

The chart below provides the impact of coronavirus on patent and trademark proceedings at several IP offices worldwide as of April 16, 2020. Given the evolving nature of the situation, we expect further guidelines and notices from IP offices in the coming days and weeks. We are monitoring the situation and intend to provide further updates as information unfolds. If there is a question as to whether or how coronavirus may impact your IP rights, we recommend reaching out to a trusted lawyer to ensure that all IP rights are properly maintained and to determine if any action is required where ability to meet an official deadline may be called into question due to coronavirus.

Country	Patent Impact	Trademark Impact	Notes
US (3/31)	<p><u>EXTENSIONS:</u> No automatic extensions of time.</p> <p>Deadlines for certain patent filings, fees, and PTAB proceedings falling between March 27th and April 30th will be extended 30 days provided the delay in filing or payment was due to the COVID-19 outbreak.</p> <p><u>REVIVAL:</u> Fee for a Petition to Revive an abandoned or expired patent application will be waived if failure to take action due to effects of the coronavirus.</p> <p>Petition to Revive must be filed within two months from the date of a notice of abandonment or</p>	<p><u>EXTENSIONS:</u> No automatic extensions of time.</p> <p>Deadlines for certain trademark filings, fees, and TTAB proceedings falling between March 27th and April 30th will be extended 30 days provided the delay in filing or payment was due to the COVID-19 outbreak.</p> <p><u>REVIVAL:</u> Fee for a Petition to Revive an abandoned or canceled/expired trademark or application will be waived if failure to take action due to effects of the coronavirus.</p> <p>Petition to Revive must be filed within two months from the date of the notice of</p>	<p>The CARES Act temporarily grants the USPTO director authority to toll, waive, adjust, or modify any timing deadline under the Trademark Act and the section 18 of the America Invents Act.</p> <p>The extension is available for qualifying deadlines where any person associated with a filing or fee was personally affected by the COVID-19 outbreak.</p> <p>Abandonment or cancellation that results from missed statutory deadlines is not “revivable.”</p>

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Australia (3/19)	<p><u>EXTENSIONS:</u> No automatic extensions of time.</p> <p>Applicants can request an extension in the normal course with a declaration stating how the COVID-19 outbreak interfered with the response timing. Some periods cannot be extended.</p> <p>Requests for waiver or refund of fee for an extension of time considered on case-by-case basis.</p> <p><u>ORAL PROCEEDINGS:</u> Hearings via video conference, telephone, or written submission.</p>	<p><u>EXTENSIONS:</u> No automatic extensions of time.</p> <p>Applicants can request an extension in the normal course with a declaration stating how the COVID-19 outbreak interfered with the response timing. Some periods cannot be extended.</p> <p>Requests for waiver or refund of fee for an extension of time considered on case-by-case basis.</p>	
Canada (3/27)	<p><u>EXTENSIONS:</u> All deadlines between March 16th and April 30th are extended until at least May 1st.</p>	<p><u>EXTENSIONS:</u> All deadlines between March 16th and April 30th are extended until at least May 1st.</p>	
China (3/27) (2/14)	<p><u>EXTENSIONS:</u> None.</p> <p><u>REVIVAL:</u> Applicant may request restoration of rights lost due to the coronavirus within two months of</p>	<p><u>EXTENSIONS:</u> Deadlines shall be suspended from the date when applicant begins to be hospitalized or isolated after being infected with the novel coronavirus pneumonia or the</p>	

	<p>removal of the obstacle.</p> <p>Restoration is free of charge.</p>	<p>date when trademark businesses can't be handled normally in the place where the client is located due to official prevention measures until the date when the infected individual is discharged from hospital or the isolation ends, or the date when the official restrictions are lifted.</p> <p>A suspension application detailing the circumstances must be filed prior to the deadline.</p>	
EPO/EUIPO (4/7)	<p><u>EXTENSIONS:</u> All deadlines after March 15th are extended to at least April 17th.</p> <p><u>ORAL PROCEEDINGS:</u> Postponed until at least April 30th for the Examining and Opposition Divisions, unless already confirmed to take place by videoconference.</p> <p>Postponed until at least April 30th for the Boards of Appeal.</p>	<p><u>EXTENSIONS:</u> All deadlines between March 9th and April 30th are extended to at least May 1st.</p> <p>Because May 1st is a public holiday, as a practical matter the extended deadline is May 4th.</p>	
India (4/15)	<p>Indian Patent Office Closed until at least May 3rd.</p> <p><u>EXTENSIONS:</u> Deadlines falling</p>	<p>Indian Patent Office Closed until at least May 3rd.</p> <p><u>EXTENSIONS:</u> Deadlines falling</p>	

