

EXTENSION OF DEADLINES FOR PAYMENT OF OFFICIAL FEES FOR INTELLECTUAL PROPERTY IN RUSSIA

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In connection with the COVID-19 pandemic restrictions implemented in Russia during the period between 30 March and 11 May 2020 and as a support measure for the economy and market participants, the Government of the Russian Federation extended all deadlines for the payment of official fees to the Russian Patent Office (Rospatent).

Resolution of the Government of the Russian Federation no. 893 dated 20 June 2020 (effective from 22 June 2020) lays down an option to extend the deadline for payment of official fees for examination, registration and other relevant legal acts in connection with patents, utility models, industrial designs, computer programs, databases, trademarks and appellations of origin.

The extension is applicable to deadlines falling within period 30 March – 30 November 2020. In order to benefit from the postponement, the applicant or rightholder should file a request for extension of the relevant term with the Rospatent:

- not later than 1 month after the expiry of the deadline, or
- not later than one month from the effective date of the Resolution, which is 22 July 2020 (whichever is the later).

The new term for payment of fees in case of approval of the request by the Rospatent shall be 31 December 2020.

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