

Further Extension of Intellectual Property Timelines

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As governments continue to grapple with the lingering impact of the COVID-19 pandemic, on May 13, 2020, the Canadian Intellectual Property Office (CIPO) once again prolonged its automatic extension period for any deadlines fixed under the *Trademarks Act*, *Patent Act*, and the *Industrial Design Act*. Currently, any such deadlines falling between March 16, 2020 and May 29, 2020 have been extended to **June 1, 2020**. Once again, CIPO has noted that it may prolong the extension period beyond that date should these circumstances continue.

[The full text of the notice from CIPO can be found here.](#)

We will continue to monitor this situation and provide updates as soon as they become available.

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