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TRADE MARKS ACT (CHAPTER 332)

TRADE MARKS (INTERNATIONAL REGISTRATION) (AMENDMENT) RULES 2020

In exercise of the powers conferred by section 108 of the Trade Marks Act, the Minister for Law makes the following Rules:

Citation and commencement

1. These Rules are the Trade Marks (International Registration) (Amendment) Rules 2020 and come into operation on 5 June 2020.

Amendment of rule 3

- **2.** Rule 3 of the Trade Marks (International Registration) Rules (R 3) is amended by deleting paragraph (3) and substituting the following paragraphs:
 - "(3) Subject to paragraph (4), a fee must be paid using the mode of payment permitted or directed by the Registrar.
 - (4) Where the electronic online system is used to carry out an act referred to in rule 4A(1), the fee payable in connection with that act must, unless otherwise permitted or directed by the Registrar, be paid using the mode of payment designated by the electronic online system.".

Deletion and substitution of rule 4A

3. Rule 4A of the Trade Marks (International Registration) Rules is deleted and the following rule substituted therefor:

"Electronic online system

4A.—(1) Unless the Registrar permits otherwise in a particular case, the electronic online system must be used by

any person for giving or sending to, filing with or serving on the Registrar or the Registry any document (other than a notice or document to be served in proceedings in court).

- (2) The electronic online system may be used by the Registrar or the Registry for giving or sending to or serving on any person any notice or other document (other than a notice or document to be served in proceedings in court).
 - (3) The Registrar may issue practice directions specifying
 - (a) the manner in which any document is to be given or sent to, filed with or served on the Registrar or the Registry under paragraph (1);
 - (b) the manner in which the Registrar or the Registry may give, send or serve any notice or document under paragraph (2);
 - (c) the procedures and conditions for the setting-up, operation and use of the electronic online system; and
 - (d) in the event of any malfunction of the electronic online system, the manner in which any document is to be given or sent to, filed with or served on the Registrar or the Registry under paragraph (1), or in which the Registrar or the Registry may give, send or serve any notice or document under paragraph (2).
 - (4) The Registrar
 - (a) may correct any error or omission in any document or information that has occurred or arisen as a result of any malfunction of the electronic online system; and
 - (b) must maintain a record of the correction so made.".

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