

**PATENTS REGULATIONS 1991 and TRADE MARKS REGULATIONS 1995**

**Application for Exemption  
Topic Group D - Trade Marks Practice  
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The Board is required to assess the studies you have undertaken against the following outcome in Schedule 5 to the Patents Regulations *and/or* reg 20.11 of the Trade Marks Regulations:

*Ability to advise and to handle the interests of a client in prosecution and maintenance of trade mark applications, including advice on the desirability of seeking trade mark protection and provision of alternative protection in Australia, New Zealand and other countries.*

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**Personal Details**

Full name:

Full address:

Employer:

Contact number:

Email address:

**Applying for exemption against the below regulation(s)**

Patents

Trade Marks

**Certified evidence submitted via email or through My eQuals\***

A certified copy of my academic transcript(s)

AND

Course outlines from the year I completed the courses within the past 10 years (eg handbook, course descriptions, unit outlines; maximum 50 pages). These outlines are referenced in the mapping.

**Mapping** (*applications received without mapping information will be returned for completion*)

**Details of the course of study** (*completed within the past 10 years*)

Subject Name and Number	University	Year Completed	Country

Topics Specified in guidelines	Equivalent topics in the course/s (must include AU and NZ content for Patent Attorney applicants)	Contact hours spent on the topic	Reference in annexed material to topics
a) classification systems			
b) searching			
c) types of application and registration			
d) trade marks office practice and procedures: (i) filing (ii) examination (iii) hearings (iv) opposition (v) evidence (vi) extension of time			
e) removal for non-use			
f) rectification			
g) registration of security interests			
h) border controls			
i) exploitation: (i) assignment (ii) licensing (iii) parallel imports (iv) managing a trade marks portfolio			
j) Misuse and criminal provisions			
k) International: (i) Treaties and Conventions (ii) The Madrid Protocol (iii) Regional systems (iv) Basic understanding of the principal differences between different systems including consideration of requirements to use, first-to-file versus first-to-use, post-acceptance versus pre-acceptance / registration opposition and renewal requirements Other classification systems (v) Unacceptable trade marks - restrictions on registrability (vi) Practice differences such as legalised and notarised documents, powers of attorneys.			

**Declaration by applicant**

I declare that all the information provided is true and correct.

Signature

Date

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