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Question 1		
A) 12 months from the filing date ✓		
B) 6 months from the filing date ✓		2
	MARKS AWARDED 2/2	
Question 2		
• indicate a GB patent is sought ✓ (Form 1)		
• applicant details ✓		
• Description or reference to earlier – application ✓		
• Drawings if required		3
	MARKS AWARDED 3/3	
Question 3		
A description for a reference to previously filed application is due later of 12 months from earliest priority or 2 months from the filing date.		
06.12.19 + 2 months ✓ = 06.02.20 ✓		
15.02.19 + 12 months ✓ = 15.02.20 ✓		
Therefore the description is due 15.02.20 as this is the later date. ✓ As this is a non-working day the deadline will roll over to the next working day 17.02.20. ✓		6
	MARKS AWARDED 6/6	
Question 4		
A) Abstract is due later of 12 months from earliest priority or 2 months from filing date.		
17.01.19 + 12 months ✓ = 17.01.20 ✓		
17.12.19 + 2 months ✓ = 17.02.20 ✓		4
The abstract would therefore be due 17.02.20 as it's the later date. ✓		1

B) The abstract can be extended retrospectively as of right by 2 months in order to reply using form 52 ✓ and paying a fee. ✓

17.12.19 + 4 months = 17.04.20

Therefore the extended date would be 17.04.20. ✓

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MARKS AWARDED 7/7

Question 5

The compliance deadline is later of 4½ years from the filing date or 12 months from first OA.

05.08.15 + 4½ years ✓ = 05.02.20 ✓

05.08.19 + 12 months ✓ = 05.08.20 ✓

Therefore the compliance period is due 05.08.20 ✓ as this is the later date.

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MARKS AWARDED 5/5

Question 6: Please refer to the mark scheme

MARKS AWARDED 14/16

Question 7

Designation of inventor is due 16 months from the filing date.

24.08.18 + 16 months ✓ = 24.02.20

Therefore designation of inventor is due 24.02.20. ✓

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MARKS AWARDED 2/2

Question 8

A) A response to the examination report is due 10 days 4 months from date of the communication.

17.09.19 + 10 days ✓ = 27.09.19 ✓

27.09.19 + 4 months = 27.01.20 ✓

Therefore the OA would be due 27.01.20.

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B) The request for an extension must be made in writing before the deadline
27.01.20✓

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C) An extension will be filed for an additional 2 months as of right in writing.

27.09.19 + 6 months✓ = 27.03.20✓

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Therefore the extended deadline would be 27.03.20.

MARKS AWARDED 6/7

Question 9

Renewal fees for EP applications are due 2 years from the filing date for the
3rd year whilst pending.

05.11.18✓ + 2 years✓ = 05.11.20✓

As renewal fees for EP applications are due at the end of the month the first
renewal fee would be due 30.11.20✓

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MARKS AWARDED 4/4

Question 10

A) The deadline for filing an EP regional phase is 31 months from earliest
priority.

21.08.17✓ + 31 months ✓ = 21.03.20✓

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As this is a non working day the deadline for filing would be the next
working day 23.03.20✓

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B) The deadline for filing a translation of the spec into English , French or ✗
German is 2 months from the filing date of the EP.

21.03.20 + 2 months = 21.05.20

Therefore the deadline is 21.05.20.

MARKS AWARDED 4/5

Question 11

- A) Examination is due 6months from publication of the search report (A3).

10.09.19✓ + 6months✓ = 10.03.20

Therefore the deadline for requesting examination is 10.03.20✓

- B) The fees due in response to request for examination on 10.03.20 are:
Examination✓ fee, designation ✓ fee, extension state fees, validation state fees and you must respond to the search opinion.

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MARKS AWARDED 4/4**Question 12**

- A) You must pay an additional search fee✓ and request Claims 11–20 be searched.

- B) You must complete this 2 months from the lack of unity objection ✗

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MARKS AWARDED 2/4**Question 13**

A request for examination, Chapter II demand is due later✓ of 3 months from international search✓ report or 22 months from earliest priority date✓ (or filing date if not claimed)

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MARKS AWARDED 2/2**Question 14**

The request for change of applicant name must be filed 31months from earliest priority

28.07.17✓ + 31m ✗ = 28.02.20 ✗

Therefore the deadline is 28.02.20.

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MARKS AWARDED 1/3

Question 15

The deadline for requesting publication and paying the publication fee is 12 months from the filing date.

$$04.12.19 + 12 \text{ months} \checkmark = 04.12.20 \checkmark$$

Therefore the deadline would be 04.12.20.

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MARKS AWARDED 2/2**Question 16**

The first renewal fee for GB design applications are due 5 years from the filing date.

$$01.12.19 + 5 \text{ years} \checkmark = 01.12.24 \checkmark$$

Therefore the first renewal fee would be due 01.12.2024

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MARKS AWARDED 2/2**Question 17**

A) A request for examination is due 6 months from publication.

$$04.12.19 \checkmark + 6 \text{ months} \checkmark = 04.06.20 \checkmark$$

Therefore the deadline for examination is 04.06.2020

B) A form 10 \checkmark is required to request examination.

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MARKS AWARDED 4/4**Question 18**

The deadline for filing a divisional application is 1 day before grant. \checkmark

$$12.02.20 - 1 \text{ day} = 11.02.20.$$

Therefore the divisional due date is 11.02.20. \checkmark

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MARKS AWARDED 2/2