
STATUTORY INSTRUMENTS

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The Patents Act 1977 (Amendment) Regulations 2011

Amendment of Patents Act 1977

2. After section 118 of the Patents Act 1977(1) insert—

“Copyright in documents made available electronically for inspection under section 118(1)

118A.—(1) This section applies to documents made available for inspection under section 118(1).

(2) Any copyright in the documents is not infringed by—

- (a) the making available to the public of the documents by electronic transmission in such a way that members of the public may access the documents from a place and at a time individually chosen by them, or
- (b) copying the documents for the purpose of facilitating the making available to the public of the documents as mentioned in paragraph (a).

(3) Nothing in this section is to be read as affecting the generality of any provision made by Chapter 3 of Part 1 of the Copyright, Designs and Patents Act 1988.”.