

16. Unless the Governor shall be of opinion that the order should be at once refused, he may instruct the Registrar to require the petitioner to deliver to the patentee, on or before a day to be named by the Registrar, copies of the petition and of the affidavits or statutory declarations and other documentary evidence, if any, tendered in support thereof.

17. Within twenty-one days after the day of such delivery to the patentee he shall leave at the Patent Office his affidavits or statutory declarations in opposition to the petition, and deliver copies thereof to the petitioner.

18. The petitioner, within twenty-one days from such delivery, may leave at the Patent Office affidavits or statutory declarations in reply, and in such case shall deliver copies thereof to the petitioner. Such last-mentioned affidavits or declarations shall be confined to matters strictly in reply.

19. Subject to any directions the Governor may give, the parties shall then be heard at such time before the Registrar or such other person or persons as the Governor may direct, but so that full opportunity shall be given to the patentee to show cause against the petition, and at the close of such hearing the Registrar or such other person or persons shall report thereon for the information of the Governor.

Transmission of Interest. Registration.

20. Where a person becomes entitled to a patent or to any share or interest therein by assignment, either throughout the colony or for any place or places therein, or by transmission or other operation of law, a request for the entry of his name in the register as such proprietor of the patent, or of such share or interest therein, as the case may be, shall be addressed to the Registrar, and left at the Patent Office.

21. Such request shall, in the case of individuals, be made and signed by the person requiring to be registered as proprietor, or by his agent, duly authorised to the satisfaction of the Registrar, and in the case of a body corporate by its principal officer or by its agent, authorised in like manner.

22. Every such request shall state the name, address, and description of the person claiming to be entitled to the patent, or to any share or interest therein, as the case may be, and the particulars of the assignment, transmission, or other operation of law, by virtue of which he requires to be entered in the register as proprietor, so as to show the manner in which, and the person or persons to whom, the patent, or such share or interest therein, as aforesaid, has been assigned or transmitted.

Documents of title.

23. Every assignment and every other document containing, giving effect to, or being evidence of the transmission of a patent, or affecting the proprietorship thereof, as claimed by such request, or certified copies of every such assignment or other document, shall be left at the Patent Office with such request, and such other proof of title as the Registrar may require.

Body corporate.

24. A body corporate may be registered as proprietor by its corporate name.

Orders of the Court.

25. Where the Court has made any order under the said Act affecting the registration, validity, or proprietorship of a patent, the person in whose favour such order has been made shall forthwith leave at the Patent Office an office-copy of such order, and thereupon the register of patents shall be rectified, or the purport of such order shall otherwise be duly entered in such register, as the case may be.

Entry of licenses.

26. A certified copy of every license granted under a patent shall be left at the Patent Office by the licensee, with a request that a notification thereof may be entered in the register.

Power to dispense with evidence.

27. Where, under these regulations, any person is required to do any act or thing, or to sign any document, or to make any declaration on behalf of himself or of any body corporate, or any document or evidence is required to be produced to or left with the Registrar, or at the Patent Office, and it is shown to the satisfaction of the Registrar that, from any reasonable cause, such person is unable to do such act or thing, or to sign such document, or make such declaration, or that such document or evidence cannot be produced or left as aforesaid, it shall be lawful for the Registrar, upon the production of such other evidence, and subject to such terms as he may think fit, to dispense with any such act or thing, document, declaration, or evidence.

Office copies of documents.

28. Applications for copies of documents or drawings must be accompanied by a deposit of such sum as the Registrar shall consider sufficient to cover the cost of copying. Copies of drawings are to be charged for according to the time occupied in each case.

Translations.

29. Documents in any language other than English, deposited in the Patent Office, must be accompanied by translations into English, verified by a statutory declaration, or certified to as correct by some person approved of by the Registrar.

Address and address for service.

30. Every petition, application, notice, and other document left at the Patent Office shall contain or be accompanied by a statement of an address within the Colony of New Zealand, to which all communications may be made by the Registrar, and such statement shall be binding upon the applicant until a substituted statement of address shall be furnished by him to the Registrar.

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