of patents.
<u>Registers of Patent Agents and Clerks Rules, 1966</u> (S.I. No. 139 of 1966), adopted on 20 June 1966, entry into force on 20 June 1966	These Rules prescribe matters relating to the registration of patent agents and clerks pursuant to Section 86 of the Patents Act 1964 (No. 12 of 1964).
<u>Patents (Amendment) Rules, 1970</u> (S.I. No. 159 of 1970), adopted on 9 July 1970, entry into force on 9 July 1970	These Rules provide for amendment of the Patents Rules 1965 by modifying the time-limits laid down in certain cases.

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<p><u>Patents Act 1964 (Commencement) Order, 1966</u> (S.I. No. 91 of 1966), adopted on 2 May 1966, entry into force on 1 July 1966</p>	<p>This Order appoints 1 July 1966 as the date on which the Patents Act 1964 (No. 12 of 1964) comes into operation. By virtue of Rule 3 of the Patents Rules 1965, the date of commencement of those Rules is also 1 July 1966.</p>
<p><u>Register of Patent Agents Rules 1992 Arrangement of Rules</u> (S.I. No. 180 of 1992), adopted on 17 June 1992, entry into force on 1 August 1992</p>	<p>These Rules prescribe the fees and procedures connected with the registration of patent agents pursuant to Part X of the Patents Act 1992. They come into operation on 1 August 1992.</p>
<p><u>Patents (International Arrangements) Order, 1996</u> (S.I. No. 38 of 1996)</p>	<p>The purpose of this Order is to extend the provision of Irish patent legislation to WTO countries.</p>
<p><u>Plant Varieties (Proprietary Rights) Act, 1980</u> (S.I. No. 24 of 1980) adopted on 14 July 1980</p>	<p>An Act to create property rights as regards varieties of botanical genera or species; to provide for grants of such rights to persons who breed or discover such varieties and for the enforcement of such rights when granted; to establish the Office of the Controller of Plant Breeders Rights; to define the functions of the holder of that office and to make other provisions connected with the foregoing and to ratify the International Convention of New Varieties of Plants (UPOV) of 2 December 1961 as revised on 10 November 1972 and 23 October 1978.</p>
<p><u>Plant Varieties (Proprietary Rights) Act 1980 (Commencement) Order, 1980</u> (S.I. No. 22 of 1981), adopted on 22 January 1981</p>	<p>Prescribes 22 January 1981 as the commencement date on which the above Act comes into force.</p>

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<p><u>Plant Varieties (Proprietary Rights) Regulations:</u>  (S.I. No. 23 of 1981) entered into force on 22 January 1981  (S.I. No. 137 of 1984) entered into force on 31 May 1984  (S.I. No. 46 of 1986) entered into force on 26 January 1986  (S.I. No. 46 of 1988) entered into force on 24 March 1988  (S.I. No. 199 of 1990) entered into force on 6 July 1990  (S.I. No. 31 of 1991) entered into force on 21 February 1991  (S.I. No. 35 of 1992) entered into force on 10 February 1992  (S.I. No. 396 of 1992) entered into force on 4 December 1992  (S.I. No. 78 of 1993) entered into force on 11 March 1993  (S.I. No. 332 of 1993) entered into force on 11 November 1993  (S.I. No. 393 of 1994) entered into force on 29 November 1994</p> <p><u>Plant Breeders Rights (Form of Certification) Regulations 1982</u>  (S.I. No. 19 of 1982) entered into force on 26 February 1982</p> <p><u>Plant Varieties (Proprietary Rights) Act 1980 (Convention Countries) Orders:</u>  (S.I. No. 190 of 1981) of 19 May 1981  (S.I. No. 284 of 1985) of 9 May 1985</p>	<p>Define and extend the list of botanical genera or species covered by the Act including, in the case of S.I. No 23 of 1981, the setting of fees.</p> <p>Prescribes the form of the certificate of plant breeders rights.</p> <p>Designates as Convention countries those countries party to the UPOV Convention as revised.</p>

