

SCHEDULES

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PATENTS: MISCELLANEOUS AMENDMENTS

Supplementary searches

- 3 (1) Section 17 of the Patents Act 1977 (preliminary examination and search) is amended as follows.
- (2) In subsection (7) (supplementary searches) for “subsection (4) above” substitute “subsections (4) and (5) above” and for “it applies” substitute “they apply”.
- (3) After that subsection add—
- “(8) A reference for a supplementary search in consequence of—
- (a) an amendment of the application made by the applicant under section 18(3) or 19(1) below, or
 - (b) a correction of the application, or of a document filed in connection with the application, under section 117 below,
- shall be made only on payment of the prescribed fee, unless the comptroller directs otherwise.”.