	<p>between March 25th and May 3rd are extended to the date on which the Office reopens.</p> <p><u>HEARINGS:</u> All hearings scheduled between March 25th and May 3rd are canceled and will be rescheduled to a later date.</p>	<p>between March 25th and May 3rd are extended to the date on which the Office reopens.</p> <p><u>HEARINGS:</u> All hearings scheduled between March 25th and May 3rd are canceled and will be rescheduled to a later date.</p>	
Israel (3/22)	<p><u>EXTENSIONS:</u> No automatic extension of deadlines.</p> <p>Applicants may file for a request for an extension of time, and it is anticipated that extensions will be granted where Coronavirus epidemic impacted ability to respond.</p> <p>No files will close for failure to respond until at least May 1, 2020.</p> <p><u>Patent Tribunals:</u> Deadlines for submitting documents before the ILPO tribunal are suspended until May 1, 2020.</p>	<p><u>EXTENSIONS:</u> No automatic extension of deadlines.</p> <p>Applicants may file for a request for an extension of time, and it is anticipated that extensions will be granted where Coronavirus epidemic impacted ability to respond.</p> <p>No files will close for failure to respond until at least May 1, 2020.</p> <p><u>Trademark Tribunals:</u> Trademark competition proceedings under section 29 of the Trademark Ordinance will not be initiated.</p>	<p>ILPO will close for Passover between April 8th and April 15th.</p> <p>Certain functions are suspended until April 16, 2020:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Transfer of ownership and name changes; • Notices regarding formal deficiencies in national phase patent applications
Japan (4/6)	<p><u>EXTENSIONS:</u> No automatic extension of time.</p>	<p><u>EXTENSIONS:</u> No automatic extension of time.</p>	

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S. Korea (3/31)	<p><u>EXTENSIONS:</u> Automatic extension to April 30th for certain deadlines falling between March 31st and April 29th .</p> <p><u>REVIVAL:</u> Fees waived where rights are nullified or expired as a result of a missed deadline due to COVID-19.</p>	<p><u>EXTENSIONS:</u> Automatic extension to April 30th for certain deadlines falling between March 31st and April 29th .</p> <p><u>REVIVAL:</u> Fees waived where rights are nullified or expired as a result of a missed deadline due to COVID-19.</p>	<p>Extensions do not apply to statutory periods prescribed by law or treaty.</p>
United Kingdom (3/24)	<p><u>EXTENSIONS:</u> As of March 24th all deadlines are extended until further notice.</p> <p><u>TRIBUNAL HEARINGS:</u> No in-person hearings will be scheduled or take place until at least June 1st.</p>	<p><u>EXTENSIONS:</u> As of March 24th all deadlines are extended until further notice.</p> <p><u>TRIBUNAL HEARINGS:</u> No in-person hearings will be scheduled or take place until at least June 1st.</p>	<p>The UKIPO will provide two weeks’ notice as to when the “interrupted days” period during which deadlines are postponed will conclude and actions due-during the interrupted days will become due.</p>

	Tribunal hearings will be conducted virtually (telephone, Skype, etc.).	Tribunal hearings will be conducted virtually (telephone, Skype, etc.).	
WIPO (3/19) (3/25)	<p><u>EXTENSIONS:</u> None, unless there is a closure of a Receiving Office or other PCT Authority or the International Bureau, in which case all PCT time limits extend to the next open business day:</p> <p>Remedial action <i>may</i> be available for deadline missed due to temporary closure of the agent or applicant’s place of work. See the WIPO March Newsletter for additional details.</p>	<p><u>EXTENSIONS:</u> None, unless due to the closing of a Contracting Party IP Office, in which case the time limit extends to the next open business day.</p> <p>Remedial action for failure to meet a deadline <i>may</i> be available where access to mail, delivery services, and electronic communication is impracticable due to effects of COVID-19.</p>	

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