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<p><b>Layout-designs (Topographies) of Integrated Circuits</b></p> <p><u>European Communities (Protection of Topographies of Semiconductor Products) (Amendment) Regulations, 1993</u> (S.I. No. 310 of 1993), adopted on 29 October 1993, entry into force on 29 October 1993</p>	<p>These Regulations amend the European Communities (Protection of Topographies of Semiconductor Products) Regulations 1988 (S.I. No. 101 of 1988) and give effect to Council Decisions 93/16/EEC and 93/17/EEC of 21 December 1992 and Council Decision of 27 September 1993 amending Decision 93/16/EEC, which provide for the extension of the legal protection of topographies of semiconductor products, under EC Directive 87/54/EEC of 16 December 1986, to certain countries and territories.</p> <p>These Regulations also extend permanent protection to countries and territories which have extended protection at an acceptable level and on a permanent basis to Community topographies.</p> <p>These Regulations also extend protection on a temporary basis to the United States until 31 December 1993 and to certain overseas territories until 31 December 1994, subject to a reciprocity requirement that companies or other legal persons of a member State must enjoy similar protection in the United States or other overseas territory concerned. The territories listed in the Second Schedule which satisfy the reciprocity requirement shall be determined by the Commission and communicated to member States.</p> <p>These regulations also declare that the provisions of previous S.I.'s, which extended topography protection in accordance with earlier Council Decisions, should have effect from the dates which were laid down in the Council Decisions rather than from the dates of the S.I.'s.</p> <p>They further provide that future decisions of the Council on the extension of topography protection will have effect in Ireland without the need to draft new S.I.'s to implement these decisions.</p>

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<p><u>European Communities (Protection of Topographies of Semiconductor Products) Regulations, 1988</u> (S.I. No. 101 of 1988), adopted on 13 May 1988, entry into force on 13 May 1988</p> <p><u>European Communities (Protection of Topographies of Semiconductor Products) (Amendment) Regulations, 1991</u> (S.I. No. 318 of 1991), adopted on 10 December 1991, entry into force on 10 December 1991</p>	<p>These Regulations are made to give effect to Council Directive 87/54/EEC on the legal protection of topographies of semiconductor products. The Regulations provide for the subsistence of a topography right in respect of topographies which are original in the sense that they are devised by the creator and are not commonplace in the semiconductor industry. Member States nationals/residents and legal entities automatically qualify for protection as well as certain other persons covered in Regulation 3(5) and in Annex to Council Decision of 26 October 1987. The protection given under the Regulations consists of the exclusive right to reproduce and commercially exploit the topographies. There are certain exceptions to this exclusive right [Regulations 4(2), 4(3) and 4(4)]. The right commences at the time of creation and lasts for 10 years from first commercial exploitation or 15 years after creation. The Regulations define the instances in which infringement occurs and prescribe civil remedies in cases of infringement. A clause on innocent infringement is also included [Regulation 6(3)].</p> <p>These Regulations amend the European Communities (Protection of Topographies of Semiconductor Products) Regulations 1988 (S.I. No. 101 of 1988) and give effect to Council Decisions 90/510/EEC and 90/511/EEC of 9 October 1990 which provide for the extension of the legal protection of topographies of semiconductor products under EC Directive 87/54/EEC of 16 December 1986 to certain countries and territories.</p>

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<p><b>Protection of Undisclosed Information</b></p> <p><u>Tort (Civil Wrong) of Breach of Confidence</u></p> <p><b>Prevention of the Abuse of Intellectual Property Rights</b></p> <p><u>Copyright Act, 1963 (No. 10 of 1963)</u></p> <p><u>Copyright Act, 1963 (Commencement) Order, 1964 (S.I. No. 177 of 1964)</u></p> <p><u>Copyright (Amendment) Act, 1987 (No. 24 of 1987)</u></p>	<p>These decisions provide:</p> <p>(1) Permanent extension of protection to countries and territories which have extended protection at an acceptable level on a permanent basis to Community topographies.</p> <p>(2) Extension of protection on a temporary basis, until 31 December 1992, to certain other countries and territories, subject to a reciprocity requirement that legal persons of a Member State must enjoy similar protection in the overseas country or territory concerned. The countries and territories listed in the Second Schedule which satisfy the reciprocity requirement shall be determined by the Commission and communicated to Member States.</p> <p>This is committed where the information governed by the obligation of confidence of a kind that the law will protect was received by somebody in circumstances imposing upon him a duty of good faith and that person has acted in a manner inconsistent with that duty.</p> <p>It has its basis in the Common Law case law.</p> <p>This Act makes new provision in respect of copyright and related matters in substitution for the provisions of Parts VI and VII of the Industrial and Commercial Property (Protection) Act 1927 and other enactments relating thereto, and to provide for matters connected with the matters aforesaid.</p> <p>This Order appoints 1 October 1964 as the date on which the Copyright Act 1963 (No. 10 of 1963) comes into operation.</p> <p>An Act to amend the Copyright Act 1963.</p>



