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Request to reinstate a patent application
(*See the notes on the back of this form*)

1. Your reference

2. Patent application number

3. Full name of the applicant or of each application

Patents ADP number
(*if you know it*)

4. **The patent application was terminated because you failed to meet a legal requirement by the given deadline.**

Why did you fail to meet this requirement?
(*Continue on a separate sheet if necessary*)
(*See note c*)

On what date did you become able to meet this requirement?
(*see note d*)

5. I/We request the above application be reinstated

Signature

Date

6. Name, e-mail address, telephone, fax and/or mobile number, if any, of a contact point for the applicant

Notes

- a) *If you need help to fill in this form or you have any questions, please contact the Office on 0300 300 2000.*
- b) *Write your answers in capital letters using black ink or you may type them.*
- c) *You should provide supporting evidence with this form. If you do not, the Office will set a deadline for submitting the evidence.*
- d) *This date is important, because your request to reinstate the patent application can only be made within a limited time period. The request must be made by the earlier of:*
 - i) *2 months from the date on which it became possible for you to meet the legal requirement that had previously been missed (and which resulted in the termination of the patent application), or*
 - ii) *12 months from the date of termination of the patent application.*

In other words, as soon as the reason for not meeting the deadline has been removed, you have 2 months in which to request reinstatement, but only up to a maximum period of 12 months from the date of termination.

Example: An application was terminated because the applicant failed to file a particular form by the relevant deadline. The reason this happened was because the applicant's automated reminder system failed. The applicant later realises what has happened, and that the form should have been filed. They can file a request for reinstatement within 2 months of realising the problem – so long as it is no more than 12 months from the date of termination of the patent application.

- e) *Once you have filled in this form remember to sign and date it.*
- f) *For details of the fee and ways to pay, please contact the Office.*