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Patent is an invention, a monopoly, granted by a state for a fixed period of time in exchange for exclusive rights.

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- a) The term of protection for a patent in the UK assuming all relevant renewal fees are paid is 20 years
- b) The term of protection for a registered design in the UK assuming all relevant renewal fees are paid is 25 years

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a) Formal drawings must be filed in 15 months from the filing date.

18 January 2022 + 15 months = 18 April 2023 (Tuesday)

b) Abstract must be filed in 12 months from the filing date.

18 January 2022 + 12 months = 18 January 2023 (Wednesday)

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Divisional cannot be filed during the last 3 months before the compliance date.

The application has to be in order by 4,5 years from the filing date or 12 months from the examination report if it was issued after 3,5 years from the filing date.

4,5 years from the filing date is 29 March 2023



3,5 years from the filing date is 29 March 2022

The search report was issued on 14 March 2022 before 3,5 years.

Divisional cannot be filed 3 months before the compliance date

= from 29 December 2022 until 29 March 2023.

The deadline for filing a divisional application is 28 December 2022

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The deadline for response is 5 December 2022.

- a) A 2-month extension is available as of right. The latest date for response without needing to rely on the discretion of the UK IPO is 5 February 2023, which is Sunday so the deadline is 6 February 2023 (Monday)
- b) Request for extension and response must be filed by 6 February 2023

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The application is sent to International Bureau / WIPO since it was filed in Spanish without a translation into one of EP language EP FR DE. Filing date is recorded.

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The deadline to file an EP Regional Phase application is 31 months from the earliest priority date. The priority date is 10 June 2020 + 31 months is

10 January 2023 (Tuesday)

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The deadline to request International Preliminary Examination is the later of 22 months from the priority date or 3 months from the ISR

30 April 2021 + 22 months = 28 February 2023

6 October 2022 + 3 months = 6 January 2023

The later date is 28 February 2023 (Tuesday)

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The patent was granted on 16 November 2022. The deadline to oppose a granted patent is 9 months.

Deadline is 16 November 22 + 9 months = 16 August 2023 (Wednesday)

An opposition notice and statement of grounds must be filed by 16 August 2023

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Decision to refuse is dated 6 January 2023. The deadline to file a notice of appeal is 4 months. The deadline is

6 January 2023 + 4 months = 6 May 2023 which is Saturday.

The deadline to file notice of appeal is 8 May 2023 (Monday)

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- a) The first renewal payment is due on the 2nd anniversary of the filing date, the last date of the month. Patent is granted on 30 November 2022. The final date for payment of the 2023 renewal fee is 31 January 2023 (Tuesday).
- b) The deadline to validate an EP patent is 3 months. The fee due on 31 January 2023 must be paid to EPO.

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13 The deadline to respond to Rule 71(3) EPC is four months. 10-day rule applies. The deadline to respond is

21 December 2022 + 10 days = 31 December 2022 + 4 months ✓

= 30 April 2023 which is Sunday ✓

Monday 1 May is a closure day at EPO (Labour Day) so the deadline is

2 May 2023 (Tuesday). ✓

A response to EPO and amended claims ✓ must be filed by 2 May 2023.

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a) 10-day rule applies so the deadline to respond is

29 August 2022 + 10 days = 8 September 2022 + 4 months

= 8 January 2023 which is Sunday.

The deadline to respond is 9 January 2023 (Monday)

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b) An extension of 2 months must be requested by 9 January 2023.

The extended deadline is

29 August 2022 + 10 days = 8 September 2022 + 6 months

= 8 March 2023 which is a closure day at EPO (International Women's

Day)

The extended deadline for filing a response once a request for extension

is filed is 9 March 2023 (Thursday)

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a) 10-day rule applies. The deadline for response is

17 June 2022 + 10 days = 27 June 2022 + 6 months

27 December 2022. EPO is closed during the Bridging days 27-30

December. The next working date at EPO is 2 January 2023 (Monday)

b) If no response is filed by 2 January 2023 the application is deemed withdrawn. Further processing can be requested. The deadline to request further processing is 10 days + 2 months from the notice. The omitted act has to be filed in order to keep the application pending.

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Divisional application has to be filed while the parent application is pending and the deadline is one day before the day of grant. ✓

The deadline to file a European divisional is 16 May 2023 (Tuesday) ✓

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UK registered designs are renewed every 5 years. The next renewal date is 21

July 2018 + 5 years = 21 July 2023
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REQUEST

The undersigned requests that the present international application be processed according to the Patent Cooperation Treaty.

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item (1) 28 / 01 / 2022	2205432.1	GB		
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