

**Direction 81 issued under Part 3 of Schedule 4 to the Legal Services Act 2007 to the Intellectual Property Regulation Board**

1. This is a direction issued pursuant to paragraph 19(3) of Schedule 4 to the Legal Services Act 2007 (the Act).
2. Unless stated otherwise, words in this direction are used as they are defined in the Act.
3. The Chartered Institute of Patent Attorneys and the Institute of Trade Mark Attorneys have delegated their regulatory functions to the Patent Regulation Board and the Trade Mark Regulation Board, working together as the Intellectual Property Regulation Board (IPReg).
4. In accordance with paragraph 19(3) of Schedule 4 to the Act, the Board has directed that the following alterations to regulatory arrangements be treated as exempt alterations for the purposes of paragraph 19(2)(c) of Schedule 4:

Alterations by IPReg to the

- Rules of Conduct of Patent Attorneys, Trade Mark Attorneys and other regulated persons (Rules 1, 12 and 17)
- The Patent Attorney and Trade Mark Attorney Registered Body Regulations (Regulations 1,3,14,15, Annexes A and B)
- The Disciplinary Procedure Rules (Rules 1,5,13,16,18 and 21)
- The IPReg Appeal Rules (Rules 1, 2, 3, 5 and 6)

A copy of the alteration was submitted to the Board on 2 December 2014.

5. This direction is to be deemed made on and to be effective from Monday 22 December 2014. IPReg intend to introduce the revised rules from 1 January 2015.

**For and on behalf of the Legal Services Board  
22 December 2014**