

Update to Patent Opposition Guidelines (2013 Act)

The IPONZ Hearings Office has recently updated its opposition guidelines for patent proceedings under the 2013 Act. These guidelines now clarify that a Statement of Case must be provided at the time of filing the Notice of Opposition for the opposition to be properly filed.

Unlike proceedings under the 1953 Act, IPONZ notes that an extension of time cannot be granted to an Opponent to file their Statement of Case beyond the extension already provided for by regulation 93(2).

[View our opposition guidelines for patent proceedings under the 2013 Act.](http://mbie8.cwp.govt.nz/about-ip/patents/hearings/the-role-of-the-iponz-hearings-office/opposition-to-grant-of-a-patent-2013/) (<http://mbie8.cwp.govt.nz/about-ip/patents/hearings/the-role-of-the-iponz-hearings-office/opposition-to-grant-of-a-patent-2013/>)

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