

Intellectual Property Rights

Legal Framework Applicable to Supplementary Protection Certificates and Pediatric Extension in the UK following the Northern Ireland Protocol

December 31, 2020

From January 1, 2021, the UK Supplementary Protection Certificates (SPC) system will operate in a way that will be similar as possible to the current regime, while adjusting to reflect the new marketing authorizations that will be valid in the United Kingdom as a result of the Northern Ireland Protocol. Read more [here](#).

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Intellectual Property Office issues directions under section 31A of the Registered Designs Act 1949, section 123(2A) of the Patents Act 1977 and section 66 of the Trade Marks Act 1994

The Intellectual Property Office has issued directions to make changes to the forms for designs, patents and trade marks, and to create two new forms relating to supplementary protection certificates for medicinal products, that will be effective from January 1, 2021. See the statutory guidance [here](#).