

COVID-19: Status of Patent and Trademark Offices Throughout the World			
Country/Region	Status	Deadlines	Notice Obtained From
Argentina	Administrative terms suspended	All administrative terms suspended from March 12, 2020 to October 11, 2020.	Marval O'Farrell Mairal – 9/22/2020
Africa	Headquarters open only from 8:30am until 1:30pm.	All deadlines falling between May 1, 2020 and May 31, 2020 are extended to July 15, 2020.	OAPI – 5/4/2020
Canada	Open for business.	All deadlines falling between March 16, 2020 and July 3, 2020 have been automatically extended until July 6, 2020.	Gowling WLG – 6/10/2020
Ethiopia	Reopened.	All deadlines extended until July 19, 2020.	EIPO – 5/6/2020
EU	Opened up the possibility of a special COVID-19 extension for between 1 and 6 months.	Deadlines will no longer be automatically extended further.	NJORD Law Firm – 5/15/2020
France	Offices closed to the public, but its online services are available.	Any IP-related deadline (except those resulting from international agreements or European texts) occurring between March 12, 2020 and June 23, 2020 are now postponed until July 23, 2020 if the initial deadline was one month, and until August 23, 2020 if the initial deadline was two months or more.	INPI – 5/15/2020
Italy	Requests for electronic or postal deposit of documents due to the closure of its offices.	All deadlines ending until May 15, 2020 are suspended. Registrations due for renewal until May 15, 2020 will remain valid until June 15, 2020. Thereafter renewal will have to be done until June 30, 2020.	CMS – 4/6/2020
Malaysia	Closed until June 9, 2020.	Deadlines (including renewals, opposition deadlines and Office Action responses) are suspended through June 16, 2020.	Morgan Lewis – 5/26/2020
Myanmar	Office of Registration and Deeds (ORD) have temporarily ceased accepting declarations.	Reregistration of old law marks or unregistered marks not possible until Declarations are again accepted, even though the new Department of	Tilleke & Gibbins – 9/15/2020

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		Intellectual Property is due to start on October 1, 2020	
Philippines		All deadlines that fall between May 1, 2020 and June 30, 2020 will be extended to July 30, 2020	Miller Canfield – 6/8/2020
Slovenia	The office no longer allows written and oral submissions, and requests all applications to be sent by email.	All hearings scheduled until July 1, 2020 have been adjourned. All deadlines are suspended until July 1, 2020 (except for urgent matters).	CMS – 4/6/2020
Turkey	Operational and accepting only online filings.	All deadlines as of March 13, 2020 have been frozen and extended to June 15, 2020.	JAH & Co. IP – 5/19/2020
U.K.	Premises closed. Currently unable to process paper forms, faxes and paper correspondence.	March 24, 2020 and subsequent days until June 22, 2020 are interrupted days. Deadlines which fall on an interrupted day will be extended until the IPO notifies the end of the interrupted days period.	Gov.UK – 5/29/2020
WIPO	Open for business	Failure to meet a deadline because of the failure or interruption of either delivery or electronic communications will be excused if the late communication reaches WIPO no later than six months after the original deadline and COVID-19 related issues are cited as the reason for the missed deadline.	Gowlingwlg – 4/27/2020