

## **Leaflet Trademarks in the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland**

### **Territory**

Trademark registrations for the United Kingdom cover England, Wales, Scotland, Northern Ireland and the Isle of Man.

### **Duration**

The duration of the registration of a mark is 10 years from the date of filing the application for registration and is indefinitely renewable for further 10 year periods.

### **Compulsory use**

On request by a third party, the registration may be revoked if the mark is not genuinely used in the United Kingdom by the registrant or with his/her consent, within 5 years from the registration date, or if such use is suspended for an uninterrupted period of 5 years or more, unless the delay or suspension is due to legitimate reasons, such as force majeure reasons. Affixing in the United Kingdom a mark on goods destined solely for export out of the United Kingdom or on the packaging of such goods is sufficient use. The burden of proof of use of a mark in any civil proceedings is upon the owner of the mark.

### **Marking**

Marking is not compulsory, but it is advisable to accompany the trade mark when it is used with ® or "Registered Trade Mark".

### **License**

A license should be registered in order to be effective as against third parties, and in order that the licensee shall be entitled to take infringement action. We recommend that you contact us in case you intend to grant a license under your trademark in the United Kingdom.