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<p><u>Performers' Protection Act, 1968</u> (No. 19 of 1968)</p> <p><u>Performers' Protection Act 1968 (Commencement) Order, 1968</u> (S.I. No. 201 of 1968)</p> <p><u>Trade Marks Act, 1963</u> (No. 9 of 1963)</p> <p><u>Trade Marks Act 1963 (Commencement) Order, 1964</u> (S.I. No. 34 of 1964)</p> <p><u>Industrial and Commercial Property (Protection) Act, 1927</u> (No. 16 of 1927)</p> <p><u>Industrial and Commercial Property (Protection) Act 1927 Commencement Order, 1927</u> (No. 60 of 1927)</p> <p><u>Patents Act, 1992</u> (No. 1 of 1992)</p>	<p>This Act prevents the making of unauthorized records, films and broadcasts of performances of literary, dramatic, musical and artistic works.</p> <p>This Order appoints 1 October 1968 as the date on which the Performers' Protection Act 1968 (No. 19 of 1968) comes into operation.</p> <p>This Act makes new provisions in respect of trade marks and related matters, in substitution for the provisions of Part IV and (so far as it relates to trade marks) Part V of the Industrial and Commercial Property (Protection) Act 1927, and other enactments relating thereto, and to provide for other matters connected with the matters aforesaid.</p> <p>This Order appoints 1 April 1964 as the date on which the Trade Marks Act 1963 (No. 9 of 1963) comes into operation. By virtue of Rule 3 of the Trade Marks Rules 1963, the date of commencement of those Rules is also 1 April 1964.</p> <p>This Act makes provision for the granting of patents for inventions, the registration of designs and trademarks, and the definition and protection of copyright in the Republic of Ireland.</p> <p>The several parts of the Industrial and Commercial Property (Protection) Act 1927 (No. 16 of 1927) shall come into operation on the following dates respectively, that is to say:</p> <p>Part VI and VII on the first day of August 1927;</p> <p>The Part entitled "Preliminary" and Part I to V (both inclusive) and the First and Second Schedules on the first day of October 1927.</p> <p>This Act makes new provision in respect of patents and related matters in substitution for the provisions of the Patents Acts 1964 and 1966; to enable effect to be given to certain international conventions on patents; and to provide for other matters connected with the matters aforesaid.</p>

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<u>Patents Act 1992 (Commencement) Order, 1992</u> (S.I. No. 181 of 1992) adopted on 17 June 1992, entry into force on 1 August 1992	This Order appoints 1 August 1992 as the date on which the Patents Act 1992 shall come into operation. The Patents Rules 1992 and the Register of Patent Agents Rules 1992 come into operation on the same date.
<u>Patents Act, 1964</u> (S.I. No. 12 of 1964)	This Act makes new provision in respect of patents and related matters in substitution for the provisions of the Industrial and Commercial Property (Protection) Act 1927, relating to patents and of other enactments relating to patents, and to provide for other matters connected with the matters aforesaid.
<u>Patents Act, 1964 (Commencement) Order, 1966</u> (S.I. No. 91 of 1966) adopted on 2 May 1966, entry into force on 1 July 1966	This Order appoints 1 July 1966 as the date on which the Patents Act 1964 comes into operation. By virtue of Rule 3 of the Patents Rules 1965, the date of commencement of those Rules is also 1 July 1966.
<b>Civil Judicial Procedures and Remedies</b>	
<u>Copyright Act, 1963</u> (No. 10 of 1963)	This Act makes new provision in respect of copyright and related matters in substitution for the provisions of Parts VI and VII of the Industrial and Commercial Property (Protection) Act 1927 and other enactments relating thereto, and to provide for matters connected with the matters aforesaid.
<u>Copyright Act 1963 (Commencement) Order, 1964</u> (S.I. No. 177 of 1964)	This Order appoints 1 October 1964 as the date on which the Copyright Act 1963 (No. 10 of 1963) comes into operation.
<u>Copyright (Amendment) Act, 1987</u> (No. 24 of 1987)	An Act to amend the Copyright Act 1963
<u>Performers' Protection Act, 1968</u> (No. 19 of 1968)	This Act prevents the making of unauthorized records, films and broadcasts of performances of literary, dramatic, musical and artistic works.
<u>Performers' Protection Act 1968 (Commencement) Order, 1968</u> (S.I. No. 201)	This Order appoints 1 October 1968 as the date on which the Performers' Protection Act 1968 (No. 19 of 1968) comes into operation.

