DESIGNS

1959 No. 1924

The Designs (Amendment) Rules, 1959

Made - - - -	16*th November*, 1959
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The Board of Trade, in pursuance of the powers conferred upon them by section 36 of the Registered Designs Act, 1949(a), and of all other powers enabling them in that behalf and after consultation with the Council on Tribunals in accordance with the requirements of section 8 of the Tribunals and Inquiries Act, 1958(b), hereby make the following Rules:—

1. The Designs Rules, 1949 and 1955(c), shall have effect subject to the amendment that in Rule 60, after paragraph (2), there shall be added the following paragraph:—

"(3) The hearing before the Registrar of any dispute between two or more parties relating to any matter in connection with a registered design shall be in public unless the Registrar, after consultation with those parties to the dispute who are represented at the hearing otherwise directs.".

2.—(1) These Rules may be cited as the Designs (Amendment) Rules, 1959, and shall come into operation on the 22nd day of February, 1960.

(2) These Rules and the Designs Rules, 1949 and 1955, may be cited together as the Designs Rules, 1949 to 1959.

Dated this 16th day of November, 1959.

John Rodgers,
Parliamentary Secretary
to the Board of Trade.

EXPLANATORY NOTE

(*This Note is not part of the Rules, but is intended to indicate their general purport.*)

These Rules, which come into operation on the 22nd February, 1960, amend the Designs Rules, 1949 and 1955, and require the Registrar to hear any dispute relating to a registered design in public unless, after consultation with the parties represented at the hearing, he otherwise directs. Hitherto the public have had no right of admission to such hearings.

(a) 12, 13 & 14 Geo. 6. c. 88. (b) 6 & 7 Eliz. 2. c. 66.
(c) S.I. 1949/2368, 1955/116 (1949 I, p. 1417; 1955 I, p. 639).