## <u>News story: Process for applying to</u> <u>register a trade mark</u>

To help our customers better understand how to apply for a trade mark, we've developed a trade mark timeline.

We've listened to your feedback following on from the successful introduction of the <u>patent grant timeline</u>, and we've now created the <u>trade mark timeline</u>.

This provides an overview of the process for applying to register a trade mark and gives an indication of your responsibilities and what happens next, once you've submitted your application.

Each stage of the process is hyperlinked, allowing access to relevant information easily and quickly.

This is intended to give an indication of the process only, and all timings are approximate and will vary according to each individual mark.