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<p><u>Trade Marks Act, 1963</u> (No. 9 of 1963)</p> <p><u>Trade Marks Act 1963 (Commencement) Order, 1964</u> (S.I. No. 34 of 1964)</p> <p><u>Industrial and Commercial Property (Protection) Act, 1927</u> (No. 16 of 1927)</p> <p><u>Industrial and Commercial Property (Protection) Act 1927 Commencement Order, 1927</u> (No. 60 of 1927)</p> <p><u>Patents Act, 1992</u> (No. 1 of 1992)</p> <p><u>Patents Act 1992 (Commencement) Order, 1992</u> (S.I. No. 181 of 1992) adopted on 17 June 1992, entry into force on 1 August 1992</p>	<p>This Act makes new provisions in respect of trade marks and related matters, in substitution for the provisions of Part IV and (so far as it relates to trademarks) Part V of the Industrial and Commercial Property (Protection) Act 1927 and other enactments relating thereto, and to provide for other matters connected with the matters aforesaid.</p> <p>This Order appoints 1 April 1964 as the date on which the Trade Marks Act 1963 (No. 9 of 1963) comes into operation. By virtue of Rule 3 of the Trade Marks Rules 1963, the date of commencement of those Rules is also 1 April 1964.</p> <p>This Act makes provision for the granting of patents for inventions, the registration of designs and trade marks, and the definition and protection of copyright in the Republic of Ireland.</p> <p>The several parts of the Industrial and Commercial Property (Protection) Act 1927 (No. 16 of 1927) shall come into operation on the following dates respectively, that is to say:</p> <p>Part VI and VII on the first day of August 1927;</p> <p>The Part entitled "Preliminary" and Part I to V (both inclusive) and the First and Second Schedules on the first day of October 1927.</p> <p>This Act makes new provision in respect of patents and related matters in substitution for the provisions of the Patents Acts 1964 and 1966; to enable effect to be given to certain international conventions on patents; and to provide for other matters connected with the matters aforesaid.</p> <p>This Order appoints 1 August 1992 as the date on which the Patents Act 1992 shall come into operation. The Patents Rules 1992 and the Register of Patent Agents Rules 1992 come into operation on the same date.</p>

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<u>Industrial and Commercial Property (Protection) Act 1927 Commencement Order, 1927</u> (No. 60 of 1927)	The several parts of the Industrial and Commercial Property (Protection) Act 1927 (No. 16 of 1927) shall come into operation on the following dates respectively, that is to say:  Part VI and VII on the first day of August 1927;  The Part entitled "Preliminary" and Part I to V (both inclusive) and the First and Second Schedules on the first day of October 1927.
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<p><b>Special Requirements Related to Border Measures</b></p>	
<p><u>Council Regulation (EC) No. 3295/94</u> <u>Commission Regulation (EC) No. 1367/95</u></p>	<p>Provide for a scheme to protect owners of a registered trademark, design right, copyright or neighbouring right against the release for free circulation, export, re-export or entry for a suspensive procedure of counterfeit and pirated goods.</p>
<p><b>Criminal Procedures</b></p>	<p>National Regulations entitled "European Communities (Counterfeit and Pirated Goods) Regulation 1995" have been prepared in order to give effect to the Council Regulation.</p>
<p><u>Copyright Act, 1963</u> (No. 10 of 1963)</p>	<p>This Act makes new provision in respect of copyright and related matters in substitution for the provisions of Parts VI and VII of the Industrial and Commercial Property (Protection) Act 1927 and other enactments relating thereto, and to provide for matters connected with the matters aforesaid.</p>
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<p><b>Any Administrative Procedures and Remedies not Covered Above</b></p